

PACIFIC TRAILS MIDDLE SCHOOL
INSTRUCTIONS TO REGISTER FOR 8TH GRADE COURSES

Before completing the 8th Grade Course Selection Form, please read this sheet carefully and visit the Pacific Trails website for more information regarding Course Profiles and Descriptions at <http://pt.sduhsd.net/>.

COURSE SELECTION FORM INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please PRINT your last and first name **neatly**.
2. ***Students will automatically be placed in US History and 8th Grade Science.***
3. ***Please provide a copy of your student's transcript so we may place your student in the appropriate math course. Math Course Profiles are available on our website.***
4. Students must take PE.
 - Students who take music may also enroll concurrently in ISPE to earn PE credit (ISPE Application required) and have the option to enroll in an additional elective.
 - If you want to take both PE and music, number PE as your Physical Education choice and number Band or Orchestra as your elective choice.
5. Students will have space in their class schedule for **ONE YEAR-LONG ELECTIVE**.
 - A World Language is not required for a high school diploma; however, two years are required to apply to a 4-year university. At least one year needs to be taken at the high school for all years to count. (For example, you cannot take **just** Spanish I and II in 7th and 8th grade for it to count for college. You will need to take Spanish III in 9th grade for your middle school Spanish to count). You are advised to begin your language **by** 9th grade. You will need to wait until high school if you wish to study French, Chinese, Japanese or Sign Language. These courses are not available at Pacific Trails but are available at the SDUHSD high schools.
 - **NOTE:** Spanish II requires you to pass Spanish I prior to enrollment.
 - Please complete a Music Intent Form if you select Band or Orchestra. Applications are required for Leadership/ASB and Yearbook. All elective forms are online. Links to online forms are on the Pacific Trails website at pt.sduhsd.net under the Registration button.
6. Check the English class you would like to take. We strongly encourage you to review the English 8 and English 8 Honors Course Profiles to help guide your decision. English Course Profiles are available on the Pacific Trails Middle School's English Department website. There is a link from the Counseling page titled "Course Profiles and Descriptions".

A parent signature is required on the Course Selection Form.

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8th GRADE COURSE SELECTION FORM

NAME (LAST) _____ (FIRST) _____

Elective Taken in 7th GRADE _____

Students are required to take Math, English, U.S. History, Physical Science, Physical Education, and one elective per year from the following list. Rank in order (1 through 4) your elective choices with number 1 being your first choice. Please note that your PE and elective choices will be used in scheduling your year-long classes at Pacific Trails Middle School. We always try our best to honor your 1st or 2nd choice. For a brief description of courses, please refer to the Course Profiles and Descriptions located on the Counseling page of the Pacific Trails Middle School website: pt.sduhsd.net.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION (check one)

_____ Physical Education (General PE)

_____ I plan to apply for ISPE (Independent Study Physical Education)
* **ISPE Application required.** Forms and information available on the SDUHSD website www.sduhsd.net.

_____ I am a music student and plan to take Band or Orchestra while concurrently enrolled in ISPE ***ISPE Application required.**

_____ Band _____ Orchestra
(Please select one)

YEAR-LONG ELECTIVE COURSES

(Number your choices 1-4)

_____ Art Explorations

_____ STEM Explorations

_____ Advanced STEM Explorations

_____ Vocal Performance

_____ Yearbook (Application required)

_____ Leadership (ASB Application required)

_____ Band (Music Intent Form required)

_____ Orchestra (Music Intent Form required)

_____ Spanish I

_____ Spanish II

English Check the English course you feel is most appropriate for your student based on your assessment of his/her academic performance.

_____ English 8

_____ English 8 Honors

Check if you would like a Zero Period. Interested students may have the opportunity to be scheduled periods 0-5. Refer to the Zero Period Option information on the Registration Page of the PTMS website.

- I understand that changing a course level next fall may be done within the first 4 weeks of school in September, but **only if there is space available in the desired class.**
- Schedule changes will not be made to accommodate teacher requests, period requests, or extracurricular and athletic activities.
- SDUHSD Board Policy sets a **four-week limit** at the beginning of each semester to drop a core class. Level changes (from honors to college prep) may be requested during this four-week period **if there is space available.**

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Student Signature _____

Email _____ Phone # _____

NOTE: Final elective courses offered are based on student sign-ups and staffing availability.