

Frequently Asked Registration Questions

8th grade

- Can I choose which electives I take as part of the Elective Wheel - or which trimester I take them?
 - No - the computer will randomly assign the course and the trimester within the wheel.
- Can I take ASB or PSST and Elective Wheel?
 - Possibly - only if seats are available in A period PE (not a guarantee)
- What about ASB or PSST and Spanish?
 - Yes.
- Can I be an Office Aide, Library Aide, or T.A. instead of Elective Wheel?
 - Yes - if you qualify, you must fill out an Aide application in addition to the registration form. Pick up the application in the counseling office and return to Mrs. Farrar. To qualify, you must have no N's, U's, D's or F's on your June report card.
- Can I apply for more than one leadership class?
 - NO - you must choose one.
- Where do I get the application forms for ASB, PSST, LCSA and Aide positions?
 - Counseling office - Mrs. Farrar.
- If I choose a full year Elective (Band, Strings, Chorus, PSST, ASB, or LCSA) and I want to change in the middle of the year, can drop?
 - These are all full year courses and the master schedule is based on your commitment to the full year. If you decide that you want any of these classes, you will be making a full year commitment and you may not be able to change.
- How do I know which level of Band or Strings is right for me?
 - If you have never played before, sign up for Beginning Band / Strings. If you have one or more years of experience, sign up for Intermediate unless you have been approved for Advanced Band / Strings by Mr. or Mrs. Blake.
- Can I take Band or Strings and Chorus?
 - Yes - if the master schedule permits. If you decide on this option, you must also take A Period PE.
- Can I take Jazz Band if I am in Beginning?
 - No - Jazz Band is only open to students who are enrolled in Advanced Band or Intermediate Band. Students who choose both Advanced Band / Intermediate Band and Jazz Band must also take A Period PE.
- Can I take band or strings if I have never played an instrument?
 - YES!!
- Can I take band or strings if I don't know which instrument I want to play?

- Yes - Mr. and Mrs. Blake will help you choose your instrument in the first week of school.
- Do I have to own an instrument to take band?
 - No - Mr. and Mrs. Blake will let you know where you can rent an instrument in you do not wish to purchase one.
- What period will Chorus be offered next year?
 - Not set yet.
- How can I get into the specialty chorus groups?
 - Students must audition with Mrs. Hague for specialty groups.
- Can I leave early if I enroll in an "A" Period class?
 - No.
- Can I be an Office Aide or T.A. for one trimester?
 - Yes.
- Can I be a T.A. or Office Aide and take an Elective Wheel too?
 - No.
- Who qualifies for automatic placement into honors classes?
 - Students who score at advanced level on the district benchmark AND get A's in all three trimesters of English, Math, Social Studies or Science will qualify automatically for Honors in any of these subjects. Qualifying for one subject does not necessarily qualify you for another. Current honors students will automatically roll over to another year of honors placement if they have maintained an A or a B all year in their honors class(es).
- If I don't automatically qualify for honors, is there another way to get in?
 - Yes - if you are not automatically placed in honors classes you may fill out a petition form to be in honors during orientation in the summer but not all petitions will be approved.
- What happens if I don't return my registration form?
 - The computer will randomly assign you classes from the elective wheel.
- Do I need to fill out my registration form if I know that I am moving or not returning to Los Cerritos?
 - Yes - Section 1 only. We need to know whether or not to keep you on our roster.