

Luther Jackson Middle School Rising 7th Grade Curriculum Night



We Are LJ!

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School Counselors

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This presentation will be posted on our LJMS website

Transition to Middle School

- At least 7 teachers & 7 classrooms
- More independence
- Dress out for Physical Education (PE) classes
- Homework assigned on a regular basis
- Most students take the bus to Jackson
- Jackson students come from 10-12 elementary schools

It Takes a Village

In addition to teachers and administrators...

- **School Counselors**' primary goal is to promote the academic, personal, and social growth of all students through self-awareness and respect, building positive relationships with others, and promoting positive learning experiences
- **School Counselors** cover topics such as academic planning and skill-building, stress reduction, and self-advocacy through individual counseling, small-group counseling, and classroom visits
- **School social worker, school psychologist, speech pathologist, family liaison and school resource officer on staff**

We are Responsible!

LJMS Tigers are on time and ready to learn!

Block Schedule 4
classes per day, 90
minute class time.

Period 4 (Advisory)
focuses on goal-setting,
reflection opportunities,
and intervention.

Lunches are
determined by 5th
and 6th period.
Students may have
a different lunch
time on ODD and
EVEN days



LJMS BELL SCHEDULE

ODD Day	TIME	EVEN Day									
PERIOD 1	7:30 am to 8:50 am	PERIOD 2									
PERIOD 3	8:54 am to 10:38 am 24 extra minutes for recess	PERIOD 4 8:54-9:46 (52 min-RA lessons, recess) 9:50-10:38 (intervention-48 min)									
PERIOD 5	10:42 am to 12:45 pm	PERIOD 6									
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PERIOD 7	12:49 pm to 2:15 pm Dismissal Starts at 2:12pm	PERIOD 8									

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Students take 5 required courses in 7th & 8th grade-

English **Social Studies** **PE**
Science **Math**

Please be sure to attend the honors/gen ed classes presentation for more information on core curricular classes.

Students have 2 more spaces for electives and can take one of the following combinations:

- 2 full year electives
- 1 full year elective and 2 semester electives
- 4 semester electives

Choose Electives Carefully

FULL YEAR CHOICES -

Band, Chorus, Orchestra, AVID, WL, Yearbook

SEMESTER CHOICES - students
should rank preference 1-6

Art Foundations	Engineering 1-4
3D Art Exploration	Music Participation Lab
Art Extensions	Media Communication
Chorus	Journalism
Coding 1	Technical Theatre
Coding 2	Theatre Arts
Creative Writing	Family & Consumer Sciences
Musical Theatre Appreciation	

- **Choose electives wisely** – staff is hired and sections are created based on student choices
- Any **spring/summer** changes? Contact Nick Zubieta @ onzubieta@fcps.edu.
- Schedule changes **will not** be made in the Fall during the first 3 weeks of school except for obvious errors or omissions

World Language Options

7th grade students may choose from the following full-year language options -

- **French 1 A (+1B in 8th grade=1 HS credit)**
- **Spanish 1 A (+1B in 8th grade=1 HS credit)**
- **Spanish 1**
- **Spanish for Heritage Speakers 1**

Level 1 courses, upon successful completion, earn a high school credit, which counts toward high school graduation requirements, and will be included in student's overall high school GPA

Course Selection Process

- Elementary counselors and teachers present information on course selection and provide students with the google form link.
- Students will enter their courses in Google form by Friday, February 21st.
- LJMS counselors will visit elementary schools to meet with students 1:1 to finalize course selections starting the week of February 24th.

Stay in Touch! Be in the Know!

- **LJ Website**
<http://www.fcps.edu/LutherJacksonMS/>.
- **News You Choose**
https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/VAEDUFCPS/subscriber/new?qsp=VAEDUFCPS_1
- **ParentVue** (both enrolling & non-enrolling parent may create an account as long as they have an email address on record.)
- **Schoology**
- **After School Program Site**

We are here to help!

QUESTIONS?