



## 2019-2020 Registration Timeline for Enrolled Students

**Grade 8, Class Color Red**

**Grade 7, Class Color Green**

**Grade 6, Class Color Blue**

**By JUNE 10: Valid emails are a must** to receive newsletters and forms. If emails change, immediately notify us at [madronawebsite@tusd.org](mailto:madronawebsite@tusd.org) Parents **MUST** have an active PowerSchool Account as most registration is ON-LINE ONLY. Free computer use may be obtained at the Torrance Katy Geissert Main Library on Torrance Boulevard.

**By July 29th: Madrona will EMAIL instructions to parents regarding online PowerSchool Pre-Registration.**

**By August 10th: Madrona will mail via post office a manila package with additional info/forms.**

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**The instances below will result in registration taking place AFTER the schedule pick-up day:**

**NEW Students** who were enrolled at the Enrollment Center after August 10, must wait to receive an email from Madrona, to pick up the packet. You may have to wait until after registration day to come to the office.

**Returned Mail:** Families with **returned mail MUST visit ENROLLMENT CENTER with proof of residency** (2) two original utility bills or one mortgage/lease agreement and proof of I.D (driver's license, etc.) before being allowed to register/pick-up schedules in August. Parents/Students will NOT be allowed to pick up student schedules/locker/etc, if the manila packet returns in the mail due to incorrect residence address or the On-Line registration has not been completed. If you do not receive the manila packet by August 10, notify [madronawebsite@tusd.org](mailto:madronawebsite@tusd.org).

**Out of Town:** Enjoy your vacation. It is not mandatory to pick up schedule on Pick-Up Day. Families may complete registration at the office after August 21st, during office hours (9am to 3pm) OR may send a representative to Registration day **provided all procedures and forms are completed correctly.**

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## MADRONA Schedule Pick-Up Day - **DATE CHANGE**

### WEDNESDAY, August 21, 2019

*If PowerSchool Online Pre-Reg 19-20 is incomplete, YOU WILL BE TURNED AWAY on Registration Day*

LAST NAMES <u>A-G</u>	anytime between	9:00 am–10:15 am (DO NOT come early)
LAST NAMES <u>H-P</u>	anytime between	10:15 am-11:45 pm
LAST NAMES <u>Q-Z</u>	anytime between	11:45 pm– 1:15 pm (doors close at 1:30)

Students do not have to be present at registration day.

**No Class Changes/No Locker Changes until after school begins.**

Early Registration Day is **ONLY** the time for paperwork turn in and receiving additional information.

## First Day of School is August 26, 2019

Students **absent for more than 5 consecutive days will be withdrawn** and then must be re-enrolled at the district Enrollment Center

## **Grade 8 Course Descriptions**

**Elective Choice DESCRIPTIONS- Subject to Change- Requests are not guaranteed. Courses are for an entire year.**

**Beginning in June, students will be able to login to PowerSchool to choose their elective for the 2019-20 school year. This can be done at school or at home.**

**8th grade student schedules (current 7th graders) include the following courses:**

English Language Arts, Social Studies/History, Math 8, Science 8, PE

Elective Course (if not placed in ELD, Study Skills for Special Education, or Math Intervention)

For 8th graders considering applying for High School Courses, parents must attend the meeting at Torrance High, Wed., May 8, 6:00 pm to learn more and receive the applications. THS mailed blue postcards to the home of all 7th grade students. High School accelerated courses are for high achieving students with the maturity to handle the demands of high school.

**MUSIC Classes are for Grades 6-8 and all include after school/evening concerts/performances.**

VOCAL MUSIC: No experience necessary.      ADVANCED VOCAL MUSIC: Some experience necessary.

BEGINNING BAND: No experience necessary.      ADVANCED BAND: Prerequisite is Beginning Band.

**DRAMA:** Grades 7-8: No experience or audition is necessary but students must commit to participating in the productions which includes occasional after school and/or Saturday rehearsal.

**FINE ARTS:** Grades 7-8: Explore elements of art, visual design, drawing, painting, art, as examples, and music history.

**ENRICHMENT/LIFE MANAGEMENT:** Grades 7-8: **Semester 1:** Personal Finance/Stock Market. Students learn about budgeting, saving, spending within their means, how to write checks, balance a checkbook, calculation of taxes, insurance, etc. Students join an online stock market game and practice trading stocks. They learn about the stock market, buys, sells, limits, stop orders, sectors and industries and other stock market related issues. **Semester 2:** Elements of Art and Sewing. Students learn the technical aspects of art to help them draw and design projects in the future. Students learn how to thread and knot needles, learn embroidery stitches, sew items, hem and apply buttons/snaps.

**SERVICE LEARNING** (Contemporary Issues on PowerSchool): Grades 7-8: Using project and service-based learning, students are challenged to explore pressing local and global issues and are empowered to take action. Through this elective, students examine pressing issues like hunger, poverty and the environment, as they explore how they can make a difference.

**PLTW DESIGN & ROBOTICS:** Spaces limited. Design and Robotics is an engineering course that introduces students to the design, build, and coding of robots. Students will also work with the software Autodesk.

**SPANISH:** (High School Level Course) offered at Madrona. Space is limited. Must have earned an A in 7th grade English.

**YEARBOOK/MULTIMEDIA:** Grades 6-8. Limited to 10-12 spaces for each grade. Students learn basic principles of yearbook production and develop skills that include writing copy, captions and headlines; digital photography; desktop publishing and using appropriate technology tools for media production.

**LEADERSHIP/ASB:** Grades 6-8; APPROX 8-10 Spots for Grade 8. Students must exhibit strong citizenship and appropriate behavior, plan school wide events including after school activities. Interview will take place in June along with a poster submission. Our Leadership teacher will make arrangements with your 5th grade teacher for interview at the end of June.

**STEM/SCIENCE OLYMPIAD:** Grades 6-8. LIMITED TO 10-12 SPACES for each grade. Students work on project based science activities, practice for regional competitions including after school and Saturday events, and organize and run the annual Family STEM Night.

## Grade 7 Course Descriptions

**Elective Choice DESCRIPTIONS- Subject to Change- Requests are not guaranteed. Courses are for an entire year.**

**Beginning in June, students will be able to login to PowerSchool to choose their elective for the 2019-20 school year. This can be done at school or at home.**

**7th grade student schedules (current 6th graders) include the following courses:**

English Language Arts, Social Studies/History, Math 7, Science 7, PE

Elective Course (if not placed in ELD, Study Skills for Special Education, or Math Intervention)

**MUSIC Classes are for Grades 6-8 and all include after school/evening concerts/performances.**

VOCAL MUSIC: No experience necessary.      ADVANCED VOCAL MUSIC: Some experience necessary.

BEGINNING BAND: No experience necessary.      ADVANCED BAND: Prerequisite is Beginning Band.

**DRAMA:** Grades 7-8: No experience or audition is necessary but students must commit to participating in the productions which includes occasional after school and/or Saturday rehearsal.

**FINE ARTS:** Grades 7-8: Explore elements of art, visual design, drawing, painting, art, as examples, and music history.

**ENRICHMENT/LIFE MANAGEMENT:** Grades 7-8: **Semester 1:** Personal Finance/Stock Market. Students learn about budgeting, saving, spending within their means, how to write checks, balance a checkbook, calculation of taxes, insurance, etc. Students join an online stock market game and practice trading stocks. They learn about the stock market, buys, sells, limits, stop orders, sectors and industries and other stock market related issues. **Semester 2:** Elements of Art and Sewing. Students learn the technical aspects of art to help them draw and design projects in the future. Students learn how to thread and knot needles, learn embroidery stitches, sew items, hem and apply buttons/snaps.

**SERVICE LEARNING** (Contemporary Issues on PowerSchool): Grades 7-8: Using project and service-based learning, students are challenged to explore pressing local and global issues and are empowered to take action. Through this elective, students examine pressing issues like hunger, poverty and the environment, as they explore how they can make a difference.

**PLTW INTRO TO COMPUTER SCIENCE:** Spaces limited. An engineering course that introduces students to MIT App Inventor, GIMP, Adacity, and Python. Students learn to design and program apps and games.

**YEARBOOK/MULTIMEDIA:** Grades 6-8. Limited to 10-12 spaces for each grade. Students learn basic principles of yearbook production and develop skills that include writing copy, captions and headlines; digital photography; desktop publishing and using appropriate technology tools for media production.

**LEADERSHIP/ASB:** Grades 6-8; APPROX 8-10 Spots for Grade 7. Students must exhibit strong citizenship and appropriate behavior, plan school wide events including after school activities. Interview will take place in June along with a poster submission. Our Leadership teacher will make arrangements with your 5th grade teacher for interview at the end of June.

**STEM/SCIENCE OLYMPIAD:** Grades 6-8. LIMITED TO 10-12 SPACES for each grade. Students work on project based science activities, practice for regional competitions including after school and Saturday events, and organize and run the annual Family STEM Night.

## **Grade 6 Course Descriptions and Parent Info**

**Elective Choice DESCRIPTIONS- Subject to Change- Requests are not guaranteed. Courses are for an entire year.**

### **5th Gr PARENT NIGHT: TUESDAY, JUNE 4, 2019, 6:00 pm, Madrona cafe (parents only)**

Meet our principal and get an overview of Madrona Middle School.

Learn about our instructional program, elective options, and have your questions answered.

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### **Hickory/Fern STUDENT ORIENTATION: FRIDAY, JUNE 7, 2019, 10am-Noon Students/Teachers Only**

Fern students walk with teachers to Madrona; Hickory students travel via bus with teachers.

Students will be introduced to the school, learn about our programs and opportunities.

### **Middle School Grade 6 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

**On June 7th during the Student Visitation, students will be exposed to each of our elective options via presentations and performances by students from each class. Immediately following, they will login to PowerSchool to choose their elective for the 2019-20 school year. \*Students will be able to login to PowerSchool from home and edit their response if they so choose.**

#### **6th grade student schedules include the following courses:**

English Language Arts, Social Studies/History, Math 6, Science 6, PE

Elective Course (if not placed in ELD, Study Skills for Special Education, or Math Intervention)

#### **Elective Choice DESCRIPTIONS- Subject to Change Requests are not guaranteed.**

#### **ENRICHMENT “Wheel” - Grade 6: This is the elective most sixth graders will be enrolled in.**

Students explore four different areas of enrichment during the four quarters throughout the year including:

Fine Arts

Public Speaking

Geography

Intro to Coding/Computer Science

#### **MUSIC Classes are for Grades 6-8 and all include after school/evening concerts/performances.**

BEGINNING BAND: No experience necessary.

VOCAL MUSIC:

No experience necessary.

#### **YEARBOOK/MULTIMEDIA:**

Grades 6-8. Limited to about 10-12 spaces for each grade. Students learn basic principles of yearbook production and develop skills that include writing copy, captions and headlines; digital photography; desktop publishing and using appropriate technology tools for media production.

#### **LEADERSHIP/ASB:**

Grades 6-8; LIMITED SPACES for each grade. APPROX 5-8 SPOTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR 6TH GRADERS. Students must exhibit strong citizenship and appropriate behavior, plan school wide events including after school activities. Interview will take place in June along with a poster submission. Our Leadership teacher will make arrangements with your 5th grade teacher for interview at the end of June.

#### **STEM/SCIENCE OLYMPIAD:**

Grades 6-8. LIMITED TO ABOUT 10-12 SPACES for each grade. Students work on project based science activities, practice for regional competitions including after school and Saturday events, and organize and run the annual Family STEM Night. Our STEM teacher will contact 5th grade teachers for recommendations.