

# 7th & 8th Grade Information Night

Scheduling & Course Selections for Incoming 7th & 8th Graders



# Avon Middle School Schedule

## Daily Bell Schedule

- 1° - 8:00 - 8:56 AM
- 2° - 9:00 - 9:56 AM
- 3° - 10:00 - 10:56 AM
- 4° - 11:00 - 11:56 AM
- 5° - 12:00 - 12:56 PM
- 6° - 1:00 - 1:56 PM
- 7° - 2:00 - 3:00 PM

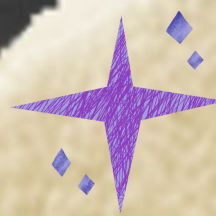
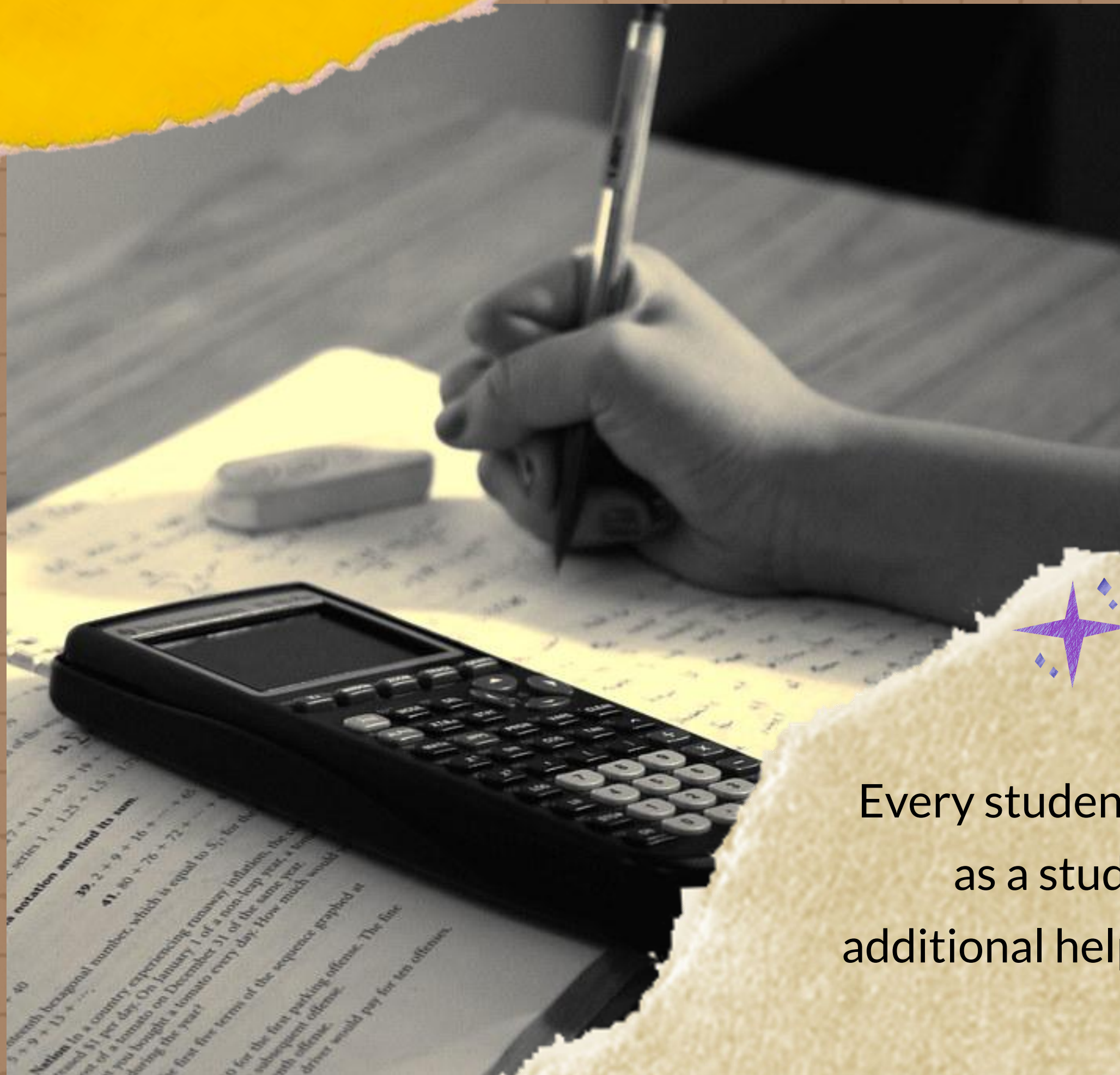
## Arrival/Dismissal

- Commons open @ 7:25AM
- First Bell @ 7:45AM  
dismisses students from the Commons to their lockers
- Car Riders pick-up & drop-off - BACK of the building
- Buses pick-up & drop-off - FRONT of the building

## Lunch/Flex

- 8th Grade Lunch (A/B) - 10:00 - 10:56 AM
- 7th Grade Lunch (A/B) - 11:00 - 11:56 PM
- 6th Grade Lunch(A/B) - 12:00 - 12:56 PM

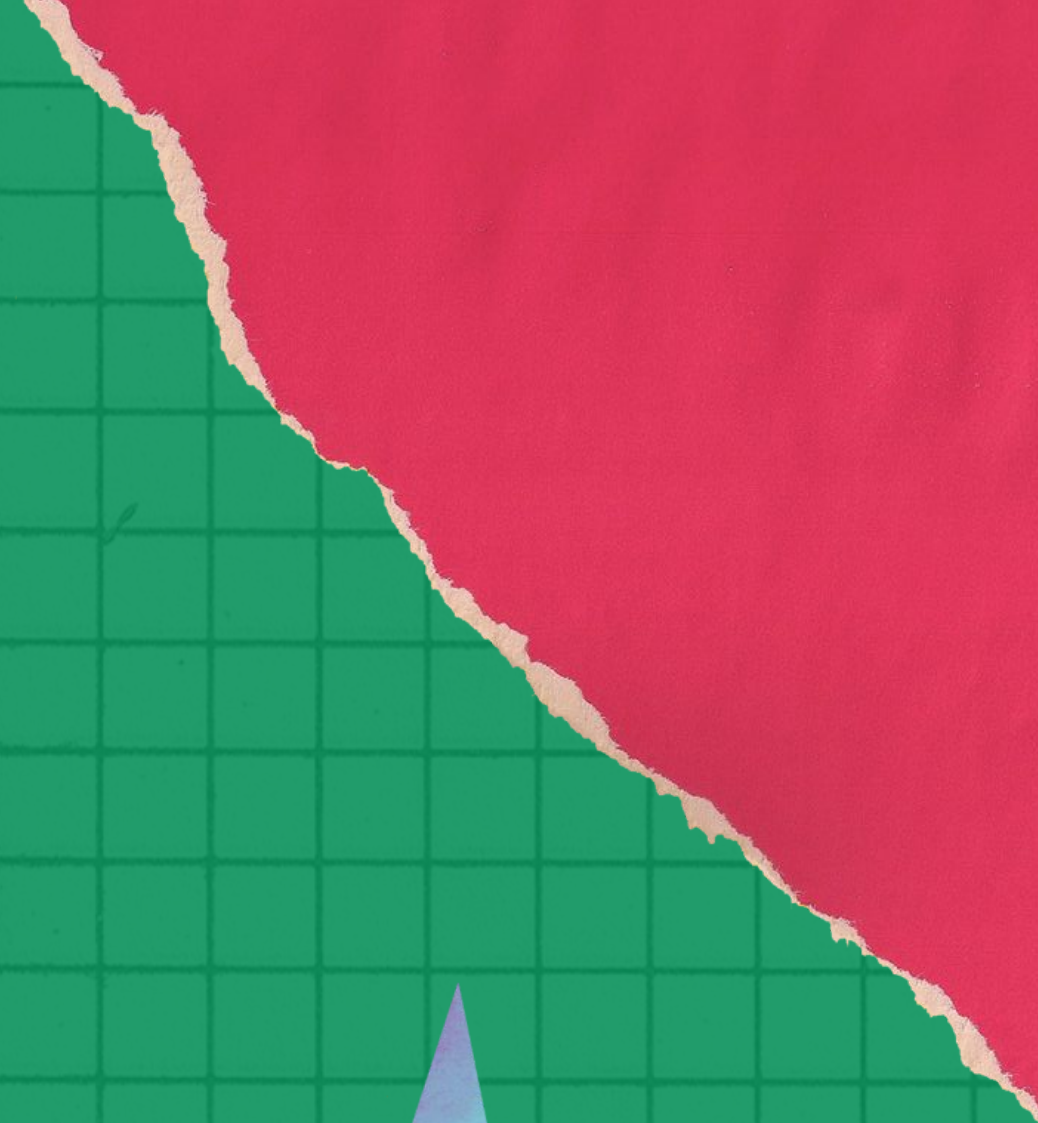
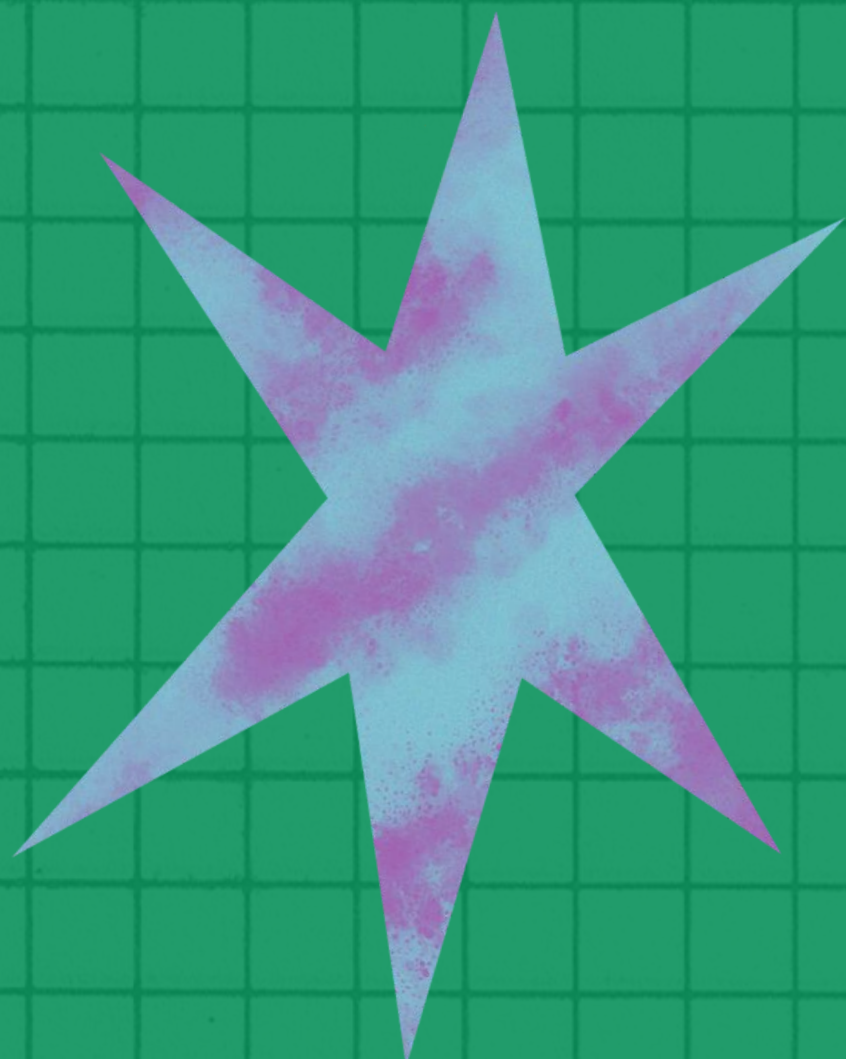
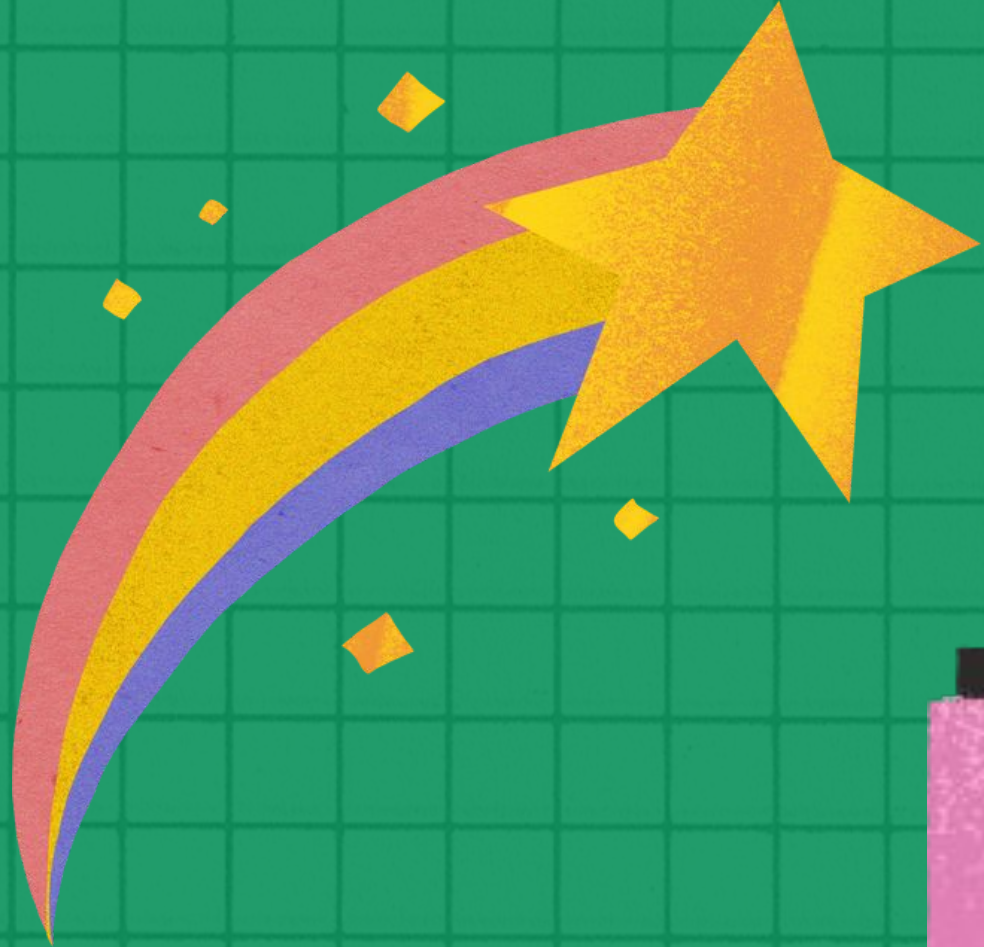




# Flex

Every student gets half a period built into their day as a study hall, time to meet with a teacher for additional help, &/or to make up work/assessments. This time is opposite to their lunch.

**7th**



# Rotating 7th Grade Wheel

Quarter-long Courses

Cyber Civics 7

Physical Education 7



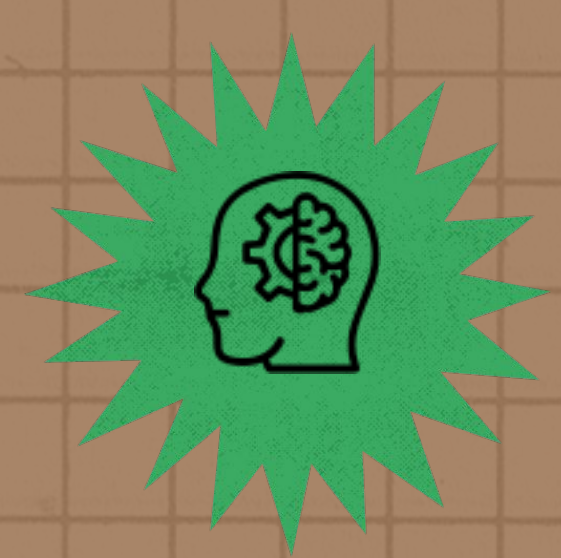
Art 7



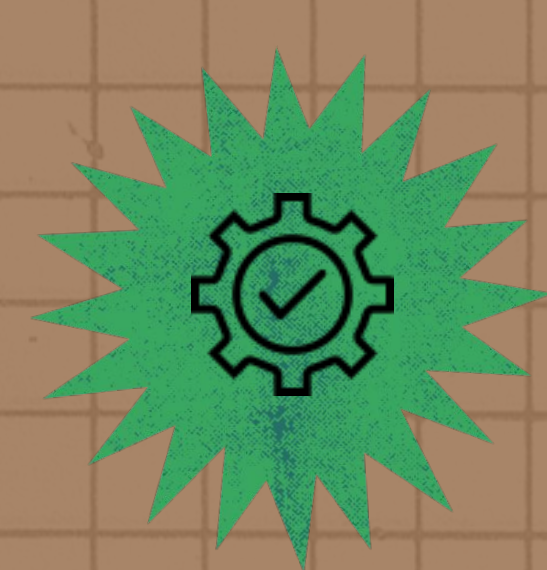
Health 7



*NOTE: order of courses will vary*



# Sample 7th Grade Schedules



## A

### With an Ensemble

1° - Math

2° - ELA

3° - **Ensemble\***

4° - Lunch/Flex

5° - Rotating Wheel

6° - Science

7° - Social Studies

*\*Band/Orchestra/Choir*

## B

### Without an Ensemble

1° - Math

2° - ELA

3° - Elective/SH<sup>+</sup>

4° - Lunch/Flex

5° - Rotating Wheel

6° - Science

7° - Social Studies

*+MUST choose at least 1 semester-long elective*

# 7th Grade Elective Choices

Semester-long Courses

**Beginner Piano**

**Music Writing**

**Digital Media  
Arts**

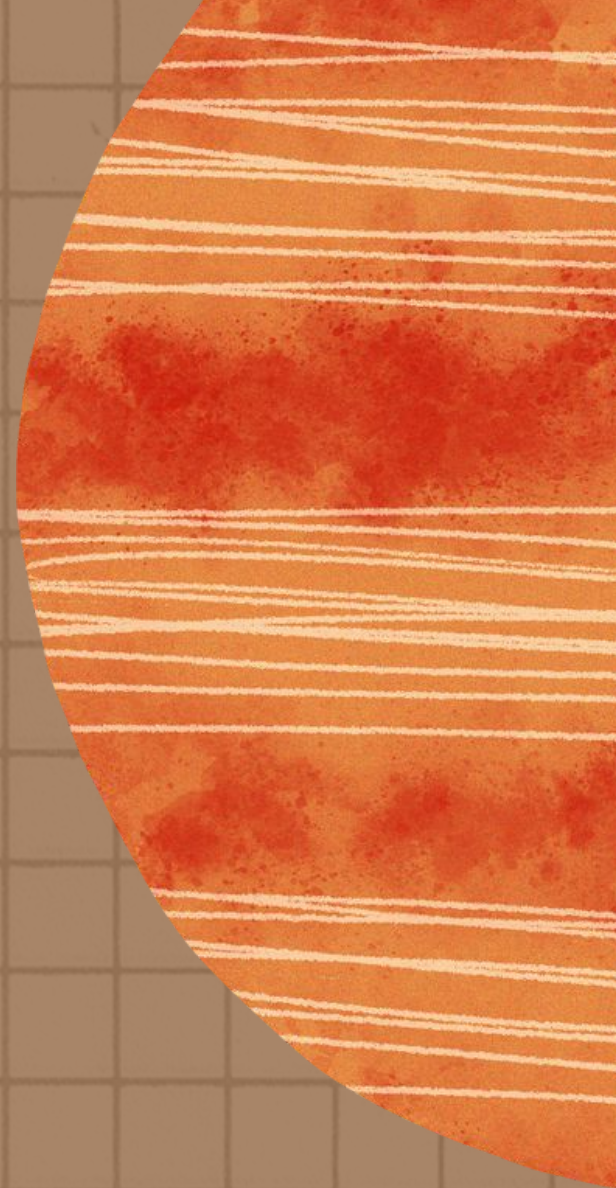
**Video Media  
Productions**

**Tech Animation**


**Tech  
Pre-Engineering**

**Tech Robotics**

**Tech Computer  
Programming**





# Honors Criteria



**Qualifying:** Students requesting to advance from general courses to honors courses are required to earn all A's or two As and one B during the first three marking periods in the respective subject area(s), and be recommended by the teacher(s) in the requested subject area.

**Returning Honors Students:** Students who are currently enrolled in honors course(s) must maintain grades no lower than all Bs in the respective subject area to advance to honors courses for the next grade level in the same subject area.





# 7th Grade Honors Classes

## Honors Courses

Honors ELA 7

Honors Math 7\*

Honors Science 7\*

Honors Social Studies 7

*\*Students need to take if they intend to take Honors Physical Science 8 in 8th grade*

## Honors Math/ELA

- Students will be placed in the appropriate Math &/or Language Arts level according to the criteria
- Letters for qualifying students will be sent home.
- If parents choose not to have their child(ren) placed in this course, they can email their school counselor.  
[Enouratom@avoneagles.org](mailto:Enouratom@avoneagles.org) (A-K)  
or [Speicherb@avoneagles.org](mailto:Speicherb@avoneagles.org) (L-Z)

## Expectations

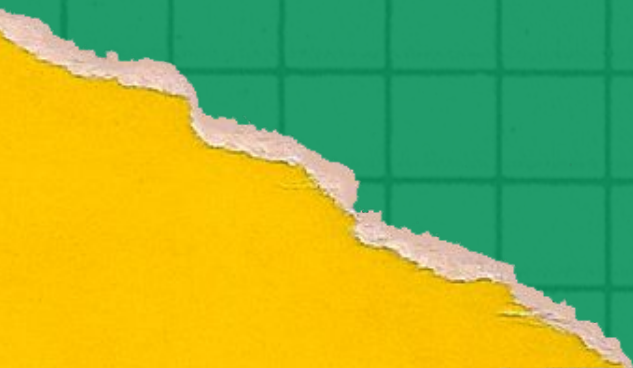
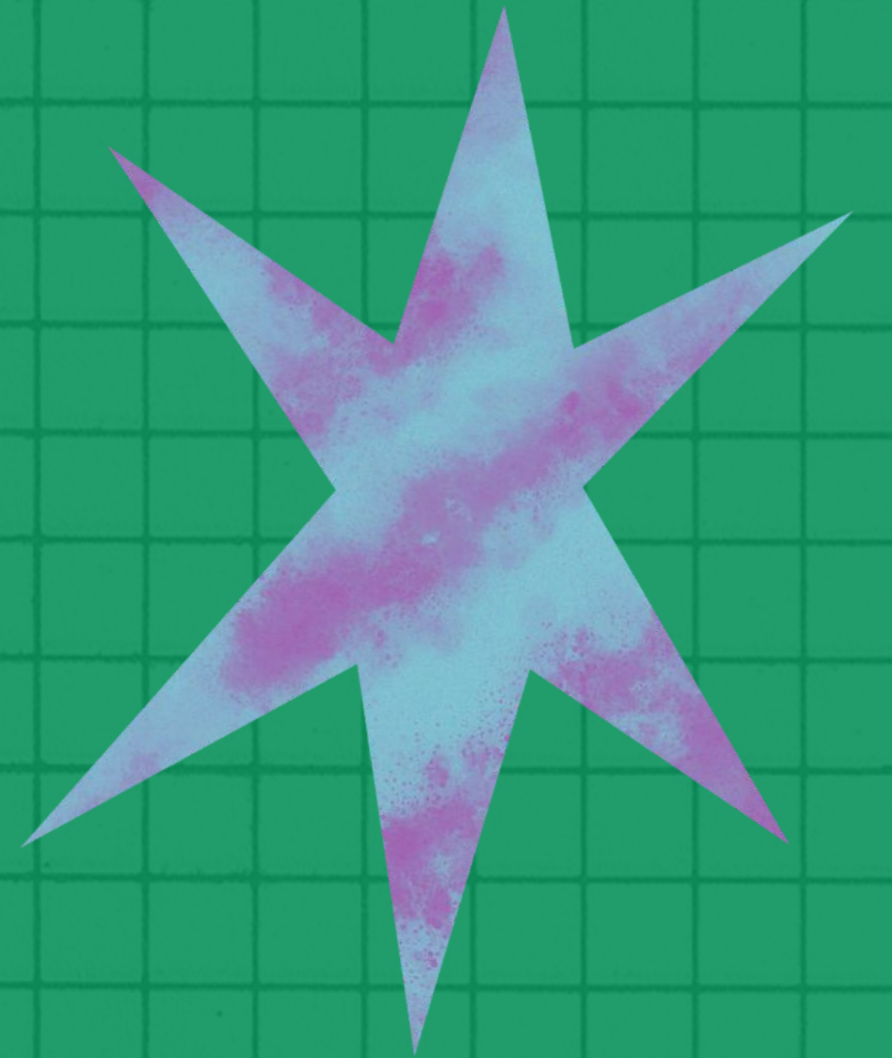
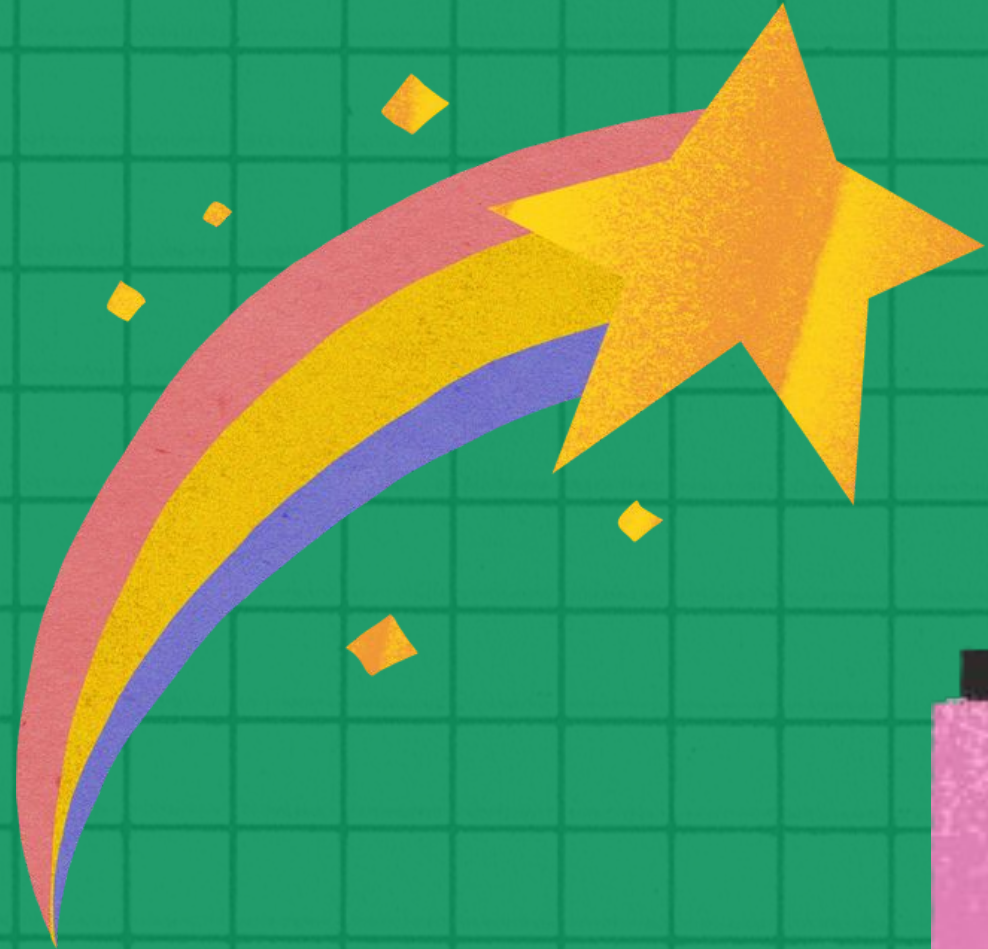
- Honors level classes typically move at a faster pace, demand more rigor, carry a heavier workload, involve more out-of-school study, and require students to think and work more independently.
- Even if a student qualifies for honors courses, it is strongly advised that parents and students consult the respective teacher(s) in the subject area(s).





**Physical Science Honors in 8th Grade:** Students who wish to take Physical Science Honors in 8th grade instead of Science 8 need to have taken Honors Mathematics 7 and Honors Science 7, and maintain As and Bs for the first three marking periods in both classes in order to be eligible for Physical Science Honors.

**8th**



# Foreign Language Offerings to 8th Graders



**1**

**Spanish 1**



**2**

**French 1**



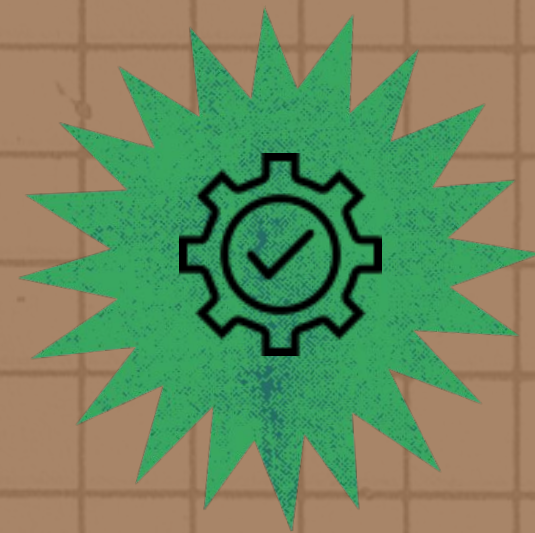
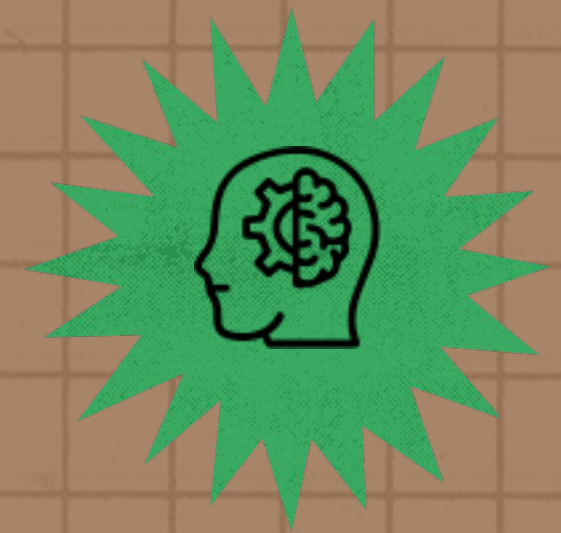
**3**

**Mandarin 1\***

*\*Only offered Early  
Bird: 7:00 - 7:55 AM*

*Qualifying: earn a B average (80%) or greater in Language Arts 7 for the first three marking periods*

# Sample 8th Grade Schedules with Foreign Language



## A

### With an Ensemble

- 1° - Ensemble\*
- 2° - ELA
- 3° - Lunch/Flex
- 4° - Math
- 5° - Foreign Language
- 6° - Science
- 7° - Social Studies

\*Band/Orchestra/Choir

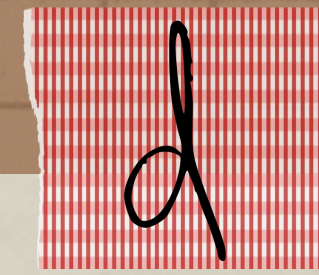
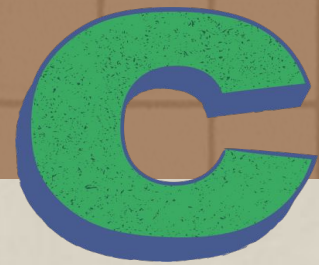
## B

### Without an Ensemble

- 1° - Elective/SH<sup>+</sup>
- 2° - ELA
- 3° - Lunch/Flex
- 4° - Math
- 5° - Foreign Language
- 6° - Science
- 7° - Social Studies

<sup>+</sup>MUST choose at least 1 semester-long elective

# Sample 8th Grade Schedules without Foreign Language



## With an Ensemble

1° - Ensemble\*

2° - ELA

3° - Lunch/Flex

4° - Math

5° - Elective/SH<sup>+</sup>

6° - Science

7° - Social Studies

*\*Band/Orchestra/Choir*

*+MUST choose at least 1 semester-long elective*

## Without an Ensemble

1° - Elective/SH<sup>++</sup>

2° - ELA

3° - Lunch/Flex

4° - Math

5° - Elective<sup>++</sup>

6° - Science

7° - Social Studies

*++MUST choose at least 3 semester-long electives*

# 8th Grade Elective Choices

Semester-long Courses

**Beginner Piano**

**Music Writing**

**Digital Media  
Arts**

**Video Media  
Productions**

**Tech Animation**

**Tech  
Pre-Engineering**

**Tech Robotics**

**Tech Computer  
Programming**

**Advanced Art 8\***

**Intro to Functional  
Movement\***

**Vocational  
Explorations\***

\*8th grade only

# New 8th Grade Only Electives

## Advanced Art 8

The purpose of this 18 week Art course is to introduce students to many forms of artmaking. Students will be drawing, painting, sculpting, printing and designing. They will experience two and three-dimensional problem solving through both fine art and craft. Students will use and identify the elements and principles of design by participating in various enrichment lessons. The approach to learning in this course is based on lessons framed around the Ohio Visual Arts standards for grade 8.

*Upon completion of this course with an earned semester grade of A, demonstrating mastery; students become eligible to bypass the Intro to Art course at Avon High School and begin studies in higher level art courses.*

*\*Completion of Advance Art 8 does not earn high school credit.*

## Intro to Functional Movement

Introduction to functional movement is an engaging 8th-grade course designed to empower students with the knowledge and skills necessary for optimal physical development. This course places a strong emphasis on understanding and mastering proper movement patterns that will not only enhance performance in various physical activities but also lay the groundwork for a lifetime of healthy living.

Throughout this course, students will explore fundamental movement patterns essential for effective and safe physical activity. From basic locomotor skills to advanced coordination exercises, students will develop a solid foundation in movement mechanics. The curriculum is carefully designed to cater to various fitness levels, ensuring that each student progresses at their own pace while gaining confidence in their abilities.

### Course Highlights:

1. High School PE Credit
2. Functional Movement Training 3 days a week (includes lifting)
3. Interactive games 2 days a week that focus on spatial awareness, change of direction, and teamwork
4. Basic knowledge of nutritional needs to help fuel their days
5. Self confidence/ Self Esteem
6. Developing lifelong fitness habits
7. Reduce risk of injuries

## Vocational Explorations

Life skills with real world applications and hands on experiences will be offered to provide students an opportunity to discover interests to guide their career choices in the future. Units / projects may include: Planning & Marketing skills, Culinary and Baking skills, Woodworking skills, Building skills, and Gardening skills.

Students will research a variety of careers based on student interests and values as well as the current offerings at the Lorain County Joint Vocational School. They will also look at and work on the soft skills employers want in their employees.



# 8th Honors Prerequisites

**Honors Language Arts:** Students will be placed in the appropriate Language Arts level according to the criteria

**Honors Algebra 1:** To enroll in Honors Algebra, seventh graders will need to have taken Honors Mathematics-7 and must have all As or two As and one B during the first three marking periods. This is a prerequisite for Honors Geometry.

**Honors Physical Science 8:** For students to be considered for this course, they must first qualify grade-wise with As and Bs for the first three marking periods in Honors Science-7 and Honors Mathematics-7. Thereafter, they will have a record review of district-wide (MAP scores) and statewide (Ohio State Tests) data to determine whether they qualify for placement.

*\*See Slide 8 for Criteria for Qualifying & Returning Honors Students\**

# Courses that offer High School Credit

*1 credit unless otherwise noted*

COURSE APPEARS ON THE HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT BUT IS NOT FACTORED INTO THE CUMULATIVE GPA



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**Honors Algebra 1 & Honors Geometry**

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**Honors Physical Science 8**

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**Foreign Language:**  
French 1, Spanish 1, Mandarin 1

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**Intro to Functional Movement (PE)**

**(0.25/semester)**

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# Course Selections

**DUE**

**March 15, 2024**

**School Counselors will present in Science classes  
to provide course selection directions**

# Schedule Changes

It is important for students and their parents to schedule carefully, and to consult with teachers and their respective School Counselor during the Springtime. Please note that no schedule changes will occur beyond the designated and announced date of June 5, 2024, unless there is one or more the following factors:


- technical error in the scheduling process
- scheduling conflict in student course needs or requests
- class failure from the previous year

## CONTACT US

If you have any questions about the scheduling process, please contact the School Counselors in the AMS Student Services Offices:

Mrs. Maria Enourato (A~K) email - [enouratom@avoneagles.org](mailto:enouratom@avoneagles.org) OR telephone - (440) 934-3800, ext. 5012

Mrs. Becky Speicher (L~Z) email - [speicherb@avoneagles.org](mailto:speicherb@avoneagles.org) OR telephone - (440) 934-3800, ext. 5011

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