

WELCOME TO CHINOOK MIDDLE SCHOOL

2026—2027



BEFORE WE BEGIN....

Online Registration for classes DUE Monday, March 23

- Registration worksheet- do **NOT** need to turn in. Practice tool only.
- If you do not complete registration in time, you may not get the classes you want.

ELECTIVE REQUEST FORM— PINK SHEET

- Write at the top of the page

DUE Monday, March 23

- OFFICIAL Online Course Requests through Student VUE

- You are assigned 4.5 classes and choose 2.5.
 - Assigned: Math, Science, Language Arts, Social Studies, 6th Grade PE (0.5).
- The 2.5 classes you choose could be any combination of year long (1.0) and semester long (0.5 classes).
- Options are listed on the back of your course selection sheet.
- You also want to choose at least 2.5 credits worth of Alternates.
- You must pick at least one “Art” class → see next slide

ONE SEMESTER OF ART IS REQUIRED

- All students must take 1 SEMESTER of art elective a year. The classes fulfill “Art” as an elective are:

Semester Choices

Advanced Theatre
Applied Engineering*
Art Around the World
Art Exploration
Beginning Theatre
Ceramics
Ceramics 2
Dance
Media Technology*
Pop Music Explorations
Theatre Production

* Meets CTE **or** Fine Arts Requirement.

Year-Long Choices

Entry Band
Entry Choir
Entry Orchestra
Studio Art

ELECTIVE COURSE OPTIONS (VIDEO)



[Chinook Electives 26.mp4](#)

Example 1 - 1 year long and three semester

Request # 1: French IA (1.0)

(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 2: Applied Engineering (.5) Math Special Topics (.5)

(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 3: Pop Music Exploration (.5)

(semester course)

Alternate #1 Ceramics (.5) Alternate #3 PE Elective 6/7 (.5)

Alternate #2 Studio Art (.5) Alternate #4 Media Tech (.5)

Alternate #5 Applied Engineering (.5)

Example 2-2 year-long and one semester

Request # 1: Spanish IA (1.0)
(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 2: Entry Orchestra (1.0)
(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 3: Art Exploration (.5)
(semester course)

Alternate #1 Ceramics (.5) Alternate #3 Yoga & Games (.5)

Alternate #2 Leadership (.5) Alternate #4 Media Tech (.5)

Alternate #5 Applied Engineering (.5)

Example 3-5 semester classes

Request # 1: Beginning Drama (.5) Creative Writing (.5)
(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 2: Applied Engineering (.5) Math Special Topics (.5)
(1 all year course OR 2 semester courses)

Request # 3: Ceramics (.5)
(semester course)

Alternate #1 Coding (.5) Alternate #3 PE Elective 6/7 (.5)

Alternate #2 Debate (.5) Alternate #4 Media Tech (.5)

Alternate #5 Leadership(.5)

WORLD LANGUAGE

How do middle school World Language classes compare to high school?

High School	Level 1		Level 2
Middle School	Level 1A	Level 1B	Level 2

Do you have to start in 6th grade? Do you have to take a World Language?

	Level 1A	Level 1B	Level 2
You could do...	6 th	7 th	8 th
OR	7 th	8 th	High School

Or you don't have to take World Language in Middle School

WORLD LANGUAGE, CONTINUED

If you have experience speaking Spanish, French or Japanese, please reach out to the teachers at Chinook to discuss appropriate placement:

- Spanish (Lindsey Herron): herronl@bsd405.org
- Japanese (Miyuki Stuart): stuartm@bsd405.org
- French (Mireille Campeau): campeaum@bsd405.org

They may invite you to Chinook for an informal assessment to determine your skill level!



ARABIC AND KOREAN LANGUAGE OFFERINGS

FOR GRADES 6-12

ARABIC AND KOREAN LANGUAGE COURSES

This unique program offers students the opportunity to learn the Arabic or Korean language through a world language course offering. Our dedication is to value students' identities and languages, fostering academic success.

2026-27 Secondary Language Level Offerings

Arabic: 1-3 Middle School/ 1-4 High School

Korean: 1-3 Middle School/ 1-4 High School

ARABIC AND KOREAN LANGUAGE COURSES

How do these courses work?

Students enrolled in these language courses will receive online instruction through Bellevue Digital Discovery School. They will access their courses virtually from their respective middle school. The district will provide students with all the essential technology resources, including laptops, headsets, keyboards, and instructional materials, to support their learning experience.

Why choose this program?

- Earn World Language Credits
- Develop linguistic proficiency
- Expand horizons for future education
- Enhance cognitive skills and critical thinking
- Embrace diversity and build potential in languages
- Four different course levels will be offered

Follow this link for more information about the **Arabic** language offerings



Follow this link for more information about the **Korean** language offerings



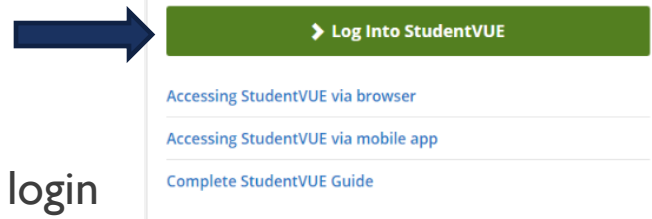
USING THE ONLINE TOOL TO OFFICIALLY SELECT CLASSES

- www.bsd405.org

- Click Grades



- Click on StudentVUE



- Use your school login

- Parents can use ParentVUE (there may be errors if you have multiple children in district, so suggested to use StudentVUE). Login information was e-mailed from district

REQUESTING COURSES, YOUTUBE VIDEO



This video references the 2019-2020 school year, but all information is still correct for the current school year.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vGUwkMELgS0>

USING THE ONLINE TOOL TO OFFICIALLY SELECT CLASSES

- **Follow the Instruction Sheet – much more detailed instructions there**
- Click on Course Request Tab
- Core classes are pre-loaded, some may change after registration.
 - 6th Graders have Math, Social Studies, Language Arts, Science and PE Pre-Loaded

ADD A CLASS

- Click Change Course request
- Search by department
- Click Request or Alternate
 - Make sure you select your Alternates in order of preference
- Watch for error messages
- Click Return to Course Request Summary

REMOVE A CLASS

- Click Change Course Requests
- Click Remove next to request
- Click here to return to course request summary

COMPLETING YOUR COURSE REQUESTS

- Go back to the Course Request Summary Screen.
- Make sure you have 7.0 Credits under Selected Course Requests (including pre-loaded core classes) and at least 2.5 under Alternate Elective Requests.
- Exit out of StudentVUE/ParentVUE

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

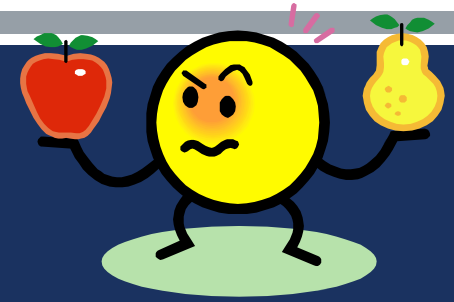
- **ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:** www.bsd405.org/chinook/ - then click on the Registration Information Announcement
 - This Presentation
 - Instructions for Online Course Selection
 - Electronic Copies of the Course Selection Sheet
 - Course Catalogue
- **COURSE SELECTION HELP SESSION** –Tuesday, March 17 @ 6:30 pm (Teams link on Chinook website)

ALTERNATE ELECTIVES

- Use the list of electives to request a minimum of 2.5 credits worth of alternates
- Request alternates in order of preference.
- Don't forget- 1 semester of "art" requirement

ELECTIVE INFORMATION

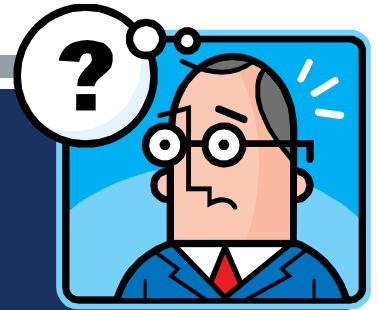
- Final course offerings are based on the number of students who request them.
- We make every attempt to register you for the electives that you request, but **there is no guarantee that you will be placed into your first choices** OR alternates. Scheduling is impacted by school enrollment, class sizes, conflicts in master schedule, and number of class sections available. In rare cases, **students may be scheduled into classes they did not request.**



OUR MOTTO...

You Choose It,
You Get It,
You Keep It!

SUMMARY QUIZ



- When do you need to complete online course registration?
- Who do you ask if you have questions?
- Can you change your requested classes?

OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

ROCKS!

Respect
Ownership
Community
Kindness
Scholarship

WHERE EVERYBODY BELONGS

WEB: 6TH GRADE ORIENTATION

- Create a welcoming environment
- Aid in the transition to middle school
- Each 6th grader is assigned to two WEB Leaders (8th graders)
- Students will participate in a special orientation on the first day of school, meet other 6th graders, tour the school, connect with 8th grade leaders and have fun!



WHERE EVERYBODY BELONGS



6TH GRADE CAMP!!

- 3 days at Camp Orkila on Orcas Island.
- Awesome field experience and learning.
- Outdoors and science fun!
- Information, permission slips, fees, etc. in the spring



SCHOOL STARTS AT 7:45 NEXT YEAR

- 7:45 – 2:35
 - 7 classes, 50 minutes
 - 30 minute lunch
 - Tutorial 2:35 – 3:05
 - Early release Wed @ 1:25
 - 5 minute passing periods
 - Attendance and tardy policy



LOCKERS AND BACKPACKS



LUNCHTIME

- 3rd lunch: 6th grade only
- Snack during period 3
- Buy or bring your lunch
 - lunch PIN = student id



WHAT ABOUT RECESS?

- Lunch Gym & Field time
- After school sports
 - 3:10 – 4:00
 - Soccer
 - Flag Football
 - Basketball
 - Golf
 - Track
 - Volleyball



REMEMBER



- School starts 7:45
- DUE Dates:
 - Online Elective Request Tool (OFFICIAL) – Closes at 11:59 PM on Monday, March 23rd