



## ELECTIVES

### Library Media Skills

In this class, students will learn how to circulate library materials, serving library patrons, and other day to day operations of the library. The course includes reading a variety of materials for information and leisure, practicing research skills, and learning to interpret the messages in media.

### Creative Writing

Students will have the chance to flex their creative muscle as they write everything from short stories to poetry. Students will get to know writing styles of various famous fiction authors, and then have the chance to work on developing their own personal writing style. Expect to write: poetry, character sketches, short stories, and more.

### Newspaper/Journalism

This course provides opportunities for students to engage in an examination of Journalism and the news writing process. Students are responsible for the planning, design, and publication of the school newspaper. This production process will involve feature writing, page/graphic design, and photography. Good writing skills and a working knowledge of grammar are required.

### Foreign Language Survey

This course introduces students to world languages and cultures. During the course, students will learn about other cultures, countries, and languages. Students will be exposed to a brief history of the country, animals, greetings, farewells, numbers, colors, and days of the week. Some languages that may be covered include Spanish, Chinese, French, and German.

### Civics

An introductory class on the basic principles of government and leadership. Students will explore the different types of government, economics, and branches of government, political system and elections.

## Current Issues

In our current issues class, students will learn how events in their community, state, nation, and from around the world relate to them and impact their lives.

### Pep Squad

This class designed to foster school spirit and allow more students the opportunity to participate in structured activities that support school spirit and pride. Together with the Cheerleaders and Student Government, students taking Pep Squad will learn cheers and participate by cheering at home games. Attendance at home games is mandatory. This is not a competition squad, and it is open to any student interested in participating. Uniform fee of \$10.00 for Pep Squad t-shirt.

## WORLD LANGUAGES

### Spanish 1

This course helps students create a solid foundation of basic Spanish skills. Students will interact with the language through reading, listening, writing, and speaking the language to complete realistic scenarios.

## FINE ARTS

### Music Exploration

Students will participate in engaging and exciting learning activities associated with music; including creating, listening, reading and performing music. They will learn music history, including popular music of today. They will also learn about various instruments. Students will have the opportunity to learn the basics of singing and participate in a concert at the end of the semester.

### BAND

Please refer to hand out in packet.

### Orchestra II

Students should have had previous experience with their instrument prior to enrolling (6<sup>th</sup> grade orchestra or private lessons). Students with no prior experience may enroll, but will need private lessons or extra practice to

catch up. This course is designed to give students skill to perform music levels 1-2.

### Choir 1 – Boys

In this class, boys will learn the basics of unison, 2-part, and 3-part singing and music fundamental. **Performing at concerts is required.** Students will also learn to listen and understand musical styles, how to read music and understand simple music theory.

### Choir 1 – Girls

In this class, girls will learn the basics of unison, 2-part, and 3-part singing and music fundamental. **Performing at concerts is required.** Students will also learn to listen and understand musical styles, how to read music and understand simple music theory.

### Theatre 1

This course will give students an introduction to the theatre and will focus on developing movement techniques and vocal techniques for public speaking and acting.

## CAREER & TECHNICAL ED

### Design and Modeling

Students apply the design process to solve problems and understand the influence of creativity and innovation in their lives. Design projects may include playgrounds, toys, furniture and other products they encounter every day. Using Autodesk Inventor software and 3D printer, students create a virtual image of their design.

### Creative Coding

This class is primarily an introductory programming course with units that are grounded in an array of standards. The strands for this class include computational thinking, collaboration, computing practice, computing programming, and communication devices.