

# Northeast Middle School

## 2025-2026 Course of Study Information & Course Selection



Students at Northeast Middle School will start their day in Advisory followed by a 6 period day. Our school day will be 8:40am – 3:20pm. Classes are offered all year long and taught primarily by grade level (except for elective courses), with differentiation for students who need more challenge or extra support. Courses are described below as well as an example schedule for the year.

### Example Schedule 7th & 8th Grade

Period	Class
Advisory	ADVISORY
1 <sup>st</sup>	MATH
2 <sup>nd</sup>	ELECTIVE CLASS (EXAMPLES: AVID, Band, Choir, French, Healthy Living, Ojibwe, Performing Arts, Spanish, or Visual Arts) <i>*could also be required Focus Math, Literacy, or SEL class</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	LANGUAGE & LITERATURE (ELA)
LUNCH/RECESS	
4 <sup>h</sup>	SCIENCE
5 <sup>th</sup>	ELECTIVE CLASS (EXAMPLES: AVID, Band, Choir, French, Healthy Living, Ojibwe, Performing Arts, Spanish, or Visual Arts) <i>*could also be required Focus Math, Literacy, or SEL class</i>
6 <sup>th</sup>	INDIVIDUAL & SOCIETIES

#### **Required Year-Long Courses:**

**Advisory:** All students start their day in an Advisory class which focuses on building relationships, community, and social emotional learning, as well as setting and monitoring academic goals.

**Language and Literature:** Also known as English Language Arts; students explore their world, both locally and internationally through reading, writing, speaking, viewing and listening.

**Math:** All math teachers use the Connected Mathematics Project (CMP), which guides the students through each of the math strands every year. Students are placed in one of the following math classes based on their previous coursework, standardized test scores, and teacher recommendations.

- Math 7
- Telescoped Math 7 / Algebra 8
- Algebra
- Telescoped Algebra / Intermediate Algebra
- Geometry

**Science:** All science classes are taught using lab procedures and experimental design. Students study:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade: Life Science
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: Physical and Earth Science

**Individuals and Societies:** Students study:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – United States Studies
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade -- World Studies

**Literacy/Focus Math/Reading/SEL:** Some students may be scheduled into an intervention class based on their IEP for Special Education or academic intervention needs. These classes take the place of one or two elective courses.

### Year-Long Elective Course Options:

**AVID:** AVID stands for Advancement via Individual Determination and is a class offered to students who would like to prepare for four-year universities by strengthening academic skills. Students in AVID must [apply](#) to the program.

**Band:** For students new to playing a band instrument (i.e. flute, clarinet, trumpet, french horn) and reading music or who have already started learning an instrument. Students will be expected to participate in performances.

**Choir:** This course focuses on developing vocal music skills. Students will be expected to fully participate in performances.

**Healthy Lifestyles (Physical Education and Health):** Students will utilize the gymnasium, health room, fitness center, and the swimming pool to focus on physical fitness, cooperation, and well-being.

**Performing Arts:** Students will work together to explore comedy, improv, commercial acting and writing, singing, and other elements of musical theater.

**Visual Arts:** Students will engage in hands-on projects using a variety of mediums including painting, drawing, clay, etc.

**World Languages:** Students can choose from three World Languages offered at Northeast where they will explore foundational vocabulary, basic communication skills, and culture:

- Spanish
- French
- Ojibwe

### Course Preferences

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Previous School: \_\_\_\_\_

Most students can choose two year-long electives. Some students may be placed in a literacy, math intervention, reading or social emotional learning class based on their test scores or IEP which will take the place of a year long elective.

**Elective Course Options:** *Please rank your top 3 choices (1-3) below.*

_____ AVID (College and Career Readiness)	_____ Ojibwe
_____ Band	_____ Performing Arts
_____ Choir	_____ Spanish
_____ French	_____ Visual Arts
_____ Healthy Living (includes use of gym, fitness center, swimming pool, and health room)	

*\*Note: Students may not get their first choice if classes fill or there are scheduling conflicts.*

