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Sachem Central School District

Seneca Middle School

December 2019

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Beginning this month, we will be scheduling your child for the 7th grade.

You and your child must sign the bottom portion of this letter and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. This should be an opportunity for you to discuss with your child the importance of making decisions that will affect his/her future education.

- Most students will be able to select a Language Other Than English (LOTE) course – French, Italian or Spanish. Students should select a 1st choice and 2nd choice LOTE. Due to scheduling constraints, once a LOTE course is scheduled, we will be unable to make changes. Please choose wisely, since this is also the LOTE course your child will be continuing in grade 8 and high school to fulfill graduation requirements.
- Some students can choose to continue with their performing music class, Chorus 7, Band 7, or Orchestra 7. Looking ahead, in 8th grade all students are required to take a music class. If your child is currently participating in a performing music group and would like to continue, please indicate that below. If your child is not presently in a performing music group and wishes to do so during the 2020-2021 school year, an audition will be required. Auditions can be arranged through the performing music group teachers. Otherwise, students should select Art.
- If your child does not take music in grade 7, they will be scheduled for art.

All 6th grade English, History, Math and Science teachers completed 2020-2021 initial course recommendations in early December. All students will be scheduled into Physical Education, and Lunch. Any student needing an Academic Intervention Service (AIS) will be recommended by their Math and/or English teacher. Students in the Special Education Program will be scheduled for Reading, Resource Room or Reteach in place of a LOTE course. All student course selections will be posted on Parent Portal in Spring of 2020.

Please keep in mind that all recommendations are tentative pending the results of your child's performance in June. Please contact Mr. Sheehan (A-Ge), Mrs. Conte (Gh-N) or Mrs. Proctor (P-Z) with any questions at 471-1850.

Sincerely Yours,

Please return by December 18, 2019

Gemma M. Salvia
Principal

Scheduling for 7th Grade

Student's Name _____ Homeroom Teacher _____

LOTE: Your 1st and 2nd choice LOTE must be two different languages (Circle below)

<u>1st Choice</u> –	French	<u>2nd Choice</u> –	French
	Italian		Italian
	Spanish		Spanish

MUSIC: (Check all that apply) I am currently in: _____ Chorus-6 _____ Band-6 _____ Orchestra-6
(Circle one) I would like to take: _____ Art-7 _____ Chorus-7 Band-7 _____ Orchestra-7

Parent Signature _____ Student Signature _____

To be returned by December 18th to the Homeroom Teacher

NO changes will be made to the LOTE and Music selection after date needed.