

## ELECTIVE COURSES

### PERSONALIZED PATHWAYS

#### 066543 **Global and Cultural Connections**

It is becoming increasingly important to be globally competent. This implies the need to communicate in multiple languages and understand diverse cultures. Global Studies and World Languages students will understand the purpose of learning multiple languages, and briefly explore each of the languages offered in Parkway Schools. Throughout the course, students will also be introduced to cultures, both current and historic, in order to better understand the impact of culture in their community and the world.

#### 036543 **Business & Technology Introduction**

Being an involved and responsible member of our ever-changing society requires a strong understanding and use of technology, communication, and collaboration skills. Business and Technology Intro's introductory course teaches students the basics of entrepreneurship using business concepts and theories, personal finance, and an introduction to coding, game development and digital storytelling in a hands-on manner. Students will leave this course with the ability to think critically and creatively; be financially aware and responsible; lead confidently with an entrepreneurial spirit; and understand the value of teamwork.

#### 106543 **Engineering Endeavor**

Come and be a part of the Endeavor with an introduction to the engineering world. In this course, students explore the world of engineering and how the design process can be utilized to solve various problems. Students will complete multiple problem based learning activities that will introduce them to designing, building and modeling projects all while using modern tools and software. Students will be introduced to engineering careers, concepts of three dimensional design, 3D printing, measurement and multiple uses of tools in order to solve problems.

#### 096543 **Introduction to Family and Consumer Sciences**

Ready, Set, Explore FACS! This class will explore the careers related to Human Services, Hospitality & Tourism, Education and Training, and Apparel & Textile Design while giving students the opportunity to build communication, collaboration and critical thinking skills. This project based class includes career exploration related to cooking, sewing, planning, goal setting & teaching, along with other Helping Careers and Health Science Pathways.

#### 056543 **6th Grade Exploring Theatre: Onstage and a Backstage Pass**

Here's your ticket to explore the world of theatre! Discover what happens onstage and use your own backstage pass to experience the inner workings of theatrical life. In this course, students will build a collaborative community, learn how to develop characters and storylines, and create designs for a production.

#### 026643 **6th Grade Visual Arts Discovery**

Discover the world of art and design through art making using a wide variety of materials, study of cultures, and self reflection. Students will develop innovative and creative problem solving, as well as critical thinking skills by seeking multiple solutions to artistic problems.

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## BAND - 6TH GRADE BEGINNING BAND

**Grade:** 6

Beginning Band is designed for the first year band student. Emphasis will be placed on the development of playing skills, music reading and ensemble performance techniques. Instrumentation may need to be controlled by the director in order to have an acceptable balance of sound. Attendance is required at all rehearsals and performances.

- 126513 Beginning Band, Flute
  - 126523 Beginning Band, Clarinet
  - 126533 Beginning Band, Alto Saxophone
  - 126543 Beginning Band, Trumpet
  - 126553 Beginning Band, French Horn
  - 126563 Beginning Band, Trombone
  - 126573 Beginning Band, Baritone
  - 126583 Beginning Band, Bells/Percussion
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### 126603      **6th Grade Orchestra**

Prerequisite: Prior 5th grade experience or approval of instructor

The 6th Grade Orchestra continues to develop personal technical and performance skills for continuing string students within the ensemble. Emphasis is placed on the development of listening skills, improved intonation, balance and blend, and tone quality. Proficiency is increased in music reading, analysis, and interpretation. A wide variety of orchestral repertoire is presented from many styles. Instruments are required for daily practice and all performances. Attendance is required at rehearsals and concerts.

### 126613      **Cadet Strings**

Infinite Campus Name: CADET STRINGS

Grade(s): 06 - 08

Prerequisite: none

This course is designed for beginning students and students who took strings in elementary school but didn't take a full 3 years or and/or the full year of 5th grade orchestra. Students who don't have the required experience or otherwise recommended for the class should be directed into the concertino orchestra. The course will cover beginning Level strings technique including proper posture positioning, how to hold the bow, playing in first position, identifying notes on the staff, basic tone production, instrument care and maintenance, and beginning ensemble skills. Regardless of experience, there will be no expectation of experience and instruction will begin from the very beginning of learning to play a string instrument. Like our 3rd grade beginning strings class, this class will only perform once, on the final concert of the year.

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### 126703      **6th Grade Choir**

Prerequisite: None

Sixth Grade Choir is open to all sixth grade students who wish to improve their ability to sing. Various styles of music will be studied with an emphasis on music reading and part singing. Student skills in vocal production, general musicianship, and concert etiquette will be developed. This choir will perform in concerts throughout the year. Attendance is required at all performances.