

Avondale Middle School 5th to 6th Grade Transition

Hello 5th Grade Parents and Guardians -
Greetings from the Avondale Middle School Counseling Department!

We are excited to share that the 2021-2022 scheduling process has started with classroom presentations. We have scheduled visits to each of the elementary buildings to meet with the 5th-grade students and teachers to discuss the transition from 5th to 6th grade and scheduling for next year.

The purpose of these presentations will be to begin the process for transition and orientation to Avondale Middle School. Students now begin the process to complete their course requests for next school year. All documents necessary are included in this email and are also housed on the AMS website under the Curriculum & Scheduling tab. It is required that each student have a Course Request form completed by May 12th. There are two options to complete the required information. There is an electronic Google Course Request form that is available, as well as a physical BLUE sheet that was provided to the in person students, if needed. All families are welcome to use the electronic form. It is required that there is a form completed for each student.

As we promised the students, we are also attaching the scheduling presentation so that they can also share their new knowledge and excitement about AMS with you as well.
We will be hosting a virtual Parent/Guardian meeting on **Wednesday, May 5th at 6:00 pm**. We will cover the scheduling presentation that the students receive in their elementary buildings, procedures, and "how-to" information for completing the required student Course Requests as well as an opportunity for questions and answers with Mr. Ohrt and Mrs. Wilson.

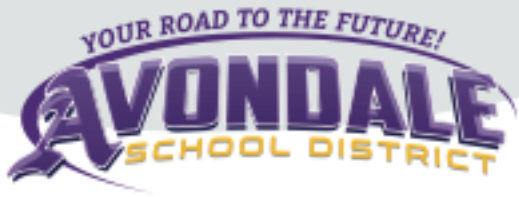
The zoom link is:

- o **Join Zoom Meeting** [_https://zoom.us/j/96457738949](https://zoom.us/j/96457738949)
- o **Meeting ID:** 964 5773 8949

Parents and guardians are now asked to review the BLUE course request sheet OR the electronic Google form with their student and finalize course requests. There are detailed instructions included in the Sixth Grade Transition Update packet. These forms include making one circled choice of either Band, Choir, or Trimester Elective Rotation. If your student selects Band or Choir as their choice then please also make sure that you have additionally completed the information from the Band or Choir web page that was sent home earlier and also included in this email. Again, we ask that these are either completed electronically or returned to their 5th-grade teacher by Wednesday, May 12th.

Please think about course requests as you would a hotel reservation, we build our staffing and schedule based on the requests that we receive in May. For example, when making a scheduling choice for Band or Choir, this is a **year-long** commitment. Please take time to select the appropriate classes with informed decisions so we can support successful student and staff schedules.

If you have any questions, please contact our counseling office at 248-537-6303 or email michelle.wilson@avondaleschools.org



Thank you for your assistance, it is crucial that each student has either an electronic form or the paper Course Request sheet submitted by May 12th for their requests for accuracy and for the scheduling process.

Following the course requests, the next step in the transition process takes place in August. We will welcome all 6th-grade students for 6th-grade Orientation on August 12th. Information will be shared regarding this important and engaging day later in the summer.

We are very excited to plan for next school year!

As promised, here are all of the documents and links referenced:

Class of 2028 Save the Dates:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1dhiD6AriDli29iejbFnog0FNla1jDkCxfluS4Xqa4Js/edit?usp=sharing>

Course Request Google Form complete by May 12th: <https://forms.gle/4NnQs3kkCE7AuuGH7>

Parent ZOOM Link for Wednesday, May 5th at 6 PM: <https://zoom.us/j/96457738949> Meeting ID: 964 5773 8949

Transition letter to parents and guardians:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1sovucDI3YjCxl6HhHSoM7wPVnEjEtaXR/view?usp=sharing>

Link to the student provided presentation:

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1kaWoM4lNu_znrmlqS1saqa133a8lBEozLG9YhgRx-6o/edit?usp=sharing

Band site: <https://sites.google.com/avondaleschools.org/band-recruiting/>

Choir site: <https://sites.google.com/avondaleschools.org/jointhechoir/>

Curriculum guide: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1U6CpEu_jW3E4B9TfBPQqcNURssdnRp1_/view?usp=sharing

Advanced Math Information: https://www.google.com/url?q=https://drive.google.com/file/d/16io49F9T-4z6XDsS0BJFSsyHsUIOOtNi/view&sa=D&source=editors&ust=1619546335928000&usg=AFQjCNFi_IzuYeVWCH8l0YgZXLdJKAnTw