

2020-2021 Grade 7 Elective Course of Study

Bucyrus Middle School

Band

7th & 8th Grade Band is for third and fourth-year band students. Emphasis on fundamental musicianship is combined with additional performance opportunities, which include concerts, parades, and civic events. Performance literature includes grade-level selections as well as music that is appropriate for particular performance venues.

Note: Students may enter the band program at any grade level. Directors must be first provided with parental permission for a student to participate in the program. Arrangements will be made with parents for a time to assess which instrument most suitable for the student as well as the resources needed to acquire an instrument. There will also be initial individual instruction prior to the student's placement in band class.

Basic Art

The regular art course for 7th grade students, this class will use a wide range of art materials. Students have the opportunity to try their hand at several different types of art.

Basic Physical Education

This class is similar to our current PE classes and includes Fitness Wednesday, PACER Test, 12 minute run, and other fitness activities. This will include an introduction to team and individual sports, introduction of the weight room, safety and lifts with a beginning weight training unit that is 4-5 weeks long.

Business Foundations

This course will emphasize skills such as goal setting, decision making, communication, and time management. There will also be a focus on school and community leadership.

7/8 Career Explorations

This course will be a mix of online and teacher led lessons with additional activities in this one-semester course. Covering such essentials as developing and practicing a strong work ethic, time management, communication, teamwork, and the fundamentals of workplace organizations, Career Explorations develops not just essential skills, but the confidence in themselves and their abilities to present themselves that your child needs as they prepare to embark on their chosen careers.

Choir

Students will work on vocal production and music reading skills, including but not limited to sight-singing, music theory, beginning vocal technique, etc. Mandatory performances outside the school day will include concerts and community appearances.

Pre-Engineering I

This course is "activity oriented" to show students how technology is used in engineering to solve everyday problems. Students explore STEM careers as they participate in a project-based learning process, designed to challenge and engage them by using modeling, automation, robotics, mechanical and computer control systems, while exploring energy and the environment.

Team Sports

Students will be introduced to a combination of fundamental skills that lead into more complex movement forms. The course is also designed to elicit opportunities to advance individual skill levels in different team sports. Students will begin to experience recreational activities that will improve their personal fitness level.