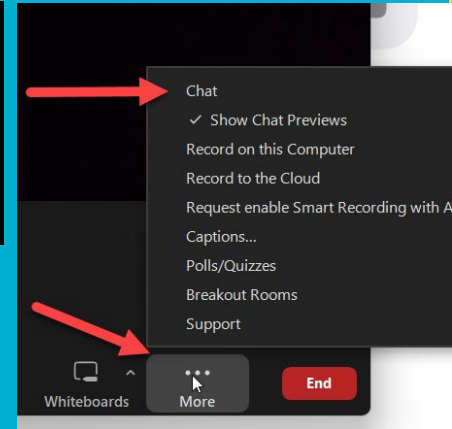
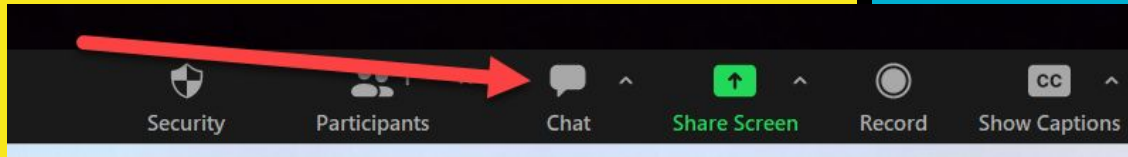


KJMS Curriculum Night

- Session starts at 6:00
- See KJMS Website Curriculum Night Event for links to all sessions, some will be added to chat
- Tech Check: you should hear music playing



Spanish sessions:
6:20 - Middle School Overview
7:05 - ESOL Program

Arabic sessions:
6:20 - ESOL Program
7:05 - Middle School Overview

Welcome New Eagles!



As Eagles We SOAR!

We are:

Socially Responsible

Open-Minded

Accountable

Respectful



**Katherine
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Middle School**

Good to Know:

- **KJMS Website: Search “Course Selection” for Course Catalog and Timelines**
 - **SIS Parent VUE Account needed to see FINAL Course Selection entries (under Course Request Button)**
 - **Spring Family Information Night - May 13, 5:30 - 6:30**
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Building Community

Post Secondary Preparation

Goal Development

Character Development

Organization & Time Management

FINDING YOUR PASSION

LEARNING FROM MISTAKES



of Middle School

How Classes/Courses in Middle School Work



Elementary School Classes v. Middle School Classes

Elementary School

-in homeroom with same kids and teacher most of the day

-all take the same core or required classes together

-have some specials with your class, sometimes with other kids

-some after school clubs and activities



Middle School

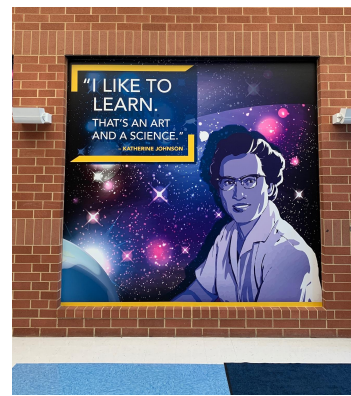
-have 7 (maybe more!) different teachers and periods, each class has different mix of students

-all students have core/required classes but can choose an advanced version if you are interested and want the challenge

-have elective class that support the transition to middle school, develop skills, and explore topics that may be new to you

-many after school clubs, activities, and academic support

Selecting Classes: Electives



What are you interested in?
 What would you like to try?
 What might you need to work on to improve?

For electives, there are many choices. You will tell us your **preferences** and we will work hard to make the best schedule for you that we can! Be Open-Minded about new experiences!

Sometimes we pick classes that will help the transition, are part of a program, or to keep you on track to graduate. We have many fun after school activities, sports, and clubs too!

1. Health and PE
2. English
3. Math
4. Science
5. Social Studies
6. Elective Class(es)
7. Elective Class(es)

Year	OR	Year	OR	Semester 1	Semester 2
Year		Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2

Selecting classes: Taking Advanced Courses

FCPS Goal:

Academic Growth and Excellence - progression towards, successful completion of advanced coursework

Honors is not “all or nothing.”

- You can take honors in any core class you choose, or no honors.
- You can begin honors any year, 7th, 8th, 9th, or change your mind.
 - For example, you can take English Honors in 7th THEN switch to English in 8th
- **Middle School is the ideal time to try Honors.**
- It depends on what is right for YOU.



IMPORTANT



Honors Classes

Open Access
to Honors
courses-
available in
four core
subjects -
anyone can
sign up!

Students
select Honors
in
1, 2, 3, or 4
core classes

Students learn
with others
who also
selected
advanced
courses

Teachers
differentiate
to meet
students'
academic
needs

Teachers
participate
in **AAP**
**Professional
Learning**

Students eligible for level IV AA services will automatically be placed in advanced level classes in 3 core content areas: English, Social Studies, Science

Honors Classes

- Open enrollment: students and families select classes in areas of strength or interest
- Increased depth and complexity
- Students may enroll in 1, 2, 3, or 4 Honors courses.

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Yes! You can
continue with Level
IV AA classes at
Katherine Johnson!



**DEVELOP
EXPERTISE**



**ENCOURAGE
INDEPENDENCE
& AUTONOMY**

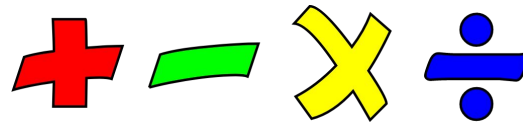


**INCREASE
RIGOR**



**MODIFY
STRUCTURE
OR PACE**

Selecting Core Classes: Math 7 HN or Math 7?



FCPS Goal: Academic Growth and Excellence - successful completion of Algebra by the 8th grade

Math 7 HN	Math 7
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Currently finding success in Math● Prepares students to take Algebra HN or Algebra in 8th grade● Includes Math 8 standards● Students will take Math 8 SOL test <p><i>*Math 7 HN is the default class for all students currently enrolled in Advanced Math. Decisions about Alg HN in the 7th grade will be shared in the Spring and Summer</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Currently needs several attempts to demonstrate mastery● Prepares students to take Pre-Alg or Algebra in th 8th grade● Includes Math 7 standards● Students will take Math 7 SOL test

Not sure what to take? Select the course that makes the most sense now and in the spring, KJMS will use data to help families finalize courses.

Other considerations for Honors classes



How do I decide which class(es) to take at the honors level?

- ❑ Consider your overall academic course load.
 - ❑ This includes high school credit courses, like Algebra HN
- ❑ Which subjects would I like to dig into a little more deeply?
- ❑ What's my favorite subject now?
- ❑ What classes might be a strength of mine?



There is no right or wrong choice.

We know that we can help you find success and have a great middle school experience no matter what you choose. Middle school is a great time to try Honors. You will be able to meet your high school goals no matter what class you choose.



Hablas español u otro idioma?



Español para Hablantes de Herencia en Octavo Grado

- Puedes mantener una conversación en español.
- Necesitas mejorar las habilidades de lectura y escritura.
- Interesado/a en un sello de alfabetización bilingüe en mi diploma

Examen de Credito de Idiomas Mundiales

- Puedes mantener una conversación en español o en otro idioma
- Puedes leer y escribir en otro idioma
- Interesado/a en un sello de alfabetización bilingüe en mi diploma
- Interesado/a en obtener créditos en un idioma que ya conozco bien

Las clases de Nivel A de 7mo grado y las clases de Nivel 1 de 8vo grado son para principiantes, si no eres principiante, ¡mira qué opciones tienes! ¿No estás seguro de qué llevar? Selecciona el curso que tenga más sentido y en la primavera, KJMS utilizará datos para ayudar a las familias a finalizar los cursos. No se requiere idioma mundial.

Do you speak Spanish or another language?



Spanish for Heritage Speakers in the 8th grade

- Can carry on a conversation in Spanish
- Reading and writing skills need improvement
- Interested in a Biliteracy Seal on my diploma

World Language Credit Exam

- Can carry on a conversation in Spanish or another language
- Can read and write in another language
- Interested in a Biliteracy Seal on my diploma
- Interested in earning credits in a language that I already know well

7th grade Level A classes and 8th grade Level 1 classes are for beginners, if you are not a beginner, see what options you have! Not sure what to take? Select the course that makes the most sense and in the spring, KJMS will use data to help families finalize courses. World Language is not required.

Events and Due Dates

Search Course Selection
on KJMS Website!

KJMS Virtual Curriculum Night

Jan 17, 6:00p - 8:00p

Selecting Classes - See Website

Entered into SIS Student Vue at school

- 6th graders - Feb 9
 - Each school will share lesson dates and deadlines
 - 7th graders - Feb 9
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How to get ready

Search **Course Selection** on
KJMS Website!



Select sessions tonight that you have questions about or that interest you.

Remember to keep an open-mind about elective classes.

Check out resources on the **KJMS Webpage** (search “course selection”)

Read about all of our courses in the course catalog on the **website**

Get and access your SIS Parent Vue Account

How to get ready



Make good choices, learn all you can for the rest of this year!

Follow the SOAR Traits so you can SOAR to success.

We got this!

See you soon!

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**Links for all sessions on KJMS Website -
Announcements or Course Selection**

Links for Special Sessions in Chat