

Lake Travis ISD

Middle Schools

Information for 2024-2025

Rising 6th Grade

Students & Parents

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Hudson Bend Middle School**

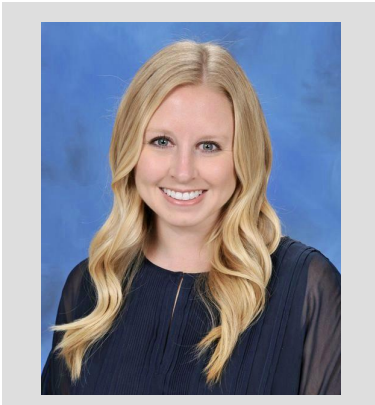


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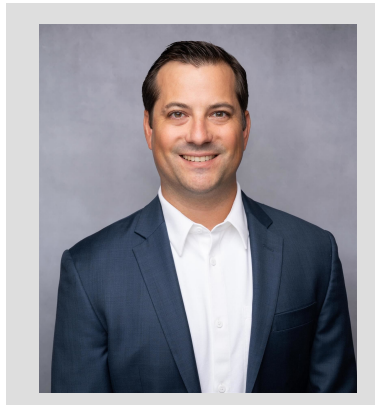
Home of the Buccaneers!

Hudson Bend Middle School

Administrative Team and Counselors



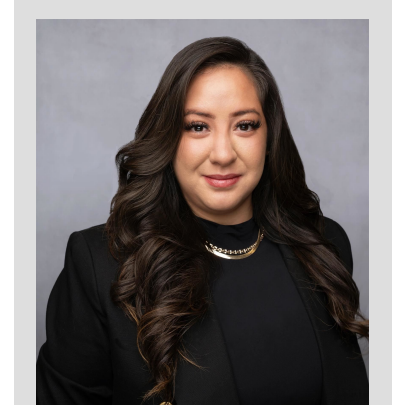
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Principal



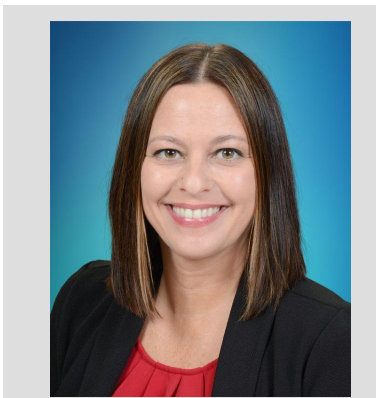
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Assistant Principal



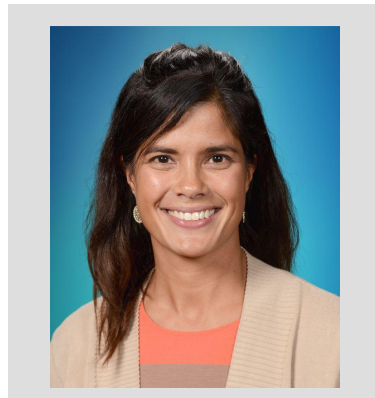
Brian Gill
Assistant Principal



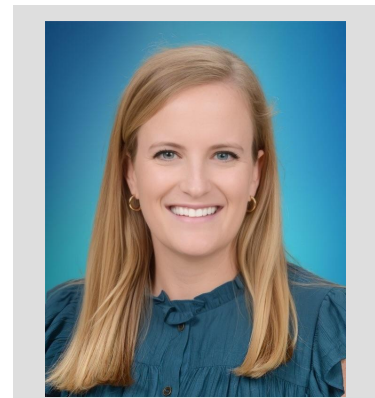
Tatiana Chavez
Assistant Principal



Dana Page
Counselor



Surita Scholla
Counselor



Kendall Sealy
Counselor

Important Middle School Course Selection Dates



1/26/24

[Course catalog](#) will be live to explore



2/7/24

5:30 PM Rising 6th Grade Parent Meeting at HBMS



3/1/24

Course selections due in Skyward; contact [HBMS counselor Ms. Sealy](#) with questions

Bell Schedule

48 minute Classes



HBMS Bell Schedule



A Lunch		B Lunch		C Lunch	
Period 1	8:50 - 9:39	Period 1	8:50 - 9:39	Period 1	8:50 - 9:39
Period 2	9:44 - 10:32	Period 2	9:44 - 10:32	Period 2	9:44 - 10:32
Period 3	10:37 - 11:25	Period 3	10:37 - 11:25	Period 3	10:37 - 11:25
A Lunch	11:30-12:00	Period 4	11:30 -12:18	Period 4	11:30 - 12:18
Period 4	12:05-12:53	B Lunch	12:23 -12:53	Period 5	12:23 - 1:11
Period 5	12:58 - 1:46	Period 5	12:58 - 1:46	C Lunch	1:16 - 1:46
Grow Time	1:51 -2:24	Grow Time	1:51 -2:24	Grow Time	1:51 -2:24
Period 6	2:29 - 3:17	Period 6	2:29 - 3:17	Period 6	2:29 - 3:17
Period 7	3:22 - 4:10	Period 7	3:22 - 4:10	Period 7	3:22 - 4:10

Times to Know

School Day

- ❑ 8:20am - Doors Open
- ❑ 8:50am - Classes Start
- ❑ 4:10pm - Classes End

Homework Help/Tutorials

- ❑ Monday-Friday 7:20-8:20am
- ❑ Monday-Thursday 4:15-5:15pm
- ❑ Students can make arrangements with individual teachers for before and after school tutoring.

Middle School Course Requirements

Math	3 years
Language Arts	3 years
Science	3 years
Social Studies	3 years
PE/Dance/Athletics	2 years
Fine Arts Elective	1 year
Technology Applications	1 year (Starting in 24-25, this tech elective must be Tech Apps)

For more information visit the [MS Course guide](#)

7 Period Day Schedule

48 minute Classes

6th Grade Schedule

- ☐ Language Arts
- ☐ Math
- ☐ Science
- ☐ Social Studies
- ☐ PE/Pre-Athletics/
Dance
- ☐ Fine Art
- ☐ 1 Elective

Honors vs. On-Level Courses

Skills for Success in an Honors Class:

- Excellent study and organizational skills
- Collaborative work ethic
- Persistence in pursuing goals
- Strong sense of responsibility
- High level of motivation and independence
- Effective oral and written communication skills
- Grade of 90 or higher in a related academic content area course
- It is recommended that discussion with current 5th grade teacher takes place if there are questions or concerns regarding placement in Honors

Elective Choices

PE	Fine Arts	Technology	Gifted & Talented
Rhythm and Movement- Dance PE Pre-Athletics OCPE Waiver	Art Band Orchestra Choir Theatre Arts	Technology Applications	GT Discovery*

*This course is only available to identified Gifted and Talented students
For more information about courses visit the [LTISD MS Course guide](#)

PE vs. PRE-ATHLETICS

- **PE**

- Focuses on daily fitness
- Games
- Do not want to play sports in 7th grade

- **Pre-Athletics**

- Focuses on getting you ready for Athletics
- Teaches skills for sports
- Endurance, speed, and agility based workouts
- Weight Room workouts

PE Waiver

Completed Application Due by: **June 7, 2024**

Physical Education Waivers may be requested to waive PE during 6th, 7th, and 8th grade if students are involved in an approved private or commercially sponsored physical activity program that leads to Olympic-level competition.

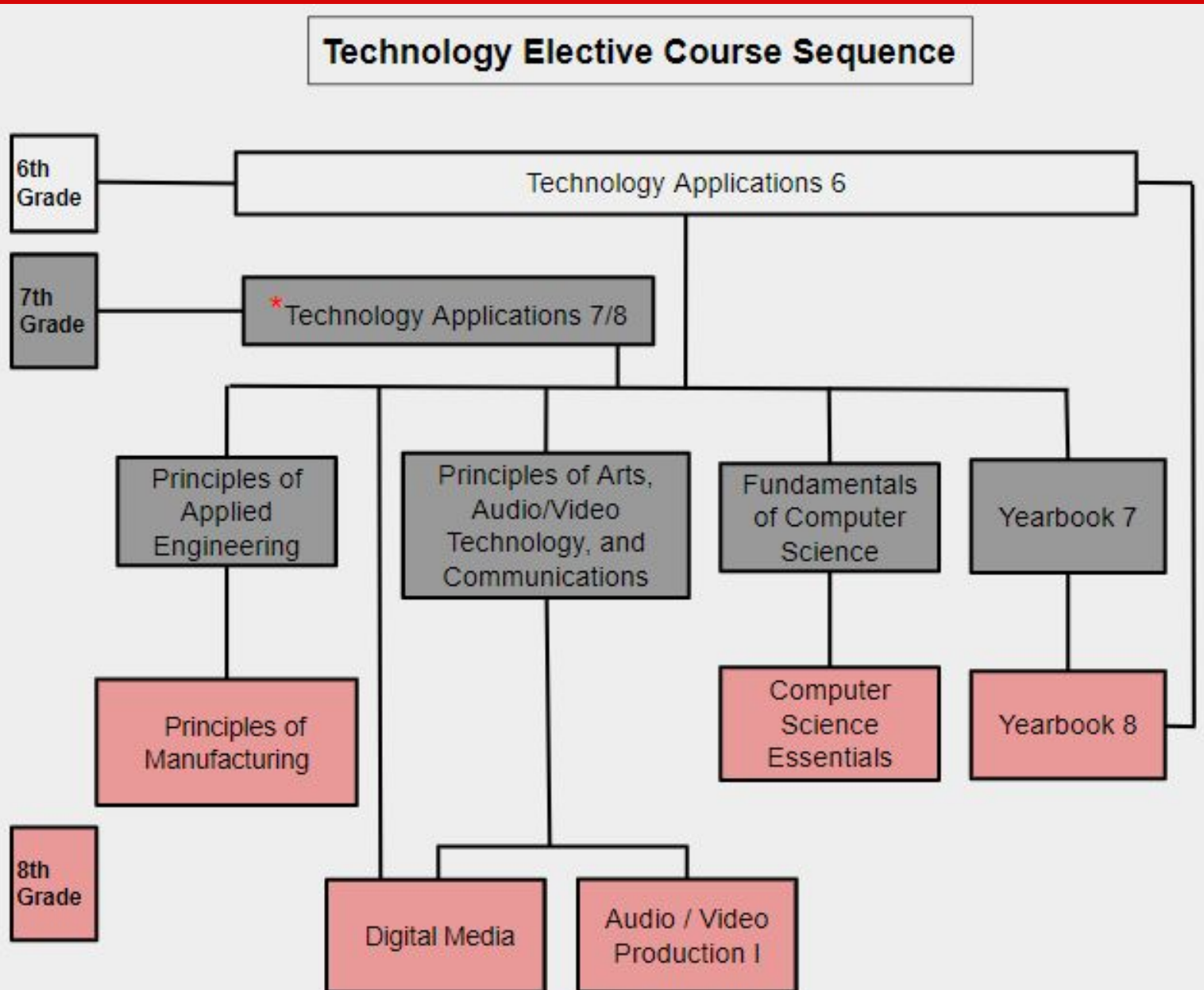
These programs typically involve a minimum of 15 hours per week of highly intense, professionally supervised training. Sixth graders requesting OCPE must pass a health exam for acceleration (given in district) to be eligible for participation. More information can be found on the LT [OCPE webpage](#).

High School Credit in Middle School

Characteristics of High School Credit Course

- Career & Technical Education (CTE) Electives - Available in 7th & 8th Grade
- HS credit course general guidelines
 - High School Credit awarded if final grade is 70 or above
 - High School courses taken in middle school are not calculated into High School GPA
- For more information on High School Credit in middle school see the 7th & 8th grade presentation
- *All other Technology classes have a prerequisite of passing Technology Applications.*

Elective Flow Charts



Technology Course Sequence can be started in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade

*** Technology Applications 7 / 8 is for students who have not taken the new Technology Applications 6 course implemented in 24-25**

Fine Arts

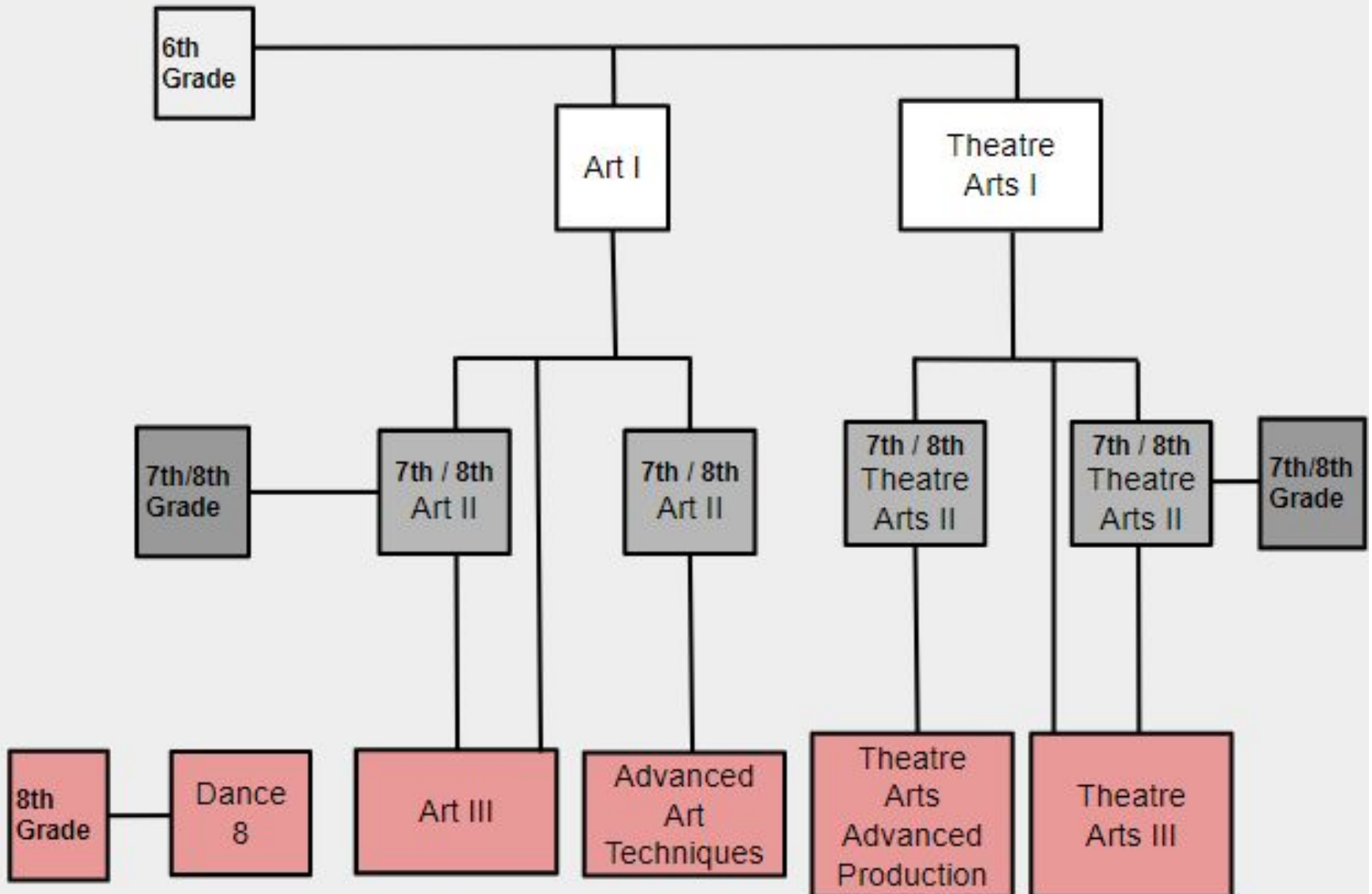
All 6th graders must choose 1 Fine Art Elective. You may choose 2 Fine Arts Electives, but 1 of them must be a Music class.

- 5th grade students attended the Fine Arts Showcase at HBMS on February 2nd.

[HBMS FINE ARTS WEBSITE](#) WITH LOTS OF INFO

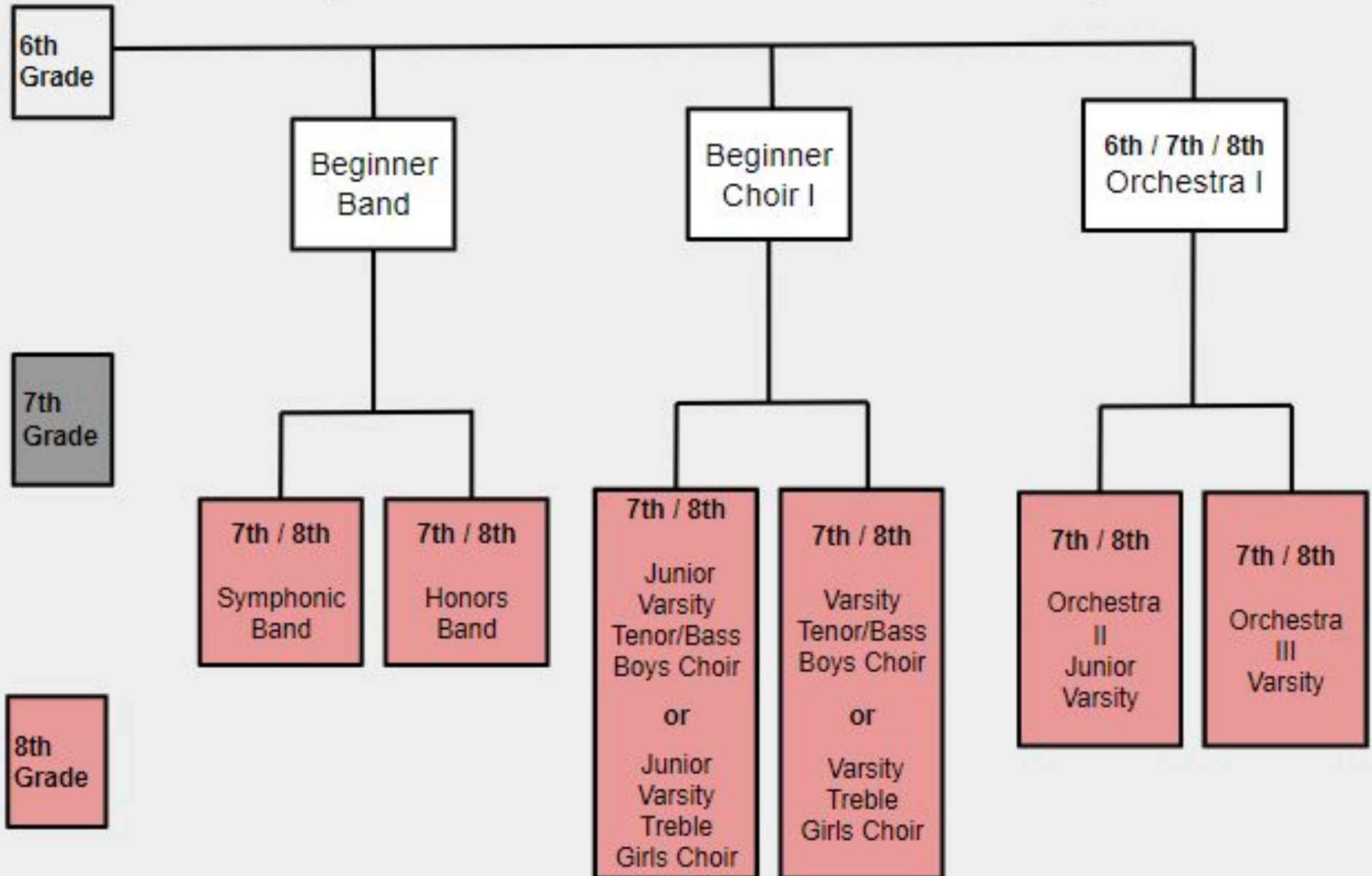
Elective Flow Charts

Fine Arts Elective Course Sequence Dance, Art, and Theatre Arts



Elective Flow Charts

Fine Arts Elective Course Sequence Band, Choir, Orchestra



Explanation of 6th Grade Pre-Athletics

This is a class designed for male and female students who have played competitive team or individual sports, or are wanting to participate in athletics at the middle school level starting in 7th grade.

Overview: The purpose of 6th Grade Pre-Athletics is to prepare students for the expectations of 7th Grade Athletics and the fundamental skills for sports offered in LTISD Athletics.

The 4 focus areas of this course are:

1. Role of a Student Athlete (academics, teamwork, character, competitor)
2. Fundamentals of Lifting Weights
3. Speed, Agility, Balance, Stamina, Flexibility
4. Sport-specific movements, fundamentals, and schemes

Students participating in Pre-Athletics must recognize that the workouts will build up to, and then be comparable to the workouts we give to our 7th and 8th grade student-athletes. The physical demands are greater than Physical Education, and the expectation is to give your best every day. Coaches expect students to work hard, have a positive attitude, and have fun.

Course Selection Sheets

Due March 1st in Skyward

6th Grade Course Selection Sheet

Middle Schools

2024-2025

Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Required Academic Courses			
(Honors is open to all students. Recommended guidelines are included in the Course Guide)			
Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies
____ 0100 ELA 6	____ 0200 Math 6	____ 0300 Science 6	____ 0400 History 6
____ 0105 Honors ELA 6	____ 0205 Honors Math 6		
Required Physical Education and Health Courses (Choose one)			
____ 0834 Physical Education / Health	____ 0816 Rhythm & Movement / Health (<i>Dance based P.E. course</i>)		
____ 0835 Girls Pre-Athletics / Health	____ 0832 PE Waiver (<i>Application due June 7th</i>)*		
____ 0836 Boys Pre-Athletics / Health	*Health Exam for Acceleration for Health required.		
Elective Options			
Students will take two electives during 6 th Grade. One elective must be a Fine Arts. Rank your top SIX selections in order of preference with 1 = first choice, 2 = second choice, etc. Our goal is to honor your selections, however schedule and staffing limitations may prevent top selections.			
Fine Arts		Technology Elective	
____ 0550 Orchestra I		____ 0747 Technology Applications 6	
____ 0535 Band 6		<i>(Beginning in the 2024-25 school year, Technology Applications is a required course in middle school and is a prerequisite course for all other middle school technology courses)</i>	
____ 0555 Beginner Choir			
____ 0500 Theatre Arts I		Other Elective	
____ 0515 Art I		____ 0716 Discovery 6 (<i>Must be G/T Student</i>)	
If a student selects a Fine Arts course for both their first and second elective choices, one of the courses must be a music class.			

Course Selections are due in Skyward by **March 1, 2024.**

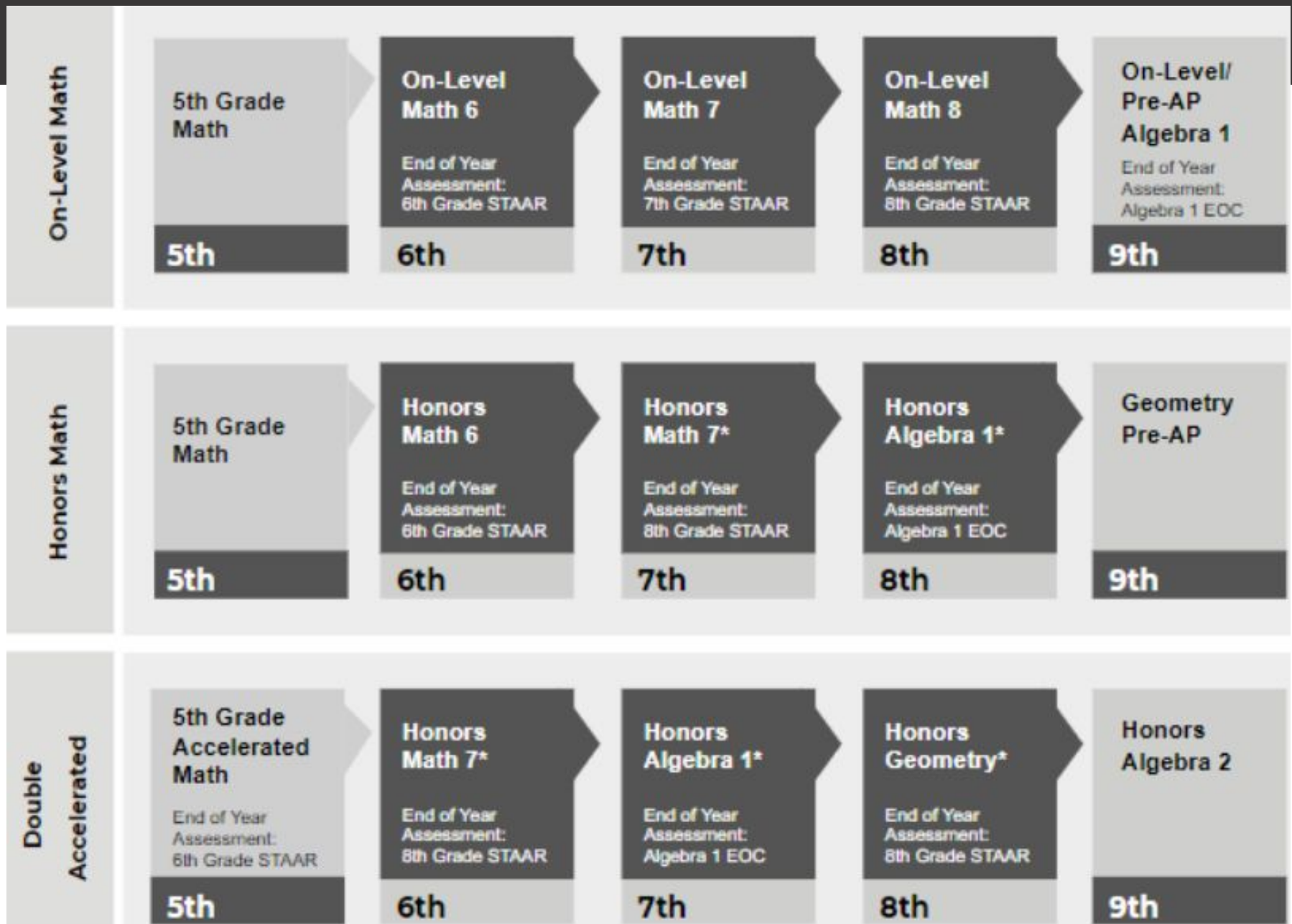
Completing the Course Selection Sheets

Step 1: Required Academic Courses

You must choose one from each category.

Language Arts	Mathematics	Science	Social Studies
____ 0100 LA 6	____ 0200 Math 6	____ 0300 Science 6	____ 0400 Social Studies 6
____ 0105 Honors LA 6	____ 0205 Honors Math 6		

Explanation of Math Tracks through 8th Grade



Completing the Course Selection Sheets

Step 2: Physical Education/Health

You must choose one from this section.

Required Physical Education and Health Courses (Choose one)

___ 0834 Physical Education / Health

___ 0816 Rhythm & Movement / Health (*Dance based P.E. course*)

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Completing the Course Selection Sheets

Step 3: Electives

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Technology Elective

____ 0747 Technology Applications 6

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Other Elective

____ 0716 Discovery 6 *(Must be G/T Student)*

Rank your elective choices 1-6 (1 being your top choice)

Course Registration Instructions

- Log into [LT1 Classlink](#)
- Sign into [Skyward](#) with your **student** username and password.
- Click the **Course Requests tile** for the 2024-2025 academic school year.
- Under the Available Courses for 2024-2025 heading, search for each course using the **course name** or **course number** (use the course request form to find specific names and numbers), click the green circle with the + sign. This will move the chosen course to the right side of your screen. The course request appears under the Courses heading on the Requests tab. **Repeat until you've requested all courses.** You should have 7 courses requested.
- Now select the Alternate tab and add alternates to your Course Requests in case there are scheduling conflicts with your requested courses or course doesn't make. **Remember to place them in the order of 1st choice, 2nd choice, 3rd choice, etc.**
- **IMPORTANT: Your choices are not saved until you complete the step below.**
- After you have finished selecting courses, **click Submit Course Requests** near the top left of the screen to save your requests. ***If you don't submit, you will lose your courses that you selected.***
- Courses MUST be entered in by March 1, 2024!

[Skyward Instructional Video](#)

Schedule Changes

- Schedule changes will be considered only in the event of inappropriate placement, movement between regular and Honors classes, lack of prerequisites, an error in enrollment or a scheduling conflict
- Since there are no single-semester courses in middle school, **no mid-year schedule changes will be approved.**
- Any schedule change must be requested through the counselor and ultimately approved by the Principal.
- Requests for elective changes will not be honored so please be thoughtful in ranking your elective choices.

Questions?



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**We are excited to have your 6th grader at
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Contact Rising 6th Grade [HBMS counselor Ms. Sealy](#)
with any questions.

