

WEBBER MIDDLE SCHOOL **COURSE SELECTION SHEET GRADE 6**

Required classes for every general education 6th grader are as follows:

English/Language Arts 6 AND Math (meets daily) Science 6 AND Social Studies 6 (meets every other day) Physical Education 6 (one semester only)

6th graders are also introduced to a quarterly rotation of electives. They will have the opportunity to experience all of the following classes:

~Art Activity and Appreciation~Web 2.0 Technology~In~Family and Consumer Sciences~World Language Explorations

~Web 2.0 Technology ~Intro to Technology

Notes: If a student is not at a proficient level in reading, he/she may be placed in English/Language Arts 6 Strategic (Reading Literacy, a year-long class) in place of four of the quarter electives classes or yearlong electives. For students who are not proficient or passing all core classes, we may provide support through a content specific study hall. G/T students will be placed in Eng/Lang Arts 6 Honors.

6th graders have TWO additional elective choices (course descriptions are on the back).

1) Please circle ONE quarter-long elective:

- -Music Explorations 6
- or
- ~Choir 6

Please circle ONE year-long elective: <mark>2)</mark>

- percussion & wind instruments ~Band 6 or ~Orchestra - string instruments or ~ELO - Extended Learning Opportunity A four-quarter enrichment program. See description on back side.

Instrumental music is a year-long commitment. If a schedule change is requested, it will involve the music director in collaboration with the principal. It is highly recommended students participate in the Summer Music Program.

STUDENT SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

To access all course descriptions, visit our website at web.psdschools.org and go to the core academics and electives & enrichment tabs or by grade level under the Counseling tab, Enrollment & Registration.

6th Grade Elective Choice Course Descriptions

Quarter Long Elective Choices:

<u>Music Explorations 6</u>: Exploration of different musical styles and development of skills that are basic to musical understanding and appreciation. Music exploration performance is limited to class.

<u>OR</u>

<u>Choir 6</u>: In 6th Grade beginning choir, we learn the basics of vocal technique, music theory, and performance. This class is rehearsal based and we practice then perform songs from various genres and time periods. Beginning choir provides a strong choral foundation that allows students to confidently transition to choir in seventh and eighth grade. Attendance at the 6th grade performance for that quarter is <u>required</u> as part of student's grade.

Year Long Elective Choices:

Band 6: Beginning Band is designed for teaching basic skills to beginning Wind, Brass and Percussion players. Tone, technical facility, music terminology and music reading are stressed through a variety of music literature. Your child is encouraged to attend the PSD Summer Music Program. If the student is not able to attend the Summer Band Program, he/she should contact the instructor at the middle school they will attend. Attendance at performances is required as a part of the student's grade. (Instruments include flute, clarinet, trumpet, French horn, trombone, baritone, tuba, and percussion (drum and bells)). Oboe, bassoon, bass clarinet and saxophone are welcome, and all require a student to begin on clarinet.

Orchestra 6: Beginning Orchestra is designed for teaching basic skills to beginning string players. Instrumental technique, music terminology and music reading are stressed through a variety of songs and music literature. Your child is encouraged to attend the PSD Summer Music Program. If student is not able to attend the Summer Music Program, he/she should contact the instructor at the middle school they will attend. Attendance at performances is required as a part of the student's grade. (Instruments include violin, viola, cello and bass). Harp students may participate in Orchestra but must provide their own instrument and be enrolled in private lessons.

<u>OR</u>

<u>ELO - Extended Learning Opportunity:</u> This four-quarter enrichment program includes <u>all</u> the following:

- Sports and games This class focuses on wellness using mental and physical activities and strategies that are used in sports and games.
- **Don't Judge a Book by its Cover!** -Different than just a "book club", this class will give you time to explore your favorite books, stories, and poems in unique ways, making creative art projects, skits, and more.
- Know Thyself -Learn about yourself and build self-awareness through activities, projects and speakers.
- **Expedition: Science** -Come and join us on an expedition into the world of science! We will dive deeper into your favorite topics, uncover things you have never heard of, and learn about new scientific discoveries. The goal of this class is to provide enrichment into many areas of science.

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