



February 2, 2024

Dear 7th Grade Parents/Guardians:

It's hard to believe another school year is almost over and it is time for students to begin thinking about 8th grade at WMS! Please read through the following information and directions on how students make course selections in PowerSchool between **February 2-9**.

- Students will indicate whether they plan to take band or choir and if they wish to take a world language class. Students interested in Show Choir should choose **Choir**. Show Choir audition information will be sent out later this spring.
- Students may also indicate if they are interested in being part of the yearbook staff or the news/announcements team.
- After those preferences are made, students will be assigned a combination of elective classes to create their schedule. All elective courses are 9-weeks long except Band, Choir, Spanish I and French I, and closely align with the career pathways at the high school. All individual student support needs will be taken into account to determine the number of electives in each student's schedule. Schedules will be sent out in the spring via parent email for your review. Students may request changes for a limited time prior to the summer. Final schedules are made available August 1st via PowerSchool. They can also be picked up at our Back-to-School Open House (date/time TBD).
- All of this information can be found on our website at www.wmscounseling.com/scheduling. You can read about all of the classes offered at WMS in our [Course Description Catalog](#).
- Your child's counselor at WMS is assigned based on the alphabetical breakdown of last name:

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SCHEDULING STEPS & OPTIONS

Students will enter their selections into PowerSchool (see instructions below) by February 9th. Schedules will be emailed to parents in May along with instructions on how to request changes. Students will be able to view their final schedules in PowerSchool August 1, 2023.

1. Choose:

- Band
- Choir
- Both
- None

2. Choose:

- Spanish I (for high school credit)
- French I (for high school credit)
- None

3. The following are **possible** electives students **may** see in their schedules. Elective class offerings will be determined later in the spring. All elective courses are 9-weeks in length, except Band, Choir, Spanish I and French I

- FACS
- 2D Art
- 3D Art
- Exploring Music
- Medical Detectives (Grade 7 only)
- Study Skills
- Communication
- Exploring College and Careers
- Automation/Robotics (Grade 8 only)
- Computer Science
- Exploring Agriculture Science

HOW TO CHOOSE YOUR CLASSES IN POWERSCHOOL

- 1. Log into PowerSchool like you normally do. If you do not know how to do this, contact your counselor.**
- 2. Click on the "Class Registration" button along the left-hand side of the screen.**
- 3. Follow the directions on the form.**

EXAMPLE SCHEDULES

Band/Choir OR Full-Year World Language Option

1. Language Arts
2. Math
3. Science
4. Social Studies
5. Wellness
6. Band/Choir/Spanish I/French I
7. Q1 Elective
Q2 Elective
Q3 Elective
Q4 Elective

NO Band/Choir AND NO Full-Year World Language Option

1. Language Arts
2. Math
3. Science
4. Social Studies
5. Wellness
6. Q1 Elective
Q2 Elective
Q3 Elective
Q4 Elective
7. Q1 Elective
Q2 Elective
Q3 Elective
Q4 Elective

Band/Choir AND Full-Year World Language Option

1. Language Arts
2. Math
3. Science
4. Social Studies
5. Wellness
6. Band/Choir
7. Spanish I/French I