

**2020-2021 Grade 6 Elective Course of Study**  
**Bucyrus Middle School**

**Band**

6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band is a second-year band class. Course content will consist of Method Book Studies and grade-level concert literature. Rehearsal emphasis will be on basic musicianship, tone-production, and note-reading. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Band meets daily and performs in a concert in the spring.

**Basic Art**

The regular art course for 6th 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.

**Career Awareness and Exploration**

Students become familiar with career options and explore their own interests through course activities. The class will include a self-assessment of educational, career and personal opportunities, identification of realistic possibilities in the work world, and analyzation of the skills, values and attitudes needed for success.

**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**

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 actively participate and complete the expectations of 6th grade Physical Education. Students will combine fundamental skills into more complex movement forms in units such as physical fitness and conditioning, rhythmic activities, gymnastics, soccer, basketball, softball, and volleyball. Students will begin to experience recreational activities such as badminton, pickleball, tennis, and golf.

**The World Around Us**

This course focuses on events taking place currently and what we can learn from them. Students will use a wide range of news sources to engage in discussions and guide their learning about a variety of topics. Students will use/improve skills from all content areas, including but not limited to reading and writing skills, geography skills, and how to find and verify reputable news sources.