

ELECTIVES 6th Grade

Band (year-long course)

Prep Band: Band for students who have never played an instrument before. Beginners may choose to play flute, clarinet, trumpet, or trombone. No audition is necessary to be in Prep Band.

Band Sixth Grade: Band for students who have played an instrument in elementary school. No audition is necessary to be in 6th Grade Band.

Choir (year-long course)

Chorus-Treble Clef Girls: This choir is a girls only performance ensemble. The course goal is prepare students with performance, vocal, music theory, sight-singing and general musicianship skills allowing students to succeed in Bella Voce or Encore. No audition is necessary to be in Treble Clef however the class is limited to the first 70 girls that register.

Chorus-Viking Chorale-Boys: This choir is a boys only performance ensemble. The course goal is prepare students with performance, vocal, music theory, sight-singing and general musicianship skills allowing students to succeed in Encore. No audition is necessary to be in Vikings Chorale however the class is limited to the first 30 boys that sign up.

General (semester course as part of the Elective Rotation)

Art: This is a project based class allowing students to experience a variety of art materials. The program is based on standards for visual arts using the elements of design. Included are assignments to support the social studies curriculum and community art exhibits.

Character Education: Through gardening and “The Second Step” character education program students learn and practice the following skills and concepts: active listening, empathy, respect, personal responsibility, practicing simple acts of kindness, being a helpful bystander in bullying situations, and learning how to build trusting relationships.

Keyboarding: Keyboarding is designed to give 6th grade students fundamental typing skills using home row techniques. The goal of this course is 25 words per minute at 90-100% accuracy. This course will also cover digital citizenship and basic computer literacy skills including Google Apps and Microsoft Word.