



Middle School Elective Descriptions

ART focuses on developing drawing and painting skills as well as observation techniques for the beginning artist. Drawings will be done in pencil, charcoal, pen, and ink to gain understanding of how black, white, and gray can be used to define shape, show distance, and develop value. Pastels and paint will be used to introduce color.

STEM/ROBOTICS is an opportunity for students to learn how to integrate Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics with daily concepts. Students will be exposed to the foundations of robotics, including the building of robots. Students will learn the basics of coding in an engaging manner to help enhance their STEM skill-sets.

TEAM SPORTS is an opportunity for students to focus on physical training related to their chosen sport. With limited space available, priority enrollment is given to 7th and 8th grade student athletes (on a CHCA roster) and Spanish 1 students who do not have a PE course on their schedule.

MUSIC/THEATER ARTS includes experiences with basic theatre acting techniques, theatre etiquette, lighting, costumes, makeup, production of plays, choral performance including voice and diction. Musical/Drama Productions will include a Christmas Celebration as well as a Spring Performance.

DRUMLINE (Spring Semester) allows students experienced with and/or interested in percussion an opportunity to learn beginner and intermediate skills. A focus is given to rhythm and technique as well as listening skills needed to work together as a unit to produce sound quality and consistency.



SCHOLARS BOWL is for 7th/8th grade middle school students interested in honing their academic TRIVIA skills. The Scholars Bowl Team elective provides students who want to be on an academic team the opportunity to study, prepare and practice for after-school competitive meets. A tryout is required, and participation is a year-long commitment.

METEOROLOGY (Fall Semester) is an introduction to weather and atmospheric science. The Meteorology elective will consist of a study of both climate and weather in a way that allows students to have a better understanding of the world around them as well as how weather affects our daily life.

WORSHIP TEAM will be an opportunity for the students in our Chapel Band to practice and prepare to lead our school in worship. The team will focus on singing and instrumentation along with worship leadership skills to encourage peers in praising our LORD.

MATH and LOGIC GAMES will provide students with fun opportunities to explore mathematical concepts and practice calculation skills. Basic math functions as well as probability and reasoning skills will be presented in the context of board games. Problem solving and the ability to effectively analyze information to make a judgement are much needed life skills. This elective will help students develop thinking skills through board games, logic puzzles, and critical thinking activities while also teaching healthy social interaction.

STUDY HALL is a grade-specific class for students to get prepared for assessments and complete work. Study and organizational skills will also be addressed. Students should communicate with their various teachers who will make them aware of assignments and due dates. Students with a certain GPA will be required to enroll.



MS SPANISH 7th grade has this elective option instead of PE. 5th and 6th graders have this foreign language course option during the elective period. This course helps students to learn how to communicate in Spanish and prepare for Spanish 1.

POPULAR LITERATURE This is a new course for 5th and 6th graders. It is an alternate class to P.E. The class will expose students to great novels and works of American and British Literature. Books will be read together and discussed, and books of choice will also be read during the semester. A.R. Test will be taken on the material.