McCulloch Intermediate School Class of 2025 Course Selection 2018-2019
New Student 6th Grade Course Selection

Student Name & ID _____

The required core curriculum for the sixth grade includes: Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies and Physical Education.

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Please review the course descriptions and check One Elective Course below. Please choose carefully. You are making a commitment for the entire year.

_____	**Art Connection**
_____	**Band**
_____	**Choir**
_____	**Creativity/Theater**
_____	**Strings**

ART CONNECTION This class is designed to meet the needs of "budding" young artists. It incorporates the elements of art with a variety of mediums. Projects will focus on drawing, painting, and sculpture. Students will complete short sketchbook assignments and a completed work of art for each unit. A portfolio of artwork will be brought home twice a year – at the end of the first semester and at the end of the year.

BAND Everyone is welcome to sign up for band in the 6th grade with no prior musical experience necessary! Band gives each student the opportunity to master the basic skills of playing an instrument in the Brass, Woodwind or Percussion family. There are multiple performances throughout the year, some only with 6th grade and some in conjunction with the Highland Park Middle School performing bands and even with the Highland Park High School Band.

CHOIR Everyone is welcome to join 6th Grade Choir! There are no auditions. This is an exciting, energetic class where 6th graders learn the fundamentals of singing, sight-reading, and musicianship. Performance opportunities include a Fall Concert, North Park Concert, Highlander Festival, Pop Concert, Spring Festival Field Trip, All-Region Choir, and performances around the campus and community.

CREATIVITY/THEATER Each course is one semester in length**.** Creativity is a challenging and fun class that explores a range of different skills while using imagination and critical thinking. Students in creativity will spend one semester collaborating with others on creative artistic projects such as making a stop-motion-film, putting their own spin on famous works of art, and building a volcano. In Theater, students will explore basic performance skills, staging short plays, and playwriting. Theater students will perform short plays in class throughout the semester and present a performance at the end of the course.

STRINGS Enrollment in orchestra at the 6th grade level is open to all students. This course is designed to introduce and/or reinforce the fundamentals of string playing. Previous experience with string instruments is not required. The goal is to teach correct performing habits and an appreciation of music through performance of instrumental music. Students will perform throughout the year.

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