

Alder Creek Middle School
Home of the Panthers



Legal Name:

Pupil #:

School:

Teacher:

6th Grade Forecasting Sheet 2023-24

All 6th grade students will be assigned the following required courses:

Humanities (Language Arts & Social Studies)
Math
Science
PE

Students may choose ONE of the following yearlong course options:

- ☐ **Beginning Band**
- ☐ **Beginning Orchestra**
- ☐ **Beginning Choir**
- ☐ **Exploratory Wheel (FACS 6, Art 6, Music 6, AVID 6, Leadership 6)***

***Exploratory Wheel:** If you select this, you will receive a brief 9-week introduction to four of the classes listed above.

Student Name _____

Date _____

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Alder Creek Middle School 6th Grade Electives – 2023-24

Exploratory Wheel

Exploratory Wheel (Yearlong)

Fee: TBD

Repeats: No

Students who select this elective option will be randomly assigned four of the below electives for a brief, one-quarter introductory class.

Music 6: In this class, students will learn about different instruments, different genres, rhythms, finding the story in music, how to be a music researcher, and other topics related to music. We will experience music from all over the world in a way that honors a diversity of cultures. The goal is to inspire students to continue making music a daily part of their lives long after the class.

Leadership 6: This class explores the concepts of intrapersonal and interpersonal skills through activities, games, and various group challenges! This is an active approach to developing leadership skills, such as effective listening, communication, and group collaboration.

FACS 6: What is FACS? Family and Consumer Science! Topics may include consumer awareness, nutrition, kitchen safety and sanitation, and basic food preparation. All students will participate in cooking labs where their team will follow recipes in making delicious foods such as Cheesy Mexican Rice, Cinnamon Marshmallow Surprise, Smoothies and more.

Art 6: Curious about art? Not sure if you like drawing, painting, or sculpture most of all? You're in luck because in this quarter long class we try a little of everything! The focus is on exploration, self-expression, and skill development. We will study drawing/cartooning, painting and clay. Students will maintain a sketchbook/journal as part of this course.

AVID 6: AVID provides students with the necessary skills to be successful in high school, college, and future careers. The AVID elective class provides support to help students meet high expectations, both in academics and in character building. AVID helps students develop skills in communication, organization, note-taking, and time management.

Yearlong Music

Beginning Band (Yearlong)

Fee: TBD

Repeats: Yes

This class is designed for students wishing to learn to play a band instrument for the first time or who need to further develop their skills in order to qualify for upper-level bands. There will be required evening concerts, and students will be required to practice outside regular school time. The school has a limited number of instruments available. It is recommended that students rent their own instruments.

Beginning Orchestra (Yearlong)

Fee: TBD

Repeats: Yes

This class teaches students how to play songs on either violin, viola, cello, or stand-up bass for the first time. Community and finding joy in continued musical growth are key components of the class. Students will perform at several concerts throughout the year. Attendance at all performances and a concert clothes purchase are mandatory. Instrument rentals from a local music shop are preferred with a limited number of school instruments available for families who need assistance financially. I look forward to making great music with you!

Beginning Choir (Yearlong)

Fee: TBD

Repeats: Yes

This class is designed for students who want to try choir for the first time or who need to develop their skills further to qualify for an upper-level choir. Students will learn the basic fundamentals of reading music and singing with others. Students will develop their choral singing through warm ups and by exploring a variety of musical genres. Each student is expected to participate in class, in all performances, and will be responsible for wearing appropriate concert attire. Can't wait to sing together!