

TILLICUM MIDDLE SCHOOL

HOME OF THE TILLICUM TIGERS



6TH GRADE

REGISTRATION INFORMATION



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What does a day at Tillicum look like?

- Students arrive to school around 7:30 AM
- School starts at 7:45 AM.
- Tillicum operates on a 7-period day. That means that you go to 7 different classes, with 7 different teachers, in 7 different classrooms every day.
- Students are given 5 minutes between classes to get to your next class.
- Lunch lasts 30 minutes. Money can be placed in a student's lunch account for daily use.
- School ends at 2:35 PM, 1:25 PM on Wednesdays.
- Tutorial is Mon, Tues, Thurs, and Fri for every teacher from 2:35-3:05 PM.

Middle School Course Requirements

Language Arts	3 years
Math	3 years
Science	3 years
Social Studies	3 years
PE	3 semesters, one per year
Health	1 semester in 7 th grade
CTE (Career & Technical Education)	1 semester
Performing/Visual Art	2 semesters

General Required Classes

All 6th grade students will automatically be scheduled into the following required courses:

- Honors 6th grade Language Arts – all year
- Honors 6th grade Social Studies – all year
- Math – all year (appropriate level)
- Science – all year
- 6th grade Physical Education – one semester



Required Classes

Chinese Dual Language Program

All 6th grade students will automatically be scheduled into the following required courses:

- Honors 6th grade Language Arts – all year
- Chinese 6th grade Social Studies – all year
- Math – all year (appropriate level)
- Science – all year
- 6th grade Physical Education – one semester
- 6th grade Chinese Language/Literature/Culture- all year



Required Classes

International Spanish Academy

All 6th grade students will automatically be scheduled into the following required courses:

- Honors 6th grade Language Arts – all year
- ISA 6th grade Social Studies – all year
- Math – all year (appropriate level)
- Science – all year
- 6th grade Physical Education – one semester
- 6th grade Spanish Language/Literature/Culture- all year





Electives

- You get to choose some of the classes that you take. Those classes are called electives. You may either choose to take one-year electives like a world language class or music class, or semester (half year) electives such as Applied Engineering or Art Exploration
- Electives available at Tillicum are listed on the one-pager online registration instructions sheet
- Music and World Language classes count as electives



Bellevue School District Course Catalog

Course Catalog

- A very valuable resource!

The [Course Catalog](#) is available online

- Contains:
 - General information about school
 - Course descriptions
- Note that not all courses listed in the course catalog will be available at every school, you will need to filter the options to “Tillicum”

World Language

- 2-3 years required for most colleges
- Can start in middle school – first year classes have a slower pace and are spread over two years ex. Spanish 1a, Spanish 1b

Not all languages are available at each school

- Tillicum has Chinese, French and Spanish and online courses of Arabic, Hindi and Korean
- Look in the Course Catalog online
- Look and see what's available at the high school level

مرحبا
(hi)

你好
Nǐ Hǎo

Bonjour
नमस्ते
Namaste

Hello
안녕하세요
[an-nyeong haseyo]

YOUR **CHOICES** MATTER

We create student schedules, hire staff and align resources based upon the registration information that you submit. As such, please choose thoughtfully and carefully as the courses you choose now will be the courses you take next year. You may not make changes later.



In other words:

You Choose It,

You Get It,

You Keep It!

Online Registration

❖ [Tillicum Course Registration website](#)

❖ Review the steps listed on our website for how to register online using StudentVUE or ParentVUE

❖ Take the one pager registration instructions home to your Parent/Guardian!

❖ Register online by March 27!



Parent/Guardian Involvement

- Parents/Guardians need to be involved in your registration choices
 - They can help you make good choices based on current academic needs, interests, and future goals
 - They can help you understand the importance of making good choices NOW rather than *later*

Parents/guardians must review your registration choices!

- **Parent Information Session on March 16 at 6:30 pm**
 - Tillicum Counselors and Principal share Course Request Information and answer questions.



Program

WEB (Where Everybody Belongs) is an orientation and transition program for 6th grade students. You will get to participate in orientation day during the first day of school, meet other 6th graders, connect with 8th grade leaders and have lots of fun!

Frequently Asked Questions

Do we only have 5 minutes to change classes?

- Yes, you have 5 minutes to get from one class to the other. Don't worry, it works!

Do we carry our backpacks to classes? Will we be assigned lockers?

- Tillicum doesn't have cubbies like in elementary school. You will be assigned a locker and are required to put your backpacks in the locker.

When we get assigned lockers, are they easy to figure out?

- It takes practice. If you can, practice with a combination lock before you get assigned to a locker. You'll remember where it is easily after a few days. There will be teachers and WEB leaders (8th grade helpers) in the hallways to help you open it as needed. They look hard to open, but once you know the trick, they are super easy!

Frequently Asked Questions

Do we have assigned tables at lunch?

- Nope! You can sit inside at the tables, outside on the benches or outside in the atrium. Please clean up after yourself!

What can we do at lunch?

- Each lunch lasts 30 minutes. You can use your phones in the cafeteria during lunch, socialize with friends, ask for a pass to the library to look for a book or to use the computer, go outside to the field or the basketball court to spend time with friends.
- **Is it easy to get lost in a big building?**
- Do not worry about getting lost. Tillicum isn't that much bigger than your elementary school. For the first couple weeks, teachers understand that you are still trying to figure things out and are available in the hallways to help you find your classes.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is PE like? And the locker rooms?

- All students take PE for one semester (half-year). PE can be very fun! You will have many units, including volleyball and badminton. At least once every few weeks you play fun games. You will be assigned a PE locker.

How much homework is there for 6th grade?

- It is not that much more from the amount you get in 5th grade. The only difference is that you may get homework on the weekends (if you don't now).

Do we get a laptop?

- All students are given a laptop at the beginning of the school year. Many of your textbooks and assignments are digital. You will need to get used to using your laptop for organizing your classwork, projects and school calendars.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is tutorial?

- Tutorial is after 7th period, from 2:35-3:05 PM on M, T, TH, and FR. Every teacher is available to help students during tutorial, so for example if you need help with math, you will go to your math teacher's tutorial and ask for help. It's a great way to get help.

Does Tillicum have clubs and after school activities?

- There are a lot of fun activities to do after school! This year Tillicum had Coin club, Culture Chefs club, Digital Media club, National Junior Honor Society, Technology Student Association, Tiger club, WEB, iReady Math Club, Math Team, Rainbow Club, Spanish Club, and Dungeons and Dragons. In previous years we had sports like soccer, basketball, badminton, archery, volleyball, and track. You can learn more about Tillicum's clubs, sports and activities on the [school website](#). It's a lot of fun to be involved in these things and you'll be able to meet new friends, too.
- **To be eligible for activities, students must attend tutorial!**

**Thank
you!**

Welcome to
Tillicum
Middle
School!

