# Century Middle School <br> 2022-23 6th Grade Core Plus Course Request Form 

Student's Last Name
First Name
Middle Name

- Carefully read the course descriptions on the reverse side before completing this form
- Choose classes carefully - no schedule changes will be made in the fall
- If form is not returned, classes will be selected for student based on availability
- All students will take Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Studies, German \& Spanish

| Core Plus Option 1: | Core Plus Option 2: |
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| Year-long + Semester + | Semester + Semester + Semester + |
| German (Q) + Spanish (Q) | German (Q) + Spanish (Q) |

## List Top 8 Choices Below In Order of Preference (1-8)

Core Plus Courses (Year-long)
$\qquad$ Beginning Band- BRASS 6205
(circle one: baritone, trumpet, trombone, French horn, tuba)
$\qquad$ Beginning Band- WOODWIND 6205
(circle one: clarinet, saxophone, flute, oboe)
$\qquad$ Beginning Orchestra/ 6230
Music Explo 6295
P.E. (Yearlong)

4600a

Core Plus Courses (Semester)
$\qquad$ Art 6400
__Choir 6260
___ Creative Writing 1585
___ Music Explo
6295
___ P.E. (Semester) 4600
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Tech Ed
6730
___ Computer Science7428

My class selections are marked above. $\overline{\text { Student Signature }} \overline{\text { Date }}$

I/We approve of the above selections.
Parent/Guardian Signature
Date

Course offerings are based on course requirements per funding, facilities, and availability. The above offerings may change prior to the start of the new school year.

# 2022-23 Century Middle School 6th Grade Core Plus (Elective) Course Descriptions 

Art: Provides students an opportunity to explore different art concepts such as: clay, pencils, chalks, sculpture, painting and mixed media. Art history will enhance all projects. Students will also learn how to critique works of art to be able to enjoy viewing art throughout their lives.

Beginning Band: Students choose an instrument from the woodwind (clarinet, saxophone, flute, oboe), brass (baritone, trumpet, trombone, French horn, tuba), or percussion family (tryouts are after the first concert.) No previous music experience is necessary. Students will perform at 4 school concerts throughout the year in the evenings. Students maintain their own instruments - which may be purchased or rented from a music store. Some instruments can be provided by the school.

Beginning Orchestra: Students learn to perform on the violin, viola, cello and string bass. A variety of musical styles from pop to classical are introduced. Students maintain their own instruments, which may be purchased or rented with the exception of the cello and string bass, which will be provided by the school for student use. No previous experience is necessary. Music Explo is semester one prerequisite.

Choir: This performing music class is offered to students who love singing. Students will continue to develop vocal music skills and techniques necessary for individual and group musical experiences. Students will continue to develop musical literacy as well. Students will be required to participate in evening performances. The purchase of a choir uniform is required.

Computer Science: This course provides students with an introduction to computer science. Using an iterative process similar to that of engineers, software developers, writers, and artists, students will collaborate and utilize feedback to plan and develop a program. Students will also develop digital literacy skills associated with information privacy and computing technologies.

Creative Writing: Students are exposed to a variety of creative genres including poetry, fiction, memoirs, song writing, non-fiction essays, graphic novels, etc. Students explore their own imaginations and use the writing process to generate ideas and hone their literary skills.

German (Q) + Spanish (Q): These courses provide an introduction to both German and Spanish language and culture. Stresses progressive acquisition of effective community skills in both written and spoken language and an understanding of the practices of the German and Spanish cultures by utilizing games, songs, real life situational role playing and the integration of technology. These courses will automatically be added to all 6th grade student schedules.

Music Explo: Music Explo will explore the foundations of music including music notation, music history and composition. This class will have the opportunity to learn these skills through the playing of predominantly stringed instruments. We will learn about and analyze many different genres, forms and styles of music. If students enjoy this class, they can opt to continue on with one of our other music classes (Band, Orchestra, or Choir) if available in the second semester.

Physical and Health Education (P.E.) (semester long OR full year): This course has an emphasis on participation, fitness and fun. Students will be exposed to a variety of individual and team sports. Fitness activities will focus on the components of fitness as well as the FITT principle. Students will also participate in a Heart Saver CPR class. Classroom and uniform requirements can be found on the Century website.

Tech Ed: The projects in this course utilize the MYP Design Cycle, which requires students to investigate, plan, create, and evaluate to solve problems. Students will learn applications for Microsoft Office and Google Apps, understand internet history and safety, evaluate websites, use technology in presentations, and other current technology topics.

