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**ELMWOOD PARK HIGH SCHOOL
FRESHMAN COURSE REQUEST FORM 2018-19**
(See reverse side for more information and please print all information)

Levels will be determined by placement exams, standardized test scores and teacher recommendations.

Required Freshman Coursework:

- English (English 9 or Honors English 9)
- Social Studies (Civics or AP Human Geography)
- Math (Algebra 1 or Core Plus Math I/II)
- Science (Biology or Honors Biology)
- Physical Education
- Effective Writing

Please write down four (4) elective courses in order of preference.
(see back for a list of all elective courses available to students during freshman year).

Choice 1 _____

Choice 2 _____

Choice 3 _____

Choice 4 _____

Students who are enrolled in Core Plus Math will only have room for one elective choice in their schedule.

Students needing extra support in English and/or Math may have elective choices delayed until Sophomore year.

I am interested in auditioning for Jazz Band : YES NO

I play the following instrument: _____

ELMWOOD PARK HIGH SCHOOL FRESHMAN ELECTIVE COURSE LIST 2018-2019

Business and Technology

Business Principles - This course is designed to give students an overall understanding of what businesses are, how they work and their impact on student lives. Topics include: business and government, small business management, and technology in the business world.

Computer Graphics - This course explores the manipulation of images and symbols through the use of software, photography, internet images, printed page, scanners and historical design process. Students will create a variety of products that will be incorporated into a marketing portfolio.

Digital Animation/Website Design- Students will explore 2-D methods of animation, production, basic editing processes and projects will be incorporated into a marketing portfolio. They will also be introduced to website design, and students will develop web pages using coding in the Adobe program. Basic computer skill recommended before starting the class.

Digital Literacy - Students will learn workplace and educational fundamentals using word processing, presentations, spreadsheets, internet and e-mail. Topics will include internet safety, digital footprints, information literacy. Students will gain experience using Microsoft Office, and Google applications.

Information Processing - Students will develop basic skills in keyboarding and proper technique including accuracy, proofreading and correcting errors. Students will also use word processing software for editing, formatting and printing documents.

Fine and Performing Arts

Art I/II - This is an introductory visual arts course that integrates art with culture, history, and technology through art making and exploration. Students will build a foundation in drawing skills and use a variety of art media as well as exploring 3-D concepts and materials such as clay.

Chorale- This course is open to all students and is a beginning choir designed to provide a foundation for Concert Choir. Students study and perform a variety of music throughout the year, and a commitment to singing and performing is important.

Concert Band - This course is open to all students who have shown an acceptable level of performance throughout their elementary school band training. A sincere and serious commitment to band is vital to be successful in this course.

Music Theory - Students are taught to analyze and understand written music, compose music, and identify aspects of recorded musical examples. Previous music reading skills recommended.

Foreign Language

Italian I - Students will learn the basics of listening, understanding, speaking and reading in the Italian language. Italian culture is introduced and studied through lecture, readings, film and music.

Spanish I - This course places emphasis on developing, listening and speaking skills. In addition students who successfully complete this course will be able to write simple paragraphs and read basic selections in Spanish. Various aspects of culture will also be discussed.

Spanish II - Students who have successfully completed the Spanish I program at Elm Middle School, or who can pass the placement exam at EPHS can be placed into Spanish II to continue their language acquisition and development.

Outside of the School Day (not included as one of the four elective choices)

Jazz Band - This course is offered during zero hour, which meets from 7:00am - 7:45am MTThF. It can be taken for 0.5 regular or honors credit. Prior experience playing an appropriate instrument and the ability to read music are required for this course. An audition and the directors approval is required. Please indicate interest in this course at the bottom of the front side of this form.