



# Buchanan<sup>®</sup> Community Schools





# Scheduling for 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

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- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Core
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# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule

## (Semesters A & B)

- English 8
- Math 8 or Algebra 1\*
- History 8
- Science 8 or Physical Science\*
- Technology
- Wellness/Band/Basic Art/Seminar/Transitions –  
Choose one – This is high school credit and the start of your high school transcript! So rock it!

\* Teacher recommendation needed



# Electives

**Basic Art** (HS VPAA credit)

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Band** (not HS credit)

**Transitions** (IEP)

**Seminar**

**High School Graduation Requirement**  
**Wellness – male/female**

# 8<sup>th</sup> Failing Grades

If a student earns a failing grade (F) in a core course(s) (ELA/Math/Science/History), that failed course must be repeated the following school year back in the classroom. Failed semester courses will take the place of an elective.

Failed Course 2018-2019	2019-2020
Math 8 A	Scheduled back into Math 8A, lose elective

Students may register and pay for High School Summer School. HS Summer School is not required, students and parents may elect to attend to recover failed classes for a per course fee. Promotion to the next grade level may be impacted.

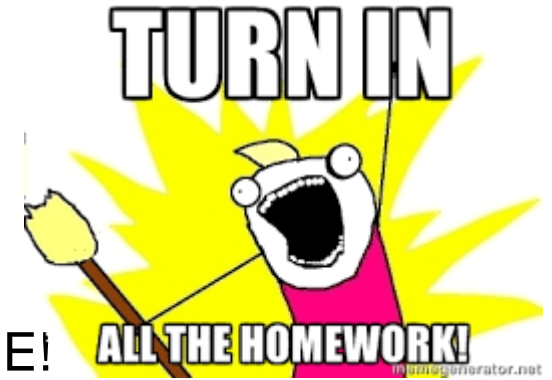
# 8<sup>th</sup> Retention

If a student earns failing grades in three core courses over two semesters during their 8<sup>th</sup> grade year, the student will be retained in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The following year the student will be scheduled into 8<sup>th</sup> grade core (ELA/Math/Science/History) and they will have room in their schedule for two electives. Their graduation year will reflect the retention, ie: your graduation year will be 2024 instead of 2023.

Course	Semester 1	Semester 2
Math 8	F	
ELA 8	F	
History 8		F
Science 8		

A student may attend BHS Summer School to avoid retention by reducing the number of failed courses on their record. BHS Summer School is optional and does charge a fee per course.

# Be Successful!



- DO YOUR HOMEWORK & TURN IT IN ON TIME!
- Use a planner/agenda to keep track of your assignments, due dates, etc. You will have more assignments in high school.
- Organization is key to being successful
- PASS Lab – Monday-Thursday, until 4:00pm
- Teacher websites – first initial last name@buchananschools.com (cswem@buchananschools.com)
- Come to school everyday.
- Make Smart Choices. Ditch the drama – you’ll be glad you did.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Supply List – see handout
  
- Parents & Students – CHECK POWER SCHOOL OFTEN!

# Be Successful –



- Keep an organized notebook
- Complete work daily
- Study for assessments
- Actively participate in the learning process
- Prioritize learning over drama, excuses, and shortcuts

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# Be Successful -

art is a  
powerful  
way to learn



- Utilize their sketchbook to become original and creative thinkers.
- Come to class ready to get started on their project.
- Are less concerned with their cellphone as social device and use it as a tool for educational research.
- Are mindful of their classwork; Power School.
- Not only work on their art in class, but practice or create outside of class.
- Use class time wisely and give it best effort.

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# Be Successful -



- Be aware of missing work and then DO something about it!
- Make sure to make up any work as soon as possible after you have been absent.
- For technology class, often times that means staying after school to make up the time missed in class.
- Have a positive attitude and work ethic!

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# Be Successful -

- You will have to STUDY & REVIEW at home.
- Turn your assignments in on time!



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# Be Successful -



- Come to school.
- Do your own work and turn it in on time!
- Everything else will fall into place if you just do that.

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# Be Successful -



- Take notes!
- Turn in all assignments – ON TIME!
- Do your best – you will be great!

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# Be Successful -



- ❑ Do not get behind and do not lose sight of the reason you are here.
- ❑ Your actions now affect your future and I wouldn't want you to look back with any regrets or saying you "wish you would have."



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# High School Graduation Core Requirements

- 4 – English
- 4 – Math
- 3 – Science
- 3 – Social Studies
- 2 – Foreign Language
- 1 – Wellness (Physical Education + Health)
- 1 – Fine Arts – met through an elective
- **18 total MMC required credits**  
**up to 4-6 credits in electives**  
**23 minimum total credits to graduate**





# Words of Wisdom from 8<sup>th</sup> graders

OMG - turn in your work on time! No late work after a test.

Classes and teachers move a lot faster.

Kids get held back!

LOVE IT - ASK FOR HELP WHEN YOU NEED IT!

LUNCH IS GREAT!

**W**INTERFEST **W**EEK WAS A LOT OF FUN!



# BHS Attendance Policy

- 10 days per semester (excused/unexcused)
- Students need to work with their teachers about what they missed.
- Attendance Office 695-8404, ext. 20015

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# Student Services Office

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*No one*

graduates from high school  
without doing their  
homework.

