



GRANBY MEMORIAL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are excited to welcome you to Granby Memorial Middle School (GMMS)! Today, I spent time at Wells Road School speaking about world language and music options for next year and answering many great questions from your children. At GMMS, we have a lot to offer to all of our students, from high-quality academic courses to various extracurricular activities.

All students at GMMS will take English, Math, Science, and Social Studies as on-team classes. In addition, students will also take a world language class every other day and, on the opposite days, the GMMS SUCCESS class. The GMMS SUCCESS class helps 6th-grade students develop and reinforce the essential skills for middle school work and achievement.

At this time, you and your child must select a world language course. The options are either FRENCH or SPANISH. It is essential that you carefully consider both options, as this is a three-year commitment with the potential to continue into high school. Please identify your child's first and second world language choices. We will do our best to honor the first choices. However, class size and scheduling constraints may require us to assign students to their second-choice classes.

In addition to on-team classes, students will take unified arts courses to supplement the diverse learning opportunities that GMMS offers. All GMMS students will take a semester of Digital Media, Explorations in Technology, Family Consumer Science - Eat Smart, Live Smart, and Visual Arts. In addition, all students will take Wellness every other day for the entire year.

In addition to selecting a world language, students at GMMS also have the opportunity to choose BAND, ORCHESTRA, CHORUS, and/or MUSIC APPRECIATION. All students must take a full-year music course. If a student decides to take BAND/ORCHESTRA and CHORUS, you must be aware that it will require a reduction in two other UNIFIED ARTS courses.

In order to select your course options for next year, you and your child will need to access the PowerSchool Portal via a web-based device. The PowerSchool Portal is located on the Granby Public Schools Website under Menu and then Quick Links.

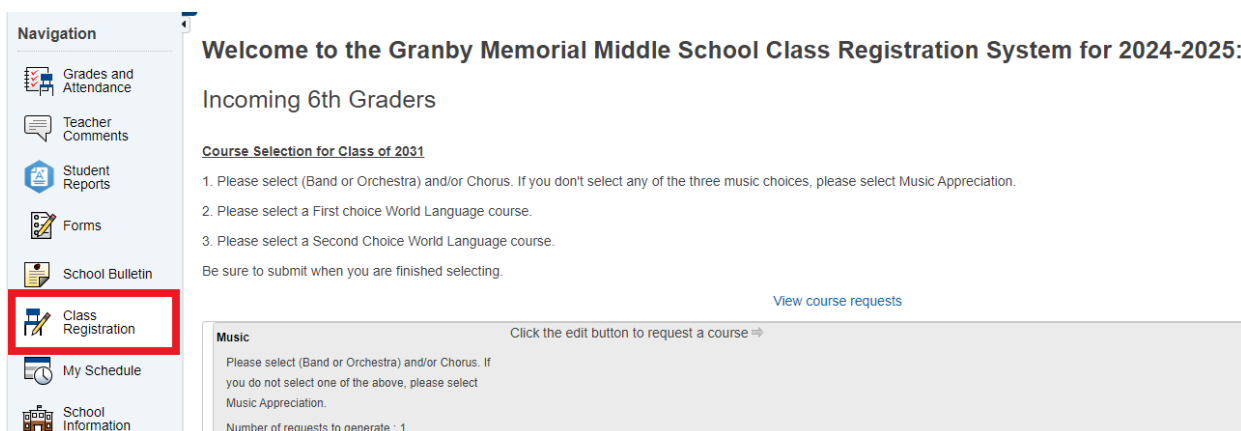
Students and parents have separate logins to the PowerSchool Portal. ***Either login can be used to register for courses.*** If you do not know your Parent Portal Account, please contact the Wells Road School office or email techsupport@granbyschools.org

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**PowerSchool Online Course Registration for 2024 – 2025:
Due Monday, Apr 22, 2024**

Please select the "Class Registration" on the left side menu and follow directions to make your class choices. Please note that this must be done on the PowerSchool website, it is not available on the app. To use your phone, you can go directly to the powerschool website using your phone's browser(Safari, Chrome, etc.).

- Log into PowerSchool using your ID/USERNAME and PASSWORD.
- Click on the “CLASS REGISTRATION” (chair and pencil) icon on the left side of the page.
- Click on the little pencil next to the red exclamation marks on the right side of the screen.
- Click on your first and second World Language choices by completing both language selection screens. **(FRENCH, or SPANISH).**
- Click on the little pencil next to the green checkmark on the right side of the screen.
- If your child plans on participating in **ORCHESTRA, BAND, and/or CHORUS**, then click on your music course choice. Otherwise, all other students should select **MUSIC APPRECIATION** and click “Okay.”
- Click “Submit.” (The screen will change)
- Click “Sign Out” near the top right side of the screen.



Please complete this course selection process by April 22, so that we can begin to prepare your child’s Middle School schedule. We will welcome all incoming students to Granby Memorial Middle School on **May 29th** for a tour during the school day and an in-person **parent** meeting on **MAY 29th** at 5:00 PM. We are very excited to welcome you and your child to Granby Memorial Middle School for an incredible three years!

Sincerely,

Heather Tanis, Principal
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