

EMS Electives

2025-2026

FOUNDATIONS

IDENTITY • ORGANIZATION • COMMUNICATION



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Semester long course for all 6th graders

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This class focuses on

- **Organization:** Mastering time management, routines, planning, and task initiation.
- **Communication:** Developing skills in active listening, clear expression, and effective writing.
- **Identity:** Exploring personal values, goals, and strengths to build self-awareness and belonging.



Orchestra 1

Ryan Beise

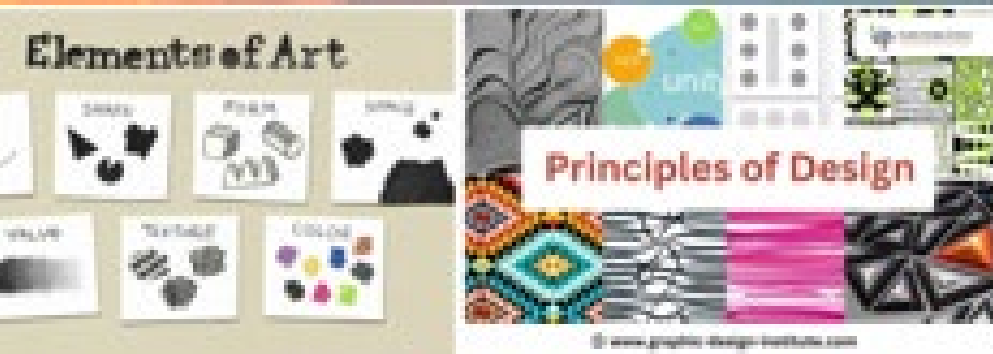


- 6th grade and beginners

Orchestra 1

- Continuing the learning from 4th and 5th grade strings
- Getting beginners going quickly
- 2 evening concerts (concerts are required)
- 1 field trip
- Prepping to Orchestra 2 next year





6th Grade Elective Art Mrs. Rudolph

Student will learn the building blocks of creating art by learning the Elements of Art and the Principles of Design



This course will introduce 6th grade students to the Elements of art: LINE, VALUE, COLOR, SHAPE, SPACE, FORM AND TEXTURE. These are the building blocks that artists use to create a work of art. Students will spend time learning the definition and applying their understanding to create a piece of artwork focusing on 1 of the 7 elements.



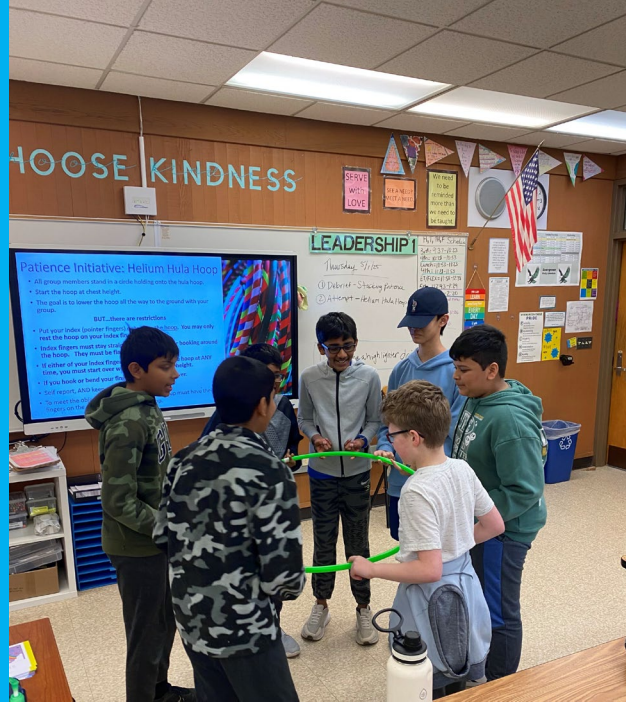
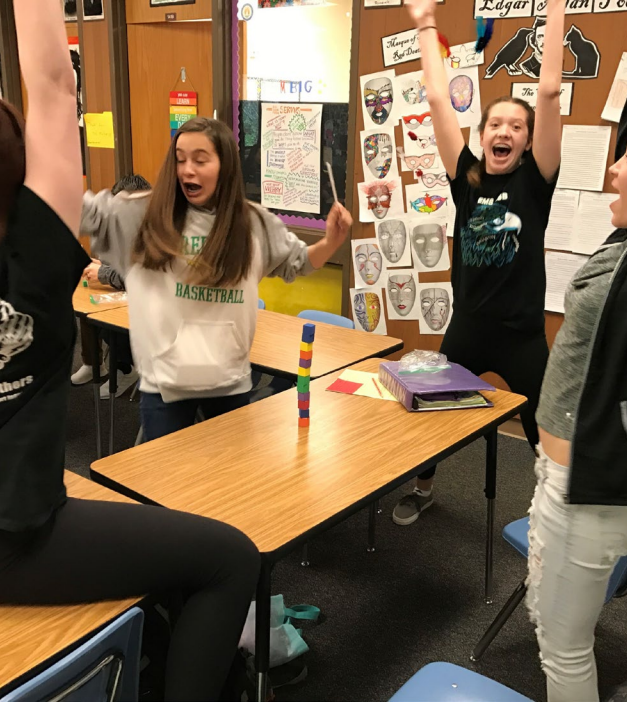
6th Grade “Q” Leadership



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A quarter long course for 6th graders.

Part of the electives "wheel"



6th Grade Q Leadership

- One quarter of the elective wheel class for 6th grade students.
- Topics include but are not limited to:
 - perspective taking
 - leadership styles and paradigms (power vs influence)
 - personality vs character in leadership
 - group roles and group dynamics, characteristics of high functioning groups
 - the relationship bank account
 - influence as a skill
- Experiential learning through group initiatives that challenge students to practice their leadership skills.



Choir

Ryan Beise

- 6-8th grade



Choir

- Advancing Vocal techniques
- Working together as an ensemble
- 2 evening concerts (concerts are required)
- 3 field trips (Bellevue Square, LWHS, & Disney or Wild Waves)



Leadership 1



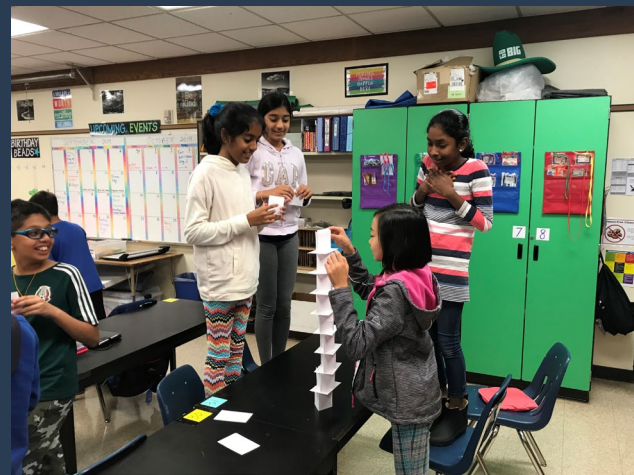
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A semester long
course for 7th graders

Leadership 1

7th Grade – 1 Semester

- Teambuilding & Group Initiatives = challenging FUN!
- Developing Relationships
- Character in Decision Making
- Review of Leadership Styles and Servant Leadership
- The 8 Essentials of Leadership in depth
- Listening Skills
- Conflict Resolution



CTE Foods of the World

Grades 7-8th

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M.EdTECH





This CTE course is designed for the student who wishes to prepare a variety of foods originating from all over the world. Students will have the opportunity to research and explore various regions of the world studying patterns of family meals, regional customs, food origins, and cooking techniques and equipment unique to various countries. This course is filled with food labs, art, and hands-on activities.



Orchestra 2

Ryan Beise

- 7th and 8th grade and experience players



Orchestra 2



- Continuing the learning from Orchestra 1
- Advanced Technique and music
- 2 evening concerts (concerts are required)
- 2 field trips (Bellevue Square and Disney or Wild Waves)



CTE Digital Media

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Semester long course 7th & 8th Grade

Digital Media

In Digital Media, students explore the world of graphic design through hands-on projects using the following software.

Adobe Illustrator

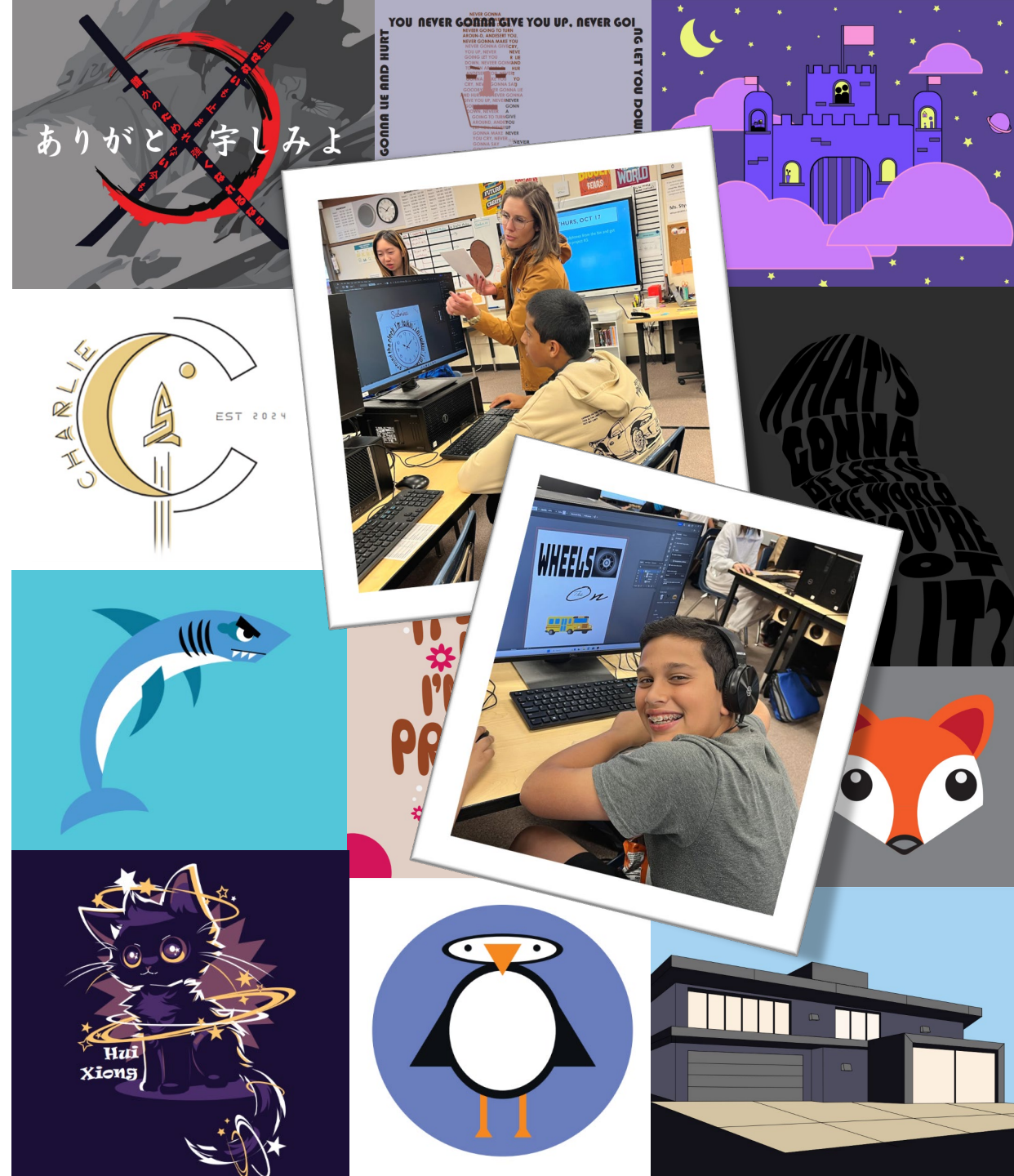
Adobe Photoshop

Adobe After Effects.

Throughout the year, they'll create fun and innovative designs from logos and posters to animations and digital art.

Students will also learn how to give and receive feedback through peer critiques, helping them grow as creative thinkers and visual communicators.

This class builds real-world design skills in a collaborative and engaging environment.



CTE Engineering Design & Modeling (EDM)



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Semester long course 7th & 8th Grade

A collage of various student projects. At the top, a row of paper bags with different designs and colors. Below, a clay figure of a robot, a clay figure of a person in a green hood, a collection of colorful dice, a cube with a face, a graph showing a curve, and a row of shoes with different designs and colors.

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CTE Film Studies

8th Grade

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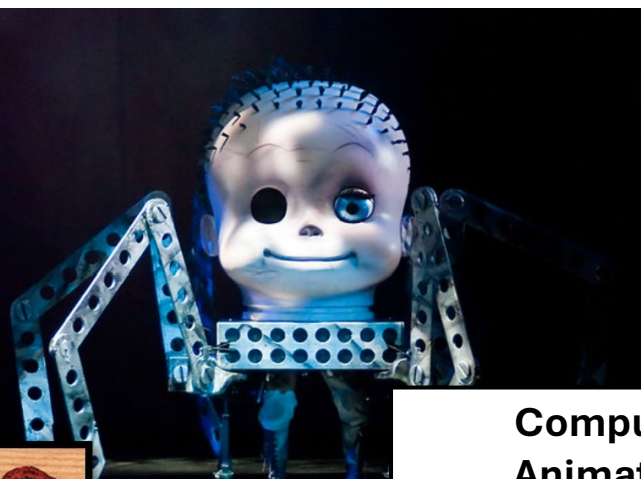
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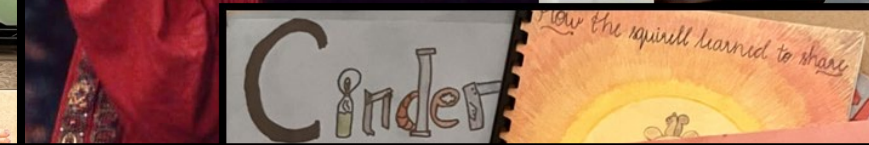
Creating Tangible Props
(Jim Henson)



Computer Animation with Models
(Pixar)



Fractured Fairytales
(Original Vs. Screenplay)



Movie Design and Directors
(Tim Burton)



Film Studies (Mrs. Ingram): In this CTE course, students dive into the world of movies through engaging discussions and hands-on projects. Following each movie, we explore its innovation and uncover the director's intended messages. Our creative projects span computer animation, Claymation, model building, sewing, and more, allowing students to express their ideas in unique and fun ways.

Leadership 2



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A semester long course for 8th graders

This course gives 8th grade students a chance to apply their Leadership skills through the planning and implementation of school-wide activities

Leadership 2

- 8th Grade Students Only
- Teambuilding & Group Initiatives
- Project Management – working in committees to create, plan, organize, effectively run, reflect on, and revise whole school and group activities
- Developing Leadership Skills through School Service – a lot of work behind the scenes
- Assembly Planning – Organization and structure of whole school Presentations
- Dance Planning – 3 per year
- Hands On - Putting the 8 Essentials of Leadership 1 into practice.



Spanish I – 8th grade

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World Language



SPANISH I

This High School World Language is designed for 8th graders with little or no prior experience. Using a communicative approach this course builds Novice-level Spanish skills.

Students practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing about everyday topics such as interests, family, vacations and food. The class is conducted mostly in Spanish and promotes cultural understanding and effective communication.

