

# 2017 – 2018 Beaumont Middle School: 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Forecast Form

Student Name (last, first) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

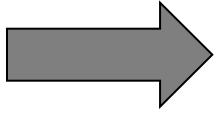
Parent Phone (home, work, and cell): \_\_\_\_\_

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade program focuses on the following things:

- Extended contact time with one teacher for Social Studies and English Language Arts.
- A program that allows for two elective classes (an elective pair, a year, round elective and/OR concert/symphonic band)

**Required Classes:**

Social Studies – Every day  
 Language Arts – Every day  
 Mathematics – Every day  
 Science – Every day  
 Physical Education & Health– Every day



**CORE CURRICULUM**

**Electives:**

Each day a student will participate in two periods of electives (year-round or semester pairs). **Based on student achievement, some students will be placed in electives to support their academic growth.**

**Please note:**

- If you select a yearlong band, you will have the opportunity to further advance in music the following year.
- For students who are not taking band, we will try our best to assign one of your first three choices for elective classes. However, it is not guaranteed that you will get your first choice.
- Additionally, if students are required to take an ELL or SPED class, this type of class will be yearlong and replace an elective class.
- Some students will be placed in electives to support their academic growth. Parents will be notified if their student will be placed in an elective class for this reason.
- If you are in Spanish Immersion, it is required that you have an English Language Arts class that is taught in English. This means you only have one elective class of your choice.
- If you have questions about this elective form, please contact Regina Sun at Beaumont: 503-916-5610.



**Student Signature**

I understand the process for choosing electives.

**Parent Signature**

I agree with my student's choices.

Please rank the following electives using the numbers 1-14 (1 being your first choice)

YEARLONG ELECTIVES

If you select classes in this section, you are agreeing to be in the class for the entire school year.

- 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Wonder (Start-Up) Band**  
 Do you have friends in band and wish you could play an instrument? If you missed out in 6<sup>th</sup> grade you can still learn to play in the Wonder Band! No previous musical experience needed, and info about getting instruments will be provided on the first day (some instruments are available through the school). This class covers two years of instruction in one year, a little bit like Compacted Math. This class meets daily during school hours. (YEAR LONG)
- 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Concert (Intermediate) Band**  
 After Cadet Band, most students go into this group. You will continue developing instrumental technique, ensemble skills and even learn a few rock tunes to play at the Staff vs. 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Basketball Game! This class meets daily during school hours. *All jazz students must be in either Concert Band or Symphonic Band.* (YEAR LONG)
- 7/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Symphonic (Advanced) Band**  
 This band plays more challenging music, competes at two festivals per year, and learns a wide variety of music. If you want to move beyond mastery of your instrument to artistry in music, this band's for you! This class meets daily during school hours. *All jazz students must be in either Concert Band or Symphonic Band.* (YEAR LONG)
- 7/8 Grade Intermediate/Advanced Art**  
**7/8 Intermediate/Advanced Art:** This class will build on first year projects to explore art mediums and concepts in greater depth. Students will learn to work more independently to craft artworks that reflect their own stories and purposes. Projects include printmaking exchanges, murals, botanical illustration, figure drawing, protest art, and more.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Yearbook**  
 Yearbook staff creates, edits and finalizes the Beaumont yearbook! We also enjoy capturing the year through photos. In this class you will work on editing, formatting, aesthetics, cropping and managing sales. If you enjoy preparing interesting formats and can work on a team, this is a great class for you! (YEAR LONG)
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## 7/8 Grade Drama

7/8 Grade Drama is a new elective offering! (YEAR LONG)

### SEMESTER ELECTIVES

These classes are one semester for each and some of them have already been paired up. Semester electives that are not yet paired will be scheduled based on student preferences and upon collective forecasting information. Most but not all classes include 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

#### 7/8 Grade Mirroring Masterpieces & 7/8 Grade Mixed Media (paired)

**Mirroring Masterpieces:** A class to learn about famous artists, and then try out their techniques in our own original artwork!

**Mixed Media:** This elective is an introduction to using technology (different tools and equipment) in the classroom. Students learn how to use a digital camera, evaluate images in writing (using the Principles of Art and Elements of Design), edit photos using Pixlr Editor, design brochures, plan/record/edit short video clips, and create PowerPoint presentations.

#### 7/8 Grade Technology & 7/8 Science Elective (paired)

**7/8 Technology:** Students will work with the Media Specialist to master the skill of presentation using different program such as Google Slides and Microsoft PowerPoint. Students will also learn about digital citizenship, keyboarding and other skills that support other academic classes.

**7/8 Science Elective:** This is a new class at Beaumont!

#### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Mindfulness & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Yearbook (paired)

**Exploring Mindfulness:** Do you want to understand yourself better and improve your relationships with yourself and others? Mindfulness is paying attention with kindness and curiosity to your thoughts, emotions, and physical body in the present moment. Class will include yoga/movement, meditation, brain science, and lots of opportunities to communicate. Mindfulness creates space to thoughtfully respond rather than automatically reacting to your life circumstances

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#### 7/8 Grade Drama

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#### 7/8 Grade Leadership, Restorative Justice and Service Learning

**Leadership, Restorative Justice & Service Learning:** Students will work with the Restorative Justice Coordinator and other staff to develop skills in leadership and restorative justice practices. Students will also have to opportunity to engage in service learning (Semester course- half year).

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#### 7/8 Grade Intro to Ukulele and Intro to World Percussion

**Intro to Ukulele and Intro to World Percussion:** This is a new class and Beaumont and will include 9 weeks of Ukulele and 9 weeks of World Percussion. Students will learn to read notes and rhythms and perform at two events per semester during the school year (Semester course- half year).