

River View Intermediate School

Home of the Eagles



6th Grade **Course Description Guide**

2011-2012
School Year

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Civil Rights Compliance

Equal Opportunity Officers

Section 504 and Americans with Disability Act = Randy Hughes, Director of Special Education

Title IX = Corey Baumgartner, Associate Principal for Co-Curricular Activities

Title VI and All other discrimination complaints = Mary K. Weber, Superintendent & Dir. of Human Resources

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Reasonable Accommodations

An opportunity will be available during the selection process for persons with disabilities to advise the District of any need for reasonable accommodation.

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RIVER VIEW INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL - KAUKAUNA, WI
GRADE 6 ENCORE COURSE REGISTRATION FORM - 2011-2012

Name _____ Male _____ Female _____
 Last First Middle

Address _____ Telephone (H) _____

Name of Parent/Guardian _____ (W) _____

All core academic classes will automatically be scheduled every day for the year. Physical education will also be automatically scheduled every other day for the year and art will also be automatically scheduled every other day for one semester. All sixth grade students are required to take one music class from which they have options to choose as listed below. It is expected that all students take a variety of classes while they attend River View Intermediate/Middle School. Students are required to take Family and Consumer Education and Technical Education some time during 6th, 7th or 8th grade, but most will fulfill that in 6th grade, unless taking more than one music course. **Please complete the two steps below in selecting classes for 6th grade.**

The following required Encore courses will be automatically placed in your schedule...

- **Physical Education** will be automatically scheduled every other day for the year.
- **Art** will automatically be placed in your schedule every other day for a semester.

Step 1 – Music – Students in 6th grade are required to take at least ONE music class. Students can select Band, Choir, or Orchestra (or a combination). **If students are not interested in Band, Choir, or Orchestra, they should select General Music.** Select the Music class you wish to take below.

Band – 9210 _____ * **meets every other day for the full year*

Choir – 9240 _____ *

Orchestra – 9266 __ *

General Music – 9200 + Support - 9060 _____ *(for those students who do not wish to take Band, Choir or Orchestra)*

Step 3 - Other Encore class choices - Please rank all three options: 1- high and 3 – low based on interest. These classes meet every other day for a semester. **

Please rank all three options: 1 – highest interest and 3 – lowest interest.

___ Family and Consumer Education - 9660

___ Technology Education – 9366

___ World Languages - 9960

How many of the “ranked” classes will fit in my schedule?

- By choosing **General Music**, students will receive **all** of the ranked Encore classes.
- Students choosing **one of the Band, Choir, or Orchestra classes** will receive **all** of the ranked Encore classes.
- Students choosing **two of the Band, Choir, or Orchestra classes** will receive **one** of the ranked Encore classes.

*** We ask students to rank ALL Encore classes because there is no guarantee that classes will be placed into a students schedule in the order they are ranked. Classes sometimes are offered at the same time or are at capacity and therefore do not fit into a students schedule as requested. Ranking classes provides options if we are unable to place first choice classes into a schedule.*

9460 **Art 6** **Semester / Day 1/Day 2**

Intermediate Level sequential continuation of creative experiences which involve problem solving and individual expression. They will also experience major project areas such as painting, graphic printing, sculpture, ceramics, and fibers. Drawing is involved in all areas as is art critiquing and history. The subject background for many of the assignments will correlate with the students' social studies and language arts curriculum.

6th Grade Students Are Required To Take One Of The Following Music Classes

9200 **General Music** **Semester / Day 1/Day 2**

Students review music concepts taught in grades 1-5. Students will also study the elements that create music. Activities will include playing electric keyboards, listening to a variety of music, studying composers, using computers, world music, and lessons about hand drumming. Students who take General Music will also have Support (study hall) included in their schedule for a semester.

9210 **Band** **All Year / Day 1/Day 2**

This class is a continuation of the fifth grade band program. Students will be exposed to more advanced band music. There will also be opportunities to play music that they might hear during the holidays, in a movie, or at a basketball game! The band will be involved with several concert performances during the year. Students who have not had previous experience in band may sign up for this course **with approval from the instructor**. Students taking this music course are not required to take General Music.

Class fee: \$20.00

9240 **Choir** **All Year / Day 1/Day 2**

Choir focuses on voice production and concert etiquette. Students will learn how to improve their singing voice and ensemble singing skills. All choir students are required to participate in two evening concerts during the school year. Choir will meet as a whole group on alternating days. Students taking this music course are not required to take General Music.

9266 **Orchestra** **All Year / Day 1/Day 2**

Open to all students who play standard orchestral instruments. The group rehearses 5 times a week. The orchestra performs a minimum of two concerts each school year, as well as other community functions as they occur. Students taking this music course are not required to take General Music.

Other Encore Courses

(Courses students take taught by instructors certified/trained in the specific area)

9366 **Technology Education 1** **Semester / Day 1/Day 2**

Students must take FCE and Tech Ed at least one time each during grades 6-8.

Introduction to Technology is a project based class that gives students an opportunity to learn about and use different tools and equipment. Activities and projects will be centered on the four technology areas including communication, construction, manufacturing and transportation. Students will be in both a traditional “shop” and “technology center” environment.

The shop component is about manufacturing, or using different materials and processes to make different projects. The three materials used include metal, plastic and wood. Out of those materials we build a pencil box, an oven rack push/pull and a picture frame/holder. The important thing isn't necessarily the finished projects, but rather the processes learned while building the projects. Some of the equipment used in 6th grade Technology class includes saws, drills, sanders, buffers and welders.

The technology center/computer lab component of 6th grade Exploring Technology is about construction and communication. Projects include floor plan design in a computer aided architecture unit and digital graphic manipulation using Adobe Photoshop.

Technology class is for everyone. Prior knowledge of the machines and software listed above isn't required. It's a fun, empowering, hands-on class. Safety, problem solving, quality work and teamwork will be stressed.

Class fee: \$7.00

9660 **FCE Life and Work Skills** **Semester / Day 1/Day 2**

Students must take FCE and Tech Ed at least one time each during grades 6-8.

This course explores topics related to family life and developing life skills. We will look at the role of the family and how it prepares us for our future. We will discover all of the “work” that family units do and see how those family jobs are very important. Then we will look at how family jobs begin to prepare us for independence and the world of work. One main topic we will focus on is responsibility. We'll create a family project, practice food preparation, and sew a simple pillow.

Class fee: \$7.00

9960 **World Languages** **Semester / Day 1/Day 2**

This course is actually divided into two separate classes: French and Spanish. Students spend their time exploring the language and culture of both languages. Conversation skills, numbers, the alphabet, colors, clothing vocabulary, and body part vocabulary are learned through projects, songs, games, and partner activities.