

**BRIGHTON AREA SCHOOLS  
2024-25 CALENDAR**

|           |       |          |  |
|-----------|-------|----------|--|
| AUG       | 28/29 | W/Th     | Professional Development/Instructional Days              |
| SEPTEMBER | 3     | Tuesday  | First Day of School                                      |
| OCTOBER   | 14    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – PD for teachers                 |
| NOVEMBER  | 1     | Friday   | End of 1st Quarter – Grades 7-12                         |
|           | 5     | Tuesday  | NO SCHOOL for students – Conf Comp JK-6, Records 7-12    |
|           | 26    | Tuesday  | End of 1st Trimester – Grades JK-6                       |
|           | 27-29 | W/Th/F   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Thanksgiving Break     |
| DECEMBER  | 2     | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – Records JK-6, Conf Comp 7-12    |
|           | 23    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Holiday Break Begins   |
| JANUARY   | 6     | Monday   | School Resumes   |
|           | 20    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Martin Luther King Day |
|           | 24    | Friday   | END OF 2nd Quarter/1st Semester – Grades 7-12            |
|           | 27    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – PD for JK-6, Records 7-12       |
| FEBRUARY  | 24    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – PD for teachers                 |
| MARCH     | 14    | Friday   | End of 2nd Trimester – Grades JK-6                       |
|           | 17    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – Records JK-6, PD for 7-12       |
|           | 24    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Spring Break Begins    |
|           | 31    | Monday   | School Resumes   |
| APRIL     | 4     | Friday   | End of 3rd Quarter – Grades 7-12                         |
|           | 7     | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students – Conf Comp JK-6, Records 7-12    |
|           | 18    | Friday   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Good Friday            |
| MAY       | 26    | Monday   | NO SCHOOL for students or staff – Memorial Day           |
| JUNE      | 12    | Thursday | LAST DAY OF SCHOOL (Half Day for Students)               |

# Important Dates

**March 14, 2024** - Turn in Elective Forms to Maltby

**March 18 or 19** - Tour Scranton during the day

**March 19** - Parent University with Dr. Bowers visits Scranton  
at 6:00 p.m.

**August 26** Registration For Last Names A-L

**August 27** Registration for Last Names M-Z

**September 3** - First Day of School

**October 10** - In-Person Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.

**October 15** - Virtual Conferences 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.

# Year Long Electives

You can only take 1 Year Long Elective

Band

Jazz Band\*\*

Choir (1 or 2 semesters)

American Sign Language\*

French\*

Spanish\*

## Exception:

\*\* Jazz band and Band 7 can be taken together; you must take Band 7 if you want Jazz Band.

\* A high school-level course

# Middle School Math Information 2024:

For most incoming 7th graders, the most developmentally appropriate math placement is Math 7. Then, in 8th grade, students who meet the placement criteria will be invited to take High School Algebra 1. To ensure the most appropriate math placement for each student, multiple data points are used to determine which math course will best meet your student's needs. Some students may be ready to advance into High School Algebra 1 in 7th grade. To be sure that prerequisite understandings and skills are in place, an Algebra 1 Placement test will be administered to qualifying students.

- Since any student taking High School Algebra 1 in 7th grade will be skipping two full years of foundational middle school mathematics, the criteria for the Algebra 1 Placement Test is very rigorous:
  - a. Students must have earned an Advanced or Proficient score on the Quantile Benchmark (as measured by Imagine Math).
  - b. Students must have also scored in the 90th percentile or higher on the nationally normed NWEA ( Measure of Academic Progress).
- For students who meet the criteria, an invitation letter to take the Algebra 1 Placement test will be sent home on **Friday, April 12, 2024.**
- The BAS Administration and MIS teachers will administer the Algebra 1 Placement test during the school day on **Wednesday, May 1, 2024.**

## 2024-2025 SMS 7th Grade Course Selections

|            |           |                             |
|------------|-----------|-----------------------------|
| First Name | Last Name | Due to Homeroom on March 14 |
|------------|-----------|-----------------------------|

### Required Academic Courses

Students will take the year long core academic courses listed below. Math placement is dependent upon multiple district measures.

| Required Academic Courses |      |         |                |
|---------------------------|------|---------|----------------|
| English                   | Math | Science | Social Studies |

### Elective Courses

7th grade students will take 4 semesters worth of courses choosing from the options below.

| 2023-2024 7th Grade Elective Offerings  |  |
|---|--|
| Year Long (2 Semesters)   | Semester Long  |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Band</li> <li>● Jazz Band (Must take Band also. BOTH of your elective hours will be: Band &amp; Jazz Band)</li> <li>● Orchestra</li> <li>● Choir (1 or 2 Semesters)</li> <li>● *American Sign Language 1</li> <li>● *French 1</li> <li>● *Spanish 1</li> </ul> <p style="font-size: small; margin-top: 10px;">*indicates a high school level course. 8th Graders will be given preference.</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Health/PE (required)</li> <li>● Art</li> <li>● Art - Graphic Design</li> <li>● Technology Education</li> <li>● PLTW Flight and Space</li> <li>● PLTW Medical Detectives</li> <li>● PLTW Computer Science</li> <li>● PLTW Design and Modeling</li> <li>● PLTW Automation and Robotics</li> <li>● Crime Scene Investigation (CSI)</li> <li>● History of the Modern World</li> <li>● Drama</li> <li>● Creative Writing</li> <li>● Family Consumer Science</li> <li>● STEAM: Crash! Bang! Forces and Motion</li> <li>● STEAM: Matter, Energy and Green Design</li> <li>● Introduction to Engineering</li> </ul> |

### Elective Selections (4 semesters total)

| Elective Choices            | Semesters | Alternates | Semesters |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| ● Health/Physical Education | 1         | ●          |           |
| ●                           |           | ●          |           |
| ●                           |           | ●          |           |
| ●                           |           | ●          |           |



# Current Activities at Scranton Middle School

## 2023 – 2024

### School Sponsored Events

Robotics  
Scranton Musical Performers  
Scranton Singers  
S.W.A.G - Student Writers Artist Guild  
Middle School Science Olympiad  
Project Unified  
Yearbook  
Tech Academy Boys and Girls 8th Grade

### Fall

Boys and Girls Cross Country 7th and 8th Grade  
Girls Volleyball 7th and 8th Grade

### Winter

Boys Basketball 7th and 8th Grade  
Girls Basketball 7th and 8th Grade  
Wrestling 7th and 8th Grade

### Spring

Boys and Girls Track 7th and 8th Grade



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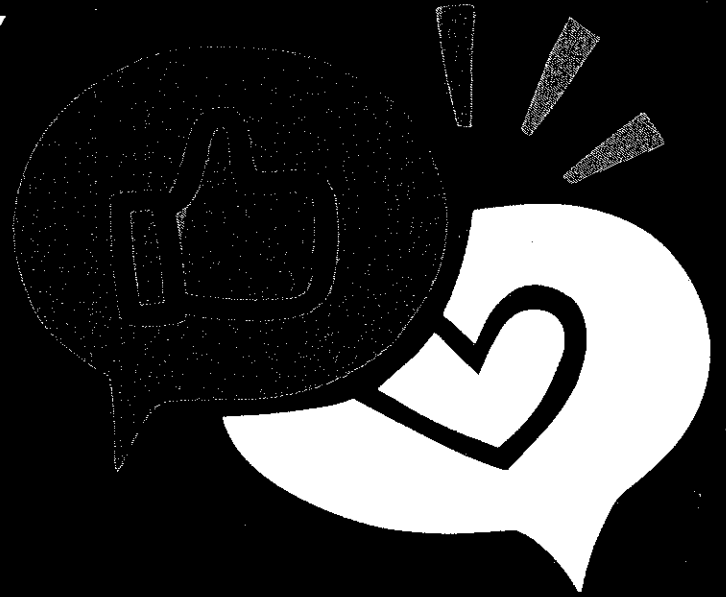
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BE USED IN THE HALLWAY OR CLASS AND  
SHOULD REMAIN IN YOUR LOCKER.



STUDENTS MAY USE THEIR PERSONAL  
ELECTRONIC DEVICES, EARBUDS,  
AND HEADPHONES BEFORE THE FIRST  
BELL AND AFTER THE LAST BELL WHEN  
SCHOOL IS DONE FOR THE DAY.

IN ADDITION, STUDENTS MAY USE  
THEIR ELECTRONIC DEVICES,  
EARBUDS, AND HEADPHONES IN THE  
CAFETERIA DURING LUNCH.

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