



Welcome to Oceanway Middle School!

ELECTIVES REQUESTS 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

Please select up to THREE choices for electives, in order of preference (1 being your first choice and 3 being your last choice). Students must enter elective requests in FOCUS in their STUDENT ACCOUNT. See next page for instructions.

District scheduling guidelines will determine your core academic course placement (including Enrichment Reading and Math as appropriate). Your selections below are REQUESTS; elective placement is NOT guaranteed.

ALL REQUESTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY MAY 29. ADMINISTRATION WILL PLACE STUDENTS AS SPACE ALLOWS IF NO REQUESTS ARE ON FILE.

| Interest Area | Course to Request in Focus | Description |
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| ART | M/J 2-D Studio Art | Overview of advanced 2-D art techniques including drawing, painting, mixed media and printmaking. <i>Students will be placed in appropriate course for their grade level.</i> |
| MUSIC | M/J BAND 1 | Playing in band will include rehearsal and performance of band music from a variety of cultures and musical periods. Students will also learn basic musicianship skills and instrumental technique. <i>Instrument purchase or rental is required. <u>Performances are a required part of any music class participation.</u> Students will be placed in appropriate Band course as determined by Mr. Horton.</i> |
| MUSIC | M/J CHORUS 1 | Chorus will include rehearsal and performance of chorus music from a variety of cultures and musical periods. Students will also learn basic musicianship skills and vocal/choral technique. <i><u>Performances are a required part of any music class participation.</u> Students will be placed in appropriate Chorus course as determined by Mr. Horton.</i> |
| BUSINESS AND COMPUTER TECH | INFO & COMM 1 | "Information and Communications Technology." Students learn safety/privacy online, spreadsheet and database skills. Students also create web page code and learn video and audio editing. <i>Students will be placed in appropriate Info and Communications course for their grade level.</i> |
| DIGITAL ARTS AND MEDIA | FUND OF AV,PRINT TECH | "Fundamentals of A/V and Print Technology." Mr. Moredock refers to this class as "21 st Century Shop." This class is project-based, allowing students to create visual media via various technological interfaces. Students may engage in robotics, coding, web-based video design, and other tools for digital media design. |
| MUSIC | M/J EXPL MUS1 <i>*Only for students in 6th grade next year</i> | Students explore the essential elements of 20th- and 21st-century music in America (e.g., jazz, rock, soul, blues) and global cultures (e.g., Latin, Bollywood, European, Asian, drumming). Students reflect on the significance of social influences and historical events on the development of music. <i><u>Performances are a required part of any music class participation.</u></i> |
| YEARBOOK | M/J Research 2 (Yearbook) | Students who would like to be on the Yearbook team may select this course. Students will be responsible for the design, photographing, layout and organization of the 2020-2021 OMS Yearbook. |

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Directions for Making 2020-2021 Elective Requests in Focus

1. Log into Focus
2. Change the school year in the upper right corner to **“2020-2021”**
3. Choose the **“My Information”** tab (left side of screen – click the icon that looks like a house).
4. Choose **“Class Requests”**
5. **Choose electives** from the drop down menus.
6. **RATE** each elective 1 to 3 by priority. Type **“1”** for the elective you want most, then 2 or 3 for your remaining course requests.
7. Press **ENTER**. The **“save”** button will NOT save the requests.

Helpful Tips:

- Every student will automatically get PE and Health. No request is required for these courses.
- Do not request more than **3** electives. Do not choose electives you would not wish to have. You do NOT have to choose 3; you may choose less than 3.
- Make changes to selections by clicking the red minus sign on the left of each saved request or put a check in the empty box next to the selections you wish to delete and choose the delete button in the upper right corner when it appears.
- You may change choices as often as you wish through **May 29, 2020**. Then requests will be locked and cannot be changed.