

2008 - 2009 Sixth Grade Electives

Course	Credit	Course Description
Art	0.5	Students will explore the elements of design: color, shape, texture, line, contrast, balance, and composition. They will use a variety of techniques, skills, and media, including basketry, fiber weaving, paper mache', clay-slab methods, raised printmaking, glasswork point paint, acrylic paint and watercolor, tie dye, oil pastels and pencil. Each lesson will begin with an overview of its origin and the Biblical history/application. Students will also explore different artists' style.
Band	1	This class is for students who have a desire to learn how to play a musical instrument. Here, each student learns how to play and care for their instrument, and how to apply several basic elements of music through practice and performance.
Chorus	0.5	This course will expose students to a variety of choral music including classical, gospel, pop, and Broadway. Students will learn to read music and apply musical terms to their expressive singing. The Biblical study of music as a form of worship, celebration, and ministry will be practiced. Performances within and outside school hours are integral to the skills developed and the corporate sense of accomplishment fostered in this course.
Introduction to World Languages	1	Explore the worlds of six languages. Students will be introduced to: Spanish, French, Latin, Italian, German, and Japanese. Students will also experience other languages and cultures. Speaking and listening will be stressed, while reading and writing are minor parts of the program. Many activities will involve group work and hands on experiences.
Keyboarding	0.5	All sixth grade students are required to take one semester of keyboarding. The purpose of this class is to teach proper keyboarding techniques, which will enable students to use the computer more efficiently.
Physical Education	0.5	This course is taught specifically from a non-athletic perspective in which all students, regardless of skill level, can achieve personal success. Athletes and non-athletes alike are challenged to improve in the areas of Christian sportsmanship, knowledge, and physical development through the use of fitness activities, health-related topics, sports, and games.
Reading for Enjoyment	0.5	This class is a time for students to relax and enjoy their favorite author. Students will share their reading experiences through class projects and presentations.
Theatre	0.5	This course will provide a foundation in the study of acting and speech. There is an emphasis on analysis and development of characters through internal and external characterization. Biblical worldview is incorporated as we analyze scripts and speeches for various presentations. Performances within and outside school hours are integral to skill development and a corporate sense of accomplishment.