

# Spring Creek Middle School

## Registration for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

We are excited to have all of our eighth graders join us for the next school year! Eighth graders have several options in electives, so it is important to choose which classes you would like to be a part of. Use this form to help you select which classes you would like to take next year and then use PowerSchool to request courses.

### Directions for Registering for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Below is a listing of the classes you may take in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

1. Section One lists all the required courses. Every student will register for these.
2. Section Two shows math course options. Students should register for either Math 8 or Math 8 Honors.
3. Section Three shows your choices for elective classes. Selections must total FOUR trimesters.

### I. Required Courses (Taken by ALL 8<sup>th</sup> graders)

✓	Course	Trimesters	Comments
✓	Language Arts 8	3	8 <sup>th</sup> grade language arts core curriculum
✓	Writing Extension 8	1	Extension of language arts curriculum
✓	Science 8	3	8th grade science core
✓	U.S. History	2	Two trimester course in history of our nation
✓	Digital Literacy	1	Increase keyboarding skills
✓	P.E. 8	1	Uniforms and gym shoes are required

### II. Required Math Course (Choose One)

✓	Course	Trimesters	Comments
	Math 8	3	Math 8 and honors math address the integrated math curriculum for 8 <sup>th</sup> grade
	Math 8 Honors	3	

### III. Elective Courses (Selections must total FOUR trimesters)

✓	Course	Trimesters	Comments
	Beginning Orchestra (no prior experience)	3	Must provide instrument or rent from school
	Intermediate Orchestra (see back for details)	3	Must provide instrument or rent from school
	Advanced Orchestra (see back for details)	3	Must provide instrument or rent from school
	Beg. Band – Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion	3	Must provide instrument or rent from school; contact Mr. Hatch for more information
	Intermed. Band – Brass/Woodwinds/Percussion	3	
	Beginning Spanish	2	Introduction to Spanish
	Intermediate Spanish	2	Intermediate Spanish ( <b>must have taken Beginning Spanish</b> )
	Beginning French	2	Introduction to French
	Intermediate French	2	
	Intro to Theatre	1	Introduces students to the arts of theatre including acting, directing, playwriting and design.
	Chorus 8	1	Course for boys and girls in vocal music
	Guitar	1	Introduction to guitar performance
	Art 8	1	Course in art appreciation, principles & creation
	Ceramics 8	1	Course in creating ceramics and prints
	Journalism	1	Introductory course to debate and speech
	P.E. 8 B (elective)	1	8 <sup>th</sup> graders may take an additional P.E. class as elective
	Intro to Python 1 (Coding)	1	Introduction course on computer coding
	Intro to Python 2 (Coding)	1	<b>Must have taken Intro Python 1</b>
	Peer Tutor	1	Students help with Mrs. Hackwell's classes and special needs students. Must be extremely responsible!

**Sometimes things don't work out. Please select two alternates that you may like, just in case (not Teacher Aide/Peer Tutor)**

<b>Alternate 1:</b>	<b>Alternate 2:</b>
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**Note:** Elective classes are based on student enrollment. Students should choose their classes carefully based on advice from parents and teachers. Changes in class schedules will be very limited after the school's master schedule is completed. If you have concerns with next year's classes please offer input prior to April 25. A Parental Input Form can be found in the main office, the counseling office, or online at <https://www.ccsdut.org/Page/3409>. You may also schedule an appointment with the counselor directly, 753-6200.

# **Band and Orchestra**

For students interested in music, Spring Creek Middle School offers a variety of classes for those who wish to participate in band or orchestra.

## ***Beginning Orchestra***

Beginning orchestra is for students who have not been involved with Mountain West Strings or had private lessons. Students will learn the basics of instrument position, note reading, scale and finger patterns, ear training and basic tone production and bowing technique.

## ***Intermediate Orchestra***

Must have taken 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade orchestra or private lessons. Students will review and strengthen ear training and playing in an ensemble, reading and demonstrating increasingly more difficult finger patterns and scales including G, D, C, A, F and related minor keys.

## ***Advanced Orchestra***

Must have taken 4 years of orchestra with proficiency in the keys of C, G, D, A, F, Bb, Eb. Students will learn to recognize by sound and sight major and minor intervals, understand the circle of 5ths, key signatures and play increasingly difficult music both technically and musically.

## ***Band (Brass and Percussion or Woodwinds)***

Students who wish to begin band may select either brass, percussion, or woodwinds ensemble as their elective course for 7<sup>th</sup> grade. These are beginning band courses that will teach students basic music fundamentals while learning a new instrument. Students should select the ensemble in which their preferred instruments participate, so please ask if there is any question.