



# C.W. RUCKEL MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Your child's registration form for school year 2021-22 is attached. We believe that registration is an extremely important part of your child's path to success. Here at Ruckel Middle School, we are dedicated to our students so that they may reach their potential, first as students and later as adults. We strive to challenge them academically and expect them to become responsible, self-directed young people. At the same time, we provide the learning environment that allows them to improve from mistakes and develop the skills to pursue challenges ahead.

Your child's core courses will be selected by his/her teachers. Teacher recommendations are not solely based on test scores, but on many factors that make the teacher the best source for course selection. If you disagree with your child's core course recommendations, please request a Course Waiver form from the Guidance Office. We will honor your request for change, but due to class size requirements, your child may have to remain in the course you selected for the entire year. This Course Waiver form **must** be attached to the registration form when your child turns it in at school.

We ask that you and your child select and rank three electives for next year. Based on course availability, your child will be placed in two of his/her three choices. The state of Florida requires Physical Education each year in middle school. If your child does not want to select P.E. as one of the first or second elective choices, a P.E Waiver form, available from your child's first period teacher or the Guidance Office, **must** be completed and attached to the registration form. Otherwise, your child will be placed in P.E. as one of their choices. If your child is placed in an Intensive course, electives will be dropped based on priority rankings indicated on the registration form. Some changes may occur after completion of the 2021 FSA and results are received.

Our school offers several elective Career and Technical Education (CTE) courses. Coding Fundamentals is the first of our CTE offerings. Fundamentals of Web & Software Development, offered to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders, is the prerequisite course for Foundations of Web Design. This 8<sup>th</sup> grade course is for high school elective credit and satisfies the online course requirement for high school graduation. Students actually can earn industry certifications while taking these courses at Ruckel!

Both student and parent must sign the completed registration form by **Thursday, March 11**. My School Online students return forms to their assigned counselor. Electives will be selected for students who do not return their forms. Please call us if you need assistance. Check out our school website at: **[www.ruckelmiddleschool.com](http://www.ruckelmiddleschool.com)**.

Proud to be a Ruckel Ram,

Paul Whiddon  
Principal