IMS Middle School
Parent Coffee
February 2, 2023 9:30 a.m.
6:30 p.m.
IMS Admin. & Counseling Team

Principals:
➢ Mr. David Deramo, Principal
➢ Dr. Jason Harding, Assistant Principal

Counselors:
➢ Mrs. Darla Allerton, A-L
➢ Mrs. Lynne Earley, M-Z

Counseling Office Admin Asst:
➢ Mrs. Sara Ricci (412) 348-1497
Meeting Agenda

Scheduling & Upcoming Testing Information:

1. 6th to 7th Grade
2. 7th to 8th Grade
3. Math Placement 2023-2024
4. PSSA Testing Updates
What to Expect as Your Child Enters 7th Grade

➢ Unified Arts for 6 weeks/18 weeks total
  ▪ Art, Technology Education, Family and Consumer Science

➢ Two Exploratory World Languages

➢ 9 weeks each/18 weeks total
All students will choose one of the following World Languages, and will have another selected based on rankings and availability.

➢ German
➢ French
➢ Latin
➢ Spanish

**NOTE:** ALL STUDENTS ARE ASSURED OF THEIR FIRST CHOICE OF EXPLORATORY LANGUAGE.
Selecting 7th Grade World Language

Make a thoughtful selection…

Once your child has selected a 1st choice of a World Language, District staffing is finalized in the Spring of the current school year.

*DUE DATE FOR W. LANG./MUSIC FORMS*
Scheduling forms are due back to your child’s HOMEROOM teacher by:

IMS--February 24th
Important for Selecting Music Course

Make a thoughtful selection...

Once your child has selected their choice of Music courses, District staffing is finalized in the Spring of the current school year.

*DUE DATE FOR W. LANG./MUSIC FORMS*
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What to Expect as Your Child Enters 8th Grade

➢ Full year of World Language

➢ Unified Arts are 12-weeks each
  - Art, Family & Consumer Science, Technology Education
7th to 8th Grade Scheduling Options

Students will choose one of the following World Languages to take the entire year in lieu of ELA:

➢ French
➢ German
➢ Latin
➢ Spanish
Important For Selecting an 8th grade World Language

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**LEGEND:** (M4 PLUS) = Advanced Academic, (M4) = Advanced at Grade Level, (M3) = at Grade Level, and (M2) = Concepts and Skills at Grade Level

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** BASED ON A STUDENT'S PERFORMANCE, THE CURRENT MATHEMATICS TEACHER MAY RECOMMEND THAT THE STUDENT MOVE TO A DIFFERENT PATHWAY
Math Waiver Procedure

➢ Communication is initiated by the parent and student to the appropriate teacher.

➢ If a waiver contract is desired after communication with the teacher, the waiver form is given to the student by the student’s current teacher.

➢ Current 6th and 7th graders **MUST** complete their waivers for math on or before **May 26th** and submit to the counseling office.
IMPORTANT DATES
for Current 6th and 7th Grade

➢ Counselors in classrooms to discuss and distribute World Language Letters/Change Music Form

■ **February 14 & 15**

➢ *DUE DATE* * Students are to return World Language/Change Music Form to HOMEROOM teacher with parent signature by **February 24th**

➢ **May 26**- Last day to submit **math** waivers to the Counseling Office for 6th and 7th graders.
# 2022 PSSA Testing Dates

*(Mark Your Calendars)*

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THANK YOU FOR ATTENDING!