

Course Information for Incoming 6th Graders

Parents and students review the following:

1. Review the student's assigned academic classes in the Aspen portal (all math, science, ELA and social studies classes are heterogeneously grouped).
2. Please access the [2023-2024 NMS Program of Studies](#) for more information about courses at Norwell Middle School.

Viewing Your Child's Classes

The academic class assignments can be viewed on the Aspen portal by following the directions below:

- Log into the portal (for help logging in, contact Kathy Lynch at kathleen.lynch@norwellschools.org)
- Go to the Family tab and select the appropriate child's name
- Go to the Schedule side tab
- Click on Requests and the assigned courses will be displayed

Students will automatically be enrolled in their assigned core classes. No selection is necessary.

Exploratory Classes

Incoming 6th grade students chose whether or not they would like to be enrolled in band and/or chorus, and his/her selection(s) will be listed in their Requests. Students were automatically enrolled in all other available exploratory classes as their schedule allows.

World Language

Sixth grade students are expected to take the following quarter classes: intro to French, Latin, and Spanish. When entering seventh grade, students will choose a language (French, Latin, or Spanish). Students will then be able to continue this language in 8th grade and at Norwell High School.

Academic Support Classes

There are two academic support courses available to all sixth grade students. The classes are [Math Support](#), and [Strategic Reading](#). More information about these courses can be found in the [2023-2024 NMS Program of Studies](#). If you are recommended for one or more of these classes, it will be listed in your Requests. Academic Support classes will be in place of some of the exploratory classes. If you are not recommended for one or more of these classes, but you would like to take advantage of this support, please contact Mr. Dupille at james.dupille@norwellschools.org.

If you have any questions regarding the course selection process, please feel free to contact Principal James Dupille or your school counselor, Nancy Siffard, nancy.siffard@norwellschools.org, or Lisa Sailer lisa.sailer@norwellschools.org.