

This paper will help you select classes for the 2025-26 school year. This paper is only for reference. To select classes, all students will enter classes into SIS StudentVue at school; staff members will help you. This paper does not need to be returned. Event dates and deadlines will vary from school to school and will be communicated by elementary schools and staff.

Required Courses: All students are required to take: Health & Physical Education, English, History, Science, and Mathematics. You may choose to take these classes at the General Education or Honors level. Student currently in Advanced Math who are scheduled to take the Math 7 SOL in the 6th grade will get more information in the Spring and Summer about Alg HN and Math 7 HN.

General Education

- 712033/34 Health & PE 7
- 111000 English 7
- 235500 US History 7
- 311100 Mathematics 7
- 411500 Life Science

Honors

- 111036 English 7 HN
- 235536 US History 7 HN
- 311136 Mathematics 7 HN
- 411536 Life Science HN

Level IV Advanced Academic Classes

- If eligible, student will take: English, History, and Science AA Courses and select a math course. Information about Algebra HN will be shared in the Spring and Summer.

Students will be scheduled for 2 year-long electives, 1 year-long and 2 semester electives, or 4 semester electives. Elective placement is not guaranteed. Some students will be placed in academic elective classes based on progress, programming, or educational plan. All students will also pick back-up electives in case some classes are full or not offered based on enrollment. Year-long classes are not required.

Year-Long (YR) Elective Courses: Part A World Language courses require completion of the Part B course in the 8th grade to earn high school credit. Music placement will be based on audition. **Taking a year-long class is not required.**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 511300 French 1 Part A <input type="checkbox"/> 551300 Spanish 1 Part A <input type="checkbox"/> 587300 Korean 1 Part A
<i>(8th grade options: Latin, Spanish Her Spkrs 1 in 8th grade)</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 923210 Band <input type="checkbox"/> 923710 Orchestra <input type="checkbox"/> 926011 Soprano-Alto Chorus <input type="checkbox"/> 926012 Tenor-Bass Chorus <input type="checkbox"/> 982807 AVID (application required) |
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Students can wait until 8th or 9th grade to take a World Language course, or if they are fluent, they can take the World Language Credit Exam next year.

Semester (SM) Elective Courses: Some courses with an * require completion of an intro/pre-requisite course.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 139063 Speech Arts Apprec & Broadcasting <input type="checkbox"/> 139065 Technical Theatre Arts Appreciation <input type="checkbox"/> 139067 Theatre Arts Appreciation <input type="checkbox"/> 140032 Musical Theatre Appr. <input type="checkbox"/> 616032 Coding & Innovative Tech <input type="checkbox"/> 616062 Coding & Innovative Tech 2 * <input type="checkbox"/> 660932 Computer Solutions | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 826332 Family & Consumer Sciences 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 824432 Family & Consumer Sciences 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 846432 Engineering 1 Design & Modeling <input type="checkbox"/> 846332 Engineering 2 Sim and Fabrication * <input type="checkbox"/> 910532 Art Foundations <input type="checkbox"/> 910632 3D Art Exploration * <input type="checkbox"/> 911562 Computers in Art * <input type="checkbox"/> 980652 Leadership (application required) |
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Dear Parent and/or Guardian,

Welcome to the Katherine Johnson Family! Planning for the next school year has begun. Over the next few weeks, we hope to work with you and your child's teacher and counselor to assist in making educational decisions regarding course selections for the next school year. We are eager to partner to set your student up for success in the next school year and beyond!

In January and February, Katherine Johnson school counselors work with elementary students and school staff regarding course selections for 7th grade. On the back of this letter, you will find a course selection sheet that you and your student can use as reference during the process. Students will select courses for next year in class by entering them directly into SIS StudentVue. Event dates and deadlines will vary from school to school and will be communicated by elementary schools and staff. All 6th graders should have courses finalized in SIS by **February 7**.

Important Course Selection Information can be found on the Katherine Johnson Website under "Course Selection" or the "Choosing Courses for Next Year" button. The Katherine Johnson **Curriculum Night** for core and elective classes will be **January 16, 6:00pm – 8:00pm**. Details for events will be sent via email and will be on the KJMS website.

During the course selection process, you will have the ability to select the appropriate level of rigor for your student's core/required classes. KJMS offers General Education and Advanced Courses. Students who are eligible for Full Time Advanced Academic Services will automatically be enrolled in Advanced classes unless you select a combination of Honors and General Education classes. Any student who wants the increased rigor of an Advanced class can select one or more Honors classes. Should you need assistance, please be in touch with your student's teacher(s), counselor, or Katherine Johnson counselors.

Enrollment in honors classes is open to all students, and it is our hope that you will partner with your student's teacher(s) to make these important decisions. Students are encouraged to select courses based on progress in their current courses, academic strengths, teacher feedback, personal interests, and commitments outside of school. Math classes are sequential, we will share details about prerequisites and considerations at Curriculum Night. Advanced math in the 6th grade is NOT a pre-requisite for enrollment in Math 7 Honors in the 7th grade, and KJMS feels Math 7 HN is the best preparation for enrollment in Algebra in the 8th grade. We encourage you to include your math teacher or counselor in the decision-making process, especially if you feel your student will find more success in Math 7. Information about Algebra HN in the 7th grade will be shared in the Spring and Summer with eligible students. We ask that course selection be entered into SIS by February 7, but do allow for adjustments to core classes based on end-of-the-year data collected in the Spring.

The course catalog is available on the KJMS website. It lists the required and elective offerings for 7th and 8th grade students. It is very important to note the grade levels and prerequisites that are indicated for each course. Enrollment is limited to courses listed on this course selection sheet. Each student will take five (5) required classes to include: Health & Physical Education, English, Civics, Science, and Mathematics. In addition, students will have either two (2) year-long elective classes, four (4) semester elective classes, OR a combination of one (1) year-long and two (2) semester elective classes. Electives offer opportunities for support, enrichment, specialization, and exploration. Every effort will be made to place students in their top choices or alternate choices, but **elective placement is not guaranteed** due to class conflicts, specialized academic programming, and enrollment and staffing constraints. To help ensure academic success, elective support classes in numeracy, literacy, and organization will be scheduled for students based on progress and program services. If your student receives ESOL or Special Education services, **an elective class may be part of service delivery**. Course Selection choices can be seen in SIS Student and ParentVue and will be finalized over the summer. **No changes will be made after the last day of school this year**. In addition, elective schedule changes are not made once school has begun. Please be in touch with staff at Katherine Johnson with any questions you may have. We look forward to working with you and a great school year!

Katherine Johnson Middle School Student Services and Administrative Teams