

Franklin Middle School Curriculum Night

February 6, 2024





Rising 8th Grade Curriculum Night Information

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We'll talk about:

- Welcome & Introductions
- Academic Advising Overview
- Course Selection:
 - Core Classes
 - Electives Classes

While you wait, let us know if you have a specific question:



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Introductions - Admin Team



Michelle Case
Interim Principal



Danna Hailfinger
Director of
Student Services



Sarah Burrowbridge
Assistant Principal



Forrest Reid
Assistant Principal



Chris Tippins
After School
Specialist

Student Services Team



Ms. Fraundorfer
Counselor

Ms. Hailfinger
DSS

Ms. Gallagher
Counselor

Ms. Brunais
Social Worker

Ms. Zeid
Counselor

Ms. Wilson
Psychologist



Academic Advising:



Now

Academic Advising Lesson w/ Counselors
through Science classes

February

Verifying course requests
1:1 Advising as needed

March

Course Selections Due
(March 2nd)

Course Selection



<i>Health & PE</i>
<i>Advisory</i>
<i>English</i>
<i>Math</i>
<i>Science</i>
<i>History</i>
Elective 1
Elective 2

All students will take:

HPE and
Advisory

No decisions - all students enrolled

4 Core Classes

Will I take honors classes?

2-4
Electives
Classes

What electives will I take?
Will I take semester or year long
classes?

Standard vs Honors Courses



- The same state standards are covered in both courses
- Honors courses utilize extensions and explore topic with greater depth and complexity
- Open Enrollment is available for all Honors courses with the exception of Geometry Honors



**INCREASE
RIGOR**



**DEVELOP
EXPERTISE**



**MODIFY
STRUCTURE
OR PACE**



**ENCOURAGE
INDEPENDENCE
& AUTONOMY**



Standard vs Honors Courses



605 students
(nearly 3 out of every 4 students)
take at least 1 honors course

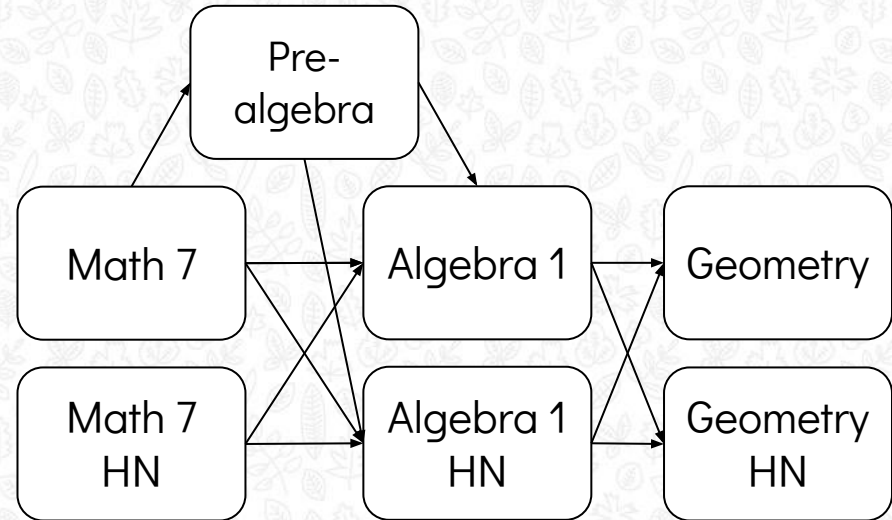
270 students
(1 in every 3 students)
take honors for all four core content

Math Pathways



Grade 8 Course Options

- Prealgebra
- **Algebra 1**
- **Algebra 1 Honors**
- **Geometry HN**
(student must meet enrollment criteria)



8th Grade Math Options



Prealgebra

- Students will take the **Grade 8 Math SOL**
- This course is a very thorough mathematical survey course that provides students with a **strong** foundation for Algebra as 9th graders

Other Courses

- Students will take the **SOL for that course (Alg, Geo)**
- Honors courses are standard curriculum with extensions
- Students should have successfully completed their prior math class

Course Selection Form Guide



This form is meant to be a visual guide and should support your student in entering classes with their counselor or teacher.

English, Social Studies, Science

Qualified Advanced Academics (AA) Program level 4 students will be automatically placed in AA English, Civics, and Science 8. Contact us immediately if you want to opt out of AA services. All students will be placed in HPE for each semester.

		Regular (00)	Honors (36)	AAP (38)
112000/36/38	English 8			Level 4 Eligible
235700/36/38	Civics			
412500/36/38	Science 8			
720033/34	Health PE	✓		

Math Request (Choose 1): Placement will be finalized in June.

	311200	Pre Algebra
	313000	Algebra 1*
	313036	Algebra 1 Honors*
	314336	Geometry Honors* (Prerequisite: Algebra 1)
	313536	Algebra 2 Honors* (Prerequisite: Geometry)

*Algebra 1, Geometry and Algebra 2 are HS credit courses.

7th grade electives taken:

Course Selection



<i>Health & PE</i>
<i>Falcon Time</i>
<i>English</i>
<i>Math</i>
<i>Science</i>
<i>History</i>
Elective 1
Elective 2

All students will take:

HPE and
Falcon Time

No decisions - all students enrolled

**4 Core
Classes**

Will I take honors classes?

**2-4
Electives
Classes**

What electives will I take?

Will I take a language (HS credit)?

Yearlong or semester electives?

Electives Courses



You will take between 2 to 4 electives:

Semester 1	Semester 2
Elective 1	Elective 3
Elective 2	Elective 4

Semester 1	Semester 2
Year-long Elective	
Elective 1	Elective 2

Semester 1	Semester 2
Year-long Elective 1	
Year-long Elective 2	

- Semester electives:
- Art Courses
 - Computer Solutions
 - Engineering Design & Modeling
 - Family & Consumer Sciences
 - Leadership
 - Theatre Arts Appreciation
 - Tech Theatre
 - Strategies for Success
- Advanced Electives:**
- Coding & Innovative Tech.
 - Engineering Simulation & Fabrication
 - Advanced Theatre Arts

- Yearlong electives:
- Band
 - Chorus
 - Orchestra
 - Spanish 1 or 2*
 - French 1*
 - Yearbook

Supporting our Students



Reading

- Lexia Power Up Lessons
- Literacy Through Active Participation (LAP)
- Action Literacy 7 & 8

Mathematics

- Algebra Readiness
- Falcon Time Interventions

We are utilizing recent Universal Screener data as well as past SOL scores to identify students who need additional support.

For questions, email Ms. Hailfinger at dehailfinger@fcps.edu

Supporting our Students



ESOL - Students working on their English language will take courses to support their language development. Courses will be based upon the student's most current WIDA level.

For questions, reach out to Cherie Houck at cahouck@fcps.edu

Special Education - We have many great classes to support students with an IEP. Courses will be finalized during the transition IEP meeting this spring.

For questions, reach out to Sara Rolander at ssrolander@fcps.edu

Additional Resources



Franklin Middle School

FCPS

Schools SIS Google Workspace Library Lunch Menus MySchoolBucks Employee Resources

franklinpta.com/home

FRANKLIN Middle School PTA

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2022-23 Board

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Upcoming Events

Wed Sep 07 2022 6:00pm
BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT (VIRTUAL)
When: 09/07/22 8:00pm-7:00pm
Desc: Links will be sent home via email.

My School

Name: Franklin Middle School PTA
Address: 3300 LEES CORNER RD, CHANTILLY, Virginia 20151
Description: The Franklin Middle School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is a group of parent volunteers who graciously donate their time in a variety of different ways to support the school and creates community and educational connections with the school, teachers and parents. Please follow the link below to become a member of the Franklin Middle School PTA, 2022 Friends of PMS



Franklin MS Weekly Update - September 1

Fairfax County Public Schools sent this bulletin at 09/01/2022 03:30 PM EDT

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Franklin Families and Students,

Good Afternoon!

It has been a great second week of the school year at Franklin Middle School. Our students and staff are settling into positive routines, developing relationships with each other, and forming their new classroom communities. This work will continue throughout the year as we keep the needs of our students at the center of all that we do.

We have some opportunities for all of you to connect with our school community in the coming days and I wanted to highlight those below:

- Back to School Night – September 7 at 6:00 PM:** We hope that you can join us for our Back to School Night event on Wednesday, September 7. This will be a virtual event via Zoom that features a synchronous presentation from the FMS Leadership Team. A Zoom link will be sent on September 7, and this session will be recorded and shared with the community if you are unable to join us at 6:00 PM. The session will feature updates about our focus for the school year, a preview of a day in the life of our students, and a spotlight on the supports that will be in place for your student this year. There will also be an opportunity for families to submit questions. We hope that

Next Steps



Work with your child to complete course requests for next school year - course requests are due in SIS by March 8th

Submit a question:



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