



CHARLES S. RUSHE MIDDLE SCHOOL

2023 - 2024

Name: _____
Last name First name

Pasco Student ID: _____

GRADE 8

School Last Attended: _____
School City State

8th Grade Requirements: Teachers must initial for each course requested below:

Traditional Level Courses

- _____ M/J Language Arts III
- _____ M/J World History
- _____ M/J Comprehensive Science III
- _____ M/J Grade 8 Pre-Algebra

Advanced Level Courses

- _____ M/J Language Arts III, Advanced
- _____ M/J World History, Advanced
- _____ M/J Science III, Advanced
- _____ Physical Science Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)
- _____ Algebra I Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)

High School Courses (1.0 credits)

- _____ Geometry Honors*
- _____ Algebra II Honors* @SLHS

*Prerequisite course completion is required (i.e. Alg. before Geom.)

Advanced Course Criteria: Placement in advanced courses will be based on grades in previous classes, standardized test scores, and teacher recommendations. Placement in HS Math and Science require 6th and 7th grade accelerated participation and satisfactory progress. *A Parent/Teacher Conference is required to move down a level once classes begin.*

Self-Contained Gifted Classes

Please disregard this section if your child has not yet qualified for gifted services in Pasco County. Teachers must initial approved courses:

Traditional Gifted Accelerated Courses

- ___ M/J Gifted Language Arts III
- ___ M/J Gifted World History
- ___ Physical Science Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)
- ___ Algebra I Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)

Additional Acceleration

- ___ Geometry Honors* (HS course 1.0 credit)
 - ___ Algebra II Honors* (HS course 1.0 credit) @SLHS
- *Prerequisite course completion is required (i.e. Alg. before Geom.)

Students electing to not take all Gifted courses offered (E/LA, WH, Science) may not receive an approval for School Choice Placement at CSRMS when selecting 'Self-Contained Gifted' as the reason for requesting placement.

Electives - Rank order 1-6, in order of choice, 1 being top pick. Students have 2 periods of electives per calendar year. If you select a semester course, select another semester course to pair it with. If you select any year-long courses, a PE waiver must be on file. Satisfactory passing of prerequisite, previous year's E/LA and Math courses, and a FAST score of at least 3 or higher are required for high school level elective courses.

Semester Courses

- _____ 2D Art (offered semester 1)
- _____ 3D Art (offered semester 2)
- _____ Exploration of Aerospace Technology (offered semester 2)
- _____ Exploration of Health Science Professions
- _____ Exploration of Robotics Technologies
- _____ Exploring Technology and Career Planning (offered semester 1)
- _____ Intro Arts A/V, Tech & Communications
- _____ Physical Education *PE is a required course.
(PE waivers are available on back of form.)

Year-long Courses

- _____ Band
- _____ Chorus
- _____ Creative Writing
- _____ Guitar
- _____ Theatre
- _____ Musical Theatre (prereq: Chorus and/or Theatre)
- _____ 3D Studio Art (prereq: 2D&3D Art)
- _____ Computer Applications in Business 1 & 2
(CAB1 and CAB2 MUST be completed consecutively within the same year)

HS (1.0) Credit Earning Electives

- _____ Digital Information Technologies I
- _____ Medical Skills Services I (prereq: Exp. of Health)
- _____ Spanish I
- _____ Spanish II (prereq: Spanish I)

CSRMS School Counselor must complete below regarding Accelerated Literacy, Math, and Personal, Career, and School Development Skills. These are considered required courses at CSRMS if a student meets the criteria:

- _____ **Personal, Career, and School Development Skills:** Required for students with previous course failures.
- _____ **Intensive Reading:** Required elective course for students with FAST ELA score of level 1 and low course performance scores.
- _____ **Intensive Mathematics:** Required elective course for students with FAST Math score of level 1 and low course performance scores.

*Students not meeting FL Reading Standards may be placed into Intensive Reading or Intensive Math in lieu of an elective. FAST scores, NWEA MAP scores, and previous course progress will be used as factors to determine placement.

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Information regarding Advancement in Math and Sciences for ALL students:

High achieving students interested in taking accelerated courses with the opportunity to complete high school level math and science courses *while in middle school* may select to participate in courses offered at CSRMS. Students may participate in one of the following tracks:

Single Advanced - Students have the potential to earn a minimum of 2 high school credits by the completion of 8th grade.

	Math	Science
6 th grade	M/J Grade 6 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science I, Accelerated Honors
7 th grade	M/J Grade 7 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science II, Accelerated Honors
8 th grade	Algebra 1 Honors (*HS 1.0 credit)	Physical Science Honors (*HS 1.0 Credit)

Double Advanced - Students have the potential to earn a minimum of 3 high school credits by the completion of 8th grade. Completion of M/J Grade 6 Mathematics I, Advanced through Pasco eSchool is required before placement into M/J Grade 7 Mathematics II, Advanced on CSRMS campus. Students must begin this course as soon as possible to ensure completion before July 31st. Notify Mrs. Boehmer regarding course completion rboehmer@pasco.k12.fl.us as soon as possible to ensure your seat in the next course – due to limited availability.

	Math	Science
<i>Summer before 6th grade</i>	M/J Grade 6 Mathematics, Accelerated	
6 th grade	M/J Grade 7 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science I, Accelerated Honors
7 th grade	Algebra 1 Honors (HS 1.0 credit)	M/J Comprehensive Science II, Accelerated Honors
8 th grade	Geometry Honors (HS 1.0 credit)	Physical Science Honors (*HS 1.0 Credit)

PE Waiver

We would like to have one on file in case the schedule does not include Physical Education (PE). Students are required to take one semester of PE each year. A completed waiver must be on file or a schedule change from your previously requested electives may occur to include PE.

PE Waiver Statement: Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for one semester of each year for students in grades 6 – 8. The physical education requirement shall be waived for a student who meets one of the following criteria: a) The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course, b) the parent requests that the student enroll in another course from among those offered as options by the school district, or c) the student is participating in physical activities outside the school day, which are equal to or in excess of the mandated requirement.

After reading the PE Waiver statement, I believe my child meets one of the listed criteria for an exemption and request a course other than PE.

Parent Date

ALL COURSE REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND AVAILABILITY DUE TO PASCO COUNTY COURSE OFFERINGS, TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS, AND CLASS SIZES.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

**ONCE THE SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS, SCHEDULE CHANGES WILL BE LIMITED.
WE STRIVE TO MEET OUR STUDENT’S REQUESTS. PLEASE CHOOSE WISELY.**

Not attending Charles S. Rushe next year? Please list the school or the city/state you are moving to:
 School/Location: _____