Connection Class Selection Process

7th to 8th Grade



How does the process work?



In class, you will be going into Infinite Campus to make requests for the Connections classes that you would like to take next year. Some important points to remember:

- You will be selecting <u>four</u> courses and <u>two alternates</u>. Your request for a course does not guarantee you a spot in any particular class. Space is limited and students are randomly assigned based on their requests.
- Some courses require teacher recommendation and/or office approval.
- There is not a 1st choice, 2nd choice, etc. You need to be prepared to be placed in any of the classes you select, including alternates. You do not get to request a particular class period for a course.
- If you are recommended for Math or Reading Connections, this may override any of your selections.
- If you are currently in Band, Chorus, Spanish I, or Spanish for Native Speakers I, you will automatically be placed
 into the next level for that course. If you do not wish to continue in the course, you need to speak with your Band,
 Chorus, or Spanish teacher and turn in a written request to drop the course to Dr. Hastings
- If you request Personal Fitness, you should also request Health. These two courses must be taken together.

Is a CARNEGIE CLASS right for me?



- There are many Carnegie Course offerings for 8th Graders. You can earn a high school credit while still in middle school, if the course is completed successfully. This can help you tremendously once you get into high school -- it will open up slots in your schedule to take more of the courses you want, and you may be able to graduate early or take college courses and earn college credit while you are still in high school.
- Carnegie Courses are year long courses and taught at a high school level – more is expected of you than in a regular 8th grade course.

What are my choices?



Carnegie Course Selections Year Long (except Personal Fitness and Health which are a semester each). These courses are for high school credit.

- 48.5610000 Intro to Graphics and Design
- 25.5210000 Intro to Healthcare Science
- 36.0510001 Personal Fitness
- 17.0110001 Carnegie Health
- 07.4413000 Intro to Business and Technology
- Theatre Fundamentals I
- Introduction to Agriculture
- Weight Training

What are my choices?



The following are Carnegie courses you may be enrolled in, but are not choices – you must have been in the prerequisite course in 7th grade.

If you are currently in Band, Chorus, Spanish I, or Spanish for Native Speakers I, you will automatically be placed in the following courses unless you do not receive the credit for the course or unless you request to drop the course.

- 54.0211000 Beginning Chorus
- 60.0720000 Spanish II
- 60.0791000 Spanish for Native Speakers II
- 53.0371000 Intermediate Band I

The following are Non Carnegie Courses which you may be placed in based on teacher recommendations. These are not available for you to choose.

- 23.1166000 Reading Connections
- 27.1236002 Math Connections

Beginning Chorus I—CARNEGIE CREDIT

Students will be placed in this class by Mrs. Davis. They must be a top 7th grade chorus student to earn a spot.

This class is NOT open to new students.

Carnegie Chorus is our top EHMS Choir.
Students get to showcase their skills in our community and on an out of state field trip!

Intro to Graphics and Design——CARNEGIE CREDIT

What are the class expectations?

Students will learn the processes involved in printing, publishing, manipulating digital images, and creating graphic designs.

- Must be creative
- Edit images using Photoshop
- Create designs using Illustrator
- The Intro to Communications course (7th grade) is recommended

Students enrolled in this class have the opportunity to join SkillsUSA and take pictures at school events.

Intro to Healthcare Science——CARNEGIE CREDIT

Do you dream of working in the Healthcare Field? If so, Healthcare Science is the place for you! In this class you will learn about:

- Safety Practices and Infection Control
- Teamwork and Leadership
- Communication in the Healthcare Setting
- Employability Skills (Soft Skills)
- Careers
- Diversity and Ethics
- Legal Responsibilities
- Microbiology
- CPR
- Medical Math
- Anatomy and Medical Terms





Intro to Business and Technology——CARNEGIE CREDIT

Business and Technology are very important in today's workplace. Do you want to be more prepared for high school, college, and a career?

- Employability skills
 - Communication
 - Teambuilding
 - Leadership
- Entrepreneurship
- Marketing
- Technology-presentations
- Opportunity to earn the Georgia Best Middle School Certificate
- Future Business Leaders of America Middle Level (FBLA-ML)
- You will read, write, discuss, create presentations, use proper keyboarding skills in this class!
- 7th and/or 6th grade business will be helpful should you decide to sign up for Intro to Business & Tech







Personal Fitness -- CARNEGIE CREDIT

What are the class expectations?

Carnegie Personal Fitness is a high school credit class.

- You will run and workout EVERY DAY!
- You will be required to dress out, be present, and take and pass a
 CPR course at the end of semester.
- You will complete several sports units, such as Volleyball, Badminton, Frisbee, and etc...
- You will also complete Fitnessgram.

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the Health
Carnegie Credit
class with
Personal
Fitness!

Health——CARNEGIE CREDIT

What are the class expectations?

- Carnegie Health is a high school credit course.
- The ADAP (Alcohol Drug Awareness Program) course is taught in this class which is required to get your Georgia driver's license.
- Subjects taught are the dangers of alcohol, drugs, and includes the Choosing the Best curriculum, nutrition and other important topics relevant to teens.
- There is an end of course exam.
- Students will learn about the importance of making wise decisions concerning their future and the consequences of these decisions. We want students to be empowered with knowledge to enable them to have a bright future.

You must take the Personal **Fitness** Carnegie Credit class with **Personal Fitness!**

Personal Fitness and Health--CARNEGIE CREDIT ONLINE

As 8th graders, you will be eligible to take Personal Fitness and Health as an online course. This would be an additional course that you complete at home -- not during the school day. It would list on your schedule as a 7th period.

If you are interested in taking Personal Fitness and Health online, you will need to get an application from Dr. Hastings in the front office. You will not have the option to select that today.

Weight Training—— CARNEGIE CREDIT

Weight Training is vital for young teens as it promotes physical fitness, builds strength and endurance, and emphasizes proper form to prevent injury. Beyond physical benefits, weight training can boost confidence and self-esteem, providing adolescents with a positive outlet for stress and promoting overall well-being. Our middle school weight training class here at EHMS contributes significantly to the holistic development of young teens, preparing them for a healthy and active lifestyle into adulthood.

Requirements to be successful:

- 1. Hard worker
- 2. Honest
- 3. Accountable
- 4. On time
- 5. Eagerness/excitement to be better

We would love for you to join our WT program and work hard to achieve the personal goals you have set for yourself!

Intermediate Band——CARNEGIE CREDIT

All students currently in band will be placed in the correct band class for next year by Ms. Brack.

Students are expected to practice daily to keep up with the demands of this course.

2nd Period students are required to audition for District Honor Band.

It is a requirement to audition for **District Honor Band if you are** enrolled 2nd period.

Theatre Fundamentals I-- CARNEGIE CREDIT

Theatre Fundamentals I will give students an overview of the theatre arts.

- This course is designed to be a springboard for all other theatre classes a student will take in their time at the high school. Students will leave the course with a wealth of theatre vocabulary and the basic elements of theatre such as ensemble acting, improvisation, pantomime and self-confidence building are introduced to the young actors.
- Special emphasis is placed on theatre etiquette, noteworthy playwrights, and vocabulary.
- This class is intended to be an intersection of the Georgia Theatre standards, an overview of theatre, and the students' interests.
- Students will develop as scholartists (scholar + artist), as their learning and artistic practice will inform each other.



Spanish for Native Speakers (SNSI) & Spanish for Non Native Speakers (SpI) -- HIGH SCHOOL CARNEGIE CREDIT

Both courses have the curriculum adapted for native speakers and non native speakers for Level I in Spanish Language.

In general, in both cases, the curriculum are tailored as shown below according to the Spanish Level I

- Advanced grammar and spelling study
- Read literature with high and cultured vocabulary to achieve mastery of the Spanish language
- Reading Comprehension to enhance high level skills to understand complex texts, stories and conversations
- Essay—writing to enhance communication, imagination, creativity, critical thinking and academic achievement

The completion of this course guarantee a credit for High School.

Requirements to be successful

Complete assignments on time.

Study for quizzes and tests

Return homework on time

Do projects with quality and creativity

At the end of each semester, students will take four tests: Grammar, Reading, Reading Comprehension and Writing.

Spanish for Native Speakers (SNSII) & Spanish for Non Native Speakers (Sp II) ——HIGH SCHOOL CARNEGIE CREDIT

Both courses have the curriculum adapted for native speakers and non native speakers for Level II in Spanish Language.

In general in both cases, the curriculum are tailored as shown below according to the Spanish Level

- Advanced grammar and spelling study
- Read literature with high and cultured vocabulary to achieve mastery of the Spanish language
- Reading Comprehension to enhance high level skills to understand complex texts, stories and conversations
- Essay-writing to enhance communication, imagination, creativity, critical thinking and academic achievement

The completion of this course guarantee a credit for High School.

Requirements to be successful

Complete assignments on time.

Study for quizzes and tests

Return homework on time

Do projects with quality and creativity

At the end of each semester, students will take four tests: Grammar, Reading, Reading Comprehension and Writing.

Reading and Math Support Classes

Reading:

Read 180 is filled by recommendation. However, if you feel you would like some additional support in reading and writing, please ask your teacher to add you to the list for consideration.

Math connections:

Math connections is filled by recommendation. However, if you feel you would like some additional support in math, please ask your teacher to add you to the list for consideration.

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