



The following information discusses the future of the Japanese Program at Elkins Pointe Middle School, Roswell High School and Milton High School.

Why learn Japanese?

Learning Japanese can have both short and long term benefits through the introduction and acquisition of a new language and culture. Reasons to learn Japanese include:

- Japan has the 3rd largest economy in the world
- Knowing Japanese brings business opportunity
- Japanese speakers are the internet's 3rd largest language group
- Japanese cultural exports are increasing within our own communities
- Knowing Japanese will set your child apart from other students who take more commonly studied languages
- Japanese is a stepping stone to learning other Asian languages

Will Japanese continue to be offered at Elkins Pointe Middle School?

Japanese will continue to be offered at Elkins Pointe Middle School at all levels. (6th, 7th and 8th grade year long classes) Students will receive 1 Carnegie HS credit for successful completion of both the 7th and 8th grade years.

Will students who take Japanese at Elkins Point MS have an opportunity to continue their Japanese language studies at Roswell or Milton High School in the 2012-2013 school year?

Roswell High School will continue to offer Japanese levels 1, 2 Regular/2 Honors, 3 Regular/3 Honors, and 4 Honors. AP Japanese is a goal of the Roswell Japanese program for the 2012-2013 school year.

Milton High School will offer Japanese level 1 for beginning Japanese students and Japanese level 2 Honors for continuing Japanese students from Elkins Pointe Middle school. The Milton HS Japanese program will increase its course offerings as students matriculate through the program.

Will students be able to request a World Language curriculum hardship in Japanese to attend Roswell HS if they have been zoned for Milton HS?

No. Students who have been zoned to Milton HS will not be able to receive a curriculum hardship for World Language Japanese. Consideration is only given to a student whose school does not offer a World Language course to which a student is zoned. Milton High School will offer Japanese in the 2012-2013 school year.

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