

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR CHOOSING CONNECTIONS CLASSES

## for 2021-22 8<sup>th</sup> grade students

Crabapple Middle School 8<sup>th</sup> grade students have several opportunities to earn credit toward the high school transcript through Connections course options. Students are permitted to give their ranked preferences for the courses they would like to take. It is CRITICAL that the following steps are followed in order to submit your preference sheet.

**STEP ONE:** Watch the FlipGrid that explains the options for courses that are offered.

<https://flipgrid.com/5886a8b3> Log in through your Microsoft log in OR use CMSHusky if you are asked for a password

**STEP TWO:** Complete the form on the opposite side that ranks your choices for classes.

**STEP THREE:** YOUR PARENT MUST SIGN THE FORM. Forms will not be accepted without a signature.

**STEP FOUR:** Return the form to your 4<sup>th</sup> period teacher NO LATER THAN Tuesday, May 11. Remote students can upload the form as an assignment to the CMS 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students TEAM. Forms that are received after the deadline will not be part of the lottery process for placement into classes, however courses will be assigned regarding preferences where available.

### *AVAILABLE COURSES for 8<sup>th</sup> grade Connections*

#### **For credit on your high school transcript**

HS Personal Fitness – semester class – 0.5 credit  
HS Intro to Digital Tech –Yearlong class—1.0 credit  
HS Intro to Art – semester class – 0.5 credit  
HS Industry Fundamentals (Construction) –Yearlong class—1.0 credit  
HS Intro to Graphic Design –Yearlong class—1.0 credit  
HS Beginning Guitar Lab – semester class – 0.5 credit  
HS Beginning Keyboard (Piano) – semester class – 0.5 credit

#### **8<sup>th</sup> grade curriculum that does NOT carry high school credit**

8<sup>th</sup> PE—semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Investing and Finance (Computer Science) —semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Visual Arts —semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Exploring Architecture —semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Applications of Communication—semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Guitar Techniques —semester long—no credit  
8<sup>th</sup> Piano Techniques —semester long—no credit

FIRST AND LAST NAME WRITTEN LEGIBLY PLEASE

**STUDENT NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENTS WHO *DO NOT* TAKE BAND, CHORUS, ORCHESTRA or AVID:

Students will be scheduled for ONE yearlong class or TWO semester classes in one of the Connections periods depending on availability of your preferences. Choose which courses you are most interested in taking below.

Choose from the list of AVAILABLE COURSES on the other side.

First choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Fourth choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Fifth choice: \_\_\_\_\_

You will be assigned a year of PE as the other Connections period. If you would like one of those semesters to be Personal Fitness, you can indicate that here:

I would like to take PERSONAL FITNESS. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

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STUDENTS WHO TAKE BAND, CHORUS, ORCHESTRA and/or AVID:

Students will be scheduled for ONE yearlong class or TWO semester classes in the Connections period opposite the class listed above. If you would like to take a ONE semester course and ONE semester of PE or Personal Fitness, that is also an option. If you would like to take the entire year of PE, you may also indicate that preference.

Choose from the list of AVAILABLE COURSES on the other side.

First choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Second choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Third choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Fourth choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Fifth choice: \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to take PERSONAL FITNESS and another semester Connections. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to take to both semesters of 8<sup>th</sup> PE. YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to take one semester of 8<sup>th</sup> PE and one semester of Personal Fitness. YES \_\_\_ NO\_\_\_

**MANDATORY PARENT SIGNATURE:** \_\_\_\_\_