



8th Grade Electives Information

(for 25-26 School Year)

8th Grade Elective List	Completing the 8th Grade Elective Form
<p>Year-long Electives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> BAND (Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced) <input type="checkbox"/> ORCHESTRA (Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced) <input type="checkbox"/> CHOIR <input type="checkbox"/> SPANISH <input type="checkbox"/> LEADERSHIP (Application Required) <input type="checkbox"/> YEARBOOK (Application Required) <input type="checkbox"/> JAVA <input type="checkbox"/> CREATIVE MEDIA <input type="checkbox"/> MAKERSPACE <p>Semester Electives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 2-D ART <input type="checkbox"/> 3-D ART <input type="checkbox"/> COOKING 2 <input type="checkbox"/> WOODSHOP 2 <input type="checkbox"/> OFFICE AIDE <input type="checkbox"/> PASTRY ARTS <p>Elective Website https://sites.google.com/cusdk8.org/kmscounselorscorner/kms-electives?authuser=0 (course descriptions, how to complete the form, etc)</p>	<p>Beginning in the 25-26 school year, ALL students will take 1st period through 7th period</p> <p>Elective Options</p> <p><u>Option 1: 2 year long electives</u> → <i>Example:</i> JAVA & Makerspace</p> <p><u>Option 2: 1 year long, 2 semester electives</u> → <i>Example:</i> Spanish & Woodshop Semester 1, Office Aide Semester 2</p> <p><u>Option 3: 4 semester electives</u> → <i>Example:</i> 2-D Art & Cooking 2 Semester 1 and Woodshop 2 & 3-D Art Semester 2</p>

Elective Information

- ★ Elective classes are a way to step out of your comfort zone and try out something new. You learn a new skill and build your confidence.
- ★ Semester-long classes may be repeated, but some classes may move to more advanced material while others will remain the same.
- ★ While every effort will be made to place students in their 1st or 2nd choice electives, there are times when students will be placed in their 5th or 6th choice, so consider your choices carefully.

Important Dates

Monday, December 2, 2024	Elective Google Form Emailed to Students (after 3pm)
FRIDAY, December 13, 2024	ELECTIVE Google Form Submission DEADLINE

NOTE: You must turn in this form on time to ensure you get the classes you choose!

Frequently Asked Questions

Do I need to audition for Band , Orchestra or Choir placement?

- Students who sign up for Beginning Band do not need to audition. If you are currently in a band, orchestra, or choir class, and you want to be in the advanced or intermediate level classes, you will need to audition for If you are not currently in one of our band classes and would like to audition, please contact Ms. Watkins watkins_stephanie@cusdk8.org,for band placement. Please keep in mind that some students may be placed in Beginning Band even after the audition.

How do I become an office or teacher's aide? Do I get to pick which teacher to aid?

- On the elective form, please select "OFFICE AIDE" Before the start of each semester, the office and teachers will look at the list of students who signed up, and pick a student from the list. Based on their selections, you will be assigned to the office or a specific teacher, and the teacher's name will appear on your class schedule on the first day. We make an effort to assign as many students on the list as possible; those who are not chosen will be given another elective.

What are the application courses?

- Leadership and Yearbook are both Yearlong classes that require that a student must submit an application. Not everyone who applies is given a spot. Please be sure to check the deadlines for the submission of these applications. The teachers of these classes ask teachers to provide written support for student applicants. You will find out if you are in the class when you receive your schedule in August.
- *What if I have a support class (Read180, Math 180, ELD, Learning Skills, etc)? Can I still take an elective class?*
- Yes! One of your elective periods will be the support class and one will be an elective of your choosing.

What if I think I'm moving next year? Do I still need to fill out the form?

- Yes! Then you can tell us where you are going, and our registrar can contact you. NOTE: A lot of times students think they are moving but then things change, and they end up staying. Unless you are **100%** sure you are moving, you should fill out the form as if you will be attending Kennedy. If you don't end up coming, that's okay. It's better to have your choices recorded, just in case.