### **ELECTIVE COURSES**

#### **7th Grade Band**

Prerequisite: Approval of the instructor. An audition may be required

Seventh Grade Band is designed for the second year band student. Emphasis will be placed on the continued development of technical skills, tone quality and style. Listening skills and ensemble techniques are further developed and increasingly challenging literature will be introduced. Attendance at all performances is required.

#### 127603 7th Grade Orchestra

Prerequisite: Approval of Instructor

Seventh Grade Orchestra continues to develop personal technical and performance skills for continuing students within the ensemble. Emphasis is placed on the development of listening skills, improved intonation, balance and blend, and tone quality. Proficiency is increased in music reading, analysis, and interpretation. A wide variety of orchestral repertoire is presented from many styles. Instruments are required for daily practice and all performances. Attendance is required at rehearsals and concerts.

#### 126613 Cadet Strings

Infinite Campus Name: CADET STRINGS

Grade(s): 06 - 08 Prerequisite: none

This course is designed for beginning students and students who took strings in elementary school but didn't take a full 3 years or and/or the full year of 5th grade orchestra. Students who don't have the required experience or otherwise recommended for the class should be directed into the concertino orchestra. The course will cover beginning Level strings technique including proper posture positioning, how to hold the bow, playing in first position, identifying notes on the staff, basic tone production, instrument care and maintenance, and beginning ensemble skills. Regardless of experience, there will be no expectation of experience and instruction will begin from the very beginning of learning to play a string instrument. Like our 3rd grade beginning strings class, this class will only perform once, on the final concert of the year.

## 127703 7th Grade Choir (Mixed)

Prerequisite: Instructor Approval

Seventh Grade Choir (Mixed) provides an opportunity for students to develop musically within a choral ensemble. Various styles of music will be studied with an emphasis on sight singing, vocal production, concert etiquette, and performance technique. An understanding of musical elements and terminology is reinforced. This choir will perform in various concerts throughout the year. Attendance is required at all performances.

## **Fine Arts**

#### 127543 7th Grade Music and Media

Prerequisite: none

Have you ever wanted to see how technology creates music in the 21st century? Write songs, play instruments, sing, and create your own digital music in this real-world music lab! Students will learn the fundamentals of musical elements, the industry-standard language of music and how to connect it with modern musical applications. Individual and team-based projects will be utilized. Students will also learn how to collaborate with artists in other areas to produce media.

#### 057543 7th Grade Creating Theatre Artists: Onstage & Off

Prerequisite: none

Take center stage in this interactive study of the production process! Get out of the audience and learn the basics of acting, scripting, and designing. In this course, students will learn the fundamentals of acting through improvisation, scene building, and scripted play performance. To support the action on stage, students will develop skills in technical aspects of theatre.

## 027543 **7th Grade Visual Arts Exploration**

Prerequisite: none

Explore visual art and design through hands-on learning using a wide variety of 2D and 3D materials. Students will practice critical thinking through artistic innovation and creativity. As they find their individual artistic voice, students will have a better understanding of how art connects them to their world.

# **Practical Arts**

#### 107543 Engineering Innovators

Prerequisite: None

Have you ever wished that your electronic device could do something more? Have you ever thought of a way to make something more useful or improved? Then look no further because here is your chance. Students in this course will utilize concepts of STEM to design, model, and create and modify various solutions to engineering problems. In this course students will get hands-on experience working through the engineering design process with the intention of becoming future inventors and innovators. Students will learn how to use various prototyping tools including 3D modeling software and traditional woodworking machinery. Students will solve problems while exploring topics related to flight and space, energy and the environment, science and technology as well as many other technological areas.

#### 097543 Family and Consumer Sciences Skills

Prerequisite: None

TEAM - Together Everyone Achieves More! Students in this class will work together as a team through the units of Human Relations, Food Safety and Sanitation, Culinary Arts, and Apparel & Textile Design while giving students the opportunity to build communication, collaboration and critical thinking skills. This is a hands-on course focusing on team building while utilizing problem and project based learning experiences of more advanced cooking, sewing and teaching skills for the 7th grade student.

037543 Business & Technology Creators

Infinite Campus Name: BUSINESS & TECH CREATORS

Grade(s): 07

Prerequisite: None

This intermediate level business and technology course will enable students to improve their communication and computers skills. Students will learn to utilize Microsoft products in a real business simulation that properly aligns with current industry practices through the use of Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and other presentation applications. In Business and Technology Creators students will learn how to navigate personal finances in a virtual simulation that will empower them to effectively manage their finances, make sound decisions, and become financially responsible. In addition, students will spend time learning logic and problem-solving skills through intermediate level coding and business simulations.

## **MODERN & CLASSICAL LANGUAGES**

067533 **French A** Prerequisite: None

French A is an introduction to one of the most global languages in the world. Students will study various French-speaking countries and peoples to better understand the diverse cultures that they might encounter. Students will also begin to describe themselves, family and friends, and daily life. They will speak, listen, read and write French with their classmates through paired practice, small group work, and role plays. Students will be introduced to skills, knowledge, and attitudes that will help them live and work in an increasingly global society. Upon successful completion of French A, students will be ready to take French B in 8th grade.

Prerequisite: None

Spanish A is an introduction to one of the most widely spoken languages in the world. Students will study various Spanish-speaking countries, peoples, and cultures. Students will also begin to describe themselves, family and friends, and daily life. They will speak and write with their classmates through paired practice, small group work, and role plays. Students will be introduced to skills, knowledge, and attitudes that will help them live and work in an increasingly global society. Upon successful completion of Spanish A, students will be ready to take Spanish B in 8th grade.