

Century Middle School

2024-25 7th Grade Core Plus Course Request Form

Student's Last Name

First Name

Middle Name

- Carefully read the course descriptions on the reverse side before completing this form
- **Choose classes carefully** - no schedule changes will be made in the Fall
- If form is not returned, classes will be selected for student based on availability
- All 7th grade students will take Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies

Core Plus Option 1: Year-long + Year-long	Core Plus Option 2: Year-long + Semester + Semester	Core Plus Option 3: Semester + Semester + Semester + Semester
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List Top 8 Choices Below In Order of Preference (1-8)

Core Plus Courses (Year-long)

_____	*Concert Orchestra	6240
_____	*Intermediate Band	6210
_____	Leadership (Year-long)	9170
_____	P.E. 7 (Year-long)	4700A

Core Plus Courses (Semester)

_____	Art 7	6405
_____	Beginning Band	6205
_____	Beginning Orchestra	6230
_____	Choir 7	6270
_____	Computer Science 7	7423
_____	Country & Cultures	3770
_____	Creative Writing	1585
_____	Drone/Science Ext	5590
_____	Great Books	1840
_____	Intro German	065010
_____	Intro Spanish	8805
_____	Leadership (semester)	9170
_____	Makerspace Exploration	7419
_____	Multimedia/Comp	7370
_____	P.E. 7 (Semester)	4700

*Previous experience and/or teacher approval required.

My class selections are marked above.

Student Signature

Date

I/We approve of the above selections.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Course offerings are based on course requirements per funding, facilities, and availability. The above offerings may change prior to the start of the new school year.

SEE COURSE DESCRIPTIONS ON BACK SIDE OF FORM

Art: Provides students an opportunity to explore different art concepts such as: clay, pencils, chalks, sculpture, painting and mixed media. Art history will enhance all projects. Students will also learn how to critique works of art to be able to enjoy viewing art throughout their lives.

Beginning Band: Students choose an instrument from the woodwind, brass, or percussion family. No previous music experience is necessary. Students will perform at school concerts throughout the year in the evenings. Students maintain their own instruments - which may be purchased or rented from a music store. Some instruments can be provided by the school.

Beginning Orchestra: Students learn to perform on the violin, viola, cello and string bass. A variety of musical styles from pop to classical are introduced. Students maintain their own instruments, which may be purchased or rented with the exception of the cello and string bass, which will be provided by the school for student use. No previous experience is necessary.

Choir: This performing music class is offered to students who love singing. Students will develop vocal music skills and techniques necessary for individual and group musical experiences and develop musical literacy skills as well. Students will be required to participate in evening performances. The purchase of a choir uniform is required.

Computer Science: Students will explore how hardware and software work together to produce the technology used every day and discover how algorithms are used to solve everyday problems by using coding fundamentals such as loops, conditionals, variables, and logic. For their final project, students will apply the scrum framework, knowledge of the design cycle, and programming skills to complete a micro:bit project of choice.

***Concert Orchestra:** Students will work on second year performance techniques, music theory and music history. Students will participate in two or more evening concerts during the year as well as participate in music festivals and competitions throughout the year. Students are expected to have one year of experience on their instrument or the equivalent playing ability. *Denotes previous experience/ teacher approval required to register.

Country & Cultures: Students will learn more about what it means to be a citizen of the world and explore the culture, history, traditions/customs, holidays, music, art, and food of a variety of countries from around the world. Project-based learning and presentations will be highlighted.

Creative Writing: Students are exposed to a variety of creative genres including poetry, fiction, memoirs, song writing, non-fiction essays, graphic novels, etc. Students explore their own imaginations and use the writing process to generate ideas and hone their literary skills.

Drone/Science Extensions: This course will provide an introduction into aviation and drones and provide an overview of career opportunities in both areas. Students will explore the concepts and principles of Aviation. Areas of study are aviation history, pilot training, airplane structure, basic aerodynamics, airports, aviation weather, and navigation.

Great Books: Great Books is designed to introduce students to world literature. The class will also contain a creative writing component in which students will be given the opportunity to express, develop, and refine their individual creative voices.

***Intermediate Band:** Students work on second year performance techniques, music theory and music history. Students will participate in two or more evening concerts as well as participate in music festivals and competitions throughout the year. Students are expected to have one year of experience on their instrument or the equivalent playing ability. *Denotes previous experience/ teacher approval required to register.

Intro Spanish or Intro German: This course is an introduction to or continuation of Spanish or German language and culture. It stresses progressive acquisition of effective communication skills in both written and spoken language and an understanding of the practices of Spanish or German culture by utilizing games, songs, real life situational role playing and the integration of technology.

Leadership (semester long OR full year): The Leadership Program is comprised of students who are interested in improving our student body's social, emotional, and mental well-being. Through student voice and representation of peers, the Leadership class develops school-wide activities, promotes the goals of our grant, and participates in our Sources of Strength Program as Peer Leaders.

Makerspace Exploration: In this hands-on course, students delve into the world of DIY innovation, design, and problem-solving using low-tech materials and tools. From sewing to crafting with cardboard and repurposed materials to exploring traditional art techniques, our makerspace offers a dynamic space for students to unleash their creativity. Through collaborative projects and guided exploration, students develop essential skills like critical thinking and adaptability while honing their artistic abilities.

Multimedia/Comp: In this course, students will draw on their creative arts, language arts, and technology skills to produce media for various digital outlets. Students will produce an online newspaper for the Century community while being introduced to various journalism roles such as writing, proofreading, photography, digital photo editing, and graphic design and layout. Students must be comfortable interviewing and photographing other students and Century teachers/staff. This class is highly recommended if you wish to take Multimedia 8 or if you plan to apply for 8th grade Yearbook class.

Physical and Health Education (P.E.) (semester long OR full year): This course has an emphasis on participation, fitness and fun. Students will be exposed to a variety of individual and team sports. Fitness activities will focus on the components of fitness as well as the FITT principle. Students will also participate in a Heart Saver CPR class. The purchase of a P.E. shirt is required.