



CURRENT 6TH & 7TH GRADE FAMILIES

School Counselor Connect
Colina Middle School

- School counselors will present the following information to students in their classrooms over the next several weeks
- Students will receive an electronic class preference form that will be due the following day or week
- This information and more is available on the Colina Counseling website www.colinacounseling.org



CLASS PROGRAMMING

ENGLISH

7th Grade

- English 7 CP and English 7 H (Honors)
- A- or above both semesters in 6th grade English automatically placed in English 7 H
- Petition process
- If a student qualifies but does not want to be in honors, please send an email to your student's school counselor

8th Grade

- English 8 CP and English 8 H
- Currently in English 7 H and earn B- or above both semesters, automatically placed in English 8 H
 - If C+ or below either semester, need to complete a petition form for review to continue in honors
- If English 7 CP and would like to move to English 8 H, need to complete a petition form for review to move into honors

7th Grade English: Two levels of English in 7th grade are honors and college prep. Students who earn A-'s or above both semesters in English 6 CP will automatically be placed in English 7 H (honors). Students who do not meet these qualifications will need to complete a petition for review. Petition forms will be available on the Counseling Office website starting in March. If a student qualifies but does not want to be in honors, please send an email to your student's school counselor.

8th Grade English: Two levels of English in 8th grade are honors and college prep. If a student is currently in English 7 H and earns B-'s or above both semesters, they will automatically be placed in English 8 H. If a student earns a C+ or below either semester, they will need to complete a petition form for review to continue in honors. If a student is in English 7 CP and would like to move to English 8 H, they will need to complete a petition form for review to move into honors. Petition forms will be available on the Counseling Office website in March.

SOCIAL SCIENCE

7th Grade

- Social Science 7 CP and 7 H
- A- or above both semesters in 6th grade Social Science automatically placed in 7 H
- Petition process
- English and Social Science honors not linked

8th Grade

- Social Science 8 CP and 8 H
- Currently in Social Science 7 H and earn B- or above both semesters, automatically placed in 8 H
 - If C+ or below either semester, need to complete a petition form for review to continue in honors
- If Social Science 7 CP and would like to move to 8 H, need to complete a petition form for review to move into honors

7th Grade Social Science: Two levels of Social Science in 7th grade are honors and college prep. Students who earn A-'s or above both semesters in Social Science 6 CP will automatically be placed in Social Science 7 H. Students who do not meet these qualifications will need to complete a petition. Petition forms will be available in the Counseling Office starting in March. English 7 H and Social Science 7 H are not linked, so a student can be in one and not the other. Once students are in the honors level, they will automatically continue in honors each year as long as they earn B-'s or above both semesters.

8th Grade Social Science: Two levels of Social Science in 8th grade are honors and college prep. If a student is currently in Social Science 7 H and earns B-'s or above both semesters, they will automatically be placed in Social Science 8 H. If a student earns a C+ or below either semester, they will need to complete a petition form for review to continue in honors. If a student is in Social Science 7 CP and would like to move to Social Science 8 H, they will need to complete a petition form for review to move into honors.

MATH

7th Grade

- **Math 7 CP**
 - Students in Math 6 CP move to Math 7 CP
- **Math 7 Accelerated**
 - Students who earn B- or above both semesters in Math 6 Accelerated
 - Grades of C move to Math 7 CP or petition
- **Algebra 1 H**
 - Students who earn B- or above both semesters in Math 7 Accelerated
- **Boost camp/self-study**

8th Grade

- **Math 8 CP**
 - Students in Math 7 CP move to Math 8 CP
- **Algebra 1 CP**
 - Students in Math 7 Accelerated and earn C's
 - Students in Math 7 CP who earn a passing score on the boost exam
- **Algebra 1 H**
 - Students who earn B- or above both semesters in Math 7 Accelerated
- **Geometry H**
 - Students who earn B- or above in Algebra 1 H taken in 7th grade
- **For future math planning, the math sequence is as follows: Algebra 1, Geometry, Algebra 2, Math Analysis, Calculus and/or Statistics**

7th Grade Math: If students are currently in Math 6 Accelerated and earn B-'s or above both semesters, they will continue automatically into Math 7 Accelerated. If students are currently in Math 7 Accelerated and earn B-'s or above both semesters, they will continue automatically into Algebra 1 H. If students are currently in Math 6 CP and earn A-'s or above both semesters, they will receive a letter about the summer Math Boost Camp opportunity. This typically takes place the first three weeks of summer to cover the first half of the Math 7 CP curriculum that was taught in Math 6 Accelerated. If students earn a passing score on the boost test, they can move into Math 7 Accelerated. Students who do not meet criteria for math boost camp, can self-study and take the exam. More information about these options will be on the Colina Counseling website in April.

SCIENCE

7th Grade

- The first honors Science class is in 8th grade
- Students in 7th grade will take Life Science 7 CP

8th Grade

- Physical Science 8 H and CP
- Students who earn A- or above both semesters in Life Science 7 CP automatically move into Physical Science 8 H
- Petition process

SCHEDULE OPTIONS

- **Periods A-5: 7:55am-2:19pm**
 - Based upon availability
 - Bus transportation not available
- **Periods 1-6: 9:00am-3:10pm**
 - Assigned if no preference submitted
- **Periods A-6: 7:55am-3:10pm**
 - Only available for those enrolled in certain electives

ELECTIVE CLASSES

- Career Wheel (7th grade – single)
- Computer Animation & Game Design
- Principles of Computer Science
- Debate/Public Speaking
- ASB Leadership
- ASB Yearbook
- Drama (A period only)
- Chorus (Beginning & Intermediate/Advanced)
- Band (Beginning, Intermediate, & Advanced)
- Orchestra (Beginning & Advanced)
- Spanish 1 CP (8th grade)
- Advanced Art (8th grade – single)
- Office/Library Aide/TA (8th grade – single)
- Special Friends (8th grade – single)
- WEB (8th grade – CORE)

*Students must list their elective choices in order of priority (1st, 2nd, and 3rd). Class times may conflict, and we would prefer to provide students with their backup elective choices.