

6th Grade Elective Descriptions

World Language & Cultures 6

This course introduces phrases and cultures from a variety of languages in order to introduce languages and the idea of second language acquisition to students. This course may emphasize recognition of written words, vocabulary, speech patterns and grammar as well as cultural aspects (major events, foods, art, etc.).

Visual Arts Level 1

Students will learn about and begin to apply art elements and principles of design. They will have varied studio experiences which include learning about art history, analyzing existing works of art, and learning about new media and techniques. They will create several two-dimensional and three-dimensional projects that incorporate different elements and design principles. Student art fees will provide students with a sketchbook, access to all studio materials, and all finished projects that are created in class.

Technology Education

Technology Education courses expose students to the tools and machines that they may encounter in manufacturing-related occupations and enable them to develop the skills they need to use these tools in various applications. Course topics typically include (but are not limited to) drawing and planning, woodwork, plastics, and power technology. These courses typically cover general safety and career exploration as well.

Computer Applications 6

In Computer Applications (6th grade) courses, students acquire knowledge of and experience in the proper and efficient use of previously written software packages. These courses explore a wide range of applications, including (but not limited to) word-processing, spreadsheet, graphics, and database programs, and they may also cover the use of electronic mail and desktop publishing.

Family & Consumer Sciences

Family and Consumer Science (6th grade) courses are inclusive studies of knowledge and skills that are useful for the efficient and productive management of the home. Course topics typically include foods and nutrition; clothing; child development and care; housing design, decoration, and maintenance; consumer decisions and personal financial management; and interpersonal relationships.

Drama 6

Drama (grade 6) courses enable students to express themselves through dramatic play and storytelling. Course content typically includes the use of movement, language, character, plot, and spectacle to portray imaginary or real experiences. Activities may include those that enable students to refine their technique, increase their artistic vocabulary, express themselves and their world view, and strengthen their critical abilities. Specific course content conforms to any existing state standards for grade 6.

Physical Education 6

Specific content covers state standards for Grade 6. This course involves the acquisition of knowledge and skills that provide the foundation for sport, a physically active lifestyle and social development through physical activity. Activities typically include those that increase strength, endurance, and flexibility; ; reinforce safe technique, teach the rules and conventions of games and sports; and explore the relationship between physical activity and health.

School Musical

Students who audition for the school musical and are cast into the show will be placed in this class for 1st and 2nd trimester. Auditions will take place in the Spring of 2019.

Full-Year Electives

Concert Band– **YEAR LONG** Courses in Concert Band are designed to promote students' technique for playing brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments and cover a variety of band literature styles, primarily for concert performances. In addition to performing with the concert ensembles, individual growth and achievement are encouraged through private lessons, participation in solo and ensemble and all-county.

Orchestra– **YEAR LONG** - Orchestra courses are designed to develop students' abilities to play string instruments, covering a variety of string and orchestral literature styles. In addition to performing with the concert ensembles, individual growth and achievement are encouraged through private lessons, participation in solo and ensemble and all-county.