Welcome! We are glad you are here.

Here are a few answers to commonly asked question regarding incoming 6th Graders! Please don’t hesitate to reach out with any additional questions.

Eight Period Schedule

6th Grade students take the following classes:
- Language Arts
- Reading
- Social Studies
- Science
- Math
- Academic Lab
- Elective
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6th Grade Elective Choices:
- Students will select TWO of the following electives:
  - Band
  - Orchestra
  - Choir
  - Spanish (Spanish 1A or higher depending on prior language level)
  - Elective Wheel (Yearlong class; includes rotation through one semester of PE, one quarter Computer, one quarter Art)

Math Offerings (*Aligns with updated 2024 BVSD Math Pathways)
- 6th Grade Math with support
- 6th Grade Math
- Advanced 1 (6th G Math & first half of 7th G Math)
- Advanced 2 (second half of 7th G Math & 8th G Math)
- 7/8 Compacted Math (VIRTUAL, all of 7th & 8th G Math)
- 7th G Math
- 8th G Math
- Advanced Algebra 1
- Advanced Geometry

If you have questions about the right spot for your student, please speak with your current teacher!
What is Academic Lab?
- A structured study hall for all students.
  - **Daily reading**
  - **Math practice**
  - **Classwork & homework**.
- AcLab teachers support students by checking on missing assignments, helping them get organized and providing a quiet space for all students to work.
- PLUS! Social Emotional Learning opportunities, college and career exploration with the counselors and other school-wide initiatives.

Support Classes and Plans

**READ Plans, IEPs & 504 plans carry into middle school!** Counselors, Special Ed Case Managers and teachers will have access to plans beginning in August.
- **IEP:** Special Education case managers will be the first point of contact for supporting your student in our building.
- **504 Plans:** plans reviewed yearly, counselors will reach out to families when it is time for that review.
- **Other Academic Support (CLDE, math, reading)** based on teacher recommendation
If you have questions about your current accommodations or possible support for your student, please reach out to your current school or teacher.

Moving to middle school is a BIG transition!

We know that moving from elementary school to middle school is a big transition for both students and their grown ups! Don’t worry, it is going to be great!
- **First Day of School:** JUST 6th graders with our 360 Student Leaders for a day of tours, meeting teachers, making new friends and just getting settled.

**Ideas for easing the transition:**
- Practice a three combo lock over the summer
- Get organized!
  - Pro tip: two binders (one for each block day) with a homework folder often is a good system for 6th graders.
- Get involved as a parent! We have active PTO and FET groups that are always looking for more volunteers.
- Build your student’s support team!
  - There will be things that go well and things that are challenging. It is often easier to talk about a plan for taking on those challenges before hand; think about who you can call on as a support for your student as challenges arise (i.e. therapist/counselor, tutors, family members to talk to, etc.) We are here to help as well! Please reach out to your Centennial counselor.