

2017-18 ELECTIVE COURSE OPTIONS FOR 6TH GRADE STUDENTS

Rolesville Middle School

Elective courses are not required subject areas like reading and math, but are optional courses that may be of interest to your child. Each middle school offers unique elective courses that your child can choose to take. The elective courses listed below are options for 6th grade students. Your child will select **2 electives and 2 alternates** from this list. Your elementary school will support your child in entering their selections in our system. You can find out more information on our school's website: www.wcpss.net/rolesvillems. Click under Students and click on Student Services. Information is under the Middle School Registration Tab.

It is important to note that the availability of elective courses is dependent upon each school's master schedule, and choosing an elective does not guarantee it's availability in your child's individual schedule.

Course	Description
Spanish Beginning < 1 year <i>(Course is a prerequisite for Intermediate Spanish)</i>	Major topics include greetings, colors, numbers, classroom objects, the calendar, telling time, weather expressions and geography, questions and interrogatives, likes and dislikes, pastimes, school subjects, holidays and art.
Digital Literacy (Computer Skills & Apps 1) <i>(Required that all non-band courses as this is required for any courses)</i>	This middle school course is composed of instructional modules designed to allow students to learn the touch method of keyboarding, basic digital literacy and computer knowledge, and basic word processing and document formatting skills. English language arts and mathematics are reinforced.
Exploring Environmental & Natural Resources	Emphasis on the topics of plant science, environmental and natural resources, alternative energy and leadership development is made. Students participate in hands-on- learning activities to increase their understanding of the topics. FFA competitive events, community service, and leadership activities provide the opportunity to apply essential standards through authentic experiences.
Exploring Interpersonal Relationships & Child Care	This course will give students the opportunity to explore interpersonal relationships, nutrition and wellness, child development, and interior design. Course will include opportunity for Red Cross Babysitter certification.
Introduction to Dance	This course introduces creative movement, improvisation, and choreography through basic modern dance techniques.

Visual Arts Exploratory	This course uses a variety of media that may include: drawing, painting, printmaking, mixed media, pottery and weaving. Students are introduced to art history and critical analysis of master work.
Beginning Band (Yearlong course)	Emphasis is on the acquisition of basic musical skills as students learn to play a brass (trumpet or trombone) or woodwind (flute or clarinet) instrument. Band classes prepare several concert compositions that are performed for an audience. Students should anticipate some after-school practices and evening performances.