

6TH GRADE COURSE OFFERINGS-2017/2018

STUDENT NAME _____

REQUIRED YEAR LONG COURSES:

____ Language Arts Block **(LA6)** or ____ Advanced Language Arts Block **(ADVLA6)**

____ Social Studies **(6006)**

____ Science **(6005)**

____ Math **(6004)** or ____ Advanced Math **(6004A)**

*Students will be placed in advanced courses based on the following criteria: Gifted Identification in subject area, advance scores on State Assessments, current grade in respective subject area of 90% or higher.

If your child is being placed in an Advanced class, you will be notified by letter prior to the beginning of school.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Tracey Poole, Coordinator of Middle School Instruction, at the Middle School. Mrs. Poole can be reached at 513-897-4706 or by email at tpoole@wayne-local.com.

REQUIRED ELECTIVE ROTATION

First period of the day will be when the sixth graders will rotate through four 9 week courses in order to fulfill their required electives. Students will take the following four classes in random order.

Art **(6008)**

Computer 6 **(6221)**

Health **(6014)**

Physical Education **(6019)**

MUSIC REQUIREMENT / ELECTIVES

Each student must choose a music elective from the list below. Detailed descriptions of each elective course are on the other side of this sheet.

____ Band **(6011)** YEAR

____ Choir **(6301)** YEAR

____ Music Exploration **(6013)** YEAR

PARENT SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Dear Parents,

Please help your child as he/she completes this course request form for 6th grade.

At the Middle School, all but one of the periods are filled with required courses. Therefore, 6th grade students **have one period to fill** with an elective, and it must be a music elective. Those electives are listed below with a description of each.

Band 6011-Sixth Grade Band is a course where students will learn the basics of instruments and performing in concert. Sixth Grade Band will present three concerts throughout the year, performing a range of music from holiday music to popular music.

Choir 6301 Choir is a course where students learn the basic techniques of singing: breath support, blend, balance, part-singing, ensemble, sight reading, and listening skills. Students will learn about many things spanning from different musical cultures, to music history, music theory, and basic music appreciation. This is a preparation class for seventh and eighth grade chorus. Students will present four concerts per year.

Music Exploration 6013 Music Exploration is a course that exposes students to new ways musicians are using and creating music. Students will explore various music styles and genres. Activities in this class will include, but are not limited to: Theme Song Project, Listening Log, Composer Report, Original Song Project and basic song writing using the iPad/computer. This class will challenge students' problem solving and critical thinking skills.

ADVANCED CLASSES

Depending on your child's academic progress, his/her achievement test scores, and gifted identification, he/she may have the option to take Advanced Language Arts and/or Advanced Math in 6th grade. If your child is being placed in an Advanced class, you will be notified by letter prior to the beginning of school.

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Please have your child return this sheet to his/her homeroom Teacher no later than Friday, March 31.

*****There will be a meeting, Thursday March 30 at 6:30 p.m. for fifth grade students and their parents in the MS Gym. The meeting will last about 30 minutes and will be for the purpose of discussing the transition to sixth grade. We will be discussing the daily schedule, classes available, sixth grade orientation in August, and music electives. All parents of fifth graders are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions about the meeting or this scheduling form, please contact the middle school office at 513-897-4706.