



# Raymond B. Stewart Middle School 2023 - 2024

## 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ID #: \_\_\_\_\_

### REQUIREMENTS:

- Language Arts \*
- Mathematics \*
- Science\*
- U.S. History \*
- Health (semester)
- PE (semester)

*\*Advanced sections are by staff placement only.*

**Course Requests:** Assignments are based upon legislation and availability of teachers, space, and materials. Every effort will be made to grant first-choice of electives; however, elective choices are not guaranteed. Failure to complete this form will result in classes being assigned to the student. Waivers for special circumstances must be approved by administration and the Pasco County School Board.

- **Students for whom remediation is mandated by statute (e.g., FSA scores) will be required to take an intervention class (e.g., Intensive Reading or Intensive Math).**

### ELECTIVES:

Rank #1-6 your preference of elective.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Orientation to Agriculture (semester)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Art in World Cultures (semester)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Business Keyboarding (semester)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Career Research & Decision-Making (semester)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exploratory Spanish BEG (semester)
- \_\_\_\_\_ AVID 6<sup>th</sup> (yearlong) \*requires application
- \_\_\_\_\_ Band 1 (yearlong)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chorus 1 (yearlong)

**Schedule Changes:** Students may be granted changes ONLY after parent, teacher, and student confer to discuss progress and identify a plan of action for student improvement. We are interested in the success of our students and are willing to work with the student and parent to help the student succeed. These procedures have been developed to ensure stable classrooms for all students at RBSMS. Schedule changes must be approved by administration.

**Exceptional Student Education (ESE):** The final choices of classes for ESE students will be made at the time of the IEP/parent conference. The selections on this form will be used only for planning purposes.

**Infinity Academy:** An advanced curriculum in a blended learning environment where teachers and students work together to create an educational plan tailored to each student's needs and areas of interest. Each student is part of a house with a leadership team and mentors, so all students feel included and have access to resources like their own laptop computer to take home. Students have the freedom to work ahead & explore topics of interest.

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:** \_\_\_\_\_ ESE      \_\_\_\_\_ Gifted      \_\_\_\_\_ FSA Reading      \_\_\_\_\_ FSA Math      \_\_\_\_\_ CR  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Infinity      \_\_\_\_\_ 504      \_\_\_\_\_ ESOL      \_\_\_\_\_ CAR-PD/Intens. Rdg      \_\_\_\_\_ Intensive Math      \_\_\_\_\_ SSAP

## COURSE INFORMATION

**Health:** Semester elective teaching skills to become health literate and to practice responsible behaviors for a healthy lifestyle. This comprehensive course focuses on the health issues core to the optimum development of adolescents. Required by all 6<sup>th</sup> grade students

**Physical Education (PE):** Semester elective provides students with the knowledge, skills, and values to become healthy and physically active. Required locker fee, daily participation and appropriate attire. Optional uniform fee.

**Orientation to Agriculture:** Semester elective for students that would like to begin to learn about and work with livestock, plants, natural resources along with other agriculture systems.

**Art in World Cultures:** Semester elective explores art from around the world through project-based, hands-on activities. Students reinterpret selected forms to promote understanding of themes, purposes, and symbolism.

**Business Keyboarding:** Semester elective that uses software to increase student typing speed while teaching the proper technique and business skills.

**Career Research and Decision Making:** Semester elective provides knowledge and skills in the research process with emphasis on determining and refining research questions.

**Exploratory Spanish:** Semester elective introduces students to Spanish and its culture. Students learn beginning skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills while broadening exposure and appreciation for Spanish cultural similarities and differences.

**AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination):** Yearlong college-readiness elective ensures students "*in the academic middle*" succeed in rigorous courses. Provides organization skills, time management, note-taking strategies, college tutors in class, and field trips to local colleges. Must submit separate application to apply for this elective. Requires at least one advanced class.

**Band:** This exciting year-long class teaches students how to play a band instrument. Students will learn fundamentals of performing a band instrument and experience the joys of performing in front of others in a concert setting. Students will need their own instrument. However, many instruments are available from the school at no charge.

**Chorus:** This year-long class teaches students the fundamentals of how to sing. Students will learn basic vocal technique, critical and creative thinking skills, and an appreciation for music from around the world. Students will also have the opportunity to perform for our community and school.

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### **Physical Education Requirement - Waiver**

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Florida state legislation requires students in grades 6-8 to take at least one semester of physical education each year. The legislation allows for parents to waive the requirement if the student meets at least one of the following:

- The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course (waiver not required)
- The parent requests that the student enroll in another elective course offered by the school at that grade level (if available).
- The student is participating in physical activities outside of the school day that, which are equal or in excess of the mandated requirement.

\_\_\_\_\_ (initials) My child meets one of the above criteria and requests courses other than physical education.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student # \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_