

Student Name _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Parent's Cell _____



**8th
Grade**

Important Information- Please read and review the front and back of this document carefully. Each student enrolled in a Leon County middle school must complete three courses of language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies prior to promotion to high school. **A 2017-18 Course Verification Form will be sent home to confirm their placement/selection prior to the end of this school year. No changes will be honored after the first week of the 2017-18 school year. Schedules will be mailed home prior to orientation in the fall.** Parents and students must sign each part of this request and return it by April 28th, 2017.

Instructional Levels/Placement Criteria

All 8th graders will be enrolled in four core academic and two (2) elective selections. Course levels for Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies will be determined by teacher recommendations, FSA/FCAT scores, prognosis testing, and current academic standings. **Students scoring in the lowest 25% of the FSA Reading and/or Math will be required to enroll in an additional intensive class of reading and/or math in place of an elective offering or in lieu of their elective choice(s).**

Required Teacher Recommendations – (School Use Only)

Any adjustments or overrides must be made prior to the end of the first week of the 2017-18 school year. **All Math and Science placements are pending FSA and prognosis test results and are subject to change.**

Teachers: Initial next to the course level you recommend for this student in each of the core academic areas.

Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
___ General	___ Pre-Algebra	___ General	___ General
___ Advanced	___ Algebra*	___ Advanced	___ Advanced
___ Gifted/Talented	___ Honors Algebra 1*	___ Honors Earth Space*	___ Gifted/Talented
	___ Honors Geometry*	___ Honors Biology*	

* Signifies a high school credit course that will appear on the high school transcript and affect high school GPA.

Does this student have an IEP?	___ Yes ___ No
Does this student have a 504 plan?	___ Yes ___ No

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Parental Placement Overrides

Parents who feel their student cannot handle the work requirements associated with the level of a class, or feel their student can handle more rigorous courses, may request their student be assigned to a course not recommended by the teacher. In such cases, a parent may request an override **prior** to the start of the school year to place the student in a level of course desired by the parent. **This override will be honored and maintained throughout the year regardless of a student's grade or academic achievement. These requests and required paperwork may be obtained by contacting the scheduling administrator at the school prior to the end of the first week of school schedule change deadline.**

Completing an override form does not guarantee placement in a different course, but allows for a different placement if there is availability in the course.

Elective Selection

Students who have met the passing requirements for the FSA/FCAT may enroll in two elective courses of their choice. **The equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for one semester of each year is required for grades 6-8 per Florida Statute 1003.455 Physical Education.** The requirement will be waived for a student who are required to enroll in a remedial class; or if a parent indicates in writing that the student enroll in another course. **Students opting out of P.E. must attach a parent letter requesting such an option by April 28, 2017.** We ask that students select their choices and alternatives by numbering them with 1-6. Students must pick enough electives to equal two full year courses. Students not returning a course request by April 28, 2017 will receive an elective chosen by the administration. Elective courses are not the priority in the scheduling process. See the Montford Elective Descriptions for more information about each elective. **Electives in bold require the elective teacher's signature.**

_____ Physical Education (semester)	_____ Physical Education (Full Year)	
_____ Art 1 (semester)	_____ Art 2 (semester)	
_____ Art 3D* (application required)	_____ Yearbook (application required)	
_____ Spanish 1*	_____ Spanish 2*	
_____ Math Competitions	_____ Chorus 2	
_____ Chorus 3	_____ Adobe Certification**	
_____ Band 1	_____ Band 2	_____ Band 3
_____ Orchestra 1	_____ Orchestra 2	_____ Orchestra 3
_____ Drama 1 (semester)	_____ Drama 2 (semester)	_____ Keyboarding (semester)
_____ Music Theatre 1* (application required)	_____ Music Theatre 2* (application required)	

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**Students will earn an industry level certification with the completion of the Adobe Cert program.

Parent Signature _____ Student Signature _____

Signature and Confirmation

The master schedule of Montford Middle School is based upon the courses you were assigned or selected on this document. Changes to schedules will not be made once the scheduling process is complete without a JUSTIFIABLE REASON for making the change. **A change in mind regarding an elective choice, classroom peers or locations are not JUSTIFIABLE REASONS.** Parents and students must sign each part of this request as documentation that you viewed both sides of this document carefully in regards to your options and choices and return it by April 28th, 2017.

Parent Name _____ Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Student Name _____ Student Signature _____ Date _____