Washington Middle School Electives

These classes are offered year round with your core classes and mini rotation.

ORCHESTRA

Orchestra is a comprehensive instrumental music program that begins in grade five and continues through grade twelve. Students may enter the program with little or no previous instrumental music experience. Instruction includes topics such as types of music or composers, basic music theory (note reading and rhythm), music history, bowing, left-hand technique, and style. Students in 5th and 6th grade orchestra write about music and composers, as well as, learning to play their instrument. Performances required.



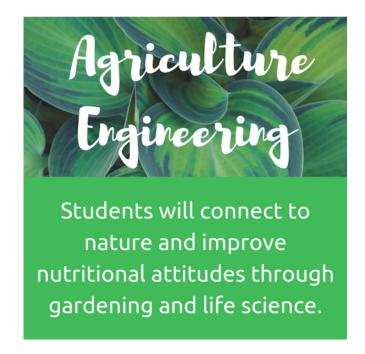
Students' portfolios are growing thicker in anticipation of the WMS Spring Art Show to be held in May. The art curriculum goes beyond Arkansas Fine Arts
Frameworks and provides something of interest for all students while giving students a foundation for art courses to be taken in junior high, high school, and college. Drawing, watercolor, printmaking, papiermâché sculpture, batik and careers in art help to expose students to many styles and materials.

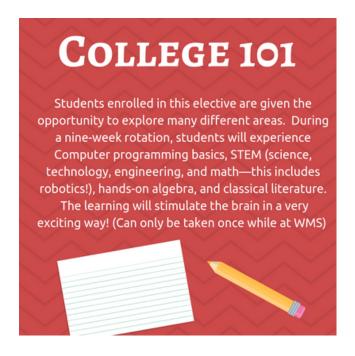
Students also participate in local art competitions as well as the Young Arkansas Artists Exhibition.

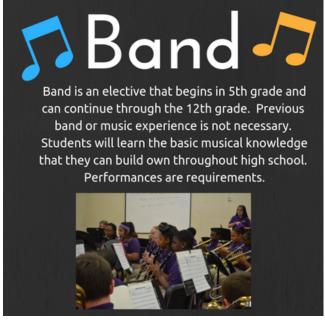
INNOVATION STATION

Maker Lab I, will introduce students to the basics of various STEAM concepts such as arduino, basic computer coding, automaton circuitry, 3-D printing and more. Science, technology, and basic innovation is explored. Students must take this course prior to taking Maker Lab.









INNOVATION STATION II (6TH GRADE ONLY) This class has been developed as an opportunity for networking, creativity and hands-on work. This innovative approach to learning and inventing involves technology, graphic design, 3-D printing, and engineering all rolled into a creative experience. Innovation Station I is a prerequisite

