

Marcus Whitman Middle School

7th Grade Encore Descriptions 2022-2023

ELE131 Marine Science 1 Semester

Explore the ocean floor, research marine careers, learn ocean chemistry, use today's technology to monitor marine environments and track marine organisms, engineer an ocean cleaner, enjoy field studies, and field trips in this fun, hands-on STEM elective. You will not want to miss our Shark Week at the end of each semester!

ELE201 Leadership 1 Semester

This course examines the principles of citizenship, leadership, and student government within the school and community. Students in this class will be involved with planning student activities and assemblies and assume leadership roles within the school.

PED091 PE Elective 1 Semester

Activities include team sports, individual activities, conditioning, and physical fitness testing. This course is designed for those students who enjoy physical fitness activities.

YEARLONG CLASSES

ELE701/702 AVID Elective 7 2 Semesters

APPLICATION REQUIRED. The AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Elective is taken during the school day. Students are selected to enroll in an AVID elective after an application process. AVID is designed for students in the academic middle who have the desire to go to college and the willingness to work hard. Students learn organizational and study skills, work on critical thinking and asking probing questions, get academic help from peers and college tutors, and participate in enrichment and motivational activities that make college attainable.

MUS211/212 Band 2 Semesters

This is a yearlong course for those students who have begun Band in 5th and/or 6th grade. This course is designed for the beginning instrumentalist who needs to review music essentials prior to entering intermediate band. Group performances outside the school day are mandatory for all participants.

MUS411/412 Choir 2 Semesters

This yearlong course is designed for students who want to begin or continue their training as singers and musicians. Students will learn singing technique, how to read music and to perform as part of a group. Group performances outside the school day are mandatory for all participants.

MUS311/312 Orchestra 2 Semesters

This year-long course is designed to provide students who play a violin, viola, cello or string bass an opportunity to refine prior playing skills and learn new skills in a performance ensemble. Students may need to purchase a music book for this class, and they will learn to perform as part of a group. Group performances outside the school day are mandatory for all participants.