

**Grade 9 @ Roosevelt High School for 2017–2018**  
**Instructions for Course Selection**

- **Select your choices and use the option worksheet to note the course name in the appropriate grid. Please include alternate electives in the lower grid.** Counselors will visit most SPS middle schools and a few local private schools in late April/early May to collect the completed forms and answer student questions. (If you miss one of these opportunities, please email, regular, fax or drop off this form ASAP).
- **Roosevelt Counselors will hold a Registration Info Night for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> graders and their families on Thursday, April 20 at 7 pm in the Roosevelt High School Gym.** This will provide an overview of graduation requirements and a chance to ask general questions.
- **9<sup>th</sup> graders will be placed in a 2-period block for language arts and social studies. They will also take year-long 9<sup>th</sup> grade science and a semester of health (see Health note below.)** Choose five additional semester-long classes. These classes will include Math and possibly a World Language--for those who choose a World Language. *Remember that a year-long course (i.e. Math and World Languages) is really two courses—one per semester.*
- Students from outside Seattle Public Schools should have their current math teacher recommend correct math placement. Students currently in a Seattle Public Schools middle school will be placed according to the recommendation forwarded to us via District communication.  
Only students who have completed Algebra 1 in middle school may sign up for Geometry or Honors Geometry. This is department policy for which there are no exceptions.
- **World Language: If you choose the 1st year of any World Language, list an alternate language on the lower grid.** Starting with the class of 2021, Seattle Public Schools will include 2 years of a World Language or a Personalized Pathway as a graduation requirement. We recommend starting that course of student in your Freshman year.
- A checklist of graduation requirements is available in the Course Description Book for 2017–2018 that is posted on the website: <http://roosevelths.seattleschools.org/> under “Services” then “Counseling” then “Incoming Students.”
- **If any of the courses you have selected require a signature, contact the staff member listed, collect the signature(s) (email approval is fine) and turn in with your form.**

Additional Notes:

- Music:
  - 9<sup>th</sup> grade students who were enrolled in middle school band or jazz band should sign up for Concert Band. Auditions are necessary for vocal jazz, jazz band and jazz lab (an after-school, non-credit activity). Information about auditions is available on the RHS jazz website: [www.rooseveltjazz.org](http://www.rooseveltjazz.org). Auditions for incoming students (specific date depends on instrument) will take place during in the Spring in the Roosevelt band room. For more information, contact Scott Brown, [slbrown@seattleschools.org](mailto:slbrown@seattleschools.org).
  - Auditions are necessary for symphony and chamber orchestra. Auditions for incoming students will take place in the Spring. Email Ms. Edwards, [anedwards@seattleschools.org](mailto:anedwards@seattleschools.org) to make an appointment. In the meantime, string players should sign up for Concert Orchestra. Other instrumentalists sign up for Concert Band.

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- Theatre:
  - The theatre tech classes are involved with producing all the plays and the annual musical: sets, costumes, tickets, lighting, sound, etc. Please email Mr. Stuart, [btstuart@seattleschools.org](mailto:btstuart@seattleschools.org) to request your spot in this class. These classes qualify for occupational education credit or fine arts credit.
  - Experienced drama students who wish to enroll directly in Theatre 2 may do so. Please refer to the Course Description Book for more information about Theatre courses.
  - Auditions are necessary for the musical cast are held in early December. The schedule adjustment for 2<sup>nd</sup> semester will be made after the cast list is finalized.
  
- Other contacts for courses needing signatures:
  - Sports Conditioning – Matt Katinas – [mnkatinas@seattleschools.org](mailto:mnkatinas@seattleschools.org)
  - French 3 – Linda Hilliard – [khilliard@seattleschools.org](mailto:khilliard@seattleschools.org)
  - Spanish Heritage Speakers – Lynn Kodama – [lckodama@seattleschools.org](mailto:lckodama@seattleschools.org)
  
- Health - Students who opt to take a full year (two semesters) each of a world language and either theatre or music may delay taking health. However, students still need health to graduate and we cannot guarantee the course will be available at Roosevelt to students in grades 10, 11, or 12. Counselors will work with the students to arrange for the student to take the Health course through Running Start, or an alternate (private pay) on-line program.
  
- ELL students take core classes with other ninth graders but will also take the ELD Adjunct support class. Family members may phone 252-4810 to speak with Ms. Pewitt, the ELD department head, with questions.
  
- Special education students are scheduled by the Special Education staff. Parents or Guardians of students receiving special education services need to contact Tim Comstock, Special Education Department chair, at [tacomstock@seattleschools.org](mailto:tacomstock@seattleschools.org) or 252-4954, to schedule an intake appointment. This should take place as soon as possible. *Schedules cannot be developed until this meeting takes place.* We want to ensure that special education students have appropriate classes and services.

Please let us know. . .

If your family's plans change during the summer and you will NOT be attending Roosevelt, please let us know. Go to [www.seattleschools.org/admissions/registration](http://www.seattleschools.org/admissions/registration) and click on the "Not Attending Next Year" link. Please follow the instructions to remove your student's enrollment. In addition, feel free to send an email to our registrar: [dtmiller@seattleschools.org](mailto:dtmiller@seattleschools.org). Note: dropping enrollment through the District website is required.