

**Trimester Elective Course Registration Sheet
For SPX Middle School Students
November 11, 2009**

Name: _____ **HR:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Form must be signed and returned by Wednesday, November 18, 2009.

Please rank in order the electives from 1 to 13 with 1 being the top priority.

Electives

- Forensics _____
- SPX News _____
- Madame Trousseau at Pius? _____
- Board Game Frenzy _____
- Newspaper _____
- Math for Contests _____
- Ringling Hand Chimes _____
- Great Computer Challenge _____
- Mock Court _____
- Cursive Made Easy _____
- Creative Writing _____
- “24” _____
- Paper in 3 Dimensions*** _____
- Computer Animation _____
- Middle School Play Writing _____
- Extreme P. E. _____
- Field Hockey Clinic _____

*** Parents sign here to allow your student to use an exacto knife in this elective.

Parent’s Signature _____

If this form is not returned by the due date, the student’s parent/guardian will be contacted and will choose the order of the Electives.

READING ROUND TABLE

Reading Roundtable provides an excellent opportunity to read and discuss literary examples that focus on themes and issues of middle school students. Novels, biographies, mysteries, adventures and sports stories, as well as some of the classics will be offered so that students can select and share with each other and their moderators.

FACTS, JUST THE FACTS – 2ND TRIMESTER FOR ALL 7TH GRADERS.

The 7th Grade students will be doing concrete mathematical manipulations with fractions, decimals and integers.

All Middle School students will be assigned to one Reading Round Table per trimester.

If you are currently in Yearbook, National Junior Art Society or Forensics you will be automatically placed in these electives for trimester 2.

2nd trimester electives will begin Monday, November 30, 2009

Trimester Elective Course Descriptions
For SPX Middle School Students
2009 - 2010

Forensics – Forensics will meet once a week for the 1st and 2nd trimester in Room 8B. “Do you like to talk? Do you like to act?” Learn short speeches, poems, scripts, etc. to present them in competition against various schools.

WSPS Morning News - This elective offers students the opportunity to learn how to create scripts and manage video equipment while enhancing computer skills and public speaking. Morning news is all year so students must maintain good grades and be willing to arrive early on their assigned week.

Madame Trousseau at Pius? - Experience creativity and drama as you become part of an era in history. You will choose a famous person from a time period and become them with costume, props, speeches, and much more. At the end of the trimester, you will perform in a wax museum setting for the school and parents.

Board Game Frenzy – Board games are becoming a lost art. However, this elective will bring back the challenge, excitement and wonder of board games. Play some that are at Pius or bring your own. Maybe a chess tournament is in the cards.

Newspaper – EXTRA, EXTRA READ ALL ABOUT IT!! The revival of the SPX newspaper has begun. Learn the inner workings of writing, editing and publishing our school newspaper.

Math for Contests – Learn some tricks of the trade for entering and winning mathematical contests. You will be entered in some contest for prize monies and scholarships.

Ringing Hand Chimes - Hand chimes are one of the few percussion instruments with pitch. Learn to make beautiful music playing hand chimes.

Great Computer Challenge - The Great Computer Challenge, a joint project of WHRO, C.I.I. and ODU, is a competitive opportunity for students in grades K-12 to demonstrate their skills in various computer applications and computer programming, including **Graphic Arts, Desktop Publishing, Music Compositions, Desktop Presentations, Web Design, Internet Scavenger Hunt, Integrated Applications, C++, Visual Basic, CAD and JAVA.** Any student interested in competing at Old Dominion University should signup for this trimester

Mock Court – “YOU BE THE JUDGE” - Investigate the judicial system through actual trials – present and past.

“Cursive Made Easy” – Would you like to brush up on your handwriting skills and write like a professional? Join Sr. Roseanne’s writing project – “Cursive Made Easy.” You will see a change!!

Creative Writing – Let your imagination run wild by writing stories, poems, etc. Finished products will be read to the St. Pius X school children.

24 – A game to challenge your mathematical wizardry. How many ways can you come up with an answer of **24**? Speed counts!!

Paper in 3 Dimension – Using various techniques, students will create works of art out of paper. MUST have permission slip signed by parent for student to participate.

Computer Animation – Learn to produce computerized animated cartoons.

Middle School Play Writing – Together your group will write and perform a short play production.

Extreme P. E. – Take your physical training to the next level. Build body strength, coordination and stamina with a program for lifetime use.

Field Hockey Clinic – Enhance your skills and learn the ins and outs of the game. MUST have shin guards and mouth guard.