HAMILTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

Registration for 7th Grade

Mrs. Zeutschel
6th Grade Counselor

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Counseling Information
3. Academic Planning
4. 6th to 7th Grade Registration
    a. Academic Courses
    b. Electives
    c. P.E./Athletics
    d. Level One Courses
3. Gearing Up For The Future
    a. Preparing for High School
    b. High School Graduation Plan
4. Closure

COUNSELORS CAN HELP

Confidentiality and Safety
- No harassment policy
- If you are being harassed, tell an adult (teacher, counselor, assistant principal)

Crisis
- A life threatening situation
- Tell an adult immediately

Assistance with…
- Academics (i.e. grades, tutoring, conferences, etc.)
- Career exploration and future planning

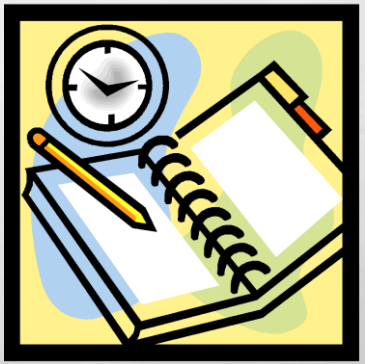
Counselor's Corner
- Students can visit with the counselor on duty during all lunches
- When necessary, students can request a pass to see their counselor
- Provide information about programs, grade level opportunities, testing

Enjoy the Ride!

- Family dinners
- Family game night
- Check those phones
- Social media usage
- Balance
- College applications are more than GPA
- Your children are only children once

TODAY WE ARE GOING TO TALK ABOUT…

- Moving on to 7th Grade
- Academic Planning



BEFORE WE GET STARTED…

- **Credit** – a unit showing a student has successfully completed a high school course; each passing semester of a course earns 0.5 credits
- **GPA** – Grade Point Average; cumulative; higher GPAs may result in more college & scholarship opportunities
- **Fine Arts** – music, art or theater arts
- **Foreign Language** – any language other than English

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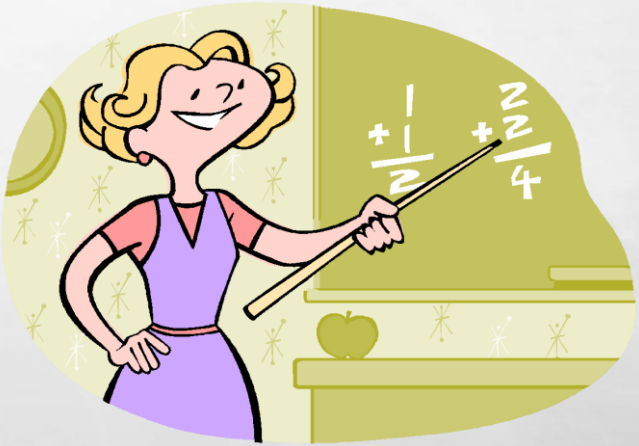
MOVING ON TO 7TH GRADE

Classes for Next Year

7TH GRADE SCHEDULE

1. Language Arts
2. Texas History
3. Science
4. Advisory
5. Math
6. P.E. or Athletics
7. Elective
8. Elective



K - LEVEL COURSES

- Students currently in a K-Level course will be able to continue in the K-Level course as long as they maintain a 75+ average for the second semester.

- Students interested in going into a K-Level course for the first time must have an 85+ yearly average in the previous on-level course.

K - LEVEL COURSES

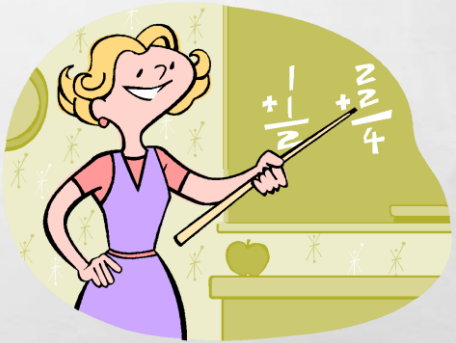
- Students can also become eligible for K-Level courses if they earn Masters Grade Level on their STAAR test for reading or math.

- Moving up to K-Level math will require both summer school and an 85+ yearly average.

MATH SEQUENCE FOR STUDENTS IN L-LEVEL COURSES

Middle School

Grade 6 – On level Math
Grade 7 – On level Math
Grade 8 – Pre-Algebra



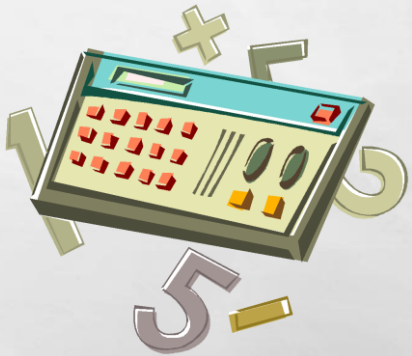
High School

Grade 9 – Algebra I
Grade 10 – Geometry
Grade 11 – Algebra II or Additional Math
Grade 12 – Pre-Calculus or Advanced Math

MATH SEQUENCE FOR STUDENTS IN K-LEVEL COURSES

Middle School

Grade 6 – Level 1 Math
Grade 7 – Pre-Algebra
Grade 8 – Algebra I



High School

Grade 9 – Geometry
Grade 10 – Algebra II
Grade 11 – Pre-Calculus
Grade 12 – Calculus or 5th Math

READING WORKSHOP AND MATH LAB

Reading Workshop and/or **Math Lab** will be required courses for some students based not meeting the grade level standard for STAAR tests. They will take the place of a regular elective.

This is why it's important to do your best! ☺

P.E./ATHLETICS

7th Grade students are required to take a full year of P.E. or athletics. You may take one full year of athletics if you are planning to play a sport.

Students may choose **one** of the following options:

- One full year of P.E.
- One full year of athletics (Available sports include cross country, football, basketball, volleyball and track.)
- Off-Campus P.E.

(Off Campus P.E. applications can be obtained from the counselor's office. The application deadline is May 1st.)

***You MUST have a doctor's physical to participate in athletics**

SEVENTH GRADE ELECTIVES

Full Year Courses

- Band
- Choir
- Orchestra
- Beginning Theatre Arts
- Intermediate Theatre Arts
- Principles of Applied Engineering**

- Beginning Art
- Advanced Art
- Spanish I**
- Mandarin I **
- Spanish for Native Speakers I**
- Principles of Human Services**
- Yearbook

**High School Credit Course

SEVENTH GRADE ELECTIVES

Semester Courses

- Art Design
- Exploring Foods and Fabrics
- Touch System Data Entry: Keyboarding**
- Coding and Robotics

**High School Credit Course

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT COURSES OFFERED AT HAMILTON

Full Year Electives

- Art I*
- Spanish, or Chinese I & II*
- Spanish for Native Speakers I & II/III*
- Principles of Applied Engineering
- Principles of Manufacturing*
- Principles of Architecture*
- Principles of Human Services
- Principles of Hospitality/Tourism*
- Touch System Data Entry: Keyboarding
- Principles of Information Technology*

*these classes are only offered to students in 8th grade

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

Beginning Theatre Arts

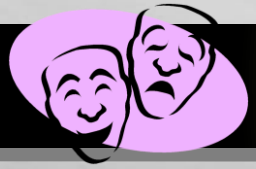
- Theatre teacher recommendation or audition required
- Full year course

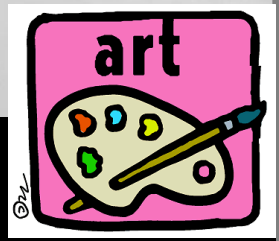
Intermediate Theatre Arts

- 6th grade Th. Arts during the previous year
- **Theatre teacher recommendation or audition required**
- This is a full year competition course.

Advanced Art

- 6th grade Art, Art/Music rotation during 6th grade or prior portfolio approval by art teacher
- **Art teacher recommendation required**
- Full year course





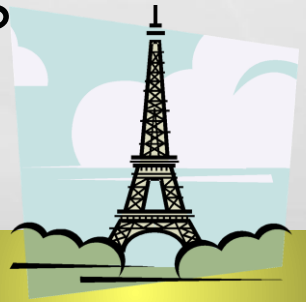
FOREIGN LANGUAGE QUALIFICATIONS

Spanish I or Chinese I

Second semester average of 80+ in 6th grade on-level language arts or 75+ in K-level or HORIZONS language arts

Spanish for Native Speakers I

- Spanish language background
- Placement test



CFISD Spanish for Spanish Speakers

NATIVE SPEAKER SPANISH TESTING

FEBRUARY 13th

STestSignUp

Scan & sign up for testing by 2/6/23!

Top 5 Reasons to Take Spanish *for Spanish Speakers!*

1. Receive **3** high school credits in only **2** years... (while it takes everyone else 3 years)!
2. GET A **PERFORMANCE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT** IN **BILINGUALISM & BILITERACY**!
3. Receive your **ARTS & HUMANITIES ENDORSEMENT** (while it takes everyone else 4 years!)
4. Earn **UNIVERSITY OR COLLEGE CREDITS** in Year 3 and save lots of $$$ on college tuition.
5. You'll be on the fast track to earn a least a minor in Spanish!

OTHER QUALIFYING CRITERIA

Yearbook

- Applications available in Counseling Office
- Teacher recommendation
- Full year elective
- Can take 7th and 8th grade

Registration Link

Registration is available online through a Google Link below. You will receive an email with the link and QR code.

Mark your elective choices by selecting your first, second, third, and fourth choices in each section. Remember, you must have a total of 4 **semesters** of electives. 4 ½ courses or 2 full year courses

https://forms.gle/cVWP6iCHZU96a4v89

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT…

- If you choose a full-year **elective**, you are required to stay in that class ALL year
- If you sign up for full-year **ATHLETICS**, you MUST participate in a sport and remain in the class ALL year

Choose wisely…absolutely NO changes will be made!

ACADEMIC PLANNING

Six Year High School Graduation Plan

GEARING UP FOR THE FUTURE

- As a STUDENT, your job is to LEARN!
- Registration is part of your academic planning.
- Becoming familiar with current high school graduation requirements will help you choose classes for 7th grade.
- You can take some high school credit classes in middle school.

LET'S DISCUSS SOME NEW TERMS…

- **Endorsement** – an area of study; similar to a major in college
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LOOKING AHEAD TO HIGH SCHOOL…

- You will need 22 **credits** plus 4 additional credits required for an **endorsement** to graduate from high school
- You can earn some credits NOW in middle school

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

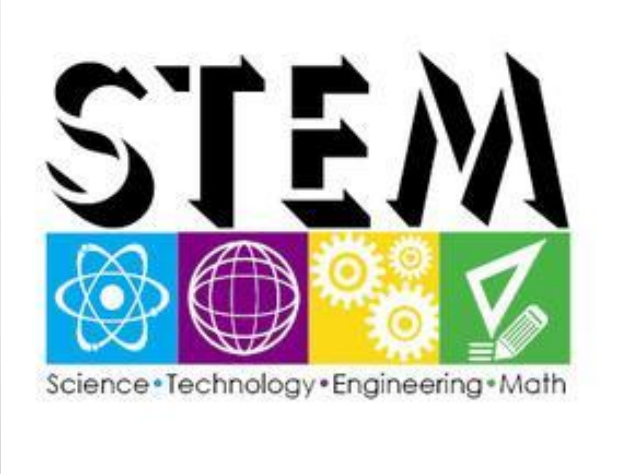
- When you enter high school, you will graduate under the **Foundation High School Program** (FHSP) AND earn an endorsement.
- An **endorsement** is like an area of study.
- You must choose your endorsement during registration in 8th grade.
- You will need to pass 5 STAAR end-of-course tests in high school.

THE ENDORSEMENTS

- STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering & Math)
- Business and Industry
- Arts and Humanities
- Public Services
- Multidisciplinary Studies

There are many different options within each endorsement that you can choose from in order to complete the necessary requirements.

STEM



- Careers in Science, Technology (including computer science), Engineering, & advanced Math

BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY

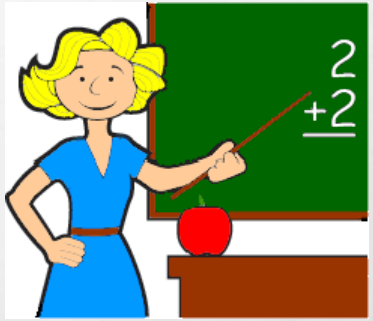
- Careers in information technology, database management, marketing, accounting, finance, graphic design, construction, welding, automotive technology, agriculture, hospitality & tourism (Culinary Arts)

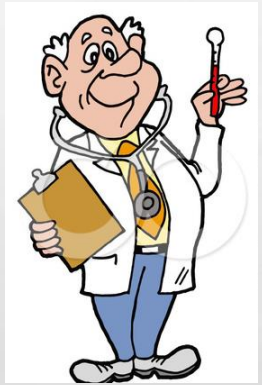
ARTS AND HUMANITIES

- Political science, literature, world languages, cultural studies, history & fine arts

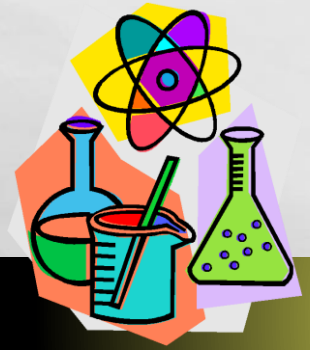
PUBLIC SERVICES

- Careers in health science occupations, education, human services (child guidance, cosmetology), JROTC





MULTIDISCIPLINARY STUDIES



- This endorsement provides students the opportunity to take a variety of courses from each of the other four endorsement areas.

Courses	**Foundation**	**+ Endorsement**
English I–IV	4	
Math	3	+1 additional math course
Science	3	+1 additional science course
Social Studies	3	
PACE or PACE Plus	½-1	
P.E./Equivalent	1	
Health	½	
Foreign Language	2	
Fine Arts	1	
Electives	4	+2 additional electives
Total Credits	**22**	**26**

*Some of these classes you may take in middle school

CREATING A SIX-YEAR PLAN

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5
Health	.5
Physical Ed.	1
Foreign Lang.	2
Fine Arts	1
Electives	*+ 2*
	26

Five/Six-Year Plan Name_____ I.D. _____

Foundation Plus Endorsement Graduation Plan **Endorsement**_____ [REVISED 2/8/2017]

See the High School Course Description Book online at *www.cfisd.net.* Click on Parent/Student and then click on Curriculum. Select Course Description Booklet HS for high school requirements and additional information on classes.		9th Grade (Freshman Year)	10th Grade (Sophomore Year)	11th Grade (Junior Year)	12th Grade (Senior Year)
		English I (1 credit)	English II (1 credit)	English III (1 credit)	English IV (1 credit)
		Algebra I (1 credit)	Geometry (1 credit)	Additional math course (1 credit)	Additional math course (1 credit)
If you will take or have taken Algebra I in 8th grade >>>>>>		Geometry (1 credit)	Additional math course (1 credit)	Additional math course (1 credit)	Additional math course (1 credit)
High School Credit Courses taken/will take in 7th	**High School Credit Courses** taken/will take in 8th	Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	Additional science course (1 credit)	Additional science course (1 credit)
		World Geography **or** World History* (1 credit)	*	U. S. History (1 credit)	Government **and** Economics (1 credit)
		Pace (1/2 credit)			
		Health (1/2 credit)			
		Languages other than English (2 credits required)**			
		Physical Education (1 credit)***			
		Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
		Electives (6 credits)			
		Total Credits for Graduation			**26**

*May be taken either year. **May be taken in middle school or any years in high school. Middle School fine arts only includes Art I.
***May be taken any year in high school. One year of athletics, ROTC, 2 Years of marching band, cheerleading, or drill team (see course description book)
Reminder: Algebra II must be taken in order to earn the Distinguished Level of Achievement.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
If you will take Algebra in 8th → **Geometry (1 credit)**	*3rd Math (1 credit)*	*4thMath (1 credit)*	*5thMath (1 credit)*
Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5

ENGLISH – 4 CREDITS

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
If you will take Algebra in 8th → **Geometry (1 credit)**	*3rd Math (1 credit)*	*4thMath (1 credit)*	*5thMath (1 credit)*
Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5

MATH – 4 CREDITS

If you will take Algebra in 8th →

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
Geometry (1 credit)	*3rd Math (1 credit)*	*4thMath (1 credit)*	*5thMath (1 credit)*
Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English 4

Math 3 *+ 1*

Science 3 *+ 1*

Social Studies 3

PACE .5

SCIENCE – 4 CREDITS

If you will take Algebra in 8th →

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
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Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5

SOCIAL STUDIES – 3 CREDITS

If you will take Algebra in 8th →

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
Geometry (1 credit)	*3rd Math (1 credit)*	*4thMath (1 credit)*	*5thMath (1 credit)*
Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

Foundation High School Program *Plus Endorsement* Required Courses

English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5

*May be taken either in 9th or 10th grade.

OTHER REQUIRED COURSES

If you will take Algebra in 8th →

9th Grade *Freshman Year*	10th Grade *Sophomore Year*	11th Grade *Junior Year*	12th Grade *Senior Year*
English I (1 credit)	**English II (1 credit)**	**English III (1 credit)**	**English IV (1 credit)**
Algebra I	**Geometry**	3rd Math (1 credit)	*4th Math (1 credit)*
Geometry (1 credit)	*3rd Math (1 credit)*	*4thMath (1 credit)*	*5thMath (1 credit)*
Biology (1 credit)	IPC, Chemistry or Physics (1 credit)	3rd Science (1 credit)	*4th Science (1 credit)*
World Geography **or** World History (1 credit)*		**U.S. History (1 credit)**	**U.S. Gov't (.5 credit) Economics (.5 credit)**
PACE (.5 credit)			
Health (.5 credit)			
Languages other than English (2 credits)**			
Physical Education (1 credit)***			
Fine Arts (1 credit)**			
Electives (6 credits)			

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English	4
Math	3 *+ 1*
Science	3 *+ 1*
Social Studies	3
PACE	.5

*May be taken either in 9th **or** 10th grade.

INTERESTED IN TAKING HIGH SCHOOL COURSES IN MIDDLE SCHOOL?

Information on classes you can take in Summer School will not be available until the beginning of April

LOOKING AHEAD: COLLEGE ACADEMY

- Available at all CFISD High Schools
- College Academy is a partnership between CFISD & Lone Star
- Eligible student may earn a HS diploma AND an Associate of Science Degree within grades 9-12

COLLEGE ACADEMY

- Students apply during the spring of 8th grade.
- Eligibility requirements include
  - 80+ average in Algebra I
  - 80+ average in K-Level/Horizons Language Arts

For more info see CFISD.net
Parents & Students
Academics
College-Career-Readiness

REMEMBER…THIS IS JUST A PLAN!

I hope this framework can help you plan for your future. You can do **anything** you set your mind to!

Best wishes,

Mrs. Zeutschel

NO SCHEDULE CHANGES……

Schedules **will not be changed** after the last day of school.

You are married for 1 year to your elective/PE choices!
No Divorces = No elective changes

DEADLINE: April 30, 2023

WOW…TIME FLIES!
YOU'RE ALMOST A 7TH GRADER!

*Complete the Online Registration form by **March 8th**

*Form link will be emailed through School Messenger

Questions?

Counselors are available to answer simple questions, but please use the QR code below for complex questions