

Horizon Middle School

6th Grade Scheduling Form

Name _____

The following subjects are required for all sixth grade students:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Length</u>	
Language Arts	Full Year	} With the same IS teacher
Reading/Social Studies	Full Year	
Math	Full Year	
Science	Full Year	
PE	Every Other Day (EOD)	opposite Technology
Technology	EOD	opposite PE

To choose your elective courses, please rank from 1-6 the following classes with 1 being your top choice, 6 being your last choice.

- _____ Band
- _____ Orchestra
- _____ Choir
- _____ Art
- _____ Drama
- _____ Leadership
- _____ Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

MIDDLE SCHOOL 6TH GRADE ELECTIVES

BAND (Year long every other day (EOD))

Beginning band is for any student who wants to learn to play a band instrument. Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Tuba, and Percussion are the instruments of Beginning Band. Percussion players will be expected to play both mallets and drums. No musical experience is necessary or expected. How to get a band instrument will be the first learning unit!

CHOIR (Year long EOD)

This course is suitable for beginning or experienced singers. Both unison and two-part music will be taught. Specific skills such as singing in tune, performing for an audience, reading a music score and recognizing music vocabulary and symbols are some of the goals in this class.

ORCHESTRA (Year long EOD)

6th grade strings is the class for any student who would like to learn a stringed instrument. Violin, viola, cello and string bass will be offered. This class is for both beginners with no stringed instrument experience and for those who have already played. A flexible curriculum is used. Students will perform not only in orchestra, but also will have the opportunity to play in smaller ensembles. Learning to read music and developing musicianship are also part of this fun and rewarding class. Information about obtaining an instrument will be the first topic covered.

ART (Semester long EOD)

In this elective course students will be introduced to the fundamentals of visual art, the Elements and Principles of Art and Design, historical artists, famous masterpieces and art critique. Students will use a variety of media to create 2 and 3D projects, become familiar with and explore art concepts, develop creative and technical design skill sets and begin to discuss and evaluate the meaning of art.

DRAMA (Semester long EOD)

This course is designed for students who want to learn about the basics of theater, the history and the parts that make a whole to become a better performer and speaker. Content may include improvisation, stage knowledge, and understanding character building. Theatre education is important for all students and has the ability to reach and inspire the lives of students in any area of endeavor.

LEADERSHIP (Semester long EOD)

This course is designed to teach students logical thinking skills and strategies in a relaxed environment. Emphasis is on thinking outside the box (lateral thinking), focus and concentration, logic, and observation.

Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM) (Semester long EOD)

Students will be introduced to units in patterns and assembly, bridge construction with testing for efficiency, mechanical drafting and basic wood shop. Other STEM related activities will be done throughout the semester.