

West Junior High School Class of 2017 On-line Course Selection Newsletter

West Junior High School
854-6450

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Promotion

requirements for 2017



See page 3 of the on-line Boise School District Spring Pre-Registration Booklet for more details on promotion requirements.

In order for students to promote from 7th to 8th grade:

*Students must pass at least 80% of total courses (11 credits/school year).

*Students must pass at least 1 semester of all year-long CORE courses.

CORE Classes

World Studies: Asia/Africa Reading 7
Math 7 English 7

Summer School

Information will be online by spring break at:
www.boiseschools.org

Career Information

What classes should I take if I want to go into a specific career?

Check out pages 12-18 of the on-line BSD Pre-Registration Booklet for possible ideas.

Questions??

Feel free to contact your student's counselor at anytime regarding the on-line course selection process, promotion requirements, summer school. Her e-mail address is:
Tina.Bernoski@boiseschools.org

7th Grade Course Offerings

REQUIRED COURSES:

All 7th grade students must pass the following courses:

English 7—full year
Reading 7—full year
World Studies 7—Asia/Africa—
full year
Math 7/Acc. Math 7—full year
Life Science—1 semester
Physical Education 7—1 semester

ENGLISH & READING

Accelerated Program

* If you are interested in challenging yourself in the accelerated program, sign up for these two classes

SCIENCE

* One semester on Life Science must be earned

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

* All 7th grade students must earn credit in 1 semester PE, 7th grade

MATH

* Placement is determined by your elementary school course performance & assessment scores

ELECTIVES

Art

* Art 1—year long class involving drawing, painting, paper mache, sculpture & clay
* Arts & Crafts—semester long classes with weaving, clay projects, drawing, painting

Music

* If you register for Band, please write the instrument you play on the registration sheet
* All abilities levels are welcome to enroll in West's music classes

Technology

* Intro. To Technology.—This class introduces students to computers & robotics, as well as provides an overview to engineering

* Computer Apps. 1 & 2—Keyboarding skill development, as well as learning computer programs

World Languages

* Exploring French/Spanish Cultures- Learn about cultural customs, as well as an introduction to vocabulary terms & phrases

Language Arts

* Writing for Enjoyment—semester long class that explores different writing styles
* Creative Communication—semester long class to introduce student to theatre arts

Special Offering

*Tactics for Thinking—semester long class to develop critical thinking skills through problem-solving puzzles.

* Young Living—semester long class to develop culinary, sewing, and infant development skills.

* AVID—If you applied for AVID, please chose a different elective. If you are selected for this program, you will be contacted to adjust your schedule.

Transportation Form

Each 6th grade student was provided an "Attendance Area/Transportation Verification" form for busing for the 2011-12 school year. Please return it to your current 6th grade teacher ASAP!

Required Health Documentation

Every 7th grade student must have a physical completed after May 1, 2011. The forms will be mailed home in late April from the district office. 7th grade students may be required to have immunization boosters prior to starting school in the fall. Legislation is currently in the legislature that would require a T-dap and a Meningococcal immunization prior to entering 7th grade. Please visit with your student's doctor about this. Please submit a copy of your student's updated immunizations to the Nurse's Office.

Student Athletes

You must earn at least 5 credits in the semester prior to your sport season in order to be eligible to participate.

Schedule Change Policy

Once school begins, student schedules may only be changed during the first five days of any semester. Please choose your electives carefully so that you are appropriately placed.

On-line Course Selection Steps

1. Log into your student or parent portal at:
www.campus.boiseschools.org
2. Click on the left-hand link: "Registration: 11-12 West"
3. Review your Individual Graduation Plan, current transcript, download pdfs of course lists, BSD handbooks, and graduation requirements, and this newsletter.
4. Click on "Course Search", type in name of desired class, click "Go"
5. Scroll down.
6. Click on "Request this Course" or "Request as an Alternate" box.
7. For a full day of school, you should have 14 classes selected.
8. Make sure you pick both "A" (first semester) and "B" (second semester) classes. Example: for English 7, you should have 0701A English 7 and 0701B English 7, so that you have both semesters of this class.

The On-line Course Selection Portal will close on February 28th. After that time, contact Mrs. Bernoski, your counselor, to change desired courses.