



6th Grade Course Planning Form 2023-2024

Student Name: _____
(Last) (First)

REQUIRED COURSES

Every student will be enrolled in Bible, English, Math, Earth Science, World Geography, and Athletics.

ENRICHMENT OPTIONS

You may select ONE Enrichment Course.

_____ Intermediate Band (Year-Long)

_____ Advanced Band (Year-Long)
(must have at least one full year of band experience)

_____ Choir (Year-Long)

_____ Orchestra (Year-Long)
(must have at least one full year of orchestra experience)

If you are NOT selecting Band, Orchestra, or Choir, then you will enroll in these semester courses.

_____ Visual Art (One Semester) and Performing Arts Appreciation (One Semester)

ATHLETIC OPTIONS

All middle school students are **REQUIRED** to complete an annual physical to participate in Athletics.

Watch for emails with more detailed information later in the semester and over the summer.

FALL

_____ Football

_____ Volleyball

_____ Cross Country

_____ Cheerleading

DIRECTED STUDIES

Zero Period: 7:30 am - 8:15 am, Additional fee and diagnostic evaluation required

The Directed Studies class supports students in the completion of academic tasks assigned in their regular scheduled classes. Students receive periodic direct instruction in organization, learning, and study strategies, as well as counseling in self-advocacy. Through this class, students are provided the opportunity to work with their Learning Specialist on a consistent basis to support their Student Accommodation Plan and academic success.

_____ I am interested in learning more about Directed Studies.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Please email the completed form to Sheri Fulbright at sfulbright@fwc.org

Description of FWC 6th Grade Enrichment Course Options

Intermediate Band – Enrollment open to 6th and 7th grade students

Year Long

Intermediate Band will study selected music from various periods with the focus on excellence in performance level. Consideration is given to introductory level fundamentals of breath control, tone production, tonguing, phrasing, intonation, and skills to perform with an ensemble. Band members participate in formal concerts and a spring music festival as part of a large group ensemble and may also participate in a solo or ensemble. The review and application of music notation with an instrument and the use of musical attributes used to make music "musical" with instruments are taught and applied in the classroom and encouraged to be practiced outside the classroom.

Advanced Band - Prerequisite: *Must have at least 1 full year experience in band.*

Year Long

Advanced band requirements are the same as Intermediate Band but on a more advanced level. Band members also perform with the FWC Cardinal Marching Band as well as audition to be a part of the TPSMEA Middle School Honor Band and/or the ATSSB All-Region Band.

Choir - Enrollment open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students

Year Long

This course is designed to encourage the development of vocal performance in an ensemble setting. Song selections range from contemporary to classical pieces, allowing the student to experience all styles of music. A basic introduction to Music Theory will be included. Students will also participate in formal concerts, a spring music festival and may participate in a solo or ensemble group.

Orchestra - Enrollment open to 6th, 7th and 8th grade students

Year Long

This course is for students with little or no orchestra experience. We will learn notes on all strings, basic rhythms and playing technique. Students in this course learn the music, but at a pace they will be more comfortable with. Skills learned will culminate into several performances throughout the year, which will include music of different styles and time periods. Opportunities to play solos will be offered at least once a year.

If you are NOT selecting Band, Choir, or Orchestra, then you will enroll in the following courses:

Visual Art 6

One Semester

Art is designed to teach students the elements and principles of design. Students will start with the basics and build upon each lesson, learning how to apply their knowledge to all types of art and mediums. This class helps improve critical thinking and visual awareness. Various types of media will be available to the students, allowing them to begin channeling their creativity and energy in a focused and productive manner.

Performing Arts Appreciation 6

One Semester

This course is designed to give students experiences with a wide variety of speaking situations. Techniques will be taught to control speaking anxiety, the fundamentals of physical and vocal delivery skills, use of language and gesturing, the importance of listening skills, effective memorization practices and how to effectively structure and organize information to present to a variety of audiences. Students will also learn about the role of communication in our lives. Additionally, students will be introduced to aspects of Theatre Arts to foster their own enjoyment, participation and appreciation of the process as well as recognize how theater can be a powerful tool for communication in the world today.