



Apex Middle School

2022-2023



Sixth Grade Elective Information

029607 CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION COURSES

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Description</u> All CTE Courses = 9 weeks (One Quarter)
Computer Science Discoveries I	Introduction to computer sciences used as a medium for creativity, communication and problem solving.
Exploring Social & Emotional Skills	Emphasis placed on interpersonal relationships, nutrition, wellness, child development and education.
Keyboarding	Students learn the touch-typing method of keyboarding skills. Additionally, students learn basic formatting, editing, and word processing. This course is strongly recommended to learn necessary computer classroom and lifelong skills.
029607 Exploring Technology	Students learn the nature of technology and problem solving. They are involved in activities and experiences where they learn about brainstorming, visualizing, modeling, constructing, testing, experimenting and refining designs.

FINE ARTS COURSES

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Description</u>
Beginning Band (yearlong)	Emphasizes the acquisition of basic musical skills. No previous musical experience is required. Several musical selections are performed for an audience. A few evening performances should be anticipated. Students may begin on flute, clarinet, trumpet or trombone, and will have an opportunity to transition to other instruments, later in the school year. Initially, classes are divided between brass instruments and woodwind instruments.
Introduction to Theatre	Overview of dramatic techniques. Students develop communication skills through study in dialogue, pantomime, improvisation, speech/diction, and role play.
Music Exploratory	Introduction to the skills necessary for singing and playing music with accuracy and expression while interpreting the sound and symbols of music. Through the study of various genres and cultures students will analyze, evaluate, and understand the music and concepts from other areas.
Visual Art Exploratory	Introduces students to art history, elements and principles of art. Projects emphasize skills & techniques through a variety of media that may include drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media, pottery, and sculpture. Application of these elements to the students' own original artwork is the major emphasis.

WORLD LANGUAGES COURSES

<u>Course Name</u>	<u>Description</u>
Exploratory Language	An introduction to the Spanish language and culture. Student will explore Spanish vocabulary and structures to communicate using short, memorized phrases. Topics include introductions, greetings, and biographical information. This course is not included in the curriculum series for high school credit.

- **Note:** Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and PE will automatically be assigned to all 6th grade students.
- All 6th grade students will participate in an exploratory path consisting of 9-week elective classes, unless band is chosen as a yearlong elective class.