

ELECTIVE CLASSES

IB Fine Arts

Rank 1-5 in order of your preference

YEARLONG COURSES

- _____ IB Art
- _____ IB Advanced Art*
- _____ IB Band
- _____ IB Choir
- _____ IB Orchestra
- _____ IB Classical Guitar

SEMESTER COURSES

- _____ IB Jazz Band** (fall)
- _____ IB Jazz Band** (spring)
- _____ IB Theatre Arts 8th
- *submit portfolio to Ms. Escamilla
- **must be enrolled in another music class

IB Design

Rank 1-5 in order of your preference

SEMESTER COURSES (*= high school credit)

- _____ IB Creative Writing
- _____ IB Global Studies
- _____ IB Classical Mythology
- _____ IB Touch Systems/Data Entry* (Keyboarding)
- _____ IB Web Communications*

YEARLONG COURSES (*= high school credit)

- _____ IB Principles of Art, AV Media Tech, & Comm*
- _____ IB Principles of Applied Engineering*
- _____ IB Fundamentals of Computer Science*
- _____ IB Digital Comm in the 21st Century*(see von Lopez)
- _____ IB Team Robotics* (apply at bit.ly/MMSroboapp2526)
- _____ Yearbook (see Ms. Feldkamp to apply)
- _____ AVID 8th (scan QR code to apply)



IB Physical and Health Education

Check one semester long course

- _____ IB Dance Sports not listed require tryouts.
- _____ IB Physical Education Students who make the team in those sports will later be placed in a sports specific Athletics class.
- _____ IB Football (fall only)
- _____ Track only (spring)

See murchison.austinschools.org/programs/athletics for info about when the seasons occur.

A physical dated between April 15-July 15 is required for participation in tryouts - all other students will be placed in PE.

IB Language Aquisition

Your 8th grade language enrollment is based on your 7th grade language course.

All languages are for high school credit.

7th Grade

- IB Chinese 1
- IB Chinese 3A
- IB French 1
- IB German 1
- IB Latin 1
- IB Spanish 1
- IB Spanish 3A
- IB Vietnamese 1
- IB Vietnamese 3A

8th Grade

- IB Chinese 2
- IB Chinese 3B
- IB French 2
- IB German 2
- IB Latin 2
- IB Spanish 2
- IB Spanish 3B
- IB Vietnamese 2
- IB Vietnamese 3B

MURCHISON MS COURSE SELECTION 8th grade - 2025/26

As an IB World School, Murchison Middle School is committed to providing all students with a rigorous and balanced curriculum.

Our students are required to take one course from all eight subject areas every year during their enrollment in the IB Middle Years Programme.

Classes are subject to availability.

Students with IEPs will be placed in the appropriate class.

PARENT SIGNATURE

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOU HAVE RANKED YOUR TOP 5 CHOICES FOR FINE ARTS AND YOUR TOP 5 CHOICES FOR DESIGN (1 = TOP CHOICE) AND THAT YOU HAVE SELECTED ONE PHYSICAL AND HEALTH EDUCATION COURSE.

CORE CLASSES

These three core classes are taught at the highest level in heterogeneous classes and are differentiated for individual learners:

- **IB Language & Literature (ELA)**
- **IB Science**
- **IB Individuals & Societies (US History)**

IB Mathematics

Your 8th grade math course is based on the math course you took in 7th grade.

You will be enrolled in the appropriate course.

7th grade

- IB Math 7
- IB Pre-Algebra
- IB Algebra I

8th grade

- IB Math 8
- IB Algebra I
- IB Geometry

Add notes for your counselor. For example "Orchestra is the most important elective for me" or "if I make Junior Belles I would like to drop_____"



2025-26 Course Options
8th Grade Universal Choice Sheet
 Austin Independent School District

Student Name: _____
 Student ID: _____
 Last School Attended: _____

"It is the policy of the Austin Independent School District not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, or handicap in its educational and career and technical education programs, services, or activities as required by the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended."

Required Courses - Check one box per Core Academic Course			
Please choose your courses very carefully. Teacher schedules are designed based on the selections from choice sheets.			
English/Language Arts	Mathematics	US History	Science
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic 1008.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic 3008.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic 6008.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Academic 4008.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 1008.H0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> **Algebra I - 3001.HJ000.Y (High School Credit Class)	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 6008.H0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Advanced 4008.H0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> ESOL 8 - 1038.E0000.Y			

*GT students must take Advanced or Accelerated classes in the area(s) in which they have been identified in order to maintain GT designation and receive GT services. Students with IEPs will be placed in the appropriate class.

**Students must have passed the 8th grade math course or its equivalent (7th grade accelerated) in order to enroll in Algebra I.

World Languages (LOTE)	AVID
<input type="checkbox"/> French I - 2012.RJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mandarin I - 2017.RJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish I - 2015.RJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	<input type="checkbox"/> AVID PREP SKILLS 8th - 9219.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish II - 2025.RJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish III - 2035.HJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 3B - 2635.HJ080.Y - (High School Credit Class)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Spanish AP Language and Culture - 2545.PJ000.Y - (High School Credit Class)	<input type="checkbox"/> AVID PREP EXCEL 8th - 9219.R1000.Y

Required Physical Education Credit: Select either PE, Dance, or Athletics	
<input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education - 7017.R0000.X	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall Athletics - 7038.R100B.X (Boys)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance Wellness 3 - 7023.R0000.X	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall Athletics - 7038.R100G.X (Girls)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Athletics - 7038.R200B.X (Boys)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Spring Athletics - 7038.R200G.X (Girls)

Fine Arts courses are organized by skill level, taken in sequence, and not dependent on grade level.		
Check this column if it is your FIRST TIME taking the course.	Check this column if it is your SECOND TIME taking the course. (The Level 1 course is a prerequisite for these courses.)	Check this column if it is your THIRD TIME taking the course. Level 2 course is a prerequisite for these courses.
<input type="checkbox"/> Art MS 1 - 5011.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Art MS 2 - 5002.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Art MS 3 - 5003.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Band MS 1 - 5031.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Band MS 2 - 5032.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Band MS 3 - 5033.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 1 - 5041.R000B.Y (Boys)	<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 2 - 5042.R000B.Y (Boys)	<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 3 - 5043.R000B.Y (Boys)
<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 1 - 5041.R000G.Y (Girls)	<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 2 - 5042.R000G.Y (Girls)	<input type="checkbox"/> Choir MS 3 - 5043.R000G.Y (Girls)
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance MS 1 - 5021.R0000.XY	<input type="checkbox"/> Dance MS 2 - 5022.R0000.XY	<input type="checkbox"/> Dance MS 3 - 5023.R0000.XY
<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar MS 1 - 5061.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar MS 2 - 5062.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Guitar MS 3 - 5063.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Orchestra MS 1 - 5051.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Orchestra MS 2 - 5052.R0000.Y	<input type="checkbox"/> Orchestra MS 3 - 5053.R0000.Y
<input type="checkbox"/> Theater Arts MS 1 - 5011.R0000.XY	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater Arts MS 2 - 5012.R0000.XY	<input type="checkbox"/> Theater Arts MS 3 - 5013.R0000.XY

CAMPUS SPECIFIC COURSE OFFERINGS: The following are courses that are offered at the student's home campus	
Course #	Course Title
Core Classes	
1008.I0000.Y	ELA 8 AdvIB MYP
6008.I0000.Y	SS 8 AdvIB MYP
4008.I0000.Y	Sci 8 AdvIB MYP
3008.I0000.Y	MATH8 AdvIB MYP
3001.HJ000.Y	ADV ALGEBRA I
3003.HJ000.Y	ADV GEOMETRY
World Languages	
2022.RJ000.Y	French 2
2023.RJ000.Y	German 2
2024.RJ000.Y	Latin 2
2025.RJ000.Y	Spanish 2
2027.RJ000.Y	Chinese 2
2121.RJ000.Y	Vietnamese 2
2037.HJ080.Y	Chinese 3B
2131.HJ080.Y	Vietnamese 3B
2635.HJ080.Y	Spanish 3B SS
Design (CTE)	
9042.R0000.X	Creative Writing
9608.H0000.X	Global Studies
9318.R0000.X	Classical Mythology
8601.RJ000.X	Touch System Data Entry (Keyboarding)
8630.RJ000.X	Principles of Manufacturing (Team Robotics)
7012.RJ000.X	Web Communications
7009.RJ000.Y	Digital Communications in the 21st Century (Newspaper)
8500.RJ000.Y	Principles Of Arts, AV Media Tech, & Communications
8716.RJ000.Y	Principles Of Applied Engineering
7000.RJ000.Y	Fundamentals of Computer Science
1078.R000.Y	Yearbook
8807.RJ000.Y	Digital Media
8800.RJ000.Y	Principles of Information Technology
Fine Arts	
5003.I0000.Y	IB Adv Art
5072.R0000.X	Jazz Band Fall
5073.R0000.X	Jazz Band Spring

8th Grade Course Offering Sheet is due back to your Counselor by _____.

By signing below, we acknowledge that these are the courses we are requested for the 2025-26 school year. We understand that school resources will be allocated based on these choices and, therefore, "Change of Mind" requests will not be honored.

Student Signature _____ Guardian Phone _____

Guardian Signature _____ Guardian Email _____

Due to District staffing allocations, class size, class leveling, scheduling conflicts and other considerations, students may not receive their first choice for elective classes. Some classes may not be available due to staffing constraints and staffing changes.