

Blackmon Road Middle School
7251 Blackmon Road
Columbus, GA 31909



6th Grade
Course Selection Guide



*Course selections will occur through Infinite Campus Student Portal

All students will have the following options for classes:

- ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS
- SOCIAL STUDIES
- MATHEMATICS
- SCIENCE
- CONNECTIONS (2)



ACADEMIC CORE CONTENT COURSES:

The level of each of the four academic core content courses is chosen based on the previous course level the student completed as well as test scores/teacher recommendation. Students are then placed into gifted, advanced, or regular levels of academic core content courses. Gifted students are only required by law to be served in one academic area. If a student is behind in ELA and/or Math, he/she may be placed in an Enrichment class instead of choosing two connections courses.



FINE ARTS COURSES:

The following fine arts courses are **year-long courses.*

53.0330066 BEGINNING BAND

Beginning Band focuses on basic instrumental skill development and music reading. The goal of this class is to teach students the proper way to hold and play a brass, percussion, or woodwind instrument with the characteristic tone quality of the instrument. Students can play their instrument of choice with the band director’s approval and recommendation. This is a performance-based class. Participation in concert performances outside of regular class hours is required.

53.0810066 BEGINNING GUITAR TECHNIQUES

Beginning Guitar students will learn to read, perform, improvise melodies, variations, and accompaniments, compose and arrange music within specified guidelines. Students will begin to understand relationships between music, the other arts, and disciplines outside the arts. Guitar must be provided by student.

53.0530066 BEGINNING ORCHESTRA

Beginning Orchestra students learn how to play a stringed instrument (violin, viola, cello, or double bass). This course focuses on building fundamental techniques necessary to play music together as an orchestra. The course teaches skills in reading, rhythm, listening, theory, and music history. All first year students are loaned a school instrument free of charge.

50.0110066 INTRO TO ART

Intro to Art is designed to give a sampling of art projects that emphasize the elements and principles of art. Students develop an understanding and appreciation of self and others through art history, culture, and heritage. A variety of media and techniques create an active learning experience.

52.0110066 INTRO TO THEATRE ARTS

Into to Theatre Arts allows students to explore acting and improvisation. They will learn the basic techniques of acting, character development, and voice development. Presentation skills and scriptwriting will be introduced.

54.0130066 BEGINNING CHORUS

Beginning Chorus provides opportunities to develop performance skills and knowledge in ensemble singing. The course may include any style period music. This class covers performance and production, analysis and theoretical studies, historical and cultural influences, creative aspects of music and appreciation of music. Stresses balance of individual progress and group success.

CONNECTIONS COURSES:

The following courses are **one semester in length.*

07.0830063 FOUNDATIONS OF BUSINESS

ADMINISTRATION- GRADE 6:

Foundations of Business Administration uses project based instruction to introduce students to the principles of business in the 21st century. Students build a knowledge base of computer applications, information systems, and internet safety. Careers in this area are also explored. Students will have exposure to networking and programming.

25.0330066 HEALTHCARE SCIENCE GRADE 6:

Healthcare Science Therapeutic Services/Application Anatomy provides students with an introduction to healthcare careers, the safety procedures and skills required to succeed in this field. The course will enable students to receive exposure to healthcare science skills, wellness, and preventative care, and the responsibilities of today’s healthcare provider.



PHYSICAL EDUCATION:

The following course is a **year-long course.*

36.0070067 PHYSICAL/HEALTH EDUCATION GRADE 6:

Physical Education/Health students perform complex combinations of movement specific to game, sport, rhythms, and/or physical activity settings. Specialized skills are adapted to meet the requirements of increasingly complex strategies. Students will examine the interrelationships of emotional, physical, social, and intellectual health, and how each aspect of health can be impacted by their surroundings.



ACADEMIC SUPPORT COURES:

The following courses are **year-long courses, and administrative placement can occur based on the academic needs of students who have experience failing grades in ELA and/or math as well as low Lexile scores.*

23.0112066 LANGUAGE ARTS ENRICHMENT /GRADE 6:

Language Art Enrichment focuses on extending the reading experience through a more complete study and analysis of literature. The student will refine his or her skills in writing quality essays and narratives. Writing will focus on styles, the use of strong diction, refining, editing, and proofreading.

27.0217063 MATH ENRICHMENT /GRADE 6:

Math Enrichment focuses on four critical areas: (1) connecting ratio and rate to whole number multiplication and division (2) completing understanding of division of fractions (3) writing, interpreting, and using expressions and equations and (4) developing understanding of statistical thinking.



A course selection date for students and instruction sheet will be emailed to all parents in upcoming days.
Look for this email on completing your child’s course selection for 2021-2022.