7th gr. Electives

MINI Courses

All courses are 1 year in length

JBMI710 * ***When requesting the MINI course, you only need to enter THIS course code. Enter only once.*** *****
Students will rotate through and experience 4 of the courses listed below. Each "mini" course is 9 weeks in length. 9 week minis are randomly assigned.

ART
9 weeks
This course is a study of various media and techniques used in art today. Two-dimensional art is taught with an emphasis on creativity and an understanding of processes. Students may enter their artwork in the school's spring exhibit.

COMPUTERS
9 weeks
This course focuses on establishing basic computer skills. Computer terminology and keyboarding skills are stressed. Also included are units on word processing, drawing, painting, and hypermedia. This is a hands-on class where students are involved in entering and editing data, saving, and printing their work.

DRAMA
9 weeks
This course is a study of various aspects of theatre. Topics will include acting, movement, stage vocabulary, and oral speaking. Units of study will include monologues, skit writing, improvisation, theatre design, one-act-plays, and creative dramatics.

INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY
9 weeks
This course focuses on establishing basic skills in graphic communication, construction, communication using problem solving, life management, and academic skills.

S.T.E.M.
9 weeks
This course introduces students to STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) experiences in a project-based environment and connects these experiences to the Arizona College and Career Ready Standards for mathematics. Topics include the use of computers in mathematical problem solving, technical writing and drawing, applications of fluid power, coordinate geometry, data analysis and statistics.

MUSIC APPRECIATION
9 weeks
This is a non-performance class that explores music of various styles through listening and discussion experiences. A variety of musical styles will be explored. Styles may include classical, folk, musical theater, jazz, pop, rock and music from other cultures. Common activities include listening, discussion, projects and presentations.

DRAMA I

JCDR700
This course is an introductory study of various aspects of theatre. Major topics will include acting, movement, stage vocabulary, and oral speaking. Units of study will include monologues, skit writing, improvisation, theatre design, one-act-plays, and creative dramatics.

CHORUS 7

JMU700 ***Girls Chorus***
JMU900 ***Boys Chorus***
This course is a study of beginning and intermediate music fundamentals: sight-reading skills with emphasis on solfége, good intonation, sound production, and performance skills. The intent of this course is to encourage and achieve competency in areas of unison to three-part choral singing. The chorus also serves as a school representative at various community, district and statewide events.

BEGINNING ORCHESTRA 7

JMU955
No Prerequisite Required
The course is for students interested in learning to play a string instrument for the first time or learning a new instrument. This course is a study of the basic elements of music, tone production, note reading and skill development. The major topics covered in this class will be string methods and concert preparation.

ORCHESTRA 7

JMU730
Prerequisite: Previous string experience
This string ensemble covers fundamental and intermediate orchestra skills including tuning, vibrato, scales, third and second positions. Concerts will include classical, fiddling, and pop music.

BEGINNING BAND 7

JMU950
No Prerequisite Required
This course is a study of the basic elements of music tonal production and skill development. The major topics covered in this class will be Band Method I and concert preparation. This is for students interested in learning to play a band instrument for the first time or learning a new instrument.

BAND 7

JMU750
Prerequisite: Previous band experience
This course is a study of basic fundamental technical development and large ensemble performance. The major topics covered in this class will be Band Method II and traditional and contemporary band music. Other features of this course are participation in school assembly programs and evening concerts. This is for seventh grade students who have played their band instruments for more than one year.

Every effort will be made to provide students their top choices.
However, elective class availability is limited and subject to change.