

Shakopee Public Schools 6th Grade Course Registration Form

Student Name:	ID#
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Please refer to the <u>Middle School Registration Guide Book</u> for detailed information about all courses. This is also found on the Middle School websites under 'Registration'. All students will be pre-loaded into their required courses. 6th graders will choose a Music, Math and Reading and Language Arts course in the 3 steps below. Please complete this form and send it to the Middle School your student will be attending.

STEP 1 - Choose ONE Music Option Below		
OPTIONS	Х	COURSE NAME AND DESCRIPTION
OPTION #1		BAND - This course is a continuation of skills and techniques learned in 5th Grade Band. The course focuses on proper playing technique on a chosen band instrument (trumpet, saxophone, etc.). Students will rehearse every other day, have one small group lesson every eight school days, and perform in three evening concerts a year.
OPTION #2		CHOIR - In this course, students sing together in a large group. No prior singing experience is required to join. Students will rehearse every other day, have one small group lesson every eight school days, and perform in two evening concerts a year.
OPTION #3		MUSIC PRODUCTION - This course is focused on learning about the Elements of Music and how they help to create music's overall impact and sound. Students will create their own music and learn a variety of instruments ranging from bucket drums to acoustic guitars and even digital creation tools. There are no concerts with music production.
OPTION #4		BAND and CHOIR - Students can take both music classes, and will have either Physical Education or 2 Gateway classes eliminated from their schedule. Administration and scheduling will determine which will be dropped.
		STEP 2 - Choose ONE Math Option
OPTION #1		Math 6 - General math class for 6th graders
OPTION #2		Accelerated Pre-Algebra - Once-accelerated class, learning one grade level above Math 6
OPTION #3		Accelerated Algebra - Twice-accelerated class, learning two grade levels above Math 6 students.
STEP 3 - Choose ONE Reading/Language Arts Option		
OPTION #1		Reading & Language Arts 6 - General class for 6th graders
OPTION #2		Accelerated Reading & Language Arts 6 - This course will compact and address critical 6th and 7th grade standards in one year. Accelerated students will work at a rigorous pace with complex texts in a variety of genres. Additionally, students will be expected to demonstrate a high level of critical thinking for both fiction and non-fiction through reading and writing.