

Student First and Last Name _____ Student number _____

Current Elementary School _____

Cedar Heights Middle School
6th grade 2024-2025
Electives


Dear Parents, Guardians and Future Timberwolves:

Welcome to Cedar Heights! We are excited to work with your student(s).

Please mark with an "X" if you will be taking Survey or (Band/Orchestra).

If you are currently in Band or Orchestra, please indicate so and list your musical instrument.

Classes may be adjusted based on staffing and student interests.

Survey 6	Band/Orchestra
<p>_____ Survey 6</p> <p>Survey 6 will include 2 of electives listed below.</p> <p>Art Technology Foods, Fads and Finance STEM Woodshop</p> 	<p>_____ Band: Instrument _____</p> <p>_____ Orchestra: Instrument _____</p>

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* Form will be completed at conferences in
partnership with elementary teacher

*Deadline for counselor pick-up March 6th

Art-Students will learn basic art techniques and processes and use a variety of media which may include tempera paint, acrylic paint, watercolors pastels, oil pastels, charcoal, crayon, printmaking inks, colored pencils, pens, clay, or plaster.

Technology-Introduces students to the basics of photography, photoshop and videography. Students will explore different features of a manual camera, artistic composition types, simple photoshop manipulations and video techniques featured in short films and YouTube videos. Students will spend one quarter building a portfolio of work while learning how to communicate their personal ideas using digital equipment. Classroom lessons include leadership skills and opportunities throughout the class.

Foods, Fads and Finance-This is a semester course consisting of introductions to clothing, career exploration, basic nutrition, food preparation, family relationships, and money management. The class is project-and activity-oriented.

Inventions and Innovations/STEM-Students will study the history of inventions and innovations, including their impact on society. They will learn about the core concepts of technology and the various approaches to solving problems, including engineering design and experimentation. Students will use their creativity in the invention and innovation of new products, processes, and determine how various inventions and innovations impact their lives. This course is aligned with the standards-based national model program that was developed in collaboration and consultation with the STEM Center for Teaching and Learning

Woodshop-Students will study the basic principles and processes of machine woodworking through individual and group projects. Basic personal, environmental, and shop safety concepts are included. Students will gain the ability to understand and use standard units of measurement and an integration of math skills used in manufacturing and construction.

Band-This class is offered to students who have one year of experience in elementary band class. It is also offered to students who are new to band **with the permission of the instructor.** This class continues the progress made in the first year of band. We will perform four to five times per year at evening concerts, assemblies, and parades.

Orchestra-This class is offered for students with one to two years of experience on violin, viola, cello and string bass. It is also offered to students who are new to orchestra **with the permission of the instructor.** We review basic string technique as well as more advanced concepts such as shifting, bowing skills and vibrato.