



8th Grade Registration Information for 2022-2023

We are so excited to plan for another school year. Every spring and summer our administration works diligently to create a schedule that works for each student. **This is information to use in the planning process.** During a class meeting, students will select their requested classes online through JMC. Once selected, the office will print off the student’s schedule to be sent home for approval.

General information:

- There are 8 class periods. Students must have 7 of the 8 class periods filled with academic courses each semester. An academic course is defined as a course where students can earn credit. The remaining 1 class period can be filled with learning center time or a study hall. Students can have all 8 class periods filled with academic coursework, if they wish.
- Students should register for at least 7.0 credits and for no more than 8.0 credits per year.
- All of your core morning classes are scheduled on both A and B days. Some required courses (such as PE and Language Arts) alternate days all year long.
- Electives alternate days and are 1 semester long: Creative Writing, Computer Applications, Speech, Art 1 and 2, and Family and Consumer Science 1 and 2. An elective that is all year long on both A & B Days: Spanish 1.
- The **Course Description Guide at Regina.org** is available to review the full course descriptions, typical sequences and additional information.
- Study Hall vs. Learning Center: Study Hall is monitored by one of the Regina staff. Students will be expected to work on their homework and be productive. In the Learning Center, a Learning Center teacher provides extra support in the areas of organization, accommodation monitoring, and re-teaching, as needed, based on student need. Students who have had extra academic assistance in elementary school benefited from attending the Learning Center.
- I-Ready Reading and I-Ready Math: Students who test below grade-level in Reading and or Math will be placed in I-Ready, based on recommendations and supporting data. In these courses, students will learn skills and strategies for reading and/or math across the curriculum. The program is based on the I-Ready diagnostic online program. Students take a diagnostic placement test and the computer designs an individualized set of lessons for each student. These lessons are based on the Iowa Core Standards. Students will continue individually to work on specific lessons. These courses are a supplement to the regular curriculum until the student reaches grade-level proficiency. Students who receive math or reading assistance in elementary are possible candidates for one or both courses.
- The registration request process allows Regina to best plan for teacher and section numbers. It is important to register for the classes you intend to take. Course offerings may change based on student interest and teacher availability.

REQUIRED COURSES

Every student in 8th grade will be registered by the school for the following courses:		Every student in 8th grade will take a course in the below topics, but must register in JMC for the correct course. Math Every student in 8th grade is required to take a math course, based on their next math course, following this sequence: Math 7 > Pre-Algebra > Algebra1 > Geometry > Algebra 2 Music Every student in 8th grade is required to take a minimum of 1 music course. Students can choose from: Band Choir General Music Orchestra
Course	Credit	
JH VIA	1	
English 8	1	
American History	1	
Integrated Science 8	1	
Language Arts 8	0.50	
JH PE	0.50	

ELECTIVE COURSES

<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credit</u>		<u>Course Title</u>	<u>Credit</u>
Study Hall	0		Orchestra	1.0
Learning Center	0		Band	1.0
I-Ready Math	0.50		Choir	0.50
I-Ready Reading	0.50		General Music	0.50
Spanish 1	1.0		Art 1 & 2	0.25 each
Speech	0.25		Family & Consumer Science 1 and 2	0.25 each
Creative Writing	0.25		Computer Applications	0.25

A note about Spanish: Students in 8th grade can elect to take Spanish 1. This is a high school level course and not all 8th grade students are ready for the requirements of a high school course. When deciding whether to include Spanish in the schedule, weigh the options with the rest of the student course load as well as student study habits. Students who choose to start Spanish in 9th grade can still complete all four years of Spanish before graduation. While Regina does not require a world language for high school graduation, many colleges and universities like to have students take 2 - 4 years of the same world language for college admissions. Many Regina students take all four years of Spanish. Students may choose to opt to take other electives or study hall options instead of Spanish during 8th grade. The student and parent/guardian should discuss the pros and cons before deciding.

How to Officially Register for the 2022 - 2023 School Year in JMC

1. On the student Chromebook, go to [Regina.onlinejmc.com/student](https://regina.onlinejmc.com/student)
2. Switch the year at the top to say **2022-2023**.
3. Log on to the student account.
4. On the left, click the tab labeled **Course Registration**.
5. Once there, on the right column, required courses should already be listed.
6. In the left column, click on the courses you intend to take. It will appear in the right hand column. Select additional required course subjects (For example: Math, Music) first, followed by other electives.
7. Note: Do not register for alternative courses. Only register for the courses you plan to take.
8. When complete, review the list to confirm it has all of the correct courses. It should reflect 7 or 7.5 credits registered at the bottom of the page, if requesting no-credit courses, such as Learning Center or Study Hall. The list should reflect 8 credits if selecting all credit-bearing courses.
9. When finished, log out. That's it! You've registered your requests for the 2022-2023 school year.
10. As a reminder: This registration is to REQUEST courses. Not all courses may be able to work in a student's schedule, based on schedule barriers or student academic needs.