

Dear 6th Parents/Guardians,

First of all, welcome to middle school! We look forward to working closely with you for the next three years, particularly during the next few transitional months. This is an exciting time in your student's life.

Please take a few moments with your student and review the course catalog to see what classes they would like to take next school year. Then complete the Google Form selecting your elective course choice.

<https://bit.ly/319itRZ>

If you have had a change in phone number or email, please contact the school so we can ensure you are receiving communications and updates.

Last but not least, we hope your student stays active throughout the summer. We are about to send out information on our Strong Start program. Help your student get off to a great start in 6th grade by enrolling him or her in this free summer session which includes orientation and academic enrichments.

Sincerely,

Amber Renee Boyd, Principal

6th Grade Core Classes—All Students			
6th Grade Math: #360110 & #360120 This course focuses on ratios, division of fractions, using expressions and equations, and statistical thinking.	6th Grade ELA/Reading: #160110 & #162020 This course will focus on reading and analyzing both literature and informational text. It will also focus on writing and citing information from readings.	World History: #260110 This course covers basic geography concepts and the history of early man through the Renaissance.	6th Grade Science: #460110 This course covers the scientific method, and concepts from physical, earth, and life science.
Advanced	Advanced classes are offered at each grade level. Test scores and multiple data points are used to place students in these classes		
Special Education	Special education classes and services are offered in each grade in compliance with student's Individual Education Plans (IEP's).		
Physical Education	Physical Education (6,7,8) #961010, #971010, & 981010 \$25 uniform fee This course takes a student through fitness, self-management skills, developing a positive attitude for lifetime fitness, and how these topics are incorporated into recreation, active sports, and skill-related physical fitness.		

Electives & High School Credit Classes

<p style="text-align: center;">Art I #811000</p> <p>This course explores the creative process using the Elements and Principles of Design, also an introduction to art appreciation, individual artists, and critiquing student artwork. Students will be exposed to hands-on activities. \$10 class fee *HS Credit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Keyboarding #612100 (Fall Semester)</p> <p>This course is the first of two courses designed to provide students with mastery of the touch method of operating the computer keyboard. *HS Credit</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">Keyboarding Applications #612200 (Spring Semester)</p> <p>This course is the second of two courses designed to provide students the opportunity to master the computer keyboard and learn to operate computer programs in the Microsoft Office Suite. *HS Credit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Graphic/Digital Media I #641800 (6th)</p> <p>Graphic Digital Design will introduce students to multiple programs to help them learn about graphic design including Photoshop and Illustrator. Students will also learn about screen printing and digital publication. \$20 class fee *HS Credit</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Mixed Media Art (6,7,8) #860100 (6), #870100 (7) & #880100 (8)</p> <p>A basic art course that explores many different art mediums. The student will have the opportunity to develop technical skills and explore the creative process with a wide range of art materials. \$10 class fee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Journeys to Careers #613600</p> <p>This course was designed to assist students with exploring careers and developing skills necessary to make meaningful decisions about their career choice. This class uses computers daily to enrich the learning experience for students *HS Credit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Digital Music and Game Engineering (6, 7, 8) #643200</p> <p>This class will introduce students to making and manipulating music digitally and designing games using different software. It will focus on how to integrate these skills into film and other multi-media productions. \$15 class fee</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Spanish (6, 7) #569100</p> <p>In this class students will begin to learn about the Spanish language, the culture of Spanish speaking countries and will be prepared to take Spanish I for high school credit</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Robotics (6, 7, 8) #488300</p> <p>This robotics class will introduce students to the First Robotics system. Students will be exposed to principles of engineering and coding/programs. Students will learn how to build program and operate their creations. There are opportunities for competition \$10 class fee</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Agriculture/Agriscience (6) #40096</p> <p>This class will introduce students to the study of agriculture. Students will build and tend to school gardens and will explore career opportunities linked to the study of agriculture. \$10 class fee</p>
<p>Interventions</p>	<p>Read 180 (# 16000): This is a comprehensive system of curriculum, instruction, and assessment proven to raise reading achievement in struggling readers. Students will also be required to take ELA Singleton as an elective. System 44 (#159550): This course is an intensive mastery-based language arts intervention that targets the needs of non-readers, struggling readers, and English learners. Students will also be required to take ELA Singleton as an elective.</p>	
<p>Multiple Data points and a reading screener are used to place students in intervention reading class. Students who qualify for reading intervention will take this class in place of a traditional elective.</p>		