



6TH GRADE REGISTRATION FORM

2019-2020

Directions:

- 1) Review the elective course listings on the back side of this form.
- 2) Select your 1st choice elective class.

**Students have space in their schedule for either Full Year Music (Band, Choir or Orchestra)
or
Exploratory Rotation**

- 3) Enter your elective course selection on-line in Skyward Family Access. See attached instructions.
- 4) BOTH you & your parent/guardian sign this form.
- 5) Turn this form into your **5th Grade** teacher by Friday, April 26th.

Elective course selection (Each course is Full Year):

Exploratory Rotation: EXP 600

Beginning Band: MUS 670

Beginning Orchestra: MUS 671

Full Year Choir: MUS 602

My Choice Elective:

Exploratory Rotation or Full Year Music _____

Student Signature _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____

Date: _____

Elective Courses

Exploratory Rotation (Grade 6): In this year long course students engage in 4 quarter-long exploratory experiences. These experiences will span four of five content areas including: Leadership and Service, Art Fundamentals, Choir, Theatre and Public Communications, and Computer Fundamentals.

Exploratory Art Fundamentals– ART600

Students will discover the basic elements and principles of art; such as line, form, shape, texture, value, and color. Design in drawing, color mixing, clay hand building, art terms, and basic composition will be taught. All art students need to provide their own markers and colored pencils.

Exploratory Theatre and Communication Arts – DRA600

In the Theatre and Communication Arts quarter students are introduced to theater activities. Students increase their confidence and ability to speak in front of groups for specific purposes. Students will gain a broad overview of theatre, acting, and how telling a story can influence and impact an audience.

Exploratory Computer Fundamentals –TEC602

This quarter exploratory class provides students with the foundational knowledge they need for success in other STEM classes in file management and use of a wide variety of applications. Basic computer fundamentals support using this key tool for problem solving, critical and creative thinking, communication, and collaboration.

Exploratory Choir - MUS 601

In this portion of the elective rotation students learn basic music reading skills, vocal production and choral skills while singing with others in 2-part harmony. Students are invited to perform at the end-of-quarter concert, but may opt to take a written test in lieu of performing.

Exploratory Leadership and Service – ELE601

In the Student Leadership rotation at grade 6 students are introduced to concepts and activities that will lead to building a community of leaders, a deeper understanding of leadership and influence, and the opportunity to serve others through their actions and words. Students will engage in a variety of lessons that will explore their own leadership potential. Participation in a service project for our school or community may be a component of this class.

6th Grade Band (Full year course): Beginning Band: **MUS670**

Intermediate Band: **MUS 780**

We have a place for every interested 6th grader in band, whether a student has played in band before or not! Students new to band can choose from *flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone or percussion*. Students who have previously played before should continue with their previous instrument. In most cases, students who do not own an instrument will need to rent one and purchase a book from a music store. However, some instruments are available for families currently experiencing a financial hardship. Focus is placed on playing with proper instrumental technique, developing a good sound and learning to read music. No prior music experience is necessary.

6th Grade Orchestra (Full year course): Beginning Orchestra.: **MUS 671**

Beginning Orchestra is for students who are interested in learning to play violin, viola, cello or string bass. Focus is placed on learning to read music and proper playing technique. Students will study a wide variety of music. No prior music experience is necessary.

6th Grade Choir (Full year course): **MUS 602**

This class is for the student serious about vocal music and wanting a full year experience in 6th grade to build their choral skills. Students will learn basic music reading skills and healthy vocal production while singing in 2-part harmony. Students are expected to perform at the quarterly concerts and purchase a choir T-shirt for performances. This course is open to students in grade 6 only.

The Tahoma School District Middle Level Course Catalog is available on-line at our website www.mapleview.tahomasd.us → Our Schools → Registration Packet. The course catalog includes descriptions of both core and elective middle level classes being offered next school year for students in grades 6-8.