

FISHER MIDDLE SCHOOL



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6th Grade
2026 - 2027 Enrichments

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Band (full year, previous experience required)



Membership is open to all students who have successfully completed a previous band class and/or teacher recommendation. The course will be a continuation of the technical training started in elementary school. Students will also attend a weekly group lesson. There are two required performances for this ensemble (winter concert and spring concert).

Choir (full year)

Any student interested in singing a variety of music from classical and folk to jazz and pop is invited to join Choir. Focus is also given to developing good singing technique, music theory, performance technique, and ear training. There are two required performances for this ensemble (winter concert and spring concert).



Orchestra (full year, previous experience required)



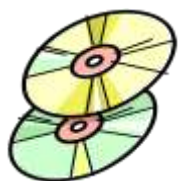
This course is available to students who have prior orchestral instruction. The requirement for 6th grade orchestra is at least two years of consecutive study at the elementary level and/or teacher recommendation. Students will develop and polish technical skills related to their string instrument through a variety of repertoire. There are two required performances for this ensemble (winter concert and spring concert).

Guitar I

This course is available to any student who has an interest in learning how to play the guitar, how to read music and how basic music theory works.



Music Technology



During the semester, students will learn about the science of sound and music. Students will also learn how to use editing program BandLab to create original music, and other projects such as podcasts. Students will also learn basic music theory for use with the Samsung M25 MIDI keyboard, which works directly with BandLab.

Exploring Musical Theatre

This class will explore famous Broadway musicals while students discover the people and processes involved in the production of a musical. Students will learn about the history of musicals, jobs in musical theatre, acting and stage terms and watch select famous musicals. Students will participate in acting exercises, improvisation, performing short scenes, as well as writing and starring in their own creations. This class is recommended for students who are considering participation in the Spring Musical at FMS.



Mural Creation

In this course, students will learn how to design and paint large-scale murals. They will explore techniques for creating compositions, mixing colors, and using different tools and materials. Students will also study the history of murals and how they have been used to convey ideas and cultural values worldwide. Through teamwork and problem-solving, students will collaborate to create a mural to be displayed in the school. By the end of the course, students will have a better understanding of the artistic process, gained skills in mural creation, and have their artwork showcased for the school community to appreciate.

Mindfulness through Art

This Mindfulness through Art enrichment course will explore the intersection of mindfulness practices and the creative process, using art as a medium for self-expression and self-awareness. Students will engage in a variety of artistic activities and exercises designed to cultivate mindfulness, concentration, and emotional regulation. Through guided meditation, journaling, and art-making, students will learn to connect with their inner selves, develop self-awareness, and practice living with intention and presence.

Exploring Art



This is an introduction to art. This course seeks to familiarize students with the fundamental elements and principles of art. Basic drawing is introduced through modeling, followed by hands on projects. Students will work with pencil, marker, pastel, colored pencil, paint, and ink. Art appreciation and history is integrated with art creation.

Digital and Media Literacy

Students will learn how to use a variety of digital tools to create, share, and communicate online. They will understand the importance of navigating safely and efficiently in a digital world and how to respectfully interact with the world digitally. Students will also learn how to access, evaluate, and use information accurately, fairly, and ethically.

STEAM 6

6th grade students will engage collaboratively and apply their knowledge of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math through various project-solving, project based learning opportunities with practical applications in the real world. This course will encourage students to foster the true innovation that comes with combining the mind of a scientist or technologist with the creativity of an artist or designer. Students will develop and apply computational and design thinking to address real-world problems and design creative solutions.

Dream Big: Student Entrepreneurship and Passion Projects

Got an idea? Let's make it happen! In this class, students will explore their interests and turn their ideas into reality. You will have the opportunity to create a Passion Project based on something you love, such as art, sports, pets, gaming, etc. Then, you will become an entrepreneur by designing a product or service, creating a brand, and learning how to “pitch” your idea! This class is all about thinking big, taking risks, and bringing your ideas to life! By the end, you will showcase your projects and see how your ideas can make a real impact on society.

Hands of Harmony: American Sign Language for Beginners

Have you ever wanted to talk without using your voice? In this fun and interactive class, you'll learn how to communicate using American Sign Language (ASL)! You'll discover how to sign the alphabet, common words, and everyday phrases while exploring a whole new way to connect with others. Through games, partner activities, and real-life practice, you'll build your signing skills and confidence. Learn how ASL helps people communicate in different and meaningful ways. Get ready to use your hands, express yourself, and celebrate what makes everyone unique—because there's more than one way to be heard!

****All 6th grade students must be enrolled in a World Language ****

Exploring World Languages

In this course students will have the opportunity to explore both French and Spanish at the middle school level for half a marking period. This partially computer based experience will empower the students to choose which language whether it be French or Spanish to continue learning for the duration of their middle school careers.