

AMHERST REGIONAL MIDDLE SCHOOL
8th GRADE REGISTRATION
2011-2012

Student's Name _____ Current Team _____ Aqua
_____ Platinum
_____ Sapphire

Check this box if you are not planning to return to the middle school in the fall. In case plans change, please still complete this form.

Please Note:

- Special Education services and final elective decisions will be made at transition meetings.
- English Language Learner placement will be finalized after the students' spring assessments. Parents/Guardians will be notified by mail in June regarding their child's ELE placement.

Required Courses: All students take the following courses which are described in the *Program of Studies*:

- English 8
- Social Studies 8
- Science 8
- Math
- Physical Education
- Exploratory

Math options:

8th graders enroll in Math 8, Honors Algebra or Honors Geometry.

To be ready for Honors Algebra, students must:

- Have been successful at completing the honors level work in Math 7.
- Demonstrate proficiency with these prerequisite skills on the Math 7 final exam in June
- Be ready for a high level of abstraction and problem solving.
- Have the ability and patience to apply prior knowledge to new, complex problems.
- Have consistent work habits, and be ready for the increased time commitment necessary for homework and studying.
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To be ready for Honors Geometry, students must have successfully completed Honors Algebra as 7th graders.

Final recommendations for which math course students will take in eighth grade are made after the math final exam in June. However, to have an idea of how many sections of each course we might need, we ask parents/guardians and students to indicate below which course they anticipate will be appropriate for them in the fall:

Math 8 Algebra Honors Geometry Honors

Music options: Please indicate if you are taking music in eighth grade.

Orchestra Band Chorus

Or

Check here if you do not plan on taking music in 8th grade in which case you will be scheduled for a study hall unless you are taking a support class.

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World Language options: Most students continue with their 7th grade language in 8th grade. Some students chose not to take a language in 7th grade (most often because they are taking support classes instead). Next year, these students **may** have an option of starting a language in 8th grade. We will take those requests now and will accommodate them if it is possible.

Please check what you would like to do:

Continue with the language I took in seventh grade (indicate which language that is):

___French ___Spanish ___Latin ___Chinese

Start a new language (indicate which one):

___French ___Spanish

Check here if you do not plan on taking World Language in 8th grade in which case you will be scheduled for a study hall unless you are taking a support class.

Some students request to take two language courses or two music courses instead of one of each. We accommodate those requests if class size and schedule allow for it. If you want to make that request, please write in your request next to the music or language section.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____