

WELCOME TO HUNTER'S CREEK MIDDLESCHOOL



HCMS ADMINISTRATION



Mrs. Moukaddam Principal



Mr. Golia 6th Grade Dean



Mrs. Vereen Assistant Principal



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Mrs. Mabra Assistant Principal



Mrs. Carter 8th Grade Dean

HCMS COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



Mrs. Merritt 6th Grade



Ms. Brady 7th Grade



Mrs. Armstrong 8th Grade



Ms. Camacho SAFE Coordinator



Ms. Fonseca Social Worker

TYPICAL DAY AT HCMS

- BEFORE SCHOOL THERE IS SUPERVISION IN THE CAFETERIA STARTING AT 8:30 AM
- FIRST BELL RINGS AT 9:24AM; CLASS BEGINS AT 9:28AM
- 7 CLASS PERIODS
- 30 MINUTE LUNCH + 10 MIN RECHARGE
 - (NO RECHARGE ON WEDNESDAYS)
- SCHOOL ENDS AT 4:04 PM
 - (2:54 PM ON WEDNESDAY)
- AFTER SCHOOL THERE IS BOYS & GIRLS CLUB UNTIL 6PM

HUNTER'S CREEK MIDDLE SCHOOL



2023-2024 Bell Schedule

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

8 - 9:30 Morning Announcements

9:28 · 10:18 14 PERIOD

10:21 - 11:09 2ND PERIOD

6 GRADE	7ª GRADE	87 GRADE
LUNCE A 11:09 - 11:49	11:12 -12:00 380 PERIOD	11:12 - 12:00 380 PERIOD
11:52 - 12:40 3rd PERIOD	LUNCH B 12:00 - 12:40	12:03 - 12:51 4 TH PERIOD
12-43 - 1-31 4th PERIOD	12:43 - 1:31 4TH PERIOD	LUNCH C 1251 - 1:31

3:16 - 4:04 7TM PERIOD Wednesday

9:28 - 9:30 Morning Announcements 9:30 - 10:12 1= PERIOD

10:15 - 10:54 2ND PERIOD

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LUNCH A 10:54 - 11:24	10:57 - 11:36 3 ^{kD} PERIOD	10:57 - 11:36 3 ^{8D} PERIOD
11:27 - 12:06 3 ^{kD} PERIOD	11:36 - 12:06 LUNCH B	11:39 - 12:18 4 TH PERIOD
12:09 - 12:48 478 PERIOD	12:09 - 12:48 479 PERIOD	12:18 - 12:48 LUNCH C

1:33 - 2:12 676 PERIOD 2:15 - 2:54 776 PERIOD

WHAT CLASSES DO STUDENTS TAKEP

6th Grade

<u>Language Arts</u> Language Arts 1 Advanced Language Arts 1 ESOL Language Arts 1

<u>Math</u> 6th Grade Math Accelerated 6th Grade Math

Science
Comprehensive Science 1 Advanced
Life Science Advanced

Social Studies
World History Advanced

2 Electives

PE



CORE ACADEMIC CLASSES - ELA

- ADVANCED LANGUAGE ARTS LEVEL 3, 4, OR 5
 ON READING FAST
- STANDARD LANGUAGE ARTS LEVEL 1 OR 2 ON READING FAST
- ESOL LANGUAGE ARTS FOR ELL STUDENTS
- GIFTED SERVICES ARE PROVIDED IN ADVANCED LANGUAGE ARTS



CORE ACADEMIC CLASSES - MATH

- ACCELERATED 6TH GRADE MATH LEVEL 3,
 4 or 5 on Math fast
- STANDARD 6TH GRADE MATH LEVEL 1, 2
 or 3 ON MATH FAST



CORE ACADEMIC CLASSES – SCIENCE AND SOCIAL STUDIES

- SCIENCE
 - LIFE SCIENCE LEVEL 4 OR 5 ON <u>BOTH</u> 5TH GRADE MATH AND ELA FAST
 - ADVANCED COMPREHENSIVE SCIENCE 1 LEVEL 1, 2, OR 3 ON 5TH GRADE MATH AND ELA FAST
- SOCIAL STUDIES
 - ADVANCED WORLD HISTORY



INTENSIVE READING/INTENSIVE MATH

Intensive Reading or Intensive Math may take the place of one of your elective courses if you have scored below grade level on your FAST (Level 1 or 2) or equivalent diagnostics.

The course is intended to provide intervention and strategies to support students.

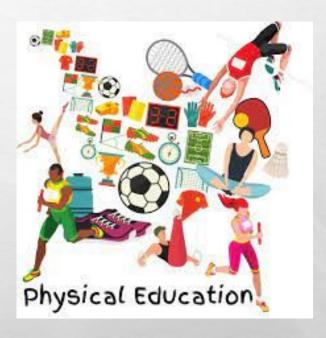


ELECTIVE CLASSES



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- All students are required to take Physical Education.
- If there is a medical reason why a student cannot take PE, there is a PE waiver available.
 You can find the waiver on our school website.
- During PE, students will learn about team sports, individual sports, and health related fitness.
- There are lockers available for students in PE and there is a PE uniform to purchase (\$10 for shirt and \$10 for shorts)



BAND

Students develop foundational instrumental technique, foundational music literacy, and aesthetic musical awareness through rehearsal, performance, and study of high-quality band literature. These are some of the instruments used in Band:

- Woodwind: Flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, and saxophone.
- Brass: Tuba, trombone, trumpet, Euphonium, and French horn.
- Percussion

There are some performances that you will be asked to participate in throughout the year.

NO previous experience is required. All incoming students will be placed in beginning band.

Students will work with Mr. Couret in beginning of the year to choose the best instrument based on student skill level and overall band composition.



Students can get a head start by participating in the Freedom Summer Music Camp

More information can be found at freedomband.net

CHORUS

Students begin and expand vocal technical, musical, and ensemble skills through rehearsal, performance, and study of high-quality choral literature and also develop an appreciation of music from around the world and through time.

All students are welcome, regardless of whether or not they have any musical background.

In addition to 2 - 3 concerts throughout the year, there are several off-campus performances in which students participate.





ORCHESTRA

Students focus on the development of instrumental technique, musical literacy, performance skills, and increasing aesthetic awareness through study, rehearsal, and performance of a variety of high-quality orchestra literature. Study includes the development of foundational instrumental ensemble techniques, performance skills, music literacy, and aesthetic awareness.

These are some of the instruments used in Orchestra: Violin, viola, cello, string bass.

We offer beginning orchestra to both students who have experience, and those who have never played before. Mrs. Bichler will teach you all you need to know.

All orchestra students will perform in fall and spring concerts.



WORLD MUSIC

Students will explore music from all of the continents of the world, as well as creating their own music with those influences.

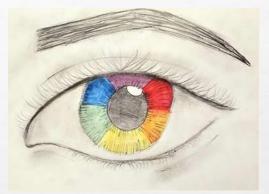
Students will research regions and present topics to each other based on their house.



ART

This course incorporates hands-on activities and consumption of art materials. Students explore media and techniques used to create a variety of 2-D artworks through developing skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, and collage.

The curriculum includes discussing art and understanding art history while encouraging students to be imaginative and creative.







Digital Art and Design

Digital Art is a fun learning environment where Art and Technology meet. Students will learn programs like photoshop and illustrator (or similar). The course consists of hands on projects, and group & individual activities.



History of Film and Television

Students will learn about the history of film, television, and other forms of mass media, and view a variety of historical and contemporary examples of films and television shows. They will learn to analyze, explain, and write about what they watch. The students will also learn how the internet, mobile media, and social networks have transformed that history.



INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT)

The purpose of this course is to provide students with the computer, digital, and information technology skills necessary for success in their future academic and occupational goals.

You will learn how to use and create spreadsheets, databases, webpages, basic coding introduction, video and audio editing, and online safety.



ADVANCED ACADEMICS FOR GIFTED STUDENTS

This course is designed to enable Gifted students to acquire and apply the skills and abilities needed to enhance academic achievement through experiences which provide enrichment, in-depth learning, and /or accelerated study of academic curriculum requirements.

This elective course was required for all Gifted students in 6th grade, but is optional in 7th and 8th grade.



TWO WAY DUAL LANGUAGE MAGNET

Students enrolled in our Two-Way
Dual Language Magnet will take
Spanish as one of their electives. This
is a required elective for DLE students
and is a high school credit course.

The deadline to apply for the magnet program is February 15, 2024.



SPORTS

There is one sport you can participate in each quarter:

1st nine weeks: Soccer 2nd nine weeks: Volleyball

3rd nine weeks: Basketball

4th nine weeks: Track

You must get a Sports Physical done from a doctor or nurse practitioner in order to play a sport.

Physicals must be completed on the official OCPS Physical Form. Forms can be found online on our school website.

All tryouts and practices are held before or after school.



Extra Curricular Clubs and Activities



Activity	Sponsor(s)
Battle of the Books	Ms. Durgin
Future Problem Solvers	Ms. Moye and Ms. Rokaw
National Junior Honor Society	Ms. Jarque
SGA	Mr. Pavlovich
Chess Club	Mr. Regan
Cheer Squad	Ms. Carter
Kind Eagles	Ms. Merritt, Ms. Armstrong, Ms. Brady, and Ms. DeLuca



After School Zone

You can participate in Boys and Girls Club after school until 6pm. Membership is FREE of charge.

Applications for the Boys and Girls Club can be found on the school website under clubs.

Also keep an eye out for B&G summer camp information.

The World is our CLASSROOM





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1 WORLD

1 COMMUNITY

Course Selection Form

Students! Please enter **YOUT** information here



HCMS Rising 6th Grade Elective Course Selection Form 2024-2025

Please use this form to choose your top 4 elective choices for 6th grade. You will have two elective courses in addition to your PE class on your schedule.

Every effort will be made to accommodate your top 2 choices, but there is a possibility that you may get your other choices. Intensive Reading or Intensive Math classes may take the place of an elective if you score a level 1 or 2 on the FAST.

Please submit this form by February 9th, 2024.



Please complete form by February 9, 2024

Parents! Please enter **Your** email here



Choose your elementary school and 5th grade teacher

Parent Email *

Short answer text

Current Elementary School *

- 1. Hunter's Creek Elementary
- 2. West Creek Elementary
- 3. Endeavor Elementary
- 4. John Young Elementary
- 5. Other

5th Grade Teacher Name *

Short answer text

Elective Course Selection

Select your top 4 elective choices in rank order (1st choice is the one you want the most)

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1st Elective Choice *

- 1. Band
- 2. Chorus
- 3. Orchestra
- 4. World Music
- 5. 2D Art
- 6. Digital Art/Design
- 7. History of Film and Television
- 8. Information and Communication Technology (ICT)
- 9. Advanced Academics Required for students with a Gifted EP
- 10. DLE Spanish Required for students in the TWDL Magnet

Parent/Student Acknowledgement



REVIEW ... before pressing SUBMIT.

Parent/Student Acknowledgement

Submission of this form indicates that you understand the following:

- *Alternate course selections will be used if necessary
- *Schedule changes for elective courses are limited by availability and not always possible
- *Students who do not turn in a form will be administratively placed

COURSE SELECTION FORM

Course selection for 2024-2025 is completely <u>digital</u>.

Please use this link to access the course selection:

https://forms.gle/a8rQoMgLZvxxzisbA

IMPORTANT REMINDER



Course selection forms are due by:

February 9, 2024

Rising 6th Grade Course Selection Presentations

January 29th – Hunter's Creek Elementary January 30th – John Young Elementary February 1st – West Creek Elementary February 2nd - Endeavor Elementary

Individual Scheduling Meetings

February 12th – Hunter's Creek Elementary February 13th – John Young and Endeavor Elementary February 15th - West Creek Elementary

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. Do I need a locker?

Since HCMS is a digital school, students will not need a locker for their academic classes. Students do have the option to rent a locker for their PE class. They will need to bring in a lock, and a PE coach will assign them a locker. Please ensure that the lock does not require a key to open.

2. Is there tutoring available?

During the school year teachers provide tutoring for students across our core classes. Tutoring is available both before and after school throughout the school week.

3. How do I pay for school lunch?

School lunch is pre-paid through Schoolpay.com, and then students use their ID to pay for lunch which is connected to their SchoolPay account.

4. What will I need their ID Badge for?

Students will need their ID badge to purchase lunch as well as to check out books from the media center. It's important that they keep their IDs with them while at school.

QUESTIONS?



COUNSELOR CONTACT INFORMATION



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