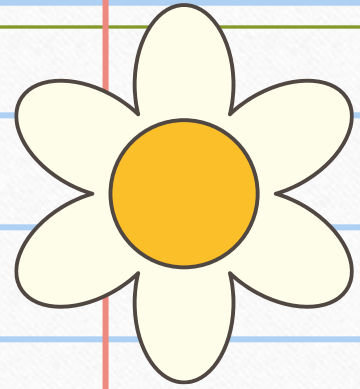
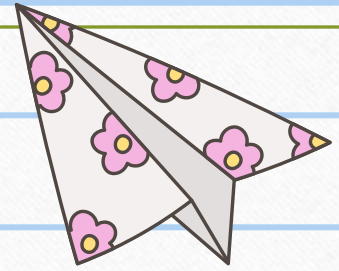




Welcome To



26-27



Course Selection

OBRIEN

Home of the Lions!



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O'BRIEN LIONS

Hello Everyone!

Today you will be ranking the ELECTIVE class
choices for next year

Hand out forms

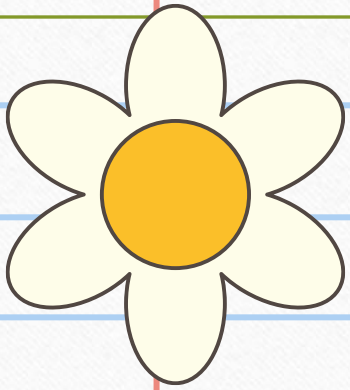
1st choice, 2nd Choice, 3rd Choice etc.

Advanced classes need permission

8th grade culinary

Take this serious & pay attention





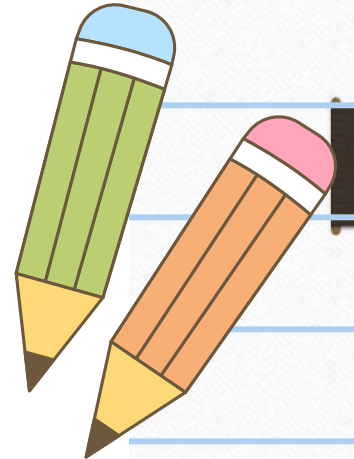
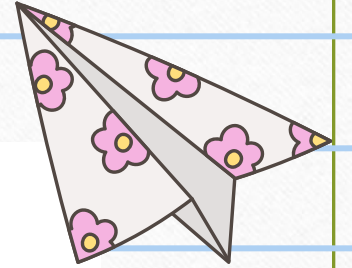
Lets talk about classes

4 Core:

ELA, Math, Science, SS

Electives: specialized in what you want to learn

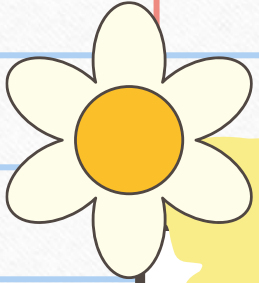
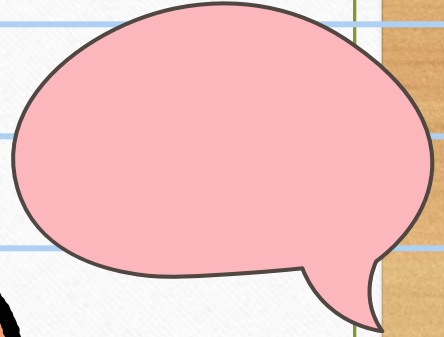
- 4 quarters and 2 semesters
 - Q1 & Q2= fall semester
 - Q3 & Q4= spring semester
- 2 electives each semester (no schedule changes at quarter)
- If you are in a year long you get this all year
- If you are in a semester class you get one in the fall then flip to something different



Forms

Due: **FRIDAY 3/13**

- Write your full legal name
- Fill out the form & share with your adults
- **BRING THE FORM BACK** to advisory
- If you do not return the form you will get the left over classes
- Parent/Adult signature is preferred but not required



Check your form

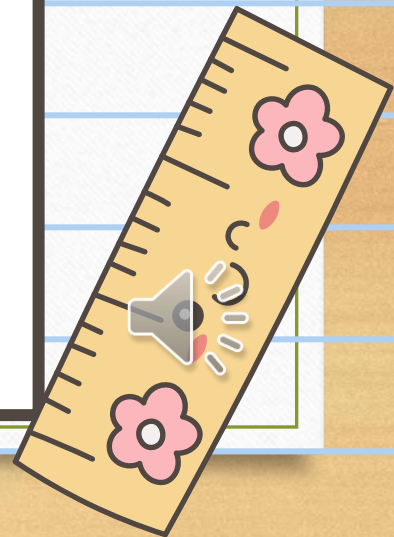
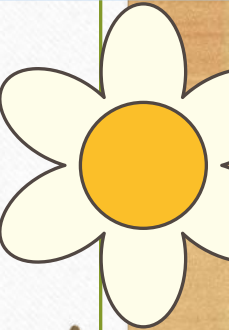
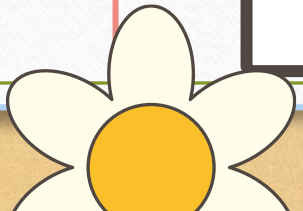
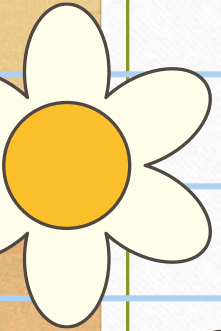
If you are in 6th grade: you should have a blue form

If you are in 7th grade: you should have a green form

Is your LEGAL name on the form?

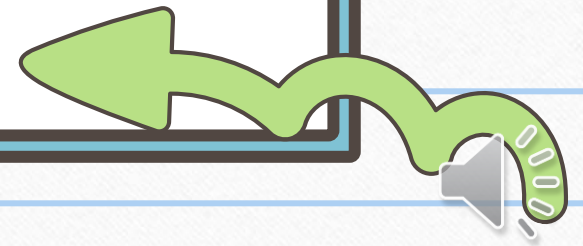
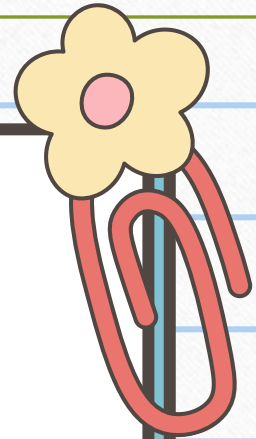
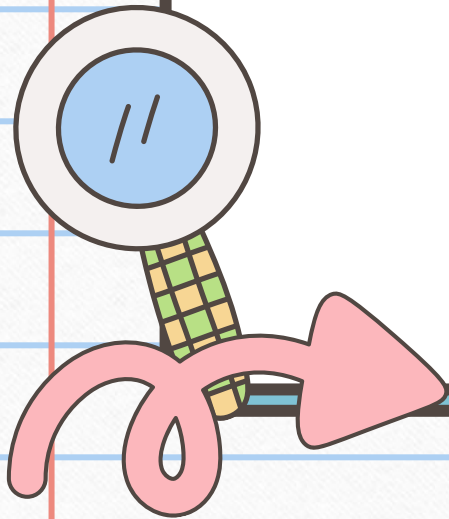
Can I read your name?

Take this serious or counselor picks elective for you



Deadline

Remember forms are due
March 13th



Art 2

Grades: 6th, 7th, 8th

Semester Class

Prerequisite: Art 1

1st Quarter: Artists Study

- **Learn about famous artists throughout history.**

2nd Quarter: Art Around The World

- **Study different cultures and their artistic expressions.**



Art 3

Grades: 7th & 8th

Semester Class

Prerequisite: Art 1 & 2

Teacher Approval

1st Quarter: Medium Study

- Learn how to utilize a multitude of different mediums.

2nd Quarter: Personal Project

- Create your own personal projects utilizing everything you've learned in Art.



Computer Science

Learn block coding in Scratch and see how surprisingly powerful these tools can be while you share code, comments, and art with other coders around the world.

We'll learn and practice coding concepts as we build a series of practice games. Then apply these concepts to create our own games. With highlights including -

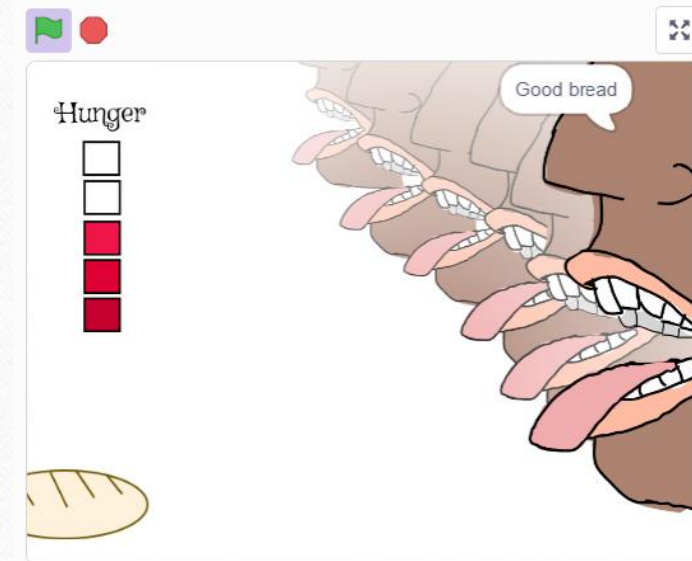
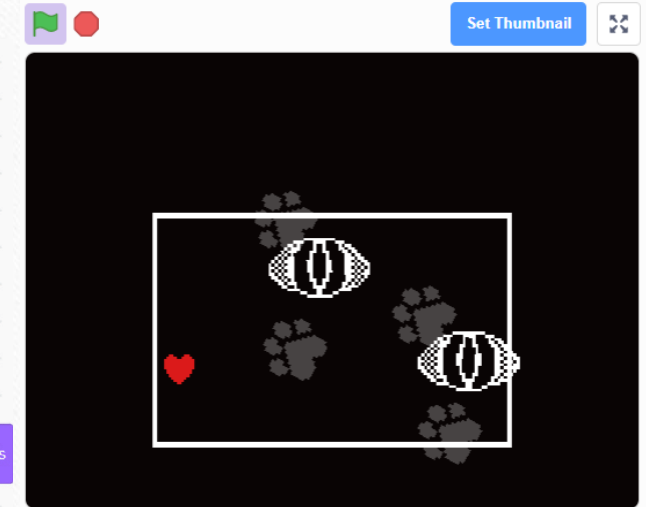
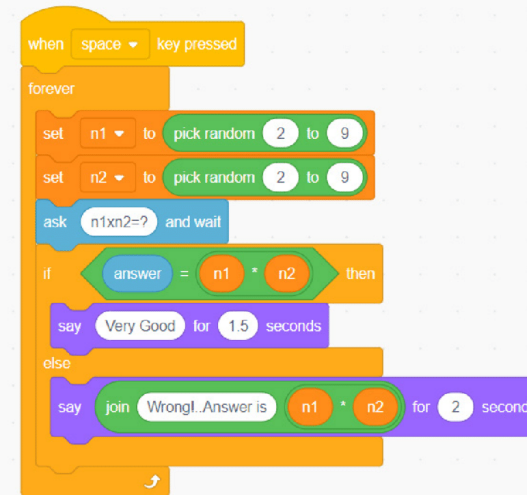
Boss Battle (Style of Undertale)

Flappy Cat (Style of Flappy Bird)

Cow Clicker (Style of Cookie Clicker)

Micro Games (Style of Warioware).

Available to 7th & 8th grade. Semester long class.



Culinary Arts and Celebrate Foods

- **Culinary 1**: learn basic kitchen skills and how to cook simple meals
 - A class perfect for 7th graders
- **Celebrate Foods (prerequisite- culinary 1)**: learn how to cook food from other cultures and practice more intermediate kitchen skills
 - A class perfect for 8th graders who already took culinary 1
- Other topics taught in both classes:
 - cooking terms
 - using kitchen equipment
 - food safety and sanitation
- You must pass a safety and sanitation exam before you can cook in class
- Semester Class



Advanced Drama

- This is a full year class for 7th and 8th graders who loved beginning drama class and want to go more in depth to further explore theater arts.
- Students must pass Beginning Drama with a C or better and have permission from the teacher.



Graphic Design

Learn pixel art and interactive storytelling while building your own illustrated choose-your-own-adventure game in Twine.

We'll develop drawing fundamentals, master digital illustration techniques, and practice branching narratives as we work toward tying all your illustrations together into a playable story. With skill-building focused on -

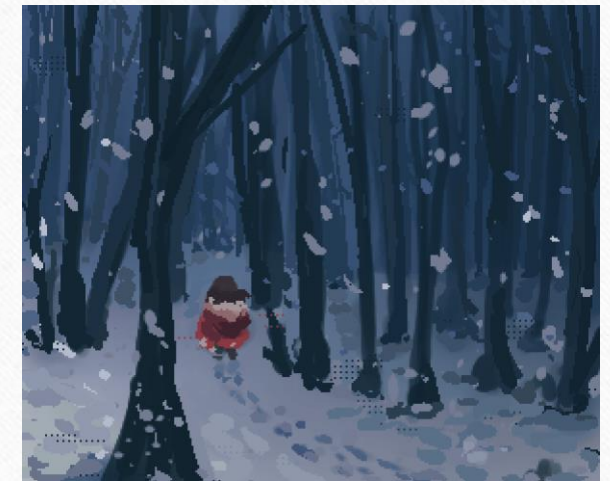
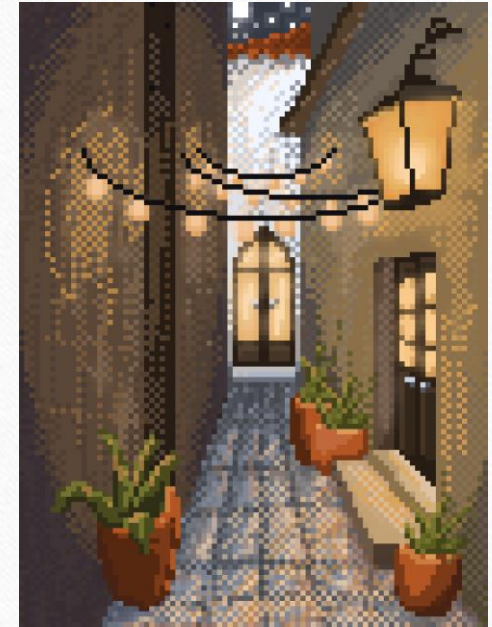
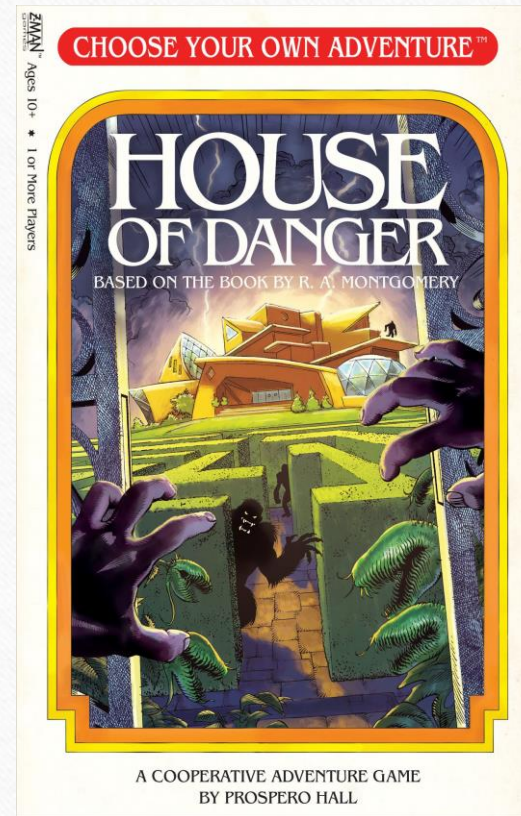
Perspective drawing and composition

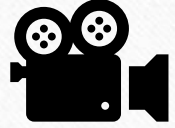
Pixel art techniques and limited palette design

Twine game development and integration

Available to 7th & 8th grade. Semester long class.

Okay to retake if you've had the version of the class focusing on sprites and photo editing. This will be mostly new material for you.





Media

Grades: 6th, 7th and 8th

Semester class

Course Description:

Media classes introduce will introduce you to digital media creation and visual storytelling. You will develop skills in photography, video production, graphic design, and basic editing using digital tools.

Media 1: Introduction to media, camera basics, simple video editing, digital citizenship.

Media 2 (Prerequisite Media 1): Intermediate video production, photography techniques, graphic design projects.

Media 3 (Prerequisite Media 2): Advanced media production, storytelling, independent and group projects.



Physical Education

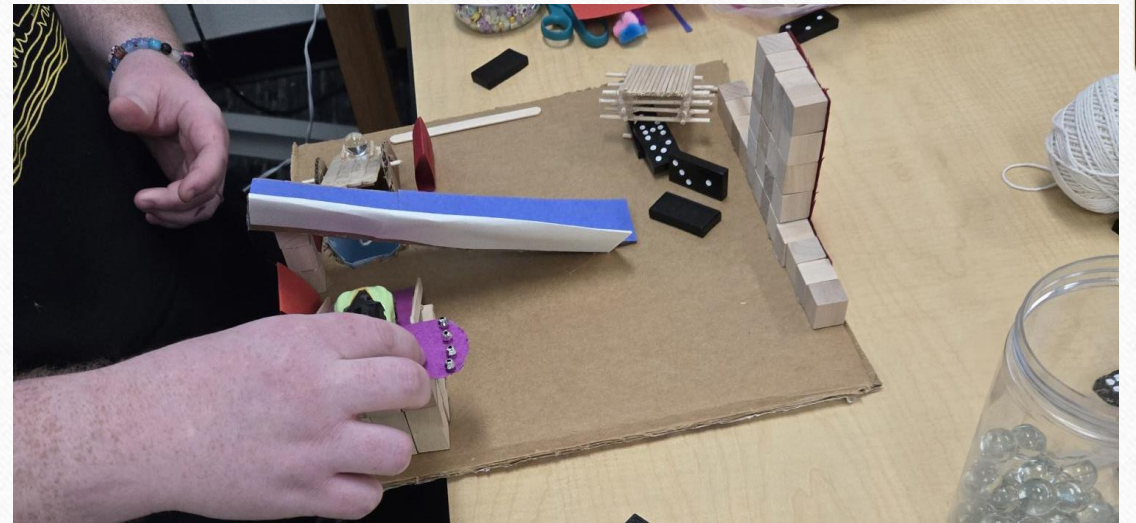
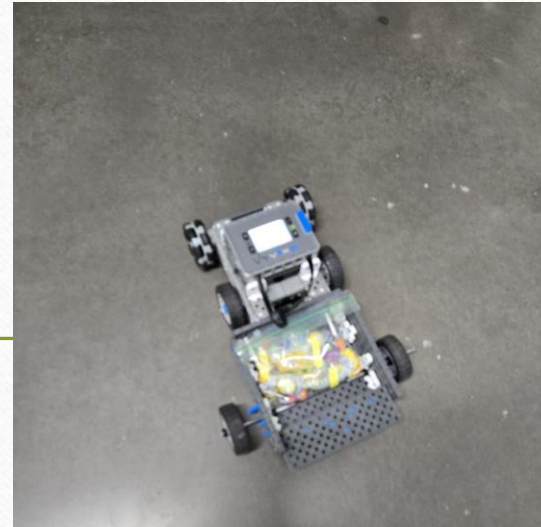
- You get the chance to move everyday engaging in fitness, sports, and games
- Open to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students
- Year and semester long courses offered
- You will work with classmates to build teamwork and sportsmanship
- You will build habits that help you stay active and healthy for your entire life



S.T.E.A.M.

Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, Math
Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Kind!

- This class is limited to 7th and 8th graders. It's Business, not personal!!!!
- STEAM is a project-based class that uses the steps of the Engineering Design Process to design, build, test and modify solutions to real world problems.
- In STEAM we use tools, technology, scientific research, and many other outlets to explore such topics as Space travel, robotics, woodworking, friction, air resistance, speed and other topics that may arise.
- In STEAM we create and build out of many different supplies for example: cardboard, wood, Lego, foil, paint, play dough etc.
- This class is run like a business. Professionalism, safety, a strong work ethic, bank account, supplies and time management will all be taught and enforced throughout the semester. This makes it possible to complete higher leveled projects and gives the room a realistic vibe!



Theater (Musical)

A musical theater class is an engaging and dynamic educational setting that focuses on developing various skills related to musical theater performance. The class typically integrates elements of singing, acting, and dancing to provide students with a well-rounded understanding of the genre.



This class is available for 7th and 8th graders who have successfully taken either beginning choir, musical theater club in 6th grade/drama, or private vocal lessons. 6th graders upon approval of Mrs. Krentz by audition. Year-long class

Band – Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced

- Beginning Band – 1st year band members. 7th and 8th graders that wish to take this class must speak with Mrs. Fassbender, as most spots are filled by 6th graders.
- Intermediate Band – 2nd year band members that passed Beginning Band and can play their instrument proficiently, including reading music.
- Advanced Band – 3rd year band members that passed Intermediate. 2nd year band members may audition to get in early. Students must be able to read music, play their scales and be proficient at their instrument.
- Performs multiple events throughout the year in the evenings: concerts, NVHS football game, parade, festivals, special events.
- Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Horn, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Percussion.
- Year-long class.



Advanced Choir 7th & 8th



A middle school advanced choir represents a highly skilled ensemble of students who have progressed through beginning and intermediate levels of choral education. This level of choir is designed to provide a more challenging and enriching musical experience, fostering advanced vocal techniques, musical interpretation, and collaborative musicianship.

Year-long class



Orchestra and Music Exploration

- **Beginning Orchestra**
 - **Who:** 1st-year orchestra students (primarily 6th grade)
This class is designed for students with little to no experience playing a string instrument. Students will learn the basics of music reading, instrument technique, and ensemble playing.
- **Intermediate/Advanced Orchestra**
 - **Who:** 2nd–3rd year orchestra students (primarily 7th–8th grade)
This class is for students who already have experience playing a string instrument and are ready for more challenging music. Students will continue developing technique, musical expression, and ensemble skills.
 - *6th grade students with prior experience may audition for placement.*
- **Instruments:** Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass
 - Cello and Double Bass placement is teacher-approved.
- **Music Exploration**
 - **Who:** 6th grade students
This full-year course introduces students to the world of music through hands-on experiences. Students explore a variety of music careers, including performance, composing, and music in media and social platforms. Students will also learn to play an instrument (acoustic guitar), develop beginner music-reading skills, and build confidence through creative music-making.



Leadership

- Application required
- Only 30 students admitted
- Grades/Behavior must be good to be eligible

- Schoolwide Activity Planning
 - Assemblies/dances
 - Spirit Weeks
- Community Service Projects
- Good for resume building!
- Student Store
- Leadership Conferences/Field Trips

YEARBOOK

Grade Levels : 7th-8th Grade

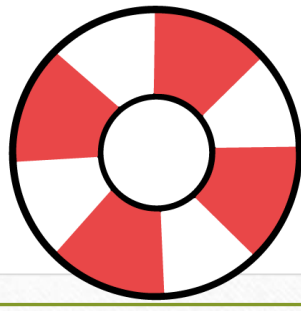
Full Year Elective

Couse Description:

In this hands-on course, you will collaborate to design and publish the school yearbook. You will learn basic journalism, photography, writing , and design skills while documenting school events and student life. Emphasis is placed on teamwork, creativity, responsibility, and meeting deadlines.



HOPE



SQUAD®

- Hope Squad is a group of students who help peers get connected to resources, community and support.
 - They build community, practice hope and foster kindness in our school.
 - Parent permission is required for the class.
 - You must have good attendance, no bullying issues and practice confidentiality.

Are you a good friend and easy to talk to?