



Hayes Intermediate 6th Grade Enrichment Courses

## 2023-2024 School Year

Dear Hayes 6th Grade Families,

We are excited to begin the Enrichment course scheduling process for the 23-24 school year. Most students will be able to take up to 3 enrichment classes during the school year. Enrichment classes will all be held at the end of the school day after the rest of their academic classes. "Specials" classes (PE, Art, Technology, and Music) will also be available to students who are not participating in the Band program.

- 1. Circle the P next to 3 Primary Course Names, based on your interest.
- 2. Circle the A next to 3 Alternate Course Names, in case one of your Primary courses is full.
- 3. Bring the sheet back to school by **Thursday**, **June 8th**, so your 5th Grade teacher can help you enter it into PowerSchool.

Primary or Alternate? (Circle 3 of each)	Course Name and Description
P or A	<b>Architectural Design:</b> We will explore the art and technique of architecture. From ancient history to modern 21st century designs, architects have been creating functional and enjoyable spaces for practical and aesthetic purposes. This course will take us around the world exploring residential and industrial exterior and interior designs as well as landscapes. In addition, the career exploration aspect of this course will give experience designing and constructing physical structures.
P or A	<b>Art Exploration:</b> Art Exploration is for those interested in learning about art, different techniques and ideas while also having time to work on your individual interests. Learn about what art is including history, different types of art, and artists Learn elements of 2D art and design. Explore individual interests in art.
P or A	<b>Astronomy:</b> Calling all Astronomers! Have you ever gazed up at the night sky with wonder and amazement? Are you curious about the vast universe that we live in? If so, this class is for you! The Astronomy enrichment class will take you on an adventure through space as we explore the cosmos. From our own solar system to galaxies billions of light years away, we will uncover some of the secrets of how our universe works.
P or A	<b>Cursive Writing:</b> In this class you will learn to write and read words in cursive writing! You will demonstrate this by signing your signature on a letter you will write to a loved one at the end of the course. After learning each letter, you will practice writing by responding to books read aloud to you or tracing quotes from books.

P or A	<b>Essential Job Skills:</b> At some point in your life, you are going to get your first job. In my class, you're going to learn how to communicate effectively with others, how to be a leader, how to problem-solve, how to be flexible, and how to adapt in your work environment. We play lots of games and take part in activities where you can practice these skills. You will take on the role of different careers and figure out problems as a group while practicing the skills of communicating and working as a team. All of these things will help prepare you for when you get your first job!
P or A	<b>Exploratory Choir:</b> Have fun singing with friends and learning the basics of being in choir! Exploratory Choir will give you an opportunity to see what it is like to be a member of Grand Ledge Choirs award winning program. Students will NEVER have to sing alone if they do not want to. Everyday will be full of FUN singing, games, and warm ups all while making friends.
P or A	<b>Exploring the Visual Arts:</b> This course will give students an opportunity to explore their interests in the visual arts. This will take place in the form of several assigned art projects that make use of the seven basic elements of art: Line, Shape, Form, Space, Texture, Value, and Color ( <i>Plus the unofficial eighth element: Practice!</i> ).
P or A	<b>Girl Empowerment:</b> This course will teach self confidence, being yourself rather than fitting in. It will teach how to stand up to peer pressure and stereotypes, found in schools and on social media. Looking at accomplished women throughout history. What changes can we make to empower each other in the future?
P or A	<b>Growth Mindset Gaming:</b> If you like to compete against others and challenge yourself along the way, this class is for you. We play an assortment of board games, card games, logic puzzles, brain teasers, and school related games that stretch your thinking. Playing games can help develop your problem solving, social, and communication skills.
P or A	<b>Healthy Lifestyle:</b> Adolescence is the perfect time to build a foundation of healthy habits that will continue for a lifetime. "Healthy Lifestyle" provides students with the insight and information to make healthy choices and give students the knowledge they need to begin practicing healthy choices.
P or A	<b>Intro to French:</b> Students will be introduced to the French language and countries in which the French language is spoken. Vocabulary topics may include greetings, numbers, colors, foods, family, classroom objects, home, date and time, sports, and animals.
P or A	<b>Intro to Coding and Robotics:</b> Ever wanted to take a class that teaches you how to problem solve, work in groups, be in charge of your learning, and have fun? Well you're in luck, because Coding and Robotics does all of that everyday of the week! In this class you will be forming a team of 3-4 committed members who have the same goal as you- to create the best, most efficient robot! Throughout the trimester you will be working with your hands to make a robot that is effective and fast enough to beat your peers. Are you up for the challenge? Sign up for Robotics and find out! ( <i>This course is a prerequisite for Robotics 201</i> )

P or A	<b>Robotics 201:</b> Students explore robotics and automation as they take on the role of interns, and work in teams to create prototypes to meet the needs of clients. They build and analyze mechanical systems and automate them with programmed input and output devices. <i>(To enroll in this class, you must have previously taken Intro to Coding and Robotics in 5th grade.)</i>
P or A	Life Skills/Adulting: Growing Up/Adulting is an enrichment class that will give you some insight and heads up on all the things you will get to do once you are an adult. Some topics include: Budget: Bills, Income, balancing checkbook/budget, Job: Resume and Cover Letter, Business Proposal, Home: Laundry, Sewing, Ironing?, Cooking, Building Furniture, Tools, Car Maintenance: Tires, Oil, Windshield Fluid, Transmission. Relationships: Working with different types of people, Positive Communication (I statements, addressing issues)
P or A	<b>Music Enrichment:</b> We will explore different genres of music, including classical, jazz and pop. We will also learn about elements of style and taste that make these genres of music different from each other. Students will also be learning about a variety of world music, including music from East and South Asia, Africa, the Caribbean, South and Central America and some of the specific characteristics of these musical cultures.
P or A	<b>Podcasts:</b> This class will explore a variety of award winning podcasts for kids. Genres will include: comedy, folktales, fairy tales, myths, legends, biographies, science, science fiction, advice, how-to's, current events and more. After students have explored a wide variety of podcasting topics and experienced different production techniques, they will brainstorm, write and produce their own podcast episode.
P or A	<b>Public Speaking/Broadcasting:</b> Love to be on camera? Or love to hold the camera? This class is for you! Take part in the creation of the weekly "Hayes Happenings" episodes! Along with creation of this student-run news show, take part in the creation of all things media needed for Hayes Intermediate. Creation of Hayes Happenings will be a portion of this class, but you will also work on public speaking skills, interview skills, and more to be camera ready. When the camera is not out, students will work on their writing and speaking skills to present their ideas to the class.
P or A	<b>Salmon in the Classroom:</b> Learn about the importance of the SIC program as well as other importance of salmon, other animals, and Michigan waters. Watch first hand as we get our salmon eggs and grow them to "fingerlings." We will learn how to test the water conditions, what to do if the levels are off and what those levels tell us. We will learn some history about the Great Lakes and the fish, how the Salmon were introduced, what are current issues, how we are dealing with them and be able to release the salmon to a river or stream in the Springtime.
P or A	<b>Sports History/Sports Around the World:</b> This class analyzes the historical role that many sports have had in society and across the world. The historical side of sports within this class time, focuses on the evolution overtime and its connection to historical events. Students will learn how different sports have developed and what factors contributed to the way in which the sports were played, and what they are now. Students will also learn about the rules and how to play different sports.

Please note: We will make every effort to enroll you into either your Primary or Alternate enrichment course preferences. Due to class size and time constraints, however, you may get some classes that you did not choose.