

FERNWOOD AVENUE MIDDLE SCHOOL

A New Jersey Dept. of Education Best Practice Recipient

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Dear 6th Grade Parent/Guardian,

This letter is to inform you about your child's options for World Language in 7th grade. All 7th grade students have the choice of studying either French or Spanish as a world language. Native/heritage Spanish-speaking students who wish to improve their Spanish will develop literacy skills in the Hispanohablantes class.

The Middle School World Languages program is a **two-year** program. **Therefore, once enrolled in one language, students will remain with the same language for two years.** The 8th grade course expands upon the skills learned in 7th grade. The units studied are the same in both French and Spanish. Students in the Fundamentals and Hispanohablantes courses have class every other day. Students in the Honors course have class every day and, therefore, do not have tutorial. The criteria for honors are an A average in English and English teacher recommendation.

Please discuss the language choices with your child. If your child already speaks Spanish or French, you may wish to choose the other language so your child can learn a new language and culture. Please use this link <https://goo.gl/forms/7r1trQzpOCJUuCjy2> to reply digitally or complete the form below by hand and return it to your child's homeroom teacher by **May 26, 2017**. If you have questions, I can be reached at 609-653-0100 ext. 1696, or schreilm@eht.k12.nj.us.

Sincerely,

Michele Schreiner, Ed.D.

Supervisor of World Languages

Date: _____

Homeroom teacher: _____

Name of child: (Please print) _____

_____ I wish to enroll my child in the 2-year **French** program

_____ I wish to enroll my child in the 2-year **Spanish** program

_____ I wish to enroll my child in the 2-year **Hispanohablantes** program (for heritage Spanish- speakers)

(Signature of Parent or Guardian)

New Jersey Department of Education Star Schools: Swift Elementary School 2000 and Eagle Academy 2003

New Jersey Department of Education Best Practices:

High School 1993, Fernwood Avenue Middle School 2002, Davenport School 2001 & 2003, and Swift School 2005

Alder Avenue Middle School, New Jersey and United States Department of Education Green Ribbon Award, 2012