# Encore Offerings for 6<sup>th</sup> Graders at NWMS

## Band (Daily)

Students receive instruction on fundamentals through group and individualized instruction. The groups are involved with performances throughout the year. Except for large and/or expensive instruments, parents must secure instruments for their children.

#### Orchestra (Daily)

Students receive instruction on fundamentals of string production through group and individualized instruction. The groups are involved with performances throughout the year. Except for large and/or expensive instruments, parents must secure instruments for their children.

## Chorus (A/B day)

Open to all students, no matter the experience or proficiency. This is a vocal music course for middle school students who have a desire to learn, sing, and perform all types of vocal music. The goal of this course is to teach students the fundamentals of music, help create independence while learning and singing music, and to become confident singers and develop an appreciation for music.

## Art (A/B day)

This course is open to students who are interested in exploring basic art techniques and media.

#### Theatre (A/B day)

Coursework includes voice, stage movement, playwriting, script analysis, scenic design, and improvisation. Through exercises, students learn to take risks in a safe environment, develop the ability to tell stories collaboratively, analyze multiple perspectives and enhance listening skills.

#### Introduction to Spanish (A/B day)

This course is designed to introduce students to basic Spanish vocabulary. They will develop an awareness of the Spanish language patterns and sounds.

#### Career Exploration (A/B day)

Team and whole class modules with hands-on activities help students identify careers of interest and develop employability skills that will serve them in further education and the workplace. Opportunity to apply essential standards and workplace readiness skills through authentic experiences.

# Exploring Technology: Engineering (A/B day)

In this course students will investigate how products can be improved and invented based on current need to solve problems. Through activities and hands-on projects, students focus on understanding system design and technologies.

# Computer Science Discoveries I (A/B day)

Students will explore the problem-solving process and different ways humans and computers solve problems. Classes will learn computer skills, programming concepts, computational thinking, digital citizenship, and develop interactive games or stories they can share.

# Computer Skills & Applications (A/B day)

This course is to ensure students gain the knowledge to use the computer efficiently. The course focuses on Word Processing concepts, including formatting of letters, memos, tables and reports.