

5th-8th Grade Electives/Foreign Language Enrollment Form

Student Name: _____

Grade for 2017-18: _____ Date Received in Office: _____

Foreign Language Choice* French Latin Spanish

**Students are not allowed to switch foreign languages; they are required to stay with the course through 8th grade. Students who have been placed in Study Skills will remain in that class. New students entering grades 6-8 will be placed in Latin due to space limitations. 5th graders must indicate their 2nd and 3rd choice in the event that their first choice is full.*

P.E. Requirement

All students are automatically enrolled in one quarter of P.E.

Elective Choices

- ▶ Number the following electives 1-5, in order of preference, with 1 being your first choice. Every effort will be made to accommodate your first choices, but this cannot be guaranteed. In the event a class fills, priority will be given according to the date the form was received in the office.
- ▶ Regardless of the date forms are submitted, students entering the 6th grade are given priority for Tech. Ed. classes, and students entering 8th grade are given priority for Robotics and Hands-On Engineering.
- ▶ Please DO NOT select courses that you have already taken that cannot be repeated. These selections will be disregarded. See course descriptions for more information about whether or not a class can be repeated.
- ▶ Families must be enrolled for 2017-18 and in good financial standing with the school before forms will be accepted in the school office.
- ▶ Forms must have a parent signature before they will be accepted in the school office. **Forms will not be accepted before Monday, May 1 at 8:10 A.M.**

Check here if you were selected for the Academic Bowl team for 2017-18.

_____ Advanced Tech. Ed.† (5/6 grade; Q4)	_____ Life Skills† (7/8 grade)
_____ Advanced Art (Offered Q4)	_____ Marketing† (7/8 grade)
_____ Art	_____ Musical Drama (5/6 grade; Q2)
_____ Cooking & Baking† (5/6 grade)	_____ Photography†
_____ Creative Living† (5/6 grade)	_____ Robotics† (7/8 grade; Q1)
_____ Creative Writing I† (5/6 grade)	_____ Shakespeare† (7/8 grade)
_____ Creative Writing II† (7/8 grade)	_____ Speech I†* (5/6 grade)
_____ Drama (7/8 grade; Q3)	_____ Speech II†* (7/8 grade)
_____ Hand Chimes (5/6 grade; Q1)	_____ Speech Contest*
_____ Hands-On Engineering† (8th grade; Q3)	_____ Tech. Ed. I† (REQUIRED)
_____ Healthy Living† (5/6 grade)	_____ Tech. Ed. II† (REQUIRED)

**All students are required to take either Speech or Speech Contest at least once prior to graduating from the 8th grade.*

† These courses may not be repeated.

Parent Signature: _____

Advanced Art

Students will explore and expand their knowledge of art and design with a focus on art and artists. Students will advance their art skills using drawing, painting, print-making, and contemporary crafts. Activities may include working with pencil, charcoal, clay, fibers, beads, wire, and different printmaking methods. There will be one homework drawing per week. There will be one field trip to a museum or gallery. (Grades 5/6/7/8; Offered Q4.)

Advanced Technology Education

This course explores more detailed projects and seasonal digital contests that are available. Projects include documentaries in moviemaker, digital photography, animation, blogging, Google Earth, Scratch programming and more. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Art

Students will develop an understanding of the elements of art and principles of design. Activities may include drawing, painting, collage, working with clay and/or sculpture, and a variety of craft materials. There will be one homework drawing per week. There will also be some Art History lessons. There will be one field trip to a museum or gallery. (Grades 5/6/7/8)

Cooking & Baking

This course introduces students to the fundamentals of cooking and baking. Students will learn about spices, measurements, cooking techniques, and ethnic cuisines. Students will also learn to use basic cooking tools. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Creative Living

This course is a multi-sensory experience that develops important life skills in a hands-on environment. Students will practice teamwork, cooperation, planning, measurement, and math while creating crafts. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Creative Writing I

This course introduces students to the fundamentals of creative writing. Students will learn about sensory language, write several stories and poems, and identify the elements of trickster tales and mystery stories. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Creative Writing II

This course will begin with a poetry unit. Students will learn about the different types of poetry and will write several poems. Students will learn the elements of science fiction and historical fiction before writing their own. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Drama

Students will become proficient in expressing themselves orally through dramatic play. Students will be key players in a dramatic presentation performed before the student body and our families. Students will learn how to prepare and use props and costuming to enhance their performances. Students will learn "stage" terms. The importance of verbal and nonverbal stage presence, projection of voice, audience awareness, and knowledge of character will be practiced. (Grades 7/8)

Hand Chimes

Learn the basics of reading music and learn the basics of playing the hand chimes properly to get the best sound quality. We will have opportunities to play during school Masses. This class is excellent for both beginners and more experienced players. (Grades 5/6; Q1).

Hands-On Engineering

This class explores the different disciplines of engineering through hands-on activities. Students in this class will prepare projects to compete in the Oklahoma Engineering Fair. (Grade 8; Offered Q3).

Healthy Living

This class will discuss a variety of health topics including, but not limited to: nutrition and fitness, concussions, cancer prevention, stress and depression, eating disorders, consumer health, and refusal skills. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Life Skills

Students will play a life-simulation game in this course. The role-play activities encourage students to learn the skills they will need to make the transition into adulthood. Students will practice money management, decision-making, critical thinking, and life skills. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Marketing

Students will learn the fundamentals of marketing in a group-based environment that will include creating a service/product and choosing how to market and advertise the service/product. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Musical Drama

Students will become proficient in expressing themselves orally through dramatic play and music. Students will learn how to use props and costuming to enhance their performances. Students will learn "stage" terms. The importance of verbal and nonverbal stage presence, projection of voice, audience awareness, and knowledge of character will be practiced. Enrolled students must participate in the Christmas musical to be performed in December. (Grades 5/6)

Photography

Students will learn the art of photography in a hands-on class designed to get them involved in the ever-changing world of photography. The class will include weekly projects with presentations and critiques (Grades 5/6/7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Robotics

Working collaboratively in teams, students explore the world of design and programming in a fun and interesting way using the LEGO NXT robotic kits. Students master the steps to engineer and build their model Lego robots, program them, and evaluate their robot's behavior through various inputs and outputs. Students will build and program these autonomous robots to perform different missions, ending with their final mission, the Sumo-Bot Competition. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Shakespeare

Students will be introduced to the world of Shakespeare and explore the influence of his works on classic and modern literature. Students will read three plays, with the help of the popular series, *No Fear Shakespeare*. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Speech I

Students will become proficient in researching and organizing information in order to express ideas effectively for a variety of purposes and audiences. Students are expected to use prewriting strategies, write and revise multiple drafts, edit, and share their speeches. Informative, demonstrative, and persuasive speeches will be included in this process. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Speech II

Students will become proficient in researching and organizing information in order to express ideas effectively for a variety of purposes and audiences. Students are expected to use prewriting strategies, write and revise multiple drafts, edit, and share their speeches. Advanced informative, demonstrative, and persuasive speeches will be included in this process. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Speech Contest

Students will choose and practice selections to compete in speech contests held throughout the school year. The competitions require time after school and on weekends. **All enrolled students must compete in a minimum of two tournaments** (Grades 5/6/7/8; Offered Q1)

Technology Education I

This course covers basic computer operations, projects and keyboarding. Software programs include Microsoft Office: (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Publisher and Paint/Art/design). Internet navigation, copyright laws, digital citizenship, and beginner programming skills are included. (Grades 5/6) *This course cannot be repeated.*

Technology Education II

Tech Town is the focus of this class along with refresher keyboarding. Students will create a business using the Microsoft Office Suite. Introduction to the stock market and investing also tie in to this class. (Grades 7/8) *This course cannot be repeated.*