

6th graders will take the required courses of **English, Reading/Expo, Math, World History, Science, PE/Wellness and Advisory**. There are no enhanced classes offered for Denton ISD students enrolled in 6th grade.

DENTON ISD MIDDLE SCHOOLS **Elective Courses for 6th Grade**

***BEGINNING BAND 6** will provide students the exciting experience of learning to play a woodwind, brass or percussion instrument. No previous experience is needed; however, previous piano or choral experience is helpful. The 6th Grade Longhorn Band students travel to perform in many exciting concerts, contests, and recitals locally and regionally throughout the year. Please contact Mr. Stone or Mrs. Brannock at 940-369-1782 or 940-369-1783 for an Instrument Selection Appointment. **

***CHOIR 6** is made up of students divided into two choirs based on gender. Students enrolled in the course will begin developing their singing, listening, sight-reading, and music theory skills. Sixth grade choirs frequently travel to local and regional choral competitions. Enrollment requires attendance at extra-curricular activities, including concerts and various community events. **

***ORCHESTRA 6** is made up of students who have no previous experience AND students who have been in 5th grade orchestra. If you have not participated in 5th grade orchestra, you may sign up for **beginner bass** and cello class or contact Mrs. Wiest at 940-369-1786 for placement into the appropriate 6th grade Longhorn Orchestra. 6th grade orchestra students perform in many exciting concerts and contests throughout the year. Students are also encouraged to participate in Region Orchestra auditions. In addition there are various extra activities in which orchestra students are invited to participate.

ELECTIVE WHEEL Part I – For one semester, students will rotate through the following courses for six weeks of each:

INTRO TO TECHNOLOGY students will study how technology impacts the world around us. You will also be introduced to various technology topics by using computerized modules and completing hands-on activities.

CAREER INVESTIGATION is a double class which focuses on two aspects of learning. The first focus will be on the exploration of careers with hands-on activities, research, and projects. The second focus will be on the aspects of nutrition and exercise, sewing, and crafts made from reusable items.

MULTIMEDIA offers opportunities to improve computer literacy skills. Students will create a multimedia presentation while learning how to use a scanner, digital camera, clip art, sound files and more!

ELECTIVE WHEEL Part II – Students will be in one of the following courses for one semester:

ART will be an overview of the elements of art. A sixth grade art student will express what he/she sees, feels, and thinks by creating studio projects using these elements. You will create by painting, drawing and more!

THEATRE ARTS students will explore the basics of acting. Classes will focus on pantomime, improvisation, technical theatre and performance.

***Waivers are available to pay expenses of uniforms and instruments for students who qualify.**

****Students must maintain grade eligibility in order to participate in extracurricular or UIL activities.**