

Richland School District



Course Catalog

Grades 6 - 8

2009-2010

Carmichael Middle School
Chief Joseph Middle School
Enterprise Middle School

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6-8 Middle School

Course Description Catalog

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Middle Schools

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Dear Students,

I am very pleased to have the opportunity to showcase the courses available in our secondary school system. There is both breadth and depth in course offerings to prepare every student for future career paths. The purpose of the course catalog is to provide an opportunity for every family to thoughtfully work together with the schools in developing a unique set of courses for their student.

Follow your passions and try new things. Experience elective coursework in photography, musical theatre, jazz band, ceramics, and world languages! You may discover a talent that can turn into a career. Classes build on previous skills so thoughtfully choose your course work. Challenge yourself! This is your time to explore and we have teachers that will share their enthusiasm and expertise to help you realize your dreams.

The key to success is careful planning. That is why I encourage you to study this course guide, to involve your parents in your selections. Counselors and teachers are excited to have the opportunity to help you be successful. We have confidence in you and in your future!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jean M. Lane". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jean M. Lane
Superintendent

General Information

The purpose of the common course catalog is to provide students and parents with an overview of secondary offerings in the Richland School District. The important connection of middle school to high school offerings is one to carefully consider in developing future plans for each of our students. Prerequisites are listed for some courses and serve as an indicator of skills needed to be successful in the class. You will find that teachers, counselors, and principals are anxious to provide information to help you make important course decisions. We also welcome questions and input to continue offering quality instruction at all levels of the school system.

Teachers and principals strive to offer a wide variety of courses each year. **These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing. Certain courses in the catalog will be offered only if there are enough students who register in the spring to fill the class.** Select courses carefully. The choices made will determine student schedules for fall semester. Changes in student schedules will be done only under exceptional circumstances.

The Richland School District complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, or disability in education programs, services and activities.

Successful Completion of Middle School

Successful completion of middle school coursework is expected for all students. Completion occurs when a student meets the academic expectations of the required program. Students who experience difficulty in coursework will be assigned to tutorial and/or placed in an academic support course that runs either during the school day, before or after school, or in the summer. The high school to which an eighth grade student will be assigned may also require enrollment in academic support classes.

Middle School Course Requirements

- Three years of Language Arts taken in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.
- Three years of Mathematics taken in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.
- Three years of Science taken in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.
- Three years of Social Studies taken in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.
- Three semesters of Physical Education (one semester taken in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade).
- Two quarters of Health (one quarter taken in 6th and 7th grade).
- Electives/Exploratories

Information about the Washington State Essential Academic Learning Requirements (EALRs) may be found at www.k12.wa.us.

Exploratory & Elective Courses

Exploratories are classes that provide stimulating and enriching experiences to help young adolescents become aware of their interests before they are required to make decisions regarding educational options. Exploratories are fairly short in duration, provide opportunities for students to participate actively, and hold students accountable for completing activities, but do not impose mastery as a criterion.

Electives are designed to continue the skills foundation of the exploratory program and to allow students to expand beyond the required curriculum to pursue personal interests through choice of classes.

Opportunities may be available for students to serve as an office, library, or classroom aide. These opportunities are by application only. For additional information contact your school counselor.

Middle School Grading: Reporting Student Progress

Report cards will be mailed home to parents or guardians at the semester in January and at the end of the school year. Students will be given their report cards for first and third quarters to take home. Progress reports are prepared by our teachers at the mid-term of each quarter. For students who are earning a C- or lower at the mid-quarter, mid-quarter reports will be mailed to the student's parents or guardians.

In some cases we have found that students and parents need more formal communication of the student's progress. The majority of these concerns can be addressed by using a planner. However, we do have a progress reporting system that would offer two additional formal progress reports for each quarter in addition to the mid-quarter and report cards. If you are interested in this program, please contact one of our counselors.

Credit for High School Courses Taken In Middle School

State law and district policy allow 7th and 8th grade students to receive high-school credit for some middle school courses. High school credit for designated middle school courses may be requested once the student is in high school. The request can be made at any time up to the point a student graduates from high school. **NOTE:** Once the grades are recorded on the high school transcript the grade and credit **cannot** be removed.

Attendance

Regular school attendance is a prime ingredient for mastery of the educational program offered to students of the district. In addition, it is recognized that classroom interaction between teacher and students can enrich and clarify knowledge of subject matter beyond the mere accumulation of factual data. Therefore, students' grades in all courses taught may be affected by absence or tardiness.

Counseling Program

Students should contact a counselor if they have questions about transitions between schools, registration, or course selection. Each middle school Counseling Center provides:

- Academic Counseling
- Peer Mediation
- Anger Management & Conflict Resolution
- Assessment
- Coordinating resources for students and parents

Accelerated Courses – Highly-Capable Program

Advanced Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies courses are offered at each grade level in all Richland School District middle schools. These courses provide opportunities for our highest-achieving middle school students to be challenged at a level more appropriate to their achievement and ability levels.

Students must qualify to participate in the Hi-Cap program. Entry criteria for the program are detailed below. For further details about the Hi-Cap program, please contact your building Hi-Cap Specialist or the District Hi-Cap Director:

Carmichael MS – Rhonda Howard @ 967-6425 or Rhonda.Howard@rsd.edu

Chief Joseph MS – Laurie Tuiaea @ 967-6400 or Laurie.Tuiaea@rsd.edu

Enterprise MS – Doug Lane @ 967-6200 or Doug.Lane@rsd.edu

District Director – Mike Johnson @ 967-6425 or Mike.Johnson@rsd.edu

Level 1 Entry: Students meeting criteria for RSD gifted/talented educational programs. Students with qualifying Spring MAP scores (minimum 95th percentile on Reading *and* Math) will be provided the opportunity to take the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test. Students scoring at or above the 90th percentile on the OLSAT will be offered access to all services available in the Hi-Cap program and placed on an Individualized Learning Plan (ILP).

Level 2 Entry: Students tested using the Otis-Lennon (based on Level 1 criteria) and within the standard error (approximately 3.6%) will be rank-ordered within level 2, using a composite score based on MAP Math, MAP Reading, and Otis-Lennon. Students will be offered access to all services on a space-available basis.

Level 3 Entry: Open Seats

Students are evaluated using criteria designed for individual programs (see below). Entry into programs will be on a space-available basis and selected by a committee including a principal, counselor, and Hi-Cap Specialist. Students will be placed in program in late August.

Science:

Step 1: Students are rank-ordered using a composite score from the Spring MAP.
7th-8th: Math, Reading, and the average score from the General Science and Concepts & Processes tests
6th: Math and Reading only
Step 2: Teacher recommendations will be solicited.
Step 3: Other available information, including WASL scores, intelligence tests, grades, and parental input will be considered.
Step 4: Students will be selected on a space-available basis.

Language Arts & Social Studies:

Step 1: Students are rank-ordered based on the Spring MAP Reading scores.
Step 2: Teacher recommendations will be solicited.
Step 3: Other available information, including WASL scores, intelligence tests, grades, and parental input will be considered.
Step 4: Students will be selected on a space-available basis.

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I communicate with my child's teacher?

You can contact teachers by phone, email, and parent connect or through pre-arranged conferences.

How do students find out about school calendar and extra-curricular activities?

Parent newsletters, school website, morning announcements, and daily bulletins

How does a student qualify for honors math?

Students qualify for honors math through test scores and teacher recommendations from the previous school year.

What services are available for struggling students?

Our schools provide after school homework assistance and added classroom support.

How much homework time should be set aside daily?

Though course requirements may vary, students should set aside 45 minutes to 1½ hours each weekday for homework. We encourage parents to be actively involved during homework time.

How does a parent become involved at the middle school level?

The middle school Parent Teacher Associations (PTA) offer parents many options for involvement. Clubs and activities rely on parent involvement for success. Volunteers are also welcome during lunch.

What do I do if my child must miss school?

- Parent calls the school
- Student requests missed work from teacher
- For an extended absence, homework may be requested

Does the school provide a planning calendar?

Yes, students will receive their planner on the first day of school.

Contact counselor if you have specific questions about:

- Adjusting to Middle School
- Student Schedules
- Arranging parent/teacher conferences
- Friendship Issues
- Special Programs

Ways to be Successful in Middle School

1. Be at school everyday, on time and ready to learn.
2. Make friends –talk to people you don't know
3. Use your school planner to track assignments and plan ahead
4. Give your teacher the chance to help you – don't ever be afraid to ask for help
5. Be respectful of other student and staff members by following school rules and expectations
6. Get involved in school activities
7. Have a good attitude about school and always give it your best
8. Complete homework assignments – it prepares you for high school success!
9. Don't ever give up, keep on trying and remember to HAVE FUN!

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Middle School

Home & Family <i>Quarter</i> <i>(Not offered at CJMS)</i> <i>Grade 6</i>	Technology <i>Quarter</i> <i>Grade 6</i>
Home & Family <i>Quarter (CMS)</i> <i>Semester (EMS)</i> <i>(Not offered at CJMS)</i> <i>Grade 7</i>	Technology <i>Quarter except at</i> <i>EMS a semester</i> <i>Grade 7</i>
Home & Family <i>Semester</i> <i>Grade 8</i>	Technology <i>Semester</i> <i>Grade 8</i>

High School

Business Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">AccountingBusiness LawCareer ChoicesComputer Applications 1, 2, 3 & 4Consumer EconomicsWeb Page DesignWork-Based LearningWritten Communications	Family & Consumer <ul style="list-style-type: none">Careers in EducationCreative FoodsEarly Childhood EducationIndependent LivingInterior DesignPersonal ChoicesTextiles-Clothing	Marketing Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">EntrepreneurshipFashion MerchandisingFinancial Services MarketingFloral Design and Marketing 1 & 2Introduction to MarketingMarketing Management/Business Management 1 & 2Sports and Entertainment MarketingStudent Store Management
Health Science Careers <ul style="list-style-type: none">Athletic Training Students Assistant (ATSA) PracticumHealthcare InternshipSports Medicine 1 & 2	Technology Education <ul style="list-style-type: none">Advanced Computer EngineeringAdvanced Engineering DesignAdvanced MetalsComputer Engineering/A+ CertificationEngineering DesignMaterials Science TechnologyMetalsWood Technology Lab	Trade & Industry <ul style="list-style-type: none">Advanced Systems MechanicAuto CareBasic Systems MechanicNetwork+

Technology Exploratory

Course #8060/8160/8260

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 6-8
 Length: Quarter Satisfies: Exploratory

Working individually and collaboratively, students will increase confidence and proficiency in the area of technology using presentation skills, business skills, and multimedia. This course is designed to provide an interactive, collaborative learning community that fosters the development of a technologically competent person. A variety of introductory skills will be developed using software related to the areas of office productivity, information literacy, graphic design, and multimedia. In addition, students will look at internet safety and ethics. Cross-curricular assignments, projects, activities, and discussions will be used to hone these skills, and to explore these topics.

6th Grade Integrated Technology

Course #1080

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph Open to: Grade 6
 Length: Quarter Satisfies: Exploratory

This class will focus on skills needed to make powerful presentations. Students will learn how to speak before a group, design visual aids, and use technology to enhance presentations.

6th Grade Home and Family Life

Course #8010

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 6
 Length: Quarter Satisfies: Exploratory

Students will be given an introduction to the many areas of Home & Family Life. Students will study acceptable manners and babysitting. They will learn sewing skills by making a simple sewing project using hand stitches. Students will also explore beginning food preparation by participating in a variety of cooking experiences. Healthy eating is emphasized.

7th Grade Home and Family Life

Course #8110

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
 Length: Quarter / Semester Satisfies: Exploratory

Students will participate in a variety of practical home activities. Course content includes time management, organization, laundry, hand sewing, families, child care, nutrition, and cooking. Students will create a sewing project and prepare foods.

8th Grade Home and Family Life

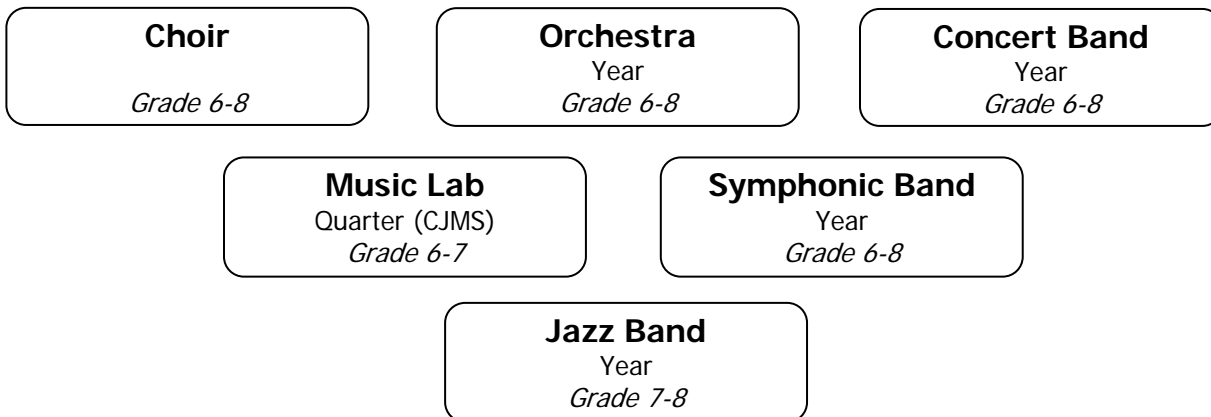
Course #8210

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
 Length: Semester Satisfies: Exploratory

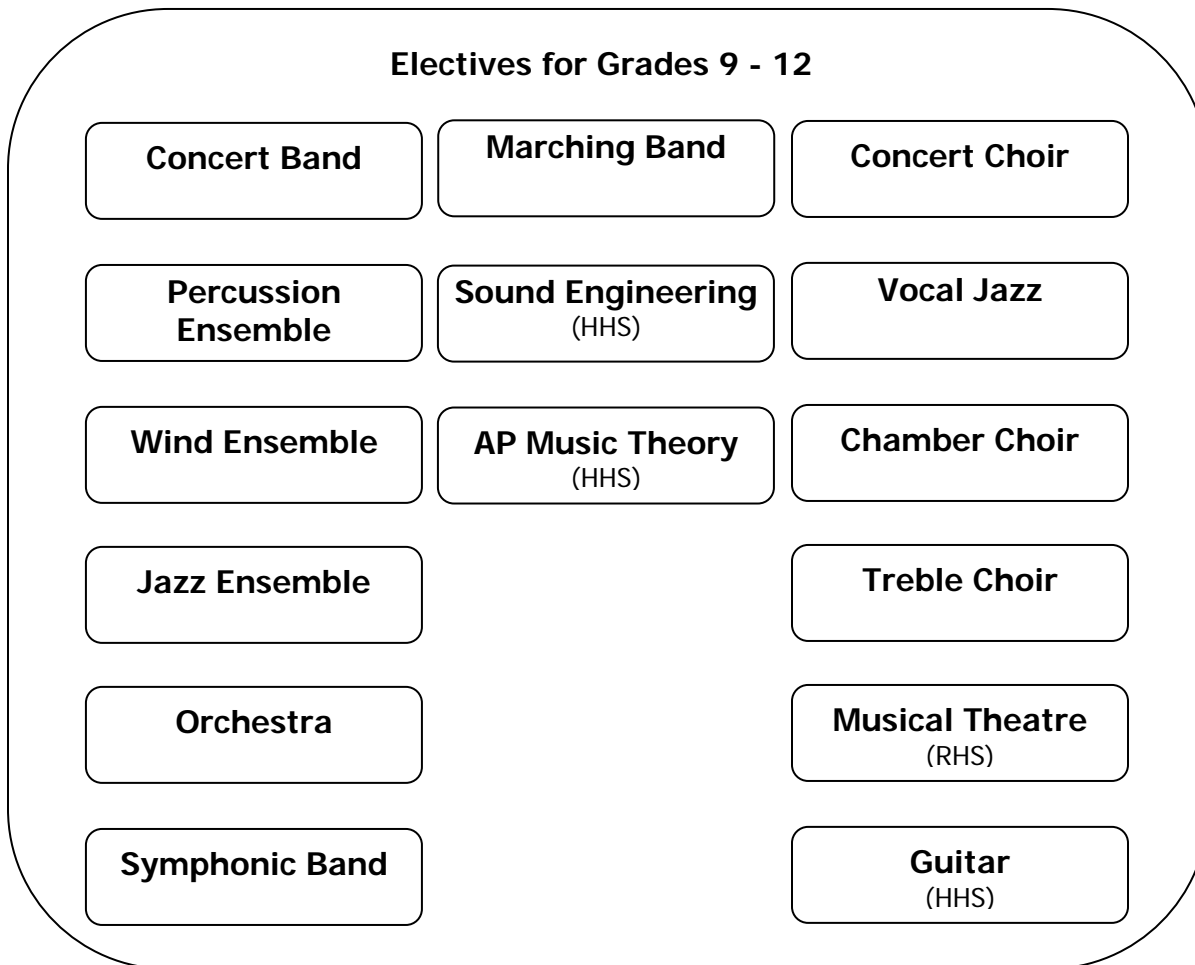
Topics explored in this course include clothing selection and care, hand sewing skills, basic home care, money management, child development, and foods and nutrition.

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

Middle School



High School



Concert Band

Course #7010

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 6-8
 Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

This is a non-audition group requiring previous band experience or a positive and willing attitude for learning. Concert Band meets the needs of beginning, medium, and upper-intermediate students. Students are required to complete assignments and participate in out-of-class performances.

Symphonic Band

Course #7216

Prerequisite: 6th Grade Band or previous comparable experience
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 6-8
 Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

Symphonic Band is an audition-based ensemble to meet the needs of intermediate to advanced students. Students are required to complete assignments and participate in out-of-class performances.

Jazz Band

Course #7730/7731

Prerequisite: Concert or Symphonic Band
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 7-8
 Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

Jazz Band is an advanced ensemble designed as a year-long introduction to various jazz styles including swing, Latin, and rock music. Students are offered a thorough study of each style through listening, performing, and improvising. The Jazz Band will perform at various concerts and festivals around the Northwest. The Jazz Band is an audition-based ensemble that is meant to create a more diverse musical experience for Concert and Symphonic Band students.

Music Lab

Course #7020/7120

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Chief Joseph Open to: Grades 6-7
 Length: Quarter Satisfies: Elective

Students experience various styles of music through performance, practice, participation, and sharing. Throughout the quarter students will have opportunities to share with fellow students in piano recitals, African drum circles, analysis of their music, musical analysis, and basic music theory.

Orchestra**Course #7240**

Prerequisite:	None	Open to:	Grades 6-8
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Satisfies:	Elective
Length:	Year		

Orchestra is designed for beginners and students with prior experience in elementary school orchestra. Students will develop technical proficiency, enjoyment, and musical understanding of string instruments (violin, viola, cello, and bass), and be introduced to string literature and the history of the string orchestra. Students are required to provide their own instruments in most cases, and must purchase method books. This class will perform in concerts and possible field trips that require time outside of class.

Concert Choir**Course #7234**

Prerequisite:	None	Open to:	Grades 6-8
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Satisfies:	Elective
Length:	Quarter / Semester		

Students will learn basic singing skills and techniques. We combine a study of basic music theory and vocal tone production in preparation for performances at evening concerts at the end of each quarter.

Symphonic Choir**Course #7236**

Prerequisite:	Teacher approval	Open to:	Grades 7-8
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Satisfies:	Elective
Length:	Semester / Year		

All students in Symphonic Choir must audition or have teacher approval. Advanced singing skills include the ability to match pitch, follow along and/or read music, and blend with others. This choir will explore and perform varying levels and styles of choral literature in several languages and include music theory studies. This class will have required evening and weekend concerts.

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

Middle School

Beginning
Drama

Intermediate
Drama

High School

Electives for Grades 9 - 12

Drama 1

Theater
Production

Drama 2

Advanced Theater
Production
(HHS only)

Advanced
Drama
(HHS only)

Intro to
Theater
(RHS only)

Beginning Drama: Storytelling**Course #1050**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 6
Length: Quarter Satisfies: Elective

Learning how to listen to and to tell good stories will be the primary focus of the class. Every quarter will have a different emphasis, but students can count on sharing personal memories, reading or hearing stories from all times and all over the world, looking for good stories, and preparing and telling good stories.

Intermediate Drama**Course #1252**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 7-8
Length: Semester Satisfies: Elective

Students learn about movement and acting as they become more comfortable speaking before a live audience. Improvisational games and scenes form much of the curriculum and leads to short performances. Other important aspects of theater, including the American Musical, technical theater, puppetry, Shakespeare, and design will be explored.

Speech / Public Speaking**Course #1070**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph Open to: Grade 6
Length: Quarter Satisfies: Exploratory

This course is designed to prepare the students to comfortably and clearly communicate in a public speaking forum. Utilizing the communication EALRs, the students are trained in improvisation, followed by persuasive and expository speaking. Students will be required to make presentations requiring eye contact, poise, proper organization and visuals in presenting student chosen topics.

Debate**Course #1260**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph Open to: Grade 8
Length: Semester Satisfies: Exploratory

This course is designed to introduce students to a process/problem-solving approach to current issues. Experience with the Lincoln-Douglas format develops reasoning, creative-thinking, and research skills. Students will become more skilled at speaking publicly, thinking quickly, and responding under pressure by competing in debates about current issues.

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

Middle School

Art

Quarter -Elective
Grade 6

Art

Quarter -Elective
Grade 7

Art

Semester -Elective
Grade 8

High School

Electives for Grades 9 - 12

Studio Art 1

Recommended or Pre-requisite for Most Classes

Photo 1

Studio Art 2

Ceramics 1

Photo 2

Advanced Art

Ceramics 2

Digital Photo-Illustration
(HHS only)

Jewelry Metals
1

Ceramics –
Individual Study

Studio Photo
(HHS only)

Jewelry Metals 2
(HHS only)

Sculpture 1

TV Production &
Broadcasting 1

Advanced Jewelry
Metals
(HHS only)

Year Book Staff
Photographer
(HHS only)

TV Production &
Broadcasting 2

AP Studio Art

Photographic
Studio Assistant
(HHS only)

6th Grade Art**Course #7050**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 6
Length: Quarter Satisfies: Elective

This course covers drawing, painting, mixed media, and ceramic sculpture as students learn and apply the elements and the principles of art.

7th Grade Art**Course #7150**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
Length: Quarter or Semester Satisfies: Elective

Students will learn to apply the elements of art to creatively solve visual situations. Students explore art media that may include colored pencils, drawing, watercolor, chalk, oil pastels, block prints, mixed media and ceramic sculpture.

8th Grade Art**Course #7250**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Semester Satisfies: Elective

This course reinforces elements and principles of art from the 6th and 7th grade programs by applying those "tools" to art history and process art. Students will enjoy several mediums such as drawing, painting, mixed media, found objects, and ceramic sculpting focusing on two- and three-dimensional artwork. Projects will be linked to art history lessons, self-evaluation, and critical thinking skills.

Middle School

Health
(1 quarter)
Grade 6

Health
(1 quarter)
Grade 7

High School

Health
(1 semester)
During 9th or 10th Grade

6th Grade Health

Course #4050

Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise
 Length: Quarter
 Open to: Grade 6
 Satisfies: Requirement

This course provides students with understanding for healthful and safe living. Students will participate in activities and discussions about nutrition and fitness, decision-making, stress management, self-esteem, healthy relationships, refusal skills, substance abuse/use, communicable (including AIDS) and non-communicable diseases, injury prevention and personal safety.

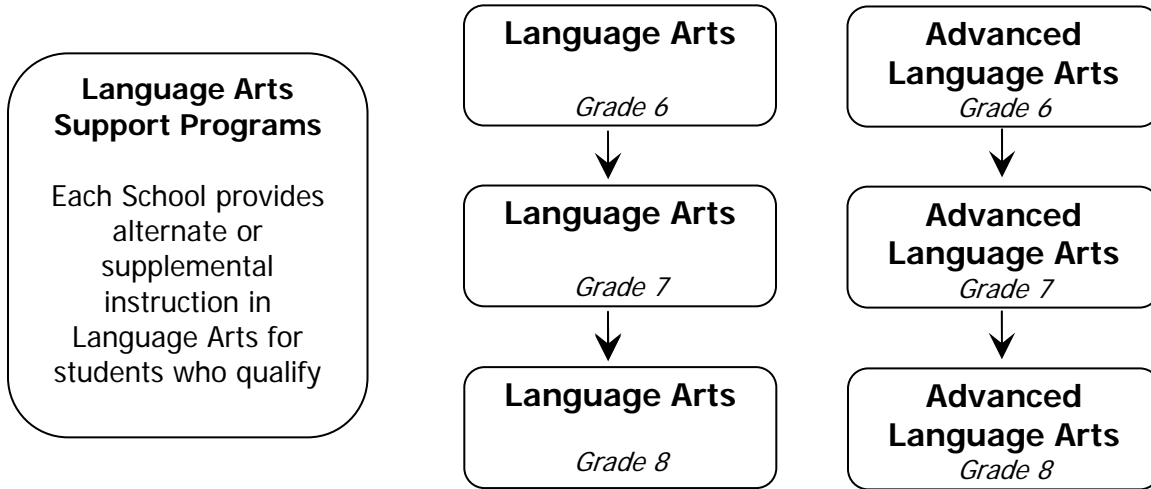
7th Grade Health

Course #4150

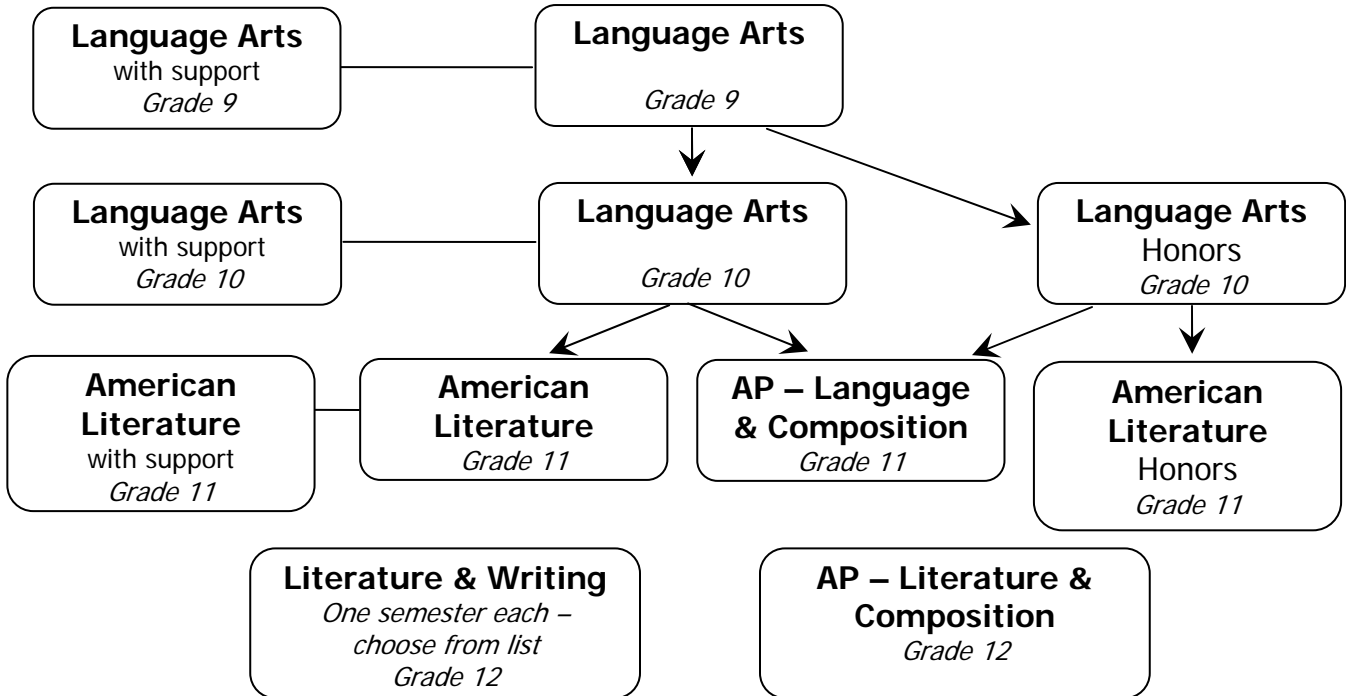
Prerequisite: None
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise
 Length: Quarter
 Open to: Grade 7
 Satisfies: Requirement

Students will continue learning about living healthy and safe lives. Information from this class will follow Washington State Health curriculum guidelines. Activities and discussions will center on the topics of nutrition, fitness, body systems, healthy relationships, decision-making, stress management, mental and emotional health, communicable diseases (including AIDS) and non-communicable diseases, and drug abuse/use.

Middle School



High School



See Course Catalog for Complete Listing of Elective Offerings for Grades 11-12

6th Grade Language Arts**Course #1010**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Literature to be studied will include novels, poetry, short stories, folk tales, drama, and non-fiction with the purpose of allowing students to experience and enjoy a wide variety of written materials. The novels studied focus on diversity of characters and events as well as the many ways people endure through change and conflict. Students will also review, develop, and strengthen their abilities in writing by focusing on the writing process with special emphasis on Content and Ideas, Organization, Style (COS), and Conventions (CON). Students will be introduced to the five-paragraph essay and will write using a variety of genres for a variety of purposes. Enhance reading strategies across the curriculum.

Advanced 6th Grade Language Arts**Course #1034**

Prerequisite:	Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Language Arts		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Studies will focus on advanced reading with both individual choice and group texts and will include a strand on author styles. Advanced writing will focus on the writing process with particular emphasis on revision, and include an individualized workshop approach. Narrative techniques, expository forms and persuasive modes will be featured. Discussion techniques and critical thinking will be enhanced by use of Socratic Seminar.

7th Grade Language Arts**Course #1110**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 7
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Literature to be studied will include novels, short-stories, poetry, and plays with literal as well as figurative journeys. Writing will reinforce skills learned in 6th grade while stressing analysis of students' own writing and the writing of others. Instruction will focus on the writing process with emphasis on Content and Ideas, Organization, Style (COS), and Conventions (CON). Students will continue to develop their skills in writing a cohesive five-paragraph essay (narrative, expository, and persuasive.) Continue to enhance reading strategies across the curriculum.

Advanced 7th Grade Language Arts**Course #1134**

Prerequisite:	Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Language Arts		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 7
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Studies will focus on advanced reading, writing, and discussion with particular emphasis on the varied purposes and approaches for both reading and writing. Grammar usage studies including analysis of parts of speech will be enhanced by a study of Greek and Latin stems. Writing workshop is also offered for part of the year. Several literary forms will be compared including the short story, poetry, non-fiction, drama, classical myths, and the novel.

8th Grade Language Arts

Course #1210

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Literature to be studied will include novels, short-stories, poetry, and plays about adolescents' struggles to define themselves. Through written composition students will explore relationships between literature and their own lives. Students will discuss solutions to problems, create dialogue on paper, and write in a variety of genres using more sophisticated and appropriate Content and Ideas, Organization, Style (COS), and Conventions (CON). As they write various types of essays using all components of the writing process, students will also master the basics of the five-paragraph essay introduced and practiced in previous years. Continue to enhance reading strategies across the curriculum.

Advanced 8th Grade Language Arts

Course #1234

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Language Arts
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will focus on advanced reading and writing methods. Techniques may include literature circles and discussions involving Socratic Seminar. Holocaust studies will be enriched by utilizing varied resources which may lead to an open-ended project. Vocabulary instruction involving Greek and Latin stems is offered, as well as a workshop approach to student-centered writing for part of the year. All modes of writing are addressed, with particular emphasis on persuasion.

Reading

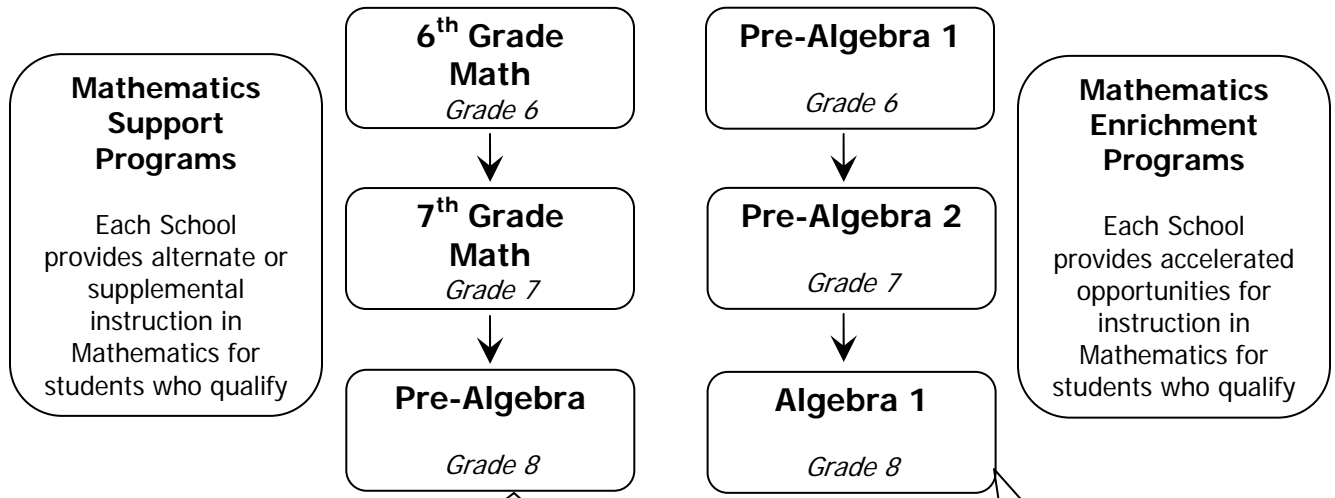
Course #1020/1122/1222

Prerequisite: Placement
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 6-8
Length: Quarter to Year Satisfies: Exploratory

This class is designed to help those students who are struggling with reading skills. The class focuses on comprehension, decoding, and fluency.

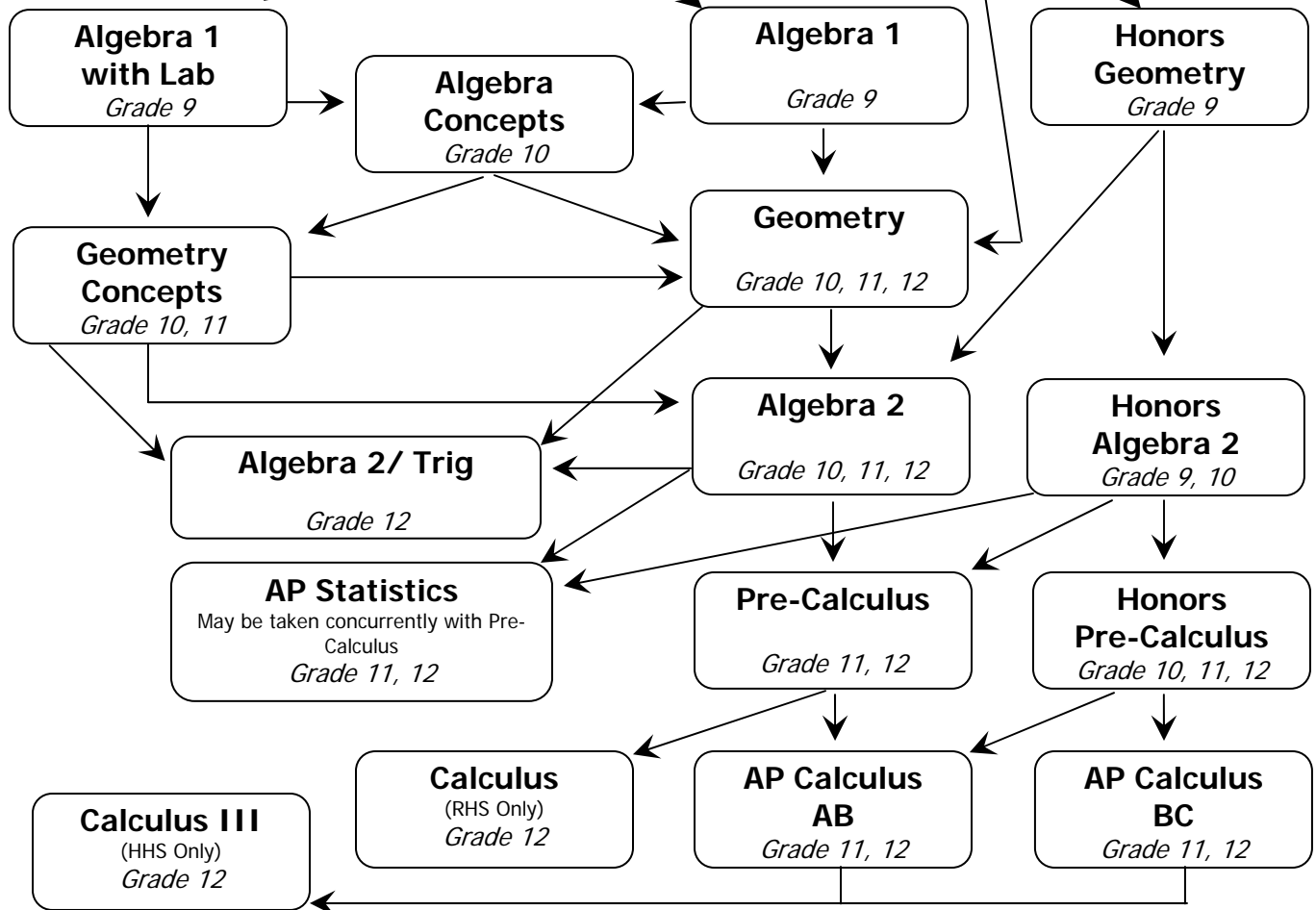
Middle School

Each course one year



High School

Each course one year



6th Grade Math**Course #2010**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open To:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

This course reviews the study of numbers and their properties. The primary focus for the year will be on rational numbers and their operations (fractions, decimals, and percents). There will also be an emphasis on basic computation skills, mental math, probability, geometric sense, problem solving and mathematical communication.

Pre-Algebra 1**Course #2020**

Prerequisite:	5 th Grade Spring MAP score of 235 or above, 4 th Grade WASL score of Level 4 and 5 th Grade Teacher recommendation		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open To:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Course content includes a review of numbers and their properties, the study of rational numbers (fractions, decimals, and percents) and their relationships, probability, measurement, graphing and statistics, and geometric sense. Topics in pre-algebra will also be introduced. Problem solving and communication will be emphasized.

7th Grade Math**Course #2110**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open To:	Grade 7
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

In this course students learn to recognize and generalize patterns and relationships and apply this knowledge to increasingly more difficult problems. The units will cover an introduction to Algebra, similarity of figures, proportional reasoning, 3-D measurement, integers, linear relationships, probability, and statistics.

Pre-Algebra 2**Course #2120**

Prerequisite:	MAP score of 238 or higher. "B" or better in 6 th Grade Honors and Teacher recommendation		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open To:	Grade 7
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

This course concentrates on solving one-step and multi-step equations and inequalities; operations with fractions and exponents; linear equations and graphing; area, volume, and surface area; right triangles and an introduction to trigonometry; and an introduction to simplifying and solving polynomial expressions and equations.

Pre-Algebra**Course #2210**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open To:	Grade 8
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Course content includes one-step and multi-step equations and inequalities; operations with fractions; ratios, proportions, and percents; area, volume, and surface area; an introduction to linear equation and inequalities and graphing; and an introduction to simplifying polynomial expressions. Mastery of this course should prepare a student for success in ninth grade algebra.

Algebra 1

Course #2440/2441

Prerequisite: "B" or better in Pre-Algebra, Teacher recommendation
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open To: Grade 8
 Length: Year Satisfies: 1.0 HS Math Credit (optional)

Topics in the first semester of this course include operations on signed numbers, linear equations and inequalities, properties of polynomials, graphing linear equations and inequalities, and an introduction to absolute value. The second half of the year includes solving systems of equations, polynomials in more than one variable, radicals and radical expressions, rational algebraic expressions, and a brief introduction to quadratic equations. The foundations of algebra and its relationship to geometry will be explored with emphasis placed on practical applications to many different fields. This is a good basic course for students with technical careers or college in mind. (Parents may request this course count for high school credit. – see page 4)

Geometry

Course #2550/2551

Prerequisite: Successful completion of Algebra 1
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grades 8
 Length/Credit: Year / 1.0 credit Satisfies: 1.0 Math

This course continues to develop the concepts in Algebra through an emphasis on coordinate graphing and measurement. It is a study of proofs in geometric settings followed by applications relating to areas, perimeters, circumference, and angle measures of various polygons and circles. Some study is done in relation to special topics such as prisms, pyramids, spheres, cylinders, and cones. This is an essential course for all college bound students and students interested in engineering, business, and technical fields. (Parents may request this course count for high school credit. – see page 4)

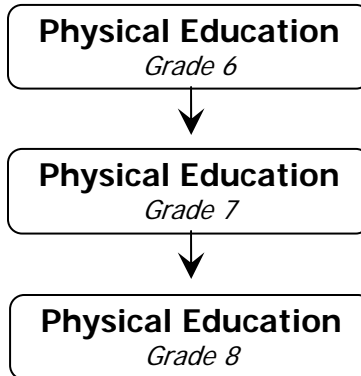
Math +

Course #2040/2140/2230

Prerequisite: Enrollment in a General Education Math class
 Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open To: Grades 6-8
 Length: Quarter (May be repeated) Satisfies: Elective

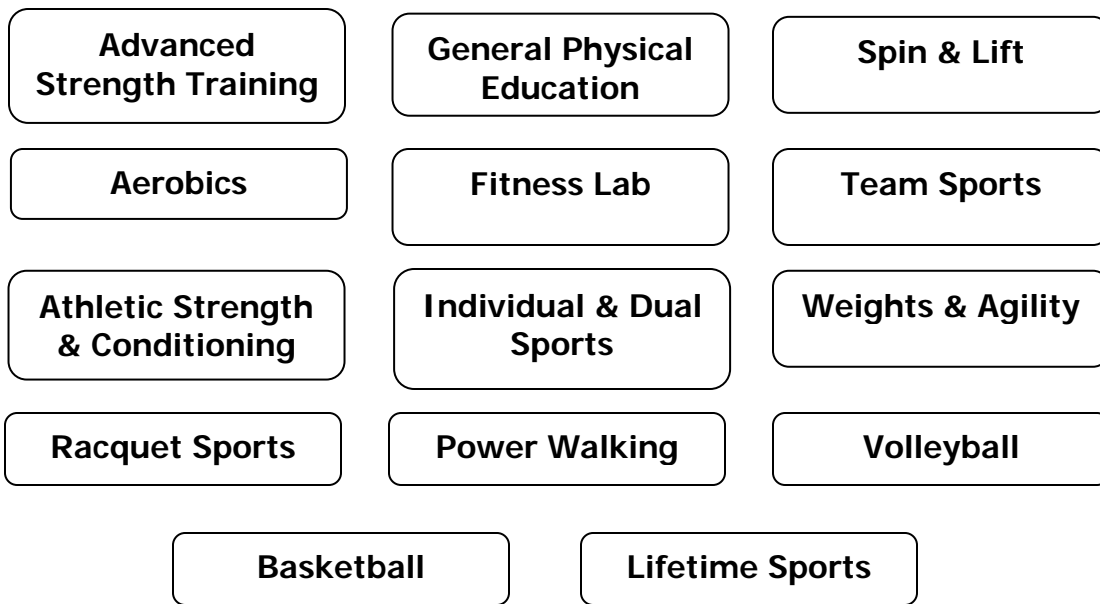
Course content emphasizes the basic skills of the mathematical strands. Students may also receive help with their regular math homework on certain days. The class will cover the following skills: basic operations, order of operations, mental math, estimation, work with fractions and decimals, and measurement.

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Electives for Grades 9 - 12



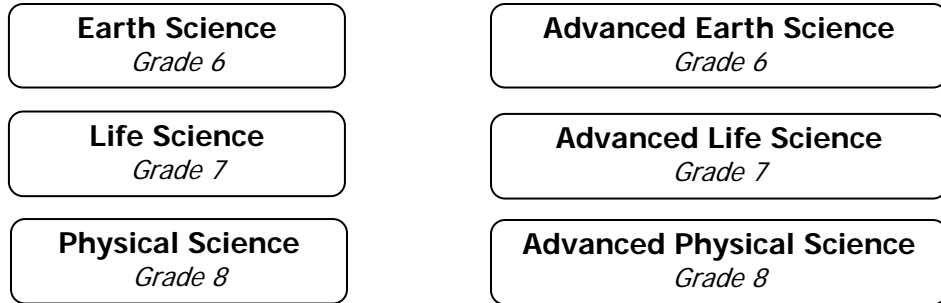
Physical Education

Course #6010/6110/6210

Prerequisite:	None	Open To:	Grades 6-8
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Satisfies:	PE Requirement
Length:	Semester		

Physical Education is a required course for the Middle school students. This class encourages fitness for life through aerobic activities and organized individual and team games. The students will be guided to improve their health through the four basic components of physical fitness: muscular endurance, muscular strength, flexibility, and cardio respiratory endurance. The students will be tested on the Presidents Fitness Challenge. Sixth and Seventh grade students will be introduced to the F.I.T.T. (Frequency, Intensity, Time, Type) principle in preparation for the 8th grade state mandated classroom based assessment.

Middle School



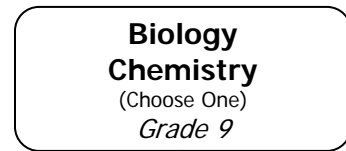
8th Grade Science WASL

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Met Standard



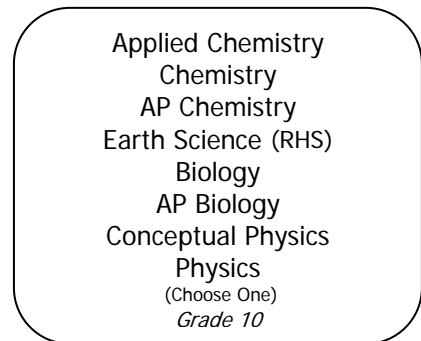
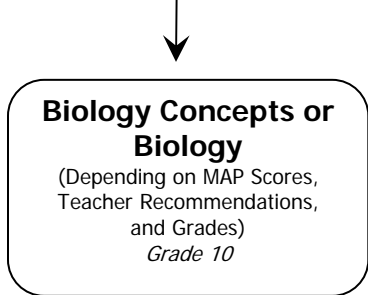
High School



HS Science WASL (Available to 9th Graders)

Did Not Meet Standard

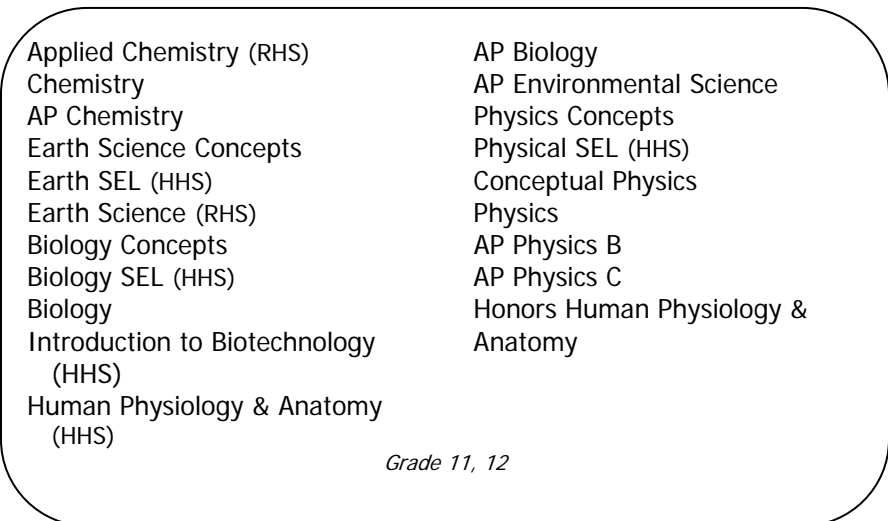
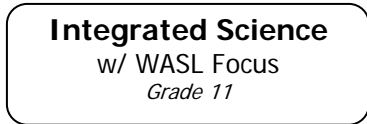
Met Standard



HS Science WASL

Did Not Meet Standard

Met Standard



All science courses are designed to meet the Washington State "grade level expectations." Students' ability to think critically and problem solve through application of knowledge will be enhanced through inquiry and design approaches. Students will also study the relationships within and between systems as well as the interrelationships between science, technology, and society.

Earth Science**Course #4010**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 6
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

This course focuses on the study of the Earth. Relationships between the Earth and space will be studied. Additional topics will include the various Earth systems and their effects on each other. Students will communicate their understanding of the world and solve problems pertaining to real-life situations. Some activities may include inquiry-designed experiments, applications and activities.

Advanced Earth Science**Course #4030**

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Science
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 6
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will include in-depth work in earth science including the universe, natural catastrophes, and geology. Hi-Cap classes will emphasize opportunities for advanced Science Fair Projects, questioning strategies for higher-level thinking, and specialized research techniques. There is also an emphasis on varied presentation modes and delivery systems. Methods of information-keeping and organizational skills include notebooking and may include portfolios.

Life Science**Course #4110**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Course content focuses on the study of living things. Topics include: interactions between living things; processes which support life; relationships among organisms; genetics and the study of life on a microscopic level; and interrelationships between science, technology and society. Students will problem-solve and apply their knowledge of living systems. Some activities may include inquiry-designed experiments, applications and activities. There may also be lab activities and library research.

Advanced Life Science**Course #4130**

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Science
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will include in-depth and accelerated work in the biological branches of science ranging from cells to organisms, genetics to ecology, and body systems to classification methods. The approach calls for depth over breadth and is investigative in nature. Students will be challenged with opportunities to think critically and use problem solving skills. Both non-fiction tradebooks and fiction may be called upon along with other sources to give a wide view of issues.

Physical Science**Course #4210**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

This course focuses on the study of Physics and Chemistry. Concepts of physical properties, such as energy, force, motion, matter and their effects on each other, will be discussed. Chemical mixtures, solutions, compounds, systems, elements and reactions will also be areas of study. Students will be able to understand, communicate and apply the inquiry and design process. Some activities may include lab experience.

Advanced Physical Science**Course #4230**

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Science
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will include in-depth work in physical science areas, relating that work to the real world. Units of study include chemistry, involving the periodic table and ionization; electronics, featuring circuits, resistance, and energy issues; and physics, with emphasis on motion, energy, and forces. Students will read and discuss articles from current science periodicals as well as use problem solving skills in Physical Science Olympics or other such challenges.

Middle School

World Geography / Ancient Civilizations
Grade 6



Washington State History & World History
Grade 7



United States History
Grade 8

High School

Required

**20th Century
U.S. History**
Grade 9, 10 (0.5 credit)

*Washington State
History*
(if not completed in middle school)

World Geography
Grade 9, 10 (0.5 credit)

Area Studies

**Modern World
History**
Grade 11, 12

**Ancient &
Medieval History**
Grade 11, 12

**Asian/African
Studies**
Grade 11, 12

Art History
Grade 11, 12

AP World History
Grade 10, 11

AP Art History
Grade 11, 12

AP Human Geography
Grade 9, 10, 11, 12

Behavioral Studies

Psychology
Grade 11, 12

AP Psychology
Grade 11, 12

Sociology
Grade 11, 12

Anthropology
Grade 11, 12

Government

US Government
Grade 11, 12

AP US History
Grade 11, 12

Contemporary World Problems

Economics
Grade 11, 12

International Problems
Grade 11, 12

War and Peace
Grade 12

World Geography and Ancient Civilizations**Course #3010**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Students will understand the development of the world community within the context of history by examining the past. This curriculum provides a search into the past starting with primitive humans and moving through ancient civilizations, the Middle Ages and the Renaissance. Students will be introduced to cultures, traditions, geography, political makeup, and economics. The location of continents, countries, and physical land forms, as well as evolving political boundaries will be studied within the context of each civilization studied.

Advanced World Geography and Ancient Civilizations**Course #3030**

Prerequisite:	Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Social Studies		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 6
Length:	Year	Satisfies:	Requirement

Studies will focus on world geography and history, with an emphasis on ancient civilizations and cultures. Simulations include a "Caravans" geographical research opportunity and Middle Ages' enactments. Current events receive ongoing emphasis, including a mock election. Research projects and presentations are required from selected historical time periods including Early Man, Ancient Egypt, Ancient Greece, Classical Rome, Medieval Times, and the Renaissance. Discussion techniques and critical thinking will be enhanced by us of Socratic Seminar with historical and current issues or classical texts from the Touchstones collections.

Washington State History**Course #3110**

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 7
Length:	Semester	Satisfies:	Requirement

Students will understand the development of Washington State. This curriculum covers the geography, history, government, culture and economics of the state. Students who successfully complete this course will meet the Washington State requirement for high school graduation.

Advanced Washington State History**Course #3130**

Prerequisite:	Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Social Studies		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grade 7
Length:	Semester	Satisfies:	Requirement

Studies will focus on historical, geographical, economic, and political developments of Washington State, with emphasis on territorial beginnings and links to present day. Students will be involved with a simulation activity during the year, and will be exposed to use of both primary and secondary documents. Discussion techniques and critical thinking will be enhanced by use of Socratic Seminar with historical and current issues or classical texts from the Touchstones collections.

World History**Course #3111**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
Length: Semester Satisfies: Requirement

The purpose of this course is to enable students to understand the development of the world community within the context of history by examining the past. This curriculum covers the economics, geography, government and history of various countries around the world.

Advanced World History**Course #3140**

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Social Studies
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 7
Length: Semester Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will focus on world history, entailing geography, history and culture of Africa, Latin America, and Asia and the Pacific regions. Students will be involved in a simulation activity, and will be exposed to use of both primary and secondary documents. Discussion techniques and critical thinking will be enhanced by use of Socratic Seminar with historical and current issues or classical texts from the Touchstones collection.

United States History**Course #3210**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Students will understand the development of the United States within the context of history by examining connections to the past to prepare for the future. This course covers the United States from its inception through the Civil War and Reconstruction.

Advanced United States History**Course #3230**

Prerequisite: Students qualify based on district criteria for placement in Hi-Cap Social Studies
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Requirement

Studies will include the historical, geographical, economic, and political development of the United States from its beginnings to 1877. Students will experience a simulation activity during the year, and will also develop their conceptual thinking as they pull together issues, sources (including critical analysis of primary and secondary ones) and events into explanations of the past. Discussion techniques and critical thinking will be enhanced by use of Socratic Seminar with historical and current issues or classical texts from the Touchstones collections.

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

Middle School

Each course one year

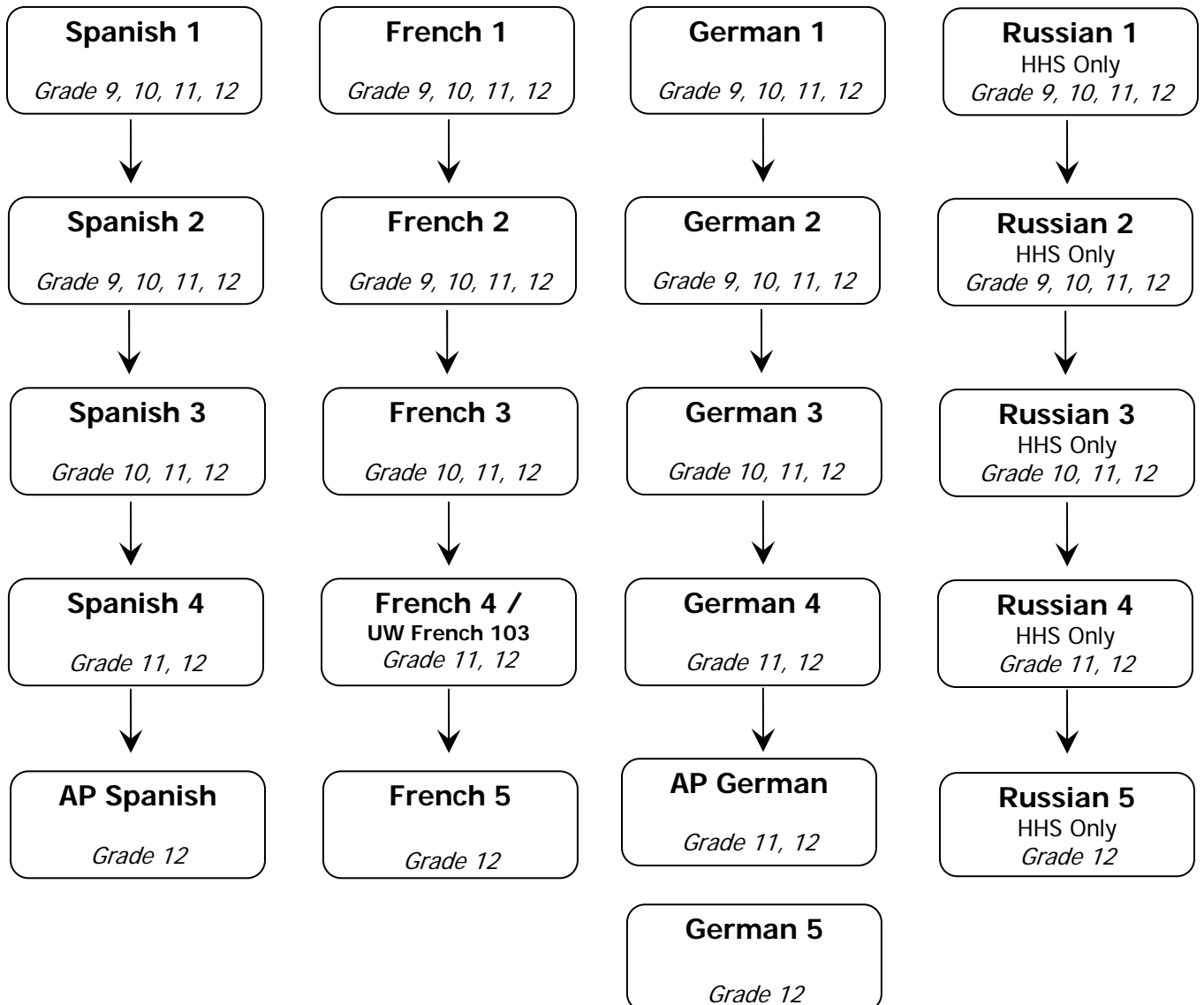
Spanish 1
Grade 8

French 1
Grade 8

German 1
Grade 8

High School

Each course one year



These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

French 1**Course #5430/5431**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

Students acquire moderate linguistic proficiency in such areas as self-description, classes and school supplies, time, weather, hobbies and sports, food and restaurants, and family life. Oral communication is stressed. We will cover basic grammatical skills in the present and past tenses. Students are exposed to French culture through a variety of materials and activities including art, music, dance, and research projects. (Parents may request this course count for high school credit.)

German 1**Course #5440/5441**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

Students acquire proficiency to confidently communicate in situations centered on self and family description, family life, shopping, hobbies, school interests, weather, and travel. Oral communication in authentic situations is stressed. Students are introduced to German culture through a variety of activities involving, art, music, and skits. Students study basic grammatical skills of German including the present tense, use of helping verbs, and the accusative case. (Parents may request this course count for high school credit.)

Spanish 1**Course #5420/5421**

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise Open to: Grade 8
Length: Year Satisfies: Elective

Students acquire moderate proficiency in listening, speaking, reading, and writing by studying fundamental Spanish vocabulary and grammar. They are also introduced to the cultures of various Spanish-speaking countries. (Parents may request this course count for high school credit.)

Additional Middle School Electives

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

6th Grade Exploratory World Language

Course #5010

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise
Length: Quarter

Open to: Grade 6
Satisfies: Elective

This class introduces students to basic vocabulary: greetings and goodbyes, introductions, numbers 1-20, colors, days and months, and parts of the body.

7th Grade Exploratory World Language

Course #5110

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise
Length: Quarter / Semester

Open to: Grade 7
Satisfies: Elective

This class introduces students to basic vocabulary: greetings and goodbyes, introductions, numbers 1-100, colors, clothing, food words and restaurant talk.

8th Grade Media Communications

Course #7270

Prerequisite: None
Location: Chief Joseph
Length: Semester

Open to: Grade 8
Satisfies: Exploratory

Students will explore the world of public media and discover the ins and outs of video production. In-depth analysis of the effect the media has on the public will include print, radio, and television advertisements. Focus will be on mastering the basics of producing a television show including preparation for and conducting interviews, public speaking, set-design, camera work, and editing. Students will have an opportunity to put these skills into practice with production and broadcast of a magazine show.

Leadership

Course #9220

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise
Length: Semester

Open to: Grade 8
Satisfies: Elective

This course will explore the characteristics of positive leaders. Students will develop personal leadership skills by planning and managing school activities and by taking part in community projects. They will also practice problem-solving, learn to communicate effectively, and work collaboratively in groups.

Mythology

Course #1140

Prerequisite: None
Location: Carmichael, Enterprise
Length: Quarter

Open to: Grade 7
Satisfies: Exploratory

This class will focus on the stories of powerful gods, lovely goddesses, terrifying creatures, and masterful heroes of ancient Greece and Rome. Students will learn the mythological origin of references in today's world as they study the literature of mythology.

These offerings may vary each year based on student enrollment and staffing.

Study Skills

Course #9050/9150/9250

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Carmichael, Chief Joseph, Enterprise	Open to:	Grades 6-8
Length:	Semester	Satisfies:	Elective

This course will focus on improving study skills while allowing students time to complete homework from other classes. Topics to be studied will include how to study, learning styles, making a schedule, note-taking, outlining, memorizing, reading techniques, improving vocabulary, and test-taking strategies.

Yearbook & Newspaper

Course #9020

Prerequisite:	None		
Location:	Chief Joseph	Open to:	Grade 8
Length:	Semester	Satisfies:	Exploratory

Through the production of the school's yearbook and newspaper, this class will focus on the development of skills in the areas of organization, investigation and research, interviewing, writing for publications, layout and design, computer and information literacy, and digital imaging and enhancements for print using Photoshop/PS Elements.