

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Exploratory Options:

- **Step 1:** Login to PowerSchool Student Portal with your CCSD student login.
- **Step 2:** Navigate to Class Choice.
- **Step 3:** Complete a full schedule of 4 class units for 2021-22 on this by April 16.

### Music electives:

**Concert Band 8-** This Advanced Band class offers students an expanded variety of music to learn and perform. Students will have the opportunity to qualify for the Moultrie Honor Band, which performs on the state level. Students may also qualify for individual All-Region and All-State honors. There is a performance trip combined with 7th and 8th grade band students to either Disney, Universal, or Atlanta.

**Jazz Band 8-** This course is designed as a supplemental ensemble to the Concert Band. This class will serve as an introduction to the rich history of jazz music. Through ensemble rehearsal, individual practice, and a variety of performance opportunities, the student will gain an understanding and appreciation for this great art form. Emphasis will be placed on not just performance technique, but also rudimentary improvisational skills, musicianship, and a sense of personal accountability.

**Chorus 8-** As a member of 8th grade chorus, students perform multiple concerts, attend field trips, and can qualify for All-County and All-State Chorus as well as a performers' workshop at Walt Disney World. We sing all types of music from classical to pop to Broadway. No audition required.

**Music Appreciation and Exploration 8-** This course will integrate music students of varying abilities, with the culminating goal to be a musical performance for all students. Advanced music students enrolled in the course will complete an independent study, selecting from a list of music-related careers: Music Education, Music Therapy, Musical Theatre, or Composition.

**Orchestra/Strings 8-** Orchestra is a performance based class in which students build technical skills playing the violin, viola, cello and string bass. Students will perform various musical styles as individuals and in groups in a learning environment that fosters responsibility, cooperation, healthy competitiveness, self-discipline, and fun. Students perform in many concerts, competitions, and festivals locally and have the opportunity to perform at Universal Studios and Walt Disney World.

### STEM Electives:

**Flight and Space: Aeronautic Design and Drones-** Today's Intro to Flight, Whitebox Gliders (3D modeling), Glider build, Rocket Simulator, Build Air Rockets. Learn how to fly Drones. We will also investigate and build SeaPerch ROV's.

**Computer Science Discoveries + Computer Science Fundamentals-** CS Discoveries focuses on the skills that enable students to create and express themselves in a variety of contexts and media. Whether they are developing their own website, designing an app, building a game, or creating a physical computing device, students are empowered to bring their ideas to life. **(1.0 High School Credit)\***

**Medical Detectives II-** Students will survey key topics in forensics including the application of the scientific process to in-depth forensic analysis. Through online lessons, virtual and hands-on labs, as well as fictional crime scene scenarios, students learn about forensic tools, technical resources, forming and testing hypotheses, proper data collection, and how to make responsible conclusions based on the evidence. Whether students are conducting blood spatter analysis, dusting for and lifting latent fingerprints, detecting art forgeries, conducting a handwriting analysis, or learning about the FBI's forensic psychological analyses of both past and present serial killers, students will acquire knowledge and skills in problem solving, teamwork, collaboration, and innovation which will contribute to their success across the academic curriculum.

### Art electives:

**Visual Art 8-** Fundamental drawing techniques, pen and ink, optical illusion, linear perspective drawing, and hand building in clay. Students learn different artistic movements, styles and the artists that popularized them.

**Advanced Studio Art 8-** Advanced drawing and color techniques, life drawing, blind contour, and semi-blind contour portraiture. They will be exposed to different artistic movements, styles and the artists that popularized them. Students will also begin to learn the fundamentals of pottery.

### General electives:

**Spanish I-** This will provide the student with a general introduction to the Spanish language: sound system, pronunciation, functional vocabulary related to everyday life, cultural information and basic grammatical structures. Emphasis will be on the acquisition of four skills: listening, speaking, reading and limited writing. Application Required. **(1.0 High School Credit)\***

**French I-** This will provide the student with a general introduction to the French language: sound system, pronunciation, functional vocabulary related to everyday life, cultural information and basic grammatical structures. Emphasis will be on the acquisition of four skills: listening, speaking, reading and limited writing. Application Required. **(1.0 High School Credit)\***

**Health/PE 8-** Moultrie Physical Education class will provide students with the opportunity to learn a variety of sports and sport related movements as well as fitness concepts. Emphasis will be placed on active participation and positive social interaction during fitness and sport activities.

**Drama 8-** Acting skills will be developed through individual and group exercises, games, and activities. Work on monologues, scenes, skits, and improvisations provides further opportunity for exploration. Students also develop and present original scripts.

**Yearbook 8-** An **elective** course that gives students marketable experience in print media publishing. In class, students compose, construct, and edit all elements of computerized text layout, graphic art, and digital photography.