



## Carmel Middle School Elective Course Descriptions 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Information for Parents and Students



Students will rotate every 6 weeks.

Wheel 5th period:

(If placed in a 5<sup>th</sup> period support no Wheel rotation will take place)

All 6<sup>th</sup> grade students will rotate (in any order) between: Spanish, French, Art, Computer Science, Nature Studies and Video Productions

### **Exploratory Cycle or Support Courses 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> period:**

(If placed in 6<sup>th</sup> or 7<sup>th</sup> period support no Cycle rotation will take place)

**Exploratory Domestic Arts:** Home Economics meets Pinterest. Students will make seasonal crafts and home décor.

**Exploratory Leadership:** Students will learn to provide, promote, and look for ways to improve CMS. Students will also learn skills to allow them to be more effective leaders, organizers, and role models.

**Exploratory Engineering and Robotics:** Students will learn basic robotic skills and problem-solving strategies.

**Exploratory Industrial Arts:** Students will learn basic woodworking and make a unique box.

**Exploratory Drama:** Students will learn basic drama skills and stage directions through improvisation games, skits, and scenes in the CMS theater.

**Exploratory Songwriting:** Learn to make original music by writing and performing songs, playing ukulele and guitar, using online audio tools.

### **Music & Drama 1 students will be in these classes for the whole year no rotations.**

**Chorus:** Students will perform music from various musical periods and styles. Students will learn to read, write, and perform music through a study of vocal and choral music.

**Band:** Beginning /intermediate class for 6th grade band. Students will learn the fundamentals of music and how to play a band instrument. Students will perform music from various musical periods and styles.

**Strings:** Beginning / Intermediate class for 6th grade strings. Students will learn the fundamentals of music and how to play an orchestral string instrument (violin, viola, cello, or string bass) Students will perform music from various musical periods and styles.

**Drama 1:** Students get the chance to experience the excitement and rewards of theatre arts while developing poise, social skills, confidence, and the ability to work with others. Students will be introduced to the basic concepts of theatre arts. The drama class is designed to accommodate students who have no experience or may have previously been involved in theatre.

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