

RISING 6TH GRADE COURSE SELECTION

Selection of 6th grade World Language and Elective courses for the 2022-23 school year will take place in your Genesis Parent Portal account. Please discuss course options with your child per the [Middle School Program of Studies](#) and make your selections **between March 24 and April 17, 2022**.

WORLD LANGUAGE

World Language options include [Chinese](#), [French](#), [German](#) and [Spanish](#). Please discuss language options with your child and make your selection in the Genesis Parent Portal. Please only choose one language course. Please note that whichever language your child chooses, he or she will continue with that language in Grades 7 and 8. If there is insufficient enrollment for a particular language, that language will not be offered and you will be contacted to select a different language.

ELECTIVES

For 6th grade electives, course options include [Band](#), [Orchestra](#), [Choir](#) or [Communication Arts](#). Please request one course as your first choice elective. Then select a second elective as an alternate course.

Band

This group rehearses a wide variety of music literature, from marches to musicals and everything in between, in order to prepare for formal concerts, festivals and recitals. The majority of students in the 6th grade band have 1-2 years of experience. Each student also receives a regularly scheduled small group lesson, which is an integral part of the program's success.

Choir

This group rehearses a wide variety of music literature in order to prepare for formal concerts, festivals and recitals. Emphasis will be placed on proper vocal production including breathing, posture and tone quality. Goals include developing the voice of each student, expanding appreciation for choral literature, strengthening the ability to read music, and enabling artistic performance.

Communication Arts

This elective will introduce each student to public speaking and develop the skills to become calm, confident and effective speakers. This class will develop these skills through storytelling, debating, multimedia presentations, and hands on activities. Students will also demonstrate the speaking, listening, and interpersonal skills necessary to be effective communicators in academic settings, in the workplace, and in the community. This course is offered as an alternative to the 6th grade music electives.

Orchestra

The group rehearses and performs different genres of music literature, from baroque to contemporary. The Orchestra performs in several concerts, festivals and recitals throughout the year. The majority of students in the 6th grade orchestra have 1-2 years of experience. Each student also receives a regularly scheduled small group lesson, which is an integral part of the program's success.

Directions for Making Course Requests for World Language AND Electives via Genesis

(Please note that Google Chrome is the recommended internet browser):

1. Login to your Genesis account.
2. If you have more than one child in the district, choose the student from the *Select Student* menu at the top of the screen.
3. Click the Scheduling tab at the top
4. Click *Requests tab*
5. A list of all subjects will appear. Select "Request a course" under the subject the particular course you want to request pertains to.
6. When you find the course, click "Request this Course"
7. To add more courses, repeat steps 5 and 6

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