

**2018-2019**  
**WCJH**  
**ENROLLMENT**



**Thunderbirds**



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Dear Parents,

The time has come to transition to eighth grade. Opportunities continue to open up around every corner. There will be opportunities to be involved, to learn, and to grow. We take great pride in our students, curriculum, and programming at the junior high. We look forward to working with you and your child as we move down this road together.

This packet has been prepared for your child. It has scheduling information unique to his/her team. It holds information about what happens, or is taught in elective classes and when they are offered. It also contains the form for filling out a practice schedule. An official form will be given to the student by their teacher to use on enrollment day.

Enrollment will take place the week of April 30th. The process will look a little different this year. Most everything will remain the same - there will still be teams in 8th grade, we will still give them the information they need through a counseling lesson at school, and they will still plan their schedules with their Cardinal Time teachers. The actual enrollment process will be different, however, and instead of doing arena-style enrollment where they go around to different tables, they will complete a google doc with their schedule selections during a specific time of the school day. We hope this streamlines the enrollment process and makes things less stressful for the students!

We have specifically trained the classroom teachers in helping the students plan their schedules. Our intention is for much of the planning to be done at school. However, each form from the enrollment packet is located on our Junior High website at [jh.wcr7.org](http://jh.wcr7.org) under "Advisement" and then the "Enrollment" tab.

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the counselors at 673-6030 or by email:

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### How you can help:

1. Talk with your child about how the planning process is going at school.
2. Talk with them about the choices they are making. Are they focusing on what will help them the most academically? How did they choose where to put their classes?
3. Have them explain their choices to you.
4. Encourage your child to ask if they have questions or concerns. Don't hesitate to ask questions yourself if you need clarification.

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Elective Choices

### **Year Long Classes (2 semesters)**

**8th Grade Band:** This is a year-long class designed to continue to work on fundamentals and developing a good concept of the band sound. It is divided into two bands based on instrument families (Woodwind/Percussion and Brass). The 8th grade bands also perform at pep assemblies and continue the reinforcing basic marching skills. They will perform in parades and a field show. Students have the opportunity to participate in jazz band, solo and ensemble festival, and junior high honor band auditions second semester.

**\*\*Select Choir:** This is an advanced choir class that teaches more in depth concepts of music theory and performance. This is an auditioned group, and only students who make the group are allowed to sign up. In this class, you will sing a greater number of pieces of music, as well as more challenging pieces to help you grow as a musician. Additionally, as a member of this group you will be **required** to perform in the Junior High's musical in February each year you are a member. You also will have the opportunity to take a solo to contest, attend an honor choir event, and much more. Fees for this class cover t-shirts for performances and Silver Dollar City tickets. There will also be a required fundraiser for the musical.

**\*\*Show Choir:** Show Choir is an auditioned group only. This is a competitive singing and dancing group. We will attend several competitions starting in January and lasting until early March. We will also have several performances throughout the year. We will attend a music festival with opportunities for small groups and ensembles. This group will audition for Honors' Choir and perform at other special events. Fees for this class will cover costuming, t-shirts, and Silver Dollar City tickets. This class will also participate in the musical in February.

**\*\*Yearbook:** This is a course students must be selected to enroll in. The yearbook course has been designed to provide students with the journalism skills, and the ability to apply those skills to the actual production of the yearbook. Units of study include teamwork, responsibility, brainstorming, content, coverage, reporting, writing headlines, captions, editing, photography, typography, design, graphics, finances, yearbook campaigns, advertising and distribution. Students must have computer skills, and creative thinking skills, in order to create the pages of the yearbook with accuracy and professionalism.

**\*\*Tech Corp:** TechCorp is a by application ONLY class requiring students to make application for acceptance. Students will learn the latest in technology. They will be leaders in technology and are required to work hours or days when other students are off. They must be trustworthy, have a servant's heart, and love technology.

### **1 Semester Long Classes (½ the school year)**

**8th Grade Choir:** This class is designed to discover your voice, express yourself through singing, and prepare yourself for high school. This class has multiple concerts throughout the school year, attends a music festival and teaches the basics of music theory (identifying key words, time signatures, key signatures, reading rhythms, sight reading, etc.) to help students learn how to read and discover music at a higher level. This class allows opportunities for students to sing in a group or individually, take a solo to contest, attend an honor choir event, take part in a musical, and much more!

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Art:** This class will be comprised of one quarter fine arts, and one quarter graphic design. The *Fine arts* part of class will include: Realism (Representing a person, thing, or situation accurately or in a way that is true to life: (in art and literature) the movement or style of representing familiar things as they actually are.), and Abstract Art (art that does not attempt to represent external, recognizable reality but seeks to achieve its effect using shapes, forms, colors, and textures.). Students will use the principles and elements of design on different art forms with emphasis placed on using problem solving and creative thinking skills to create original works of art. The *Graphic Design* (The art or skill of combining text and pictures in advertisements, magazines, or books.) portion of this class will all be done digitally on computers. Students will be required to upload images of family and friends to their school google drive, to use for an assignment. This class will include reading, and following step-by-step instructions.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade FACS:** Family and Consumer Science is a comprehensive introduction to the various areas of Family and Consumer Sciences including but not limited to: Family Life and Relationships, Growth and Personal Development, Food and Nutrition, and Housing and Interiors. FACS is a fun way to learn about LIFE!

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Industrial Arts:** Industrial Arts is a half-year, elective class. Commonly called "Wood Shop," opportunities are provided for project construction. It is an exploratory course for all students interested in the different materials and processes used in our industrial world. There is an emphasis on safety, problem solving, and quality workmanship. Students are required to purchase safety glasses. Students are also responsible for additional expenses related to individual projects.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade ICT : (Information Communication Technology)**

In this course, you will learn how to utilize all the tools of Google Drive, including creating documents, presentations, and the use of many other applications. You will learn how to find, evaluate, and use information online, all while maintaining your safety and proper Internet etiquette. You will also learn how to use such applications as iMovie and many other fun options such as web design! Finally, you will have the opportunity to enhance your typing skills in this course.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Speech/Drama:** During this course the student will have exposure to the areas of Drama and Speech. The student will review and develop additional skills previously learned from seventh grade drama and speech class. Focus areas will be: vocal qualities, speech presentations, stage styles, acting areas, stage presence, pantomime, improvisation, and theatre history. The students will be acting out several in class scripts they have written and also by playwrights.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Digital Leadership:** Love technology, and directing your own learning? Then, this is the class for you! As a responsible member of this class; you will have the opportunity to research, learn and write code, discover robotics, and build apps. All of this, while setting and achieving your own learning goals.

**\*\*Leadership:** Leadership is an invitation only class. Leadership is a course that provides opportunities to study, practice, and develop group and individual leadership and organization skills. This course helps to share students' ideas, interests, and concerns with teachers and administration. Throughout the year we will help raise funds for school-wide activities. Members will participate in activities to help create and foster a positive school environment and help out the community. Regular Student Council Meetings for elected members will be held before school.

**\*\*Cardinal Tweets/Video Productions:** This is a course students must be selected to enroll in. It is designed to create fun and entertaining videos with all of the announcements for the entire school. The class is like a news station. We are in charge of filming and editing videos each week to show to the school. It is a very important class because the school depends on us for all of their announcements. We will learn many different computer skills along with other communication skills needed for creating a news broadcast.

**\*\*Teacher's Aide (TA):** Students may enroll in one semester as a Teacher's Aide to a specific teacher. Students must be selected by a teacher to work with them performing various tasks to help in that classroom and around the school. The student must communicate directly with that teacher to set up a specific block that works with the student and the teacher in order to enroll as a TA.

**\*\*Indicates the class requires permission**

# Thunderbirds

Red 1	
Social Studies	
Communication Arts	
Math	
Science	
Writing	
Geometry	
PE	
Select Choir	
Tech Core	
FACS	FACS
Art	Art
Red 2	
Social Studies	
Communication Arts	
Math	
Science	
Writing	
Geometry	
Band (woodwind & Percussion)	
PT	
Choir	Choir
Industrial Arts	Industrial Arts
Red 3	
Social Studies	
Communications Arts	
Math	
Science	
Writing	
Geometry	
Drama	Drama
GEMS (gifted)	
Red 4	
PE	
Show Choir	
Tweets	Tweets
Digital Leadership	Digital Leadership
FACS	FACS

White 1	
Science	
Communication Arts	
Math	
Writing	
Geometry	
Drama	Drama
Industrial Arts	Industrial Arts
Leadership	Leadership
White 2	
Social Studies	
Communication Arts	
Science	
Writing	
PE	
ICT	ICT
Art	Art
FACS	FACS
Band (Brass)	
White 3	
Social Studies	
Algebra	
Science	
Geometry	
Art	Art
Digital Leadership	Digital Leadership
ICT	ICT
White 4	
Communication Arts	
Math	
Social Studies	
Writing	
Geometry	
Industrial Arts	Industrial Arts
Drama	Drama
Yearbook	

<p><b>Required Classes</b></p> <p><b>Year Long:</b></p> <p>Math or Algebra (permission required for Algebra)</p> <p>Communication Arts</p> <p>Science</p> <p>Social Studies</p> <p>Writing</p> <p>PE or PT</p> <p><b>One Semester:</b></p> <p>Geometry</p>	<p><b>Choose 3 Elective Classes</b></p> <p><b>Year Long:</b></p> <p>Band (counts as 2 elective)</p> <p><b>One Semester:</b></p> <p>Art                      Choir</p> <p>Drama                    ICT</p> <p>Industrial Arts        FACS</p> <p>Digital Leadership</p>	<p><b>Must Have Permission:</b></p> <p>Algebra</p> <p>Tweets (semester)</p> <p>TA-Teacher's Aide (semester)</p> <p>Leadership (semester)</p> <p>Yearbook</p> <p>Select Choir</p> <p>Show Choir</p> <p>Tech Corps</p> <p>GEM (Gifted)</p>
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## Thunderbirds Schedule Worksheet 18-19 Google Form View

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ CT: \_\_\_\_\_

RED DAY CHOICES	WHITE DAY CHOICES
Red 1 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>	White 1 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>
Red 1 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>	White 1 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>
Red 2 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>	White 2 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>
Red 2 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>	White 2 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>
Red 3 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>	White 3 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>
Red 3 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>	White 3 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>
Red 4 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>	White 4 <span style="float: right;">S1</span>
Red 4 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>	White 4 <span style="float: right;">S2</span>

All schedules must include each of the following:

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|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Math or Algebra I _____  | Writing _____                  |
| Science _____            | Physical Education or PT _____ |
| Social Studies _____     | 1st Semester Geometry _____    |
| Communication Arts _____ | 3 Semesters of Electives _____ |

\*Permission is required for: Algebra I, Select Choir, Show Choir, Tech Corps, Leadership, Tweets, Yearbook, TA, GEM

Are you taking summer P.E.?      Yes      No