

**FULL YEAR ELECTIVES for 6th Grade**

<b>BAND</b>		
Cadet	What is more exciting than watching and hearing a marching band in a parade? You can get in on the fun by learning to play a band instrument. Beginners learn to assemble, play, and maintain a band instrument, as well as read music. You will play in three concerts- two at Jackson and one on-tour of our elementary feeder schools. We end the year with a parade.	Any student playing in band for the first time
Concert or Symphonic	More advanced sequences of our band program. Students who are currently in Cadet go to Concert , and Concert to Symphonic. Students with experience can audition with Ms. Brown (our Band instructor) for placement. Performances are (usually) in December, March, May, and include the Middle School Band Festival and a parade!	Students with prior experience on an instrument
<b>Skill Development</b>		
Skill Development	This course is for students who attend the Learning Center at their elementary school. This yearlong class focuses on academic and organizational skill building. You will get support with school assignments, focus on specific math and reading goals, and enjoy a small class, where you really get to know your teachers and peers.	All students in LC
<b>ELD</b>		
ELD E2 ELD E3	This course is for students who are currently receiving ELD services. This class is for out multi-lingual students, who are still studying English. They will get daily written and verbal practice with a small group of students and their teacher.	All student in ELD
<b>HALF-YEAR/SEMESTER ELECTIVES</b>		
Choir 6	This exciting semester choir is for singers of all levels, and is a performance class. We will be studying music from multiple genres and in different languages, as well as perform at two evening concerts per semester. If you have ever wanted to try choir, this class is for you. No singing skills or experience needed!	Any 6th grader
Drama 6	Sharpen and increase your self confidence, challenge yourself to step outside your comfort zone, become part of something bigger than yourself, learn through doing, explore through activities and games. If the thought of being on stage is frightening, this class is for you. If you love being on stage, this class is for you. Unit topics include improvisation, small and large group plays, empathy, creating characters, improving verbal and non-verbal expression and much more!	Any 6th Grader

Engineering Design (Shop) 6	Students will apply math and science concepts and work in teams to solve and construct engineering challenges. Students will use a variety of tools in the shop with different building materials to construct individual take-home and school projects.	Any 6th Grader
Art 6901	The curriculum will include drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics and a variety of other experiences drawn from the various cultural and artistic influences across the globe.	Any 6th Grader
S.T.E.A.M. 6	The open-ended design challenges in the STEAM curriculum give students an opportunity to innovate solutions to real-world problems that they can use to better understand the world around them. In STEAM students will explore the concepts of problem solving, computer programming, 3D printing, inventing and much more!	Any 6th Grader
Physical Education	This course is in addition to the required Quarter long PE course. Students will have the option to participate in a more games oriented class or a strength training/yoga class.	Any 6th Grader
Math Minions 6	This semester course gives students extra math practice, as well as organizational and general academic support. This course is assigned to students with the recommendation from teachers and parents.	6th graders assigned to the course (do not select)
Academic Skills 6	This semester course gives students extra reading and writing practice, as well as organizational and general academic support. This course is assigned to students with the recommendation from teachers and parents.	6th graders assigned to the course (do not select)