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Re: High School Credit Hour Class

Dear Parents,

This letter is to inform you of a new high school credit class that will be offered to TORCH 8th Grade students. This class will take the place of the year long Spanish course 8th graders were able to take this past year. The Health and Physical Education course is a required course freshman must take in their first year of high school, but they will now have the option to earn that credit in middle school. This course **is a yearlong course.**

Health and physical education introduces fundamental skills, strategies, and rules associated with team sports such as basketball, volleyball, soccer, softball, baseball, field hockey, lacrosse, team handball, and flag football. Per the Georgia Department of Education: *the physically educated student has developmentally appropriate grade-level comprehension and application of the concepts and principles of fitness, motor skills, movement patterns, tactics, and strategies which contribute to a physically literate and active lifestyle.*

We strive to help students prepare for high school. Enabling students to acquire a high school credit during their 8th grade school year will allow students the freedom to complete other electives during their freshman year of high school. Students will receive a grade for this course, and students will have to pass with a 70% or higher to earn the high school credit.

If you would like your student to take this class for the 2023-2024 school year, please sign and return this form to your child's Homeroom Teacher by Friday, August 11, 2023. You can bring it to open house and turn into the counselor, Tara Miller. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Sam Harden (sharden@brooks.k12.ga.us) or Christine Hiers (chiers@brooks.k12.ga.us) by email or phone (588-2342).

Thank you,

Dr. Maura Lewis
Brooks County Middle School Principal

Parent Signature

Date

Student Name

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