**Lakeland Ridge School**

**Junior High Options**

**Grade 8**

Dear Parents/Guardians:

We have finalized our junior high option classes for the 2017-2018 school year. Our junior high students automatically receive classes in:

* Language Arts
* Math
* Science
* Social Studies
* Physical Education
* Health
* CTF (Construction, Foods and Fashion, and App Savvy)

In grade 8 students will register in 4 option courses throughout the year. The option selection process this year will be completed online (bit.ly/LLROptions17-18) and openson **Wednesday June 7th at 6:00pm**. Students will be placed in option courses on a first come first serve basis. Please see the course descriptions below for more information on each course.

**Semester 1: September - January**

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| **Option A Select 1** | **Option B Select 1** |
| Graphic Arts | Advanced Construction |
| Performing Arts | Art |
| Recreational Fitness | Band |
| Snacks and Appetizers | Leadership |

**Semester 2: February - June**

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| **Option A Select 1** | **Option B Select 1** |
| Design Studies | Advanced Construction |
| Drama | Art |
| Recreational FItness | French |
| Snacks and Appetizers | Outdoor Education |

**COURSE SELECTION PROCEDURE:**

1. Please review the course list, descriptions and cost. Discuss with your child the options they are interested in taking.
2. You will be asked to indicate if you would like an optional agenda. Agenda cost is $5.00.
3. Fee payment will be on Acorn in mid-September once all students have been enrolled in their options.
4. Option selection will take place online and opens on **Wednesday June 7th at 6:00pm.** Students will be placed in options on a first come first serve bases. The link for the option form is **bit.ly/LLROptions17-18**. The form will not be activated till 6:00pm Monday evening.

# **COURSE DESCRIPTIONS**

## ADVANCED CONSTRUCTION

**$50 Supply Fee**

This class allows students to create projects using woods, metals, plastics and multi material construction projects.  Wood turning projects on the lathe will be explored.  Students will be able to construct a variety of projects and have the ability to design a custom project.

## ART

**$13 Supply Fee**

**$28 Field Trip Fee**

Students will have the opportunity to learn about art through various mediums.  In Grade 8 student’s projects may include using tempera and watercolor paint, pastels, clay – hand building techniques and, glass fusing. Students will learn about art from around the world and gain the basic subject vocabulary.

## BAND

**$13 Supply Fee**

**$17 Field Trip Fee**

**$85 Instrument Rental**

**$200 Overnight Band Camp - Optional**

Band 8 is designed to develop well-rounded musicians, focusing on refining their musical and performance skills. Regular field trips include opportunities to perform at concerts and special events, an optional band camp, and attending an Edmonton Symphony Orchestra concert. Previous Band experience is required.

DESIGN STUDIES

**$15 Supply Fee**

This course is for those students interested in creating a variety of 2D and 3D designs. Students have the option of taking original art work created by traditional sketching techniques or using graphic software to produce texture, shading, color, blending, layering, and fading techniques. Students can also create concept art and 3D renderings of cars, trucks, landscapes, buildings, and video game characters. The main focus of this course is for students to enhance their graphic portfolios (traditional and digital) with both 2D and 3D compositions with access to today’s latest software.

## DRAMA

**$5 Supply Fee**

**$20 Field Trip Fee**

The drama program fosters a positive self-concept in students by encouraging them to explore life and express themselves. Students will participate in a variety of speaking and non-speaking roles. They will continue working on short plays and small group activities geared toward skill development. A final performance is an important part of the course.

## FRENCH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

**No fee**

**$30 Field Trip Fee**

This class challenges students to learn a second language in a fun and innovative way! Students will study the following subject areas: Animals, Clothing and Food.  Some activities students will participate in are: creating bizarre animals, putting on a fashion show and participating in a food festival.  Students will be required to participate in oral classroom activities and complete written assignments.

**LEADERSHIP**

**$15 Supply Fee**

**$250 Leadership Conference and Trip - Optional**

Students will learn skills to develop and enhance their leadership capacity. Students will be required to commit to adopting a leadership role within the school and community. This will include team leader responsibilities in areas such as student interest groups, liaising with staff on school matters and governance, event/activity planning and implementation, humanitarian involvement, promotions, mentoring, school spirit, team retreats, etc.

## OUTDOOR EDUCATION

**$10 Supply Fee**

**$20 Field Trip Fee**

**$100 Overnight Camping Trip - Optional**

This course consists of three components, environment (living things & ecological processes), outdoor (basic knowledge, skills & attitudes for safe, comfortable, outdoor experiences) and personal/team development (understanding, respect, and appreciation for self & others). The course will include field trips, indoor and outdoor activities, as well as classroom projects. An optional overnight camping trip is also an important part of the course.

## PERFORMING ARTS

**$5 Supply Fee**

**$20 Field Trip Fee**

Calling all actors, set designers, builders, painters and videographers.  We are looking for students who want to be involved in one or more of those elements for our school’s production at Festival Place.  This class gives a firsthand look at all elements involved in putting on a large scale theatre production. Whether you love acting, directing or set construction/painting, this class allows you to focus on that passion and play a key role in next year’s big show.

Extra-Curricular Opportunity:

Aside from performing arts class, all junior high students will have the opportunity to be involved in our musical production of Shrek. Student who sign up for this extra-curricular will be rehearsing or working on technical theatre elements on Monday’s after school from September until January, working on acting skills, choreography, set design, set construction, costume design and costume creation. 5-6 Saturday rehearsals from September to December are scheduled as well. There will be 3 dress rehearsals in January as we prepare for our show week, which is at Festival Place January 22-26th, 2018. In addition, we provide after school study sessions to help students with homework prior to the show.

Busy with hockey, volleyball, dance etc. and can’t make all after school practices? No problem! Our program is designed to support and encourage students to be involved in all different activities. We will work with you both inside and outside of class time to catch you up and can craft a role for you that you’re most comfortable with.

**$125 Extra-Curricular Fee**

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| **Includes:**   * Costumes * Choreographers * Vocal Coaches * Makeup * Bussing from Festival Place For Matinee’s * Post Show Cast Party * Photos from all 3 casts * USB Copy of all 3 performances * T-Shirt * Drama Awards | **Does not Include:**   * Base costume Items (Plain black shoes, plain black pants, leggings etc.) |

## RECREATIONAL FITNESS

**$15 Supply Fee**

**$50 Field Trip Fee**

This course is open to students who have previously demonstrated a positive attitude and genuine interest in PE. Course content includes fitness and training principles, sports safety, and an appreciation for sports leisure activities. It will encourage a healthy attitude combined with fair play and sportsmanship in recreational activities. Students will participate in a wide variety of sports and fitness activities, both on and off site. Please note that swimming is a required element of this course. Students who cannot swim will be given basic skill instruction in order to participate.

## SNACKS & APPETIZERS

**$60 Supply Fee**

Students will explore the factors that influence snack choices and explore nutritional values.  They will prepare numerous nutritious as well as delicious snacks and appetizers.

**SPORTS ACCELERATION**

**$25 Supply Fee**

The goal of the course is to allow students to gain an understanding of sports training, anatomy, and physiology as well as have practice time for team sports. They will be instructed in and practice proper training in every discipline of sporting mastery. Students will gain greater knowledge of nutrition, anaerobic and aerobic training, as well as technical sport practice so they may implement personal training for their chosen team sport.