

## ATL Block Academic Themes -- Select Your Top Four Preferences

During 2nd Block in 2020-2021, some students will be required to take an Encore class, Reading Intervention, Math Intervention, or Learning Lab. Students who are not required to take those classes during 2nd block will be scheduled for an ATL Theme during Academic Enrichment. Please register your theme preferences below. **COMPLETION OF THIS FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOU WILL PARTICIPATE IN A THEME.** Students will only be scheduled for a theme if they are not taking a required Encore, Intervention or Learning Lab class during 2nd block. If you select Future City or Science Olympiad as an ATL Theme, you will be asked to complete an additional application for those themes as there are after school and weekend meetings for those themes.

### Mark FOUR Selections. Rank your preferences 1, 2, 3, 4

\_\_\_\_\_ **Future City:** Future City is an engineering class in which students imagine, research, design and build cities of the future. Students who select this theme will compete in the Future City Regional Competition in January. Some afterschool and weekend practices are required.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Science Olympiad:** In Science Olympiad, students engage in an in-depth exploration of a wide range of scientific topics, including anatomy, geology, chemistry, astronomy, optics, and experimental design. Students who select this theme will compete in the regional Science Olympiad competition in the Spring. Some weekend and after school practices are required.

\_\_\_\_\_ **CSI: Forensic Science:** Forensic science is the application of scientific methods and processes to solve crimes. In this ATL theme, students will investigate how forensic science works and will do hands-on experiments using the methods of forensic science.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Green Team:** The Green Team will work to help the environment through collaborative projects focused on waste reduction, recycling, composting, energy conservation, pollution prevention, and peer education.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Health & Nutrition:** In Health & Nutrition, scholars will learn about how middle school students can stay fit through healthy eating and exercise.

\_\_\_\_\_ **TV & Film Production:** In this theme, students will learn about the ins and outs of tv and film production. They will also write and produce short TV spots and films, including episodes of the JMA morning news.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Girls' Group:** Girls' Group is by girls, for girls. We explore a variety of questions and issues related to being a girl in the 21st century.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Boys' Group:** Boys' Group is by boys, for boys. We explore a variety of questions and issues related to being a boy in the 21st century.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Drama:** Members of Drama explore the world of acting and theater. They will create and perform short plays and other dramatic works.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Around the World:** Members of Around the World will explore countries and the wonders of the world through vicarious experiences. They will study historical navigators who have circumnavigated the world, post Weekly DID YOU KNOW information to share with peers, participate in and aid in setting up "International Night" celebration, and create displays highlighting researched information on cultures/customs/folklores of the world.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Technology:** In technology students will explore Google Apps (Docs, Sheets, Slides, etc.), coding (Block Coding, HTML, JavaScript), Web Design, and some gaming.

\_\_\_\_\_ **NJHS & Beta:** This ATL Theme is for 7th and 8th graders who are members of the NJHS and/or Beta Clubs. They participate in leadership and service activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Arts & Crafts:** In this ATL Theme, students will explore the world of Arts & Crafts through inquiry projects and hands-on activities.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Gospel Choir:** Students in this ATL Theme will explore the world of choral performance by listening to and performing choral music. **Students must be willing to SING if they request this Theme.**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Photography:** Students in this ATL Theme will learn the foundations of photography as an art form through hands-on experience, research, and study.

\_\_\_\_\_ **STEM Group:** STEM Group: In STEM group, students will explore topics and issues related to the intersection of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. This will include hands on science and engineering projects. It will not be a computer technology class.