

Mandeville Junior High Electives 2018-19

- Band** Beginning Band Open to 7th and 8th grade students with no prior instruction. Learn a brass, percussion or woodwind instrument. Primary focus is on learning how to read music and playing skills. There is a possible performance opportunity in the spring concert. Course fee \$10.
- Intermediate Band Open to 7th and 8th students who have had one or two years of band instruction. Primary focus is on improving reading and playing skills. Students are expected to participate in various performances throughout the year including, but not limited to, home football games, winter concert, adjudicated concert festivals and spring concert. Course fee \$35.
- Broadcast** Broadcast I Open to 7th and 8th grade students. This is an introductory course for students interested in being part of the Patriot TV (PTV) broadcast team. Students will learn about media journalism, interviewing, script writing, production software, photography, and videography. Students will work on pictures and information slides to be shown in the school's media displays and on features to be aired in the school's broadcasts. Students must submit an application to be considered for one of the limited number of spots available. Students are chosen based on application information, teacher recommendations, grades, and behavior history. Applications can be picked up in the MJH, TMS and LHMS front office.
- Chorus** Introduction to Chorus Open to 7th and 8th grade students; no audition is required. The choir participates in local and national choir festivals and performs several concerts each year. Some after school rehearsals are required. Students are expected to participate in all choir events. Choir helps to build organizational skills, social skills and student's self-esteem.
- Family and Consumer Science I**** Open to 7th and 8th grade students. This course is composed of units consisting of food & nutrition, food preparatory labs, personal development, social etiquette, careers in family & consumer science, housing, hand sewing, clothing, machine sewing and consumer education. Students are required to purchase additional materials throughout the year such as fabric, cooking supplies and sugar or egg baby supplies. *This course is offered for 1 Carnegie Unit for high school credit and has attendance requirements.* Course fee \$5.
- French** Exploratory French Open to 7th and 8th grade students. Students will focus on verbal expression and receptive language skills. During the second half of the year, French students begin with an introduction to French grammar. Activities include dialogues, skits and hands on learner-centered projects. Culture and history are also integrated into learning activities.
- Gateway to Technology (GTT)** GTT Open to 7th and 8th grade students. Gateway To Technology offers a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) curriculum for middle school students based on national standards. Students receive career readiness and real world, hands-on learning experiences through the use of CAD software, robotics, and other vital introductory engineering skills. Critical thinking and problem solving skills are essential as students create ideas in a collaborative and cooperative way. Students must complete an additional application for GTT, including teacher recommendations, to be eligible for the class.
- Guitar** Open to 7th and 8th grade students. Open to any student who is a beginner on guitar and wishes to learn to read and play music. Students must have their own acoustic guitar.

Journey to Careers**

Open to 7th and 8th grade students. Students explore careers and become aware of the required educational experiences necessary to achieve their academic, social, and career goals. Through this course, students answer three essential questions: What are My Interests (Who Am I), What are My Goals (Where Am I Going), and How Do I Achieve My Goals (How Do I Get There)? *This course is offered for Carnegie Unit for high school credit and has attendance requirements.*

Keyboarding-Keyboarding Applications**

Open to 7th and 8th grade students. The class is divided into 2 semesters for high school credit. The first semester has an emphasis on learning the keyboard. This includes skills tests requiring knowledge of all keys on the keyboard using proper form and typing techniques. The second semester, Keyboarding Applications, has a prerequisite of Keyboarding from the first semester. The second semester will build on keyboarding skills and add applications of creating, editing and formatting various business documents. Both courses will include the use of Microsoft Office applications with an emphasis on learning how to format and add formulas to Excel. The course will also introduce basic coding in BASIC, HTML, and JavaScript. *This course is offered for 1 Carnegie Unit for high school credit and has attendance requirements.*

Piano Keyboarding

Keyboard (Level I / Beginners) Open to both 7th and 8th grade students; Students should have little or no piano experience to enter this class. Head phones are required. There are two concerts (winter and spring) performed each year. Students learn musical knowledge through music reading and playing. Hand techniques are also taught. Electric piano keyboard is provided by the Music Department for the students.

Spanish

Exploratory Spanish Exploratory Spanish is open to 7th and 8th grade students. Students will focus on Spanish basic language skills: reading, writing, listening, and speaking, and will acquire knowledge about Spanish culture and history. Furthermore, course activities include very active and engaging hands-on learner-centered speaking and writing presentations and projects. Second semester, students are expected to continue to build on prior knowledge and skills to become more proficient users of the language.

Study Skills

Open to 7th and 8th grade students. This course is designed for students having difficulties managing coursework or completing assignments. This course includes study skills development, academic coursework, paperwork management, assignment completion, literacy development across the curriculum, and word processing skills. Individual needs are addressed.

Test Prep

Open to 7th and 8th grade students. Test Prep elective is a class where lessons are designed to target specific skills found on the standardized tests. In this class, the students learn basic skills in language arts or math or both. Testing strategies and practice tests are given to better prepare the students for state tests. Computer programs like Achieve 3000 and ALEKS, may be used to individualize skills and concepts so learning targets the individual student's needs. Indicate on the elective form whether you would like English only, math only or the combination of both.

World Geography**

Open to 7th and 8th grade students. This course is a challenging academic course that follows the high school curriculum and requires daily preparation. This course is a study of countries and regions of the world and their characteristics. The study identifies places in terms of their physical features (climate, land forms, resources) and their human features (economics, political organization, culture.) Students considering this course should score "Mastery" or above on the Social Studies LEAP test and/or have a 3.0 average. *This course is offered for 1 Carnegie Unit for high school credit and has attendance requirements.*

**Mandeville Junior High Elective Choice
2018-19**

Grade Level for 2018-19 **7th**

Student Last Name(Print) _____ First (Print) _____

Please select 3 choices by putting the number (1st 2nd and 3rd) in the blank next to your choice.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Beg Band | <input type="checkbox"/> FACS I** | <input type="checkbox"/> Journey to Careers** | <input type="checkbox"/> Study Skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Int Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Exp French | <input type="checkbox"/> Keyboarding and Apps** | <input type="checkbox"/> Test Prep Combo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broadcast I | <input type="checkbox"/> GTT I | <input type="checkbox"/> Piano Keyboard Level I | <input type="checkbox"/> Test Prep ELA |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intro to Chorus | <input type="checkbox"/> Guitar | <input type="checkbox"/> Exp Spanish | <input type="checkbox"/> Test Prep Math |
| | | | <input type="checkbox"/> World Geography** |

Students are enrolled in one elective each year and attend class daily.

**Denotes that this high school Carnegie Unit may be taken in 7th grade or 8th. There are additional attendance requirements.

For high school Carnegie Unit classes, each semester grade will become part of the high school transcript

If your child has a current IEP for Talented Art, Music and/or Theater, those students will be pulled out of PE two or three times a week for that class.

If choosing ANY section of BAND, please indicate which instrument _____

Student Signature _____ Parent Signature _____

Daytime Phone _____ Date _____

