

# HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES IN SKYWARD

**Step 1:** Log into Skyward

- [www.willowcreek.alpineschools.org](http://www.willowcreek.alpineschools.org)
- Under the “Resources” drop down menu, click on “Skyward”
- Log in to Skyward using your student login information

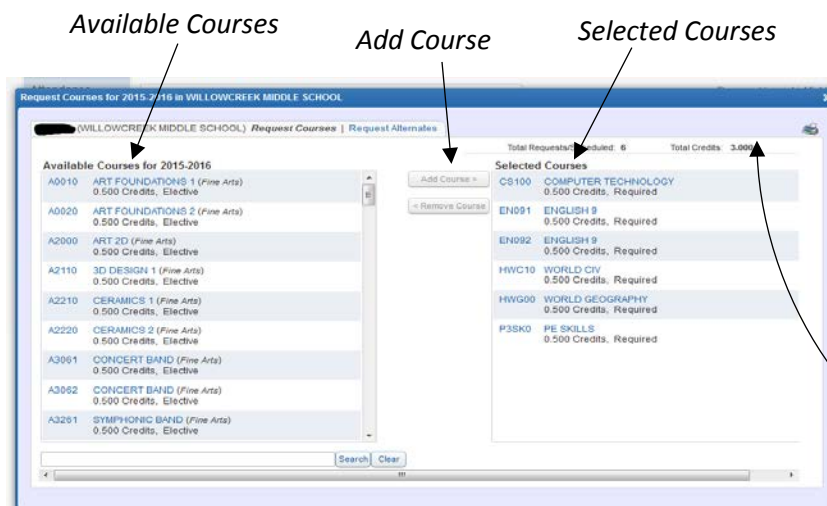


**Step 2:** Click on “Schedule” (to the left of your home page)

**Step 3:** Click on “Request Courses for 2015-16 in Willowcreek Middle School” (top right of the page)



**Step 4:** Under “Available Courses”- find the class you would like to take, click on it, then click “Add Course”  
You will see the class you selected appear on the right under “Selected Courses”



**Step 5:** 9<sup>th</sup> Grade--please select your math level first (does not apply to next year 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> graders).

**Step 6:** Continue to add the following classes—

**9<sup>th</sup> Grade next year classes to add: Math, Science, and Electives**

**7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade next year classes to add: Electives**

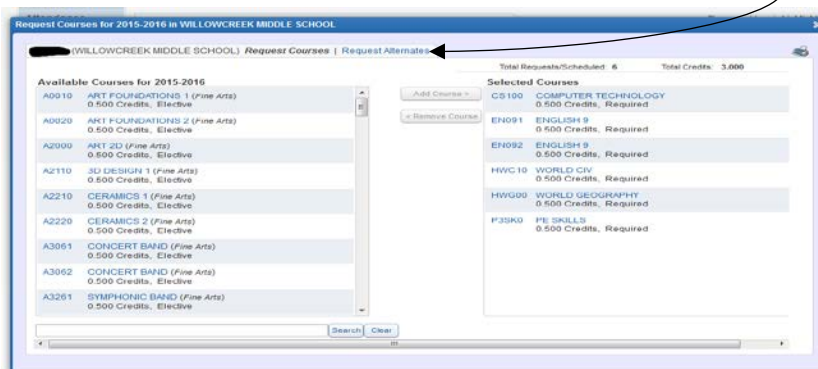
**Note:** check your registration papers for course numbers; checking the course number (to the left of the class) ensures that the class you select is the class you want. Always keep in mind that a full year class will have 2 numbers. When you select one, the other will be added automatically.

**Step 7:** Add classes until you have a complete schedule- **16** “Total Requests/Scheduled” and **8.00** “Total Credits”

**Step 8:** Add your 2 Alternate choices. To do this, click on “Request Alternate”

Repeat the steps to add a class

Alternates will be added to the top of your selected courses list



**When you are done, your requests are saved automatically.**

**There is no “save” button. Just “log out”.**

# Willowcreek Middle School

## 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Registration 2015-16

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

You **WILL NOT** be able to sign-up for any classes that require *an application, teacher approval, an Audition Only or IEP/ Resource accommodations*. If you are accepted into any of the above type classes, a counselor will manually change your schedule in Skyward.

**YOU MUST HAVE 8 CREDITS WHEN YOU ARE DONE REGISTRING ONLINE.**

**Honors classes have applications in the counseling office and applications are due Feb 20, 2015.**

- English Honors (3.5 GPA Recommended)
- Biology Honors
- Geography & World Civilizations Honors

**Step 1: The following classes have already been entered in Skyward for you:**

- English (non-Honors)
- Computer Tech
- Geography & World Civilizations (non-Honors)
- PE

**Step 2: Select one Math class.**

**If you are wondering what math class to take, please talk to your current math teacher.**

- 1) Secondary 1                      Course #M0901
- 2) Secondary 1 Honors            Course #M090H1

**Step 3: Select one Science class. You have 4 choices:**

- 1) Earth Systems                      Course #S2001
- 2) Biology Agriculture                Course #C13311
- 3) Biology (non-Honors)              Course#S3001
- 4) Biology (Honors)                    Application Required

Please read the course description to choose the right **SCIENCE** class for you.

**Step 4: Select your elective classes.**

1 SEMESTER class equals a *1/2 credit*. 1 FULL year class will equal 1 *credit*.

When you finish submitting all your classes, it will show that you have **8 credits**.

DO NOT "LEAVE SPACE" BECAUSE YOU ARE ANTICIPATING GETTING INTO A PARTICULAR CLASS.

**Step 5: Select your alternate classes. Choose wisely, you may get it!!!!**

**The charts below are an example you may review and a worksheet to write out the classes you want.**

<b>Example</b>	English	Math	World Studies	Science	PE	Spanish	Seminary	Ceramics
					Computer Tech	Spanish	Seminary	Weights

English	Math	World Studies	Science	PE				Alternate #1
				Computer Tech				Alternate #2

# 2015-2016 Willowcreek 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Courses

## FULL YEAR ELECTIVES

### Foreign Language:

(3.0 GPA REQUIRED for Foreign Language)

Chinese 1	LCH11
Chinese 2	LCH21
French 1	LFR11
French 2	LFR21
Spanish 1	LSP11
Spanish 2	LSP21
German 1	LGR11

**Although many colleges recommend taking 2 or more years of a foreign language, it is NOT required for high school graduation.**

### Fine Arts:

**\*\*Summer band strongly recommended\*\***

Beginning Band Brass	A3311
Beginning Band Woodwinds	A3611
Beginning Band Percussion	A351B1
Concert Band	A3061
Symphonic Band	A3261
Wind Symphony	A3271

Intermediate Percussion	A35211
Advanced Percussion	A351A1

Intermediate Jazz Band ( <i>Early Morning</i> )	Teacher Approval
Advanced Jazz Band ( <i>Early Morning</i> )	Teacher Approval

Orchestra	A8001
Advanced Orchestra	A8021

Choir 2 Mixed ( <i>full year</i> )	A43221
Intermediate Women's Choir ( <i>full year</i> )	A430W1
Advanced Women's Choir ( <i>full year</i> )	A420W1
Men's Choir (Intermediate) ( <i>full year</i> )	A420M1
Acapella Mixed ( <i>full year</i> )	A4001

Guitar 2 ( <i>Guitar 1 prerequisite</i> )	A3422
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Drama 2	Audition Only
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Dance Company	Audition Only
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### Other Full Year Electives:

Journalism	ENJR1
Seminary-Release Time ( <i>non-credit</i> )	XX601
Seminar- Early Morning ( <i>non-credit</i> )	Application Required
Stage Crew	Application Required
Yearbook	Application Required

## SEMESTER ELECTIVES

### Fine Arts:

Art 1	A0010
Art 2 ( <i>Art 1 prerequisite</i> )	A0020
Ceramics 1 ( <i>Art 1 prerequisite</i> )	A2210
Ceramics 2 ( <i>Art 1 &amp; Ceramics 1 prerequisites</i> )	A2220
Art Media/2D ( <i>Art 1 prerequisite</i> )	A2000
3D Design ( <i>Art 1 prerequisite</i> )	A2110

Choir 2 Mixed ( <i>semester</i> )	A43220
Intermediate Women's Choir ( <i>semester</i> )	A430W0
Advanced Women's Choir ( <i>semester</i> )	A420W0
Men's Choir ( <i>semester</i> )	A420M0

Guitar 1	A3410
Guitar 2 ( <i>Guitar 1 prerequisite</i> )	A3420

Drama Foundations	A6000
Drama 1 ( <i>Drama Foundations prerequisite</i> )	A6010
Musical Theater	Audition Only

Dance Fundamentals	A5000
Dance 1 ( <i>Dance Fundamentals prerequisite</i> )	A5010
Advanced Dance	Audition Only

### PE Electives


Weights	P8400
Adv Cardio/Core Training ( <i>Weights or Aerobics prerequisite</i> )	P840A0

### Technology:

Clothing 1 ( <i>9<sup>th</sup> only</i> )	C33010
Foods 1 ( <i>9<sup>th</sup> only</i> )	C34010
Foundations of Technology	C81010
Exploring Tech 8	C80120
Manufacturing Technology	C85051
Intro to Communications Tech	C83110
Marketing Introduction	Application Required
Exploring Business & Marketing	Application Required

### Other Semester Electives:

Debate 1	END10
Debate 2 ( <i>Debate 1 prerequisite</i> )	END20
Creative Writing	ENCR0
Floral Design	C15120
Peer Leader	Application Required
Peer Tutor	Application Required
Teacher's Aide	Application Required



# WILLOWCREEK

## REQUIRED CLASSES

**SECONDARY I -- Full Year Class:** Secondary I is the New Utah State's Core's ninth grade class. This course includes the study of solving equations, solving literal equations, solving inequalities, geometric constructions, coordinate geometry, quadrilaterals, proofs of quadrilaterals in coordinate plane, functions, exponential functions, and a comparison between exponential and linear functions.

**SECONDARY I HONORS -- Full Year Class:** Secondary I Honors is the first course in the honors path. A student in the honors path may take calculus as a senior. This course includes all of the topics from regular Secondary I plus the study of vectors and matrices.

**ENGLISH 9 – Full Year Class:** This course develops language skills in four areas: reading, writing, speaking, and presentation skills. Students will read both fiction and non-fiction and write in a variety of genres. Skills will be taught in connection with writing. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**ENGLISH 9 HONORS – Full Year Class:** This is an accelerated class for students who excel in English. The pace is fast and the depth in some areas is extensive. Extensive reading requirements and additional homework are part of the curriculum. Group and individual projects will be a part of each unit of study. *Application required. This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**EARTH SYSTEMS – Full Year Class:** The theme for Earth Science is **systems**. The "Benchmarks" in the Earth Science Core emphasize "systems" as an organizing concept to understand life on Earth, geological change, and the interaction of atmosphere, hydrosphere, and biosphere. Earth Science provides students with an understanding of how the parts of a system through the study of the Earth's cycles and spheres. Earth's place in the universe as well its internal structure; tectonic plates, atmospheric processes, and hydrosphere are explored to help understand how Earth science interacts with society. *This science class is where the majority of students will be enrolled. This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**BIOLOGY -- Full Year Class:** Students will study the functions of atoms and molecules in the chemistry of cells, the structure and function of cells, and how cells function as a system. They will analyze how genetic information is passed from one cell to another and the significance and impact of genetic alteration on living organisms. They will explore biological diversity, analyze characteristics of ecosystems, and the interdependence of organisms with each other and with their environment. ***Remember, if you take biology this year, you will have to take chemistry or physics next year. This class is recommended for those who EXCEL in math.*** *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**BIOLOGY HONORS -- Full Year Class:** This fast moving class is an introductory course with a wealth of information and fundamental knowledge of cells, heredity, classification and ecology. The following areas will be covered: ecology, genetics & evolution, cell structure, function, chemistry, levels of classification & organization. ***Remember, if you take biology this year, you will have to take chemistry or physics next year. This class is recommended for those who EXCEL in math.*** *Application required. This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**BIOLOGY AG -- Full Year Class:** This course is designed to meet the requirement for biological science core credit. The standards and objectives for this course are the same as those for Biology, with the only difference being the degree of emphasis on agriculture. Major concepts include: structures in all living things occur as a result of necessary functions; interactions of organisms in an environment are determined by biotic and abiotic components; and evolution of species occurs over time and is related to the environment in which the species live. Students completing this course will be cognizant of current technologies, methods, and changes in agricultural science and are expected to know and apply the standards outlined in the core curriculum as they relate to the industry of agriculture. Joining the FFA is highly encouraged! **Remember, if you take biology this year, you will have to take chemistry or physics next year. This class is recommended for those who EXCEL in math.** This class has a \$10 class fee.

**COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY – Semester class:** Computer literacy is a foundational element of success in today’s technology-driven world. This course is intended to help students learn concepts associated with key application software, basic computing fundamentals, and ethics and appropriate behavior while using technology as a tool in the classroom and in life. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**PE SKILLS – Semester Class:** 9<sup>th</sup> grade required class. Skills and techniques in a variety of team and individual sports are taught. Running and exercise skills are taught to improve physical conditioning. *This class has a \$23 class fee. PE shirts are required for \$8. Black PE shorts are available for \$10.*

**WORLD GEOGRAPHY -- Semester Class:** This course covers the five themes of geography. Students will study the various cultures of the world, including the way they live, political and social trends, and advancing technology. They will utilize geographic skills to understand the practical application of geography to everyday life through the use and study of maps.

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**WORLD CIVILIZATIONS – Semester Class:** World Studies combines geographic study with world civilization. The course studies people, places, significant events, cultures, and environments. Students will examine human experience in at least six spheres of human activity as well as understand how geography relates to life.

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## ***FINE ARTS CLASSES***

**ART FOUNDATIONS 1 – Semester Class:** *This class is a prerequisite for all other art classes.* Art Foundations 1 is a beginning art class. It provides an introduction to Visual Arts using a variety of media, with an emphasis on drawing. Major art projects are based on the Elements and Principles of Design, including Line, Shape and Color. Students will examine careers related to visual arts, and explore the multi-cultural aspects of Art History. *This class has a \$15 class fee.*

**ART FOUNDATIONS 2 – Semester Class:** **Prerequisite: Art Foundations 1.** Art Foundations 2 is a 9th grade class for high school credit. Students will utilize a variety of media, techniques, and processes and continue to work with the Elements and Principles of Design. Drawing from observation is emphasized. Students will examine careers related to visual arts, and explore the multi-cultural aspects of Art History. *This class has a \$15 class fee.*

**ART MEDIA – Semester Class:** **Prerequisite: Art Foundations 1.** Art Media is an intermediate drawing and design class that will build upon the skills learned in Art Foundations 1. Students will continue to work with the Elements and Principles of Design, including Value, Space and Contrast. Drawing from observation is emphasized. *This class has a \$15 class fee.*

**3-D DESIGN – Semester Class:** *Students taking this class must first have successfully completed Art Foundations I.* Utilizing the Elements and Principles of Design, students will render 3-Dimensional artworks using a variety of methods and materials. Projects will include both Traditional Americana and Multicultural Art works. *A \$15 class fee is required for this class.*

**CERAMICS I – Semester Class:** *Students must have successfully completed Art Foundations I in order to take this class.* Ceramics I is an introductory class which covers basic clay preparation, hand building techniques, and the finishing processes used in the construction and firing of clay pottery and sculpture. Both historical and contemporary artists and their methods will be explored. *This class has a \$15 class fee.*

**CERAMICS II – Semester Class:** Ceramics II is a high school level course for ninth graders only. Before enrolling in this class all students must have successfully completed both Art Foundations I and Ceramics I. Ceramics II expands upon the hand building skills and techniques taught in Ceramics I. Advanced methods of pinch, coil, and slab construction will be covered with greater emphasis on original design and sculpting techniques. Exploring both historical and contemporary ceramic works, students will create their own final project for public display. *This class has a \$15 class fee.*

**DANCE FUNDAMENTALS -- Semester Class:** This class is a prerequisite for auditioning for Willowcreek's Dance Company. This course introduces students to the main elements of dance, which are Body and Motion, Energy, Space, and Time. Beginning dance technique and movements will be taught in relation to the state core curriculum. This class will explore rhythms, style, and techniques of all dance genres, while still emphasizing basic choreographic elements. *This class has a \$3 class fee.*

**DANCE 1 -- Semester Class:** This class is a continuation of Intro to Dance. Intermediate dance techniques and movements will be taught and different dance styles will be explored. Emphasis will be placed on the elements of modern dance. *This class has a \$3 class fee.*

**ADVANCED DANCE -- Semester Class:** This class is a continuation of Dance 1. Advanced dance techniques and movements will be taught and different dance styles will be explored. Students will also study criticism and aesthetics of dance. *This class has a \$3 class fee. Audition only.*

**DANCE COMPANY -- Full Year Class:** This class is a continuation of Dance 1 and Dance 1B. Intermediate/Advanced dance techniques and movements will be taught and different dance styles will be explored. Emphasis will be placed on the elements of modern dance. This is an Audition class only and students will perform at various performances, including a spring concert. ***Auditions and Teacher approval only & must have taken dance at Willowcreek.*** *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**DRAMA FOUNDATIONS -- Semester Class:** This course introduces the student to the beginning elements of theater and performance with emphasis on self-improvement in performance. Pantomime, Vocal work, scene and monologue study are taught along with production criticism. The students will study movement, basic acting techniques, scene performance, character study, and an introduction to ensemble work. The student will be required to see a play during the semester.

**DRAMA 1 -- Semester Class:** This class is an advanced study of theater, advanced performance skills, audition preparation, children's theater, and improvisation. This class will write and perform own in-class productions. The student will be required to see a play per semester. **Pre-requisite is Drama Foundations or Teacher Approval**

**DRAMA 2 -- Full Year Class:** This course introduces the student to the beginning elements of theater and performance with emphasis on self-improvement in performance and public communication. Oral interpretation, scene and monologue study, theater history is taught along with production criticism. The students will study audition techniques, improvisation, acting techniques, scene performance, and an introduction to playwriting and directing. The student is required to see a play during the semester. The student will perform in the fall show. **Pre-requisite is Drama 1 or Teacher Approval Only.**

**STAGE CREW -- Full Year Class:** Students will study theater lighting, sound, scenery, properties, stage-management and technical design. This class will be a project based class. It also may require evenings and out-of-school time during rehearsal and performances. The student will be required to see a play per semester. **Teacher Approval Required.**

**MUSICAL THEATER – Semester Class:** Designed to familiarize performing arts students with the process of auditioning and performing in the realm of musical theater. Students will work individually and in groups with staging, choreography, etc. Singing style, acting, coaching, musical theater history, and evaluation will be covered. Students will be required to sing and dance. They will perform in the school musical. The student will be required to see a play during the semester. **Teacher Approval Only. Must audition for Teacher to take class. Auditions will be at the end of school year for class the following year.** *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

## MUSIC CLASSES

**ORCHESTRA – Full Year Class:** Study includes the care and cultivation of a beautiful tone, the ability to read music, the building of technical skills, team spirit, and responsible rehearsal habits. Students will have opportunities improvise, compose, strengthen listening skills, analyze performances and relate their music experiences to the time and culture of the pieces they study, as well as to contemporary society. *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**ADVANCED ORCHESTRA - Full Year Class:** Students will be part of an ensemble of intermediate to advanced string players directed toward performing the finest in classical and contemporary music. *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**BEGINNING PERCUSSION – Full Year Class:** Study includes the building of proper technique on all percussion instruments, as well as performances in different settings. Students will have opportunities to improvise, compose, strengthen note reading and listening skills and analyze performances. Curriculum includes several performances per year. Students in this class pay will need a **Percussion Kit** for home practice. **Depending on enrollment demand, priority may be given to those with previous piano or instrumental study experience.** *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**INTERMEDIATE PERCUSSION – Full Year Class:** An intermediate skills and ensemble class directed toward continuing the development of music performance skills in percussion. Curriculum includes several performances per year including adjudicated music festivals, and adjudicated percussion festivals. **This class is open to 8th graders and 9th graders who have taken Beginning Percussion and/or received approval from Mr. Faires.** *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**ADVANCED PERCUSSION - Full Year Class:** An advanced skills and ensemble class directed toward building music performance skills in percussion. Curriculum includes 6-8 performances per year. Students will also participate in regional and state level festivals. **This class requires a \$70 instrument rental. This class is open to advanced 8th and 9th graders who have taken Intermediate Percussion and/or received approval from Mr. Faires.** *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**BEGINNING BAND (BRASS) – Full Year Class:** Students will learn the fundamentals of music performance, tone production and technique on a brass instrument. Curriculum includes several performances per year. Instrument Choices Include: Trumpet, Trombone, French Horn, Baritone or Tuba. Students must provide an instrument. *(Some of the larger instruments (Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon, Percussion, etc.) may be available from the school for rental at \$70.00 a year rental.)* *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**BEGINNING BAND (WOODWINDS) -- Full Year Class:** Students will learn the fundamentals of music performance, tone production and technique on a woodwind instrument. Curriculum includes several performances per year. Instrument Choices Include: Flute, Clarinet, or Oboe. Students must provide an instrument (Students wishing to play Saxophone or Bassoon will need previous woodwind experience and/or approval). *(Some of the larger instruments (Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon, Percussion, etc.) may be available from the school for rental at \$70.00 a year rental.)* *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**CONCERT BAND (BRASS and WOODWIND) -- Full Year Class:** This course further develops and refines core concepts and fundamentals introduced in Beginning Band. **Pre-requisite course is Beginning Band, or audition/approval for 7<sup>th</sup> Graders that have previous experience.** Curriculum includes several performances per year. Students must provide an instrument. *(Some of the larger instruments (Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon, Percussion, etc.) may be available from the school for rental at \$70.00 a year rental.)* *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**SYMPHONIC BAND (BRASS and WOODWIND) -- Full Year Class:** This intermediate band is an advanced course that further develops and refines core concepts and fundamentals introduced in Beginning Band and Concert Band. Previous experience is required on a band instrument. Curriculum includes several performances per year as well as possible performances in regional and state level festivals. Students must provide an instrument. *(Some of the larger instruments (Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon, Percussion, etc.) may be available from the school for rental at \$70.00 a year rental.)* **This class is open to 8th graders and 9th graders who have taken at least 1 year of Concert Band and/or received approval from Mr. Faires.** *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**WIND SYMPHONY (BRASS and WOODWIND) -- Full Year Class:** This advanced band further develops and refines the performance skills and abilities developed in Symphonic Band and Concert Band. Previous experience is required on a band instrument. Curriculum includes 6-8 performances per year. Students will also participate in regional and state level festivals. Students must provide an instrument. *(Some of the larger instruments (Tuba, Euphonium, Bassoon, Percussion, etc.) may be available from the school for rental at \$70.00 a year rental.)* **This class is open to advanced 8th and 9th graders who have taken Symphonic Band and/or received approval from Mr. Faires. This class has a \$25 class fee.**

**JAZZ BAND (Intermediate) -- Full Year Class:** A beginning to intermediate level jazz ensemble that explores and performs jazz music and popular styles. Students will also develop fundamental skills of improvisation. Intermediate Jazz Band Instruments include: Any Brass & Woodwind Instrument, Percussion, Piano, Guitar, and Bass. Curriculum includes several performances per year. Students may also participate in regional and state level festivals. Woodwind, Brass, String Bass and Percussion Players need to be enrolled in an approved Band, Percussion or Orchestra Class. Intermediate Jazz Band meets during 0 Period on Monday and Wednesday. *(Rhythm Section Players (Piano, Guitar, Bass) not enrolled in another school instrumental ensemble may need to pay the usage/rental fee for school instruments of \$70.00 a year (if applicable).* Intermediate Jazz Band is open to all students with previous experience in another band or ensemble. *No Jazz Band Experience is required for the Intermediate Jazz band.* Contact Mr. Faires for any questions. *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**JAZZ BAND (Advanced) -- Full Year Class:** An advanced jazz ensemble that explores and performs jazz and popular styles. Students will also develop fundamental skills of improvisation. Advanced Jazz Band Instruments include: Percussion, Piano, Guitar, Bass, Trumpet, Trombone, and Saxophone. Curriculum includes 6-8 performances per year as well as possible regional and state level festivals. Woodwind, Brass, String Bass and Percussion Players need to be enrolled in an approved Band, Percussion or Orchestra Class. Jazz Band meets during 0 Period on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. *(Rhythm Section Players (Piano, Guitar, Bass) not enrolled in another school instrumental ensemble may need to pay the usage/rental fee for school instruments of \$70.00 a year (if applicable).* Advanced Jazz Band is by audition/approval only. Contact Mr. Faires for audition information. *This class has a \$25 class fee.*

**ACAPELLA (MIXED) -- Full Year:** SATB Choir Performs at concerts and usually at least three festivals or trips per year. Requirements: Acceptable Performance in Intermediate Choir, including: Pass all intermediate choir Walkaways, Attend all intermediate choir performances. Show proficiency in the following: Advanced curriculum, Rehearsal Habits, Intermediate Midpoints 1 through 4, and Final Test for Intermediate Choir. Note: If you earn A's in Intermediate Choir, chances are you are ready for Advanced Choir. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**ADVANCED WOMEN'S CHOIR -- Full Year OR Semester:** SSA Choir Performs at concerts and participates in at least one or two festivals or trips each Semester. Requirements: Acceptable Performance in Intermediate Choir, including: Pass all intermediate choir Walkaways, and attend all intermediate choir performances. Show proficiency in the following: Rehearsal Habits, Intermediate Midpoints 1 through 4, and, Final Test for Intermediate Choir. Note: If you earn A's in Intermediate Choir, chances are you are ready for Advanced Choir. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**INTERMEDIATE WOMEN'S CHOIR -- Full Year OR Semester:** SA Choir. This class is for those with some choir experience who wish to develop their voice and increase their skills. This is a good class for those wishing to prepare for Advanced Women's Choir or WMS Singers. Performs at a concert and possible service trip each semester, and includes a festival opportunity in Semester 2. Intermediate level curriculum. Requirements: acceptable performance in Beginning Choir, including: pass all beginning choir Walkaways, attend all beginning choir performances, and show proficiency in the following: rehearsal habits, beginning midpoints 1 through 4, and Final Test for Beginning Choir. Note: If you earn A's in beginning choir, chances are you are ready for Intermediate Choir. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**MEN'S CHOIR -- Full Year OR Semester:** TB Choir. This class is for boys with some choir experience who wish to develop their voice and increase their skills. Performs at a concert and possible service trip each semester, and includes a festival opportunity in Semester 2. Intermediate level curriculum. Requirements: acceptable performance in Beginning Choir, including: pass all beginning choir Walkaways, attend all beginning choir performances, and show proficiency in the following: rehearsal habits, beginning midpoints 1 through 4, and Final Test for Beginning Choir. Note: If you earn A's in beginning choir, chances are you are ready for Intermediate Choir. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**CHOIR 2 MIXED -- Full Year OR Semester:** Mixed Choir. This class is for 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> grade students who are new to choir as well as those wishing to brush up their choir skills before moving on to an intermediate or advanced choir. Performs 1 or 2 concerts, with a possible service performance trip. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*



**GUITAR 1 - Semester Class:** Students will learn the basics of guitar technique and how to read and play music notes, tabs, and chords. Students will also rehearse for and perform a group concert. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**GUITAR 2 – Semester or Full Year Class:** Students continue to learn and refine music the reading skills which were introduced in beginning guitar and learn more advanced music. Students will learn some of the basics of improvisation, and will focus significant attention on ensemble playing and group performance. Teacher Approval Required. *This class has a \$5-10 class fee.*

## LANGUAGE CLASSES

**SPANISH 1-- Full Year Class:** Students are introduced to the language and culture. Students will practice language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons introduce the lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**SPANISH 2 -- Full Year Class:** (pre-req, complete level 1) Students delve deeper into the language and culture. Students will practice more advanced language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons explore more of the history, lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**FRENCH 1 -- Full Year Class:** Students are introduced to the language and culture. Students will practice language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons introduce the lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

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**CHINESE 1 -- Full Year Class:** Students are introduced to the language and culture. Students will practice language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons introduce the lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**CHINESE 2-- Full Year Class:** (pre-req, complete level 1) Students delve deeper into the language and culture. Students will practice more advanced language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons explore more of the history, lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**GERMAN 1 -- Full Year Class:** Students are introduced to the language and culture. Students will practice language skills through dialogues, reading selections, writing exercises, and real-life practice. Cultural lessons introduce the lifestyle, geography, cooking, art, and music. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

## CTE ELECTIVES

**EXPLORING TECHNOLOGY 8 – Semester Class:** Exploring Technology is an exciting discovery of the technological systems of four of the following seven technology areas: medical, agriculture/biotechnology, energy-power, information and communications, transportation, manufacturing and construction technologies. This course will provide opportunities for students to work individually and in a team, while also developing skills in technological design, innovation, and problem solving. **Possible projects: CO2 dragster, Drafting, wooden pen, Lego robots, Longboard.** *This class has a \$10 class fee. A \$8 Exploring tech materials card is required for this class.*

**INTRO. COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY -- Semester Class:** Intro to Communications Technology will introduce students to a wide range of communications technologies. Students will apply skills and concepts through the completion of action-based activities and projects, centered in the following areas: Computer-Aided Design and Drafting, Video and Audio production, Digital Media, Animation, and many more. **Possible projects: sticker design, heat transfer, video editing, graphic design, animation, presentation creation.** *This class has a \$10 class fee. A \$5 Communications tech materials card is required for this class.*

**MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY - Semester Class:** Manufacturing is an exploratory course that introduces students to the basics of manufacturing. Through hands-on shop activities students will learn how manufactures use technology to change raw materials into finished products. Manufacturing materials include solid wood, wood composites, and laminates. Concepts also covered in this class include: design processes, properties of materials, safe use of tools and equipment, free enterprise, marketing principles, and career exploration. ***Possible projects: Chess board, ball in cup game, metal tray, back scratcher. This class has a \$10 class fee. A \$14 advanced tech materials card is required for this class.***

**FOUNDATIONS OF TECHNOLOGY – Semester Class:** Foundations of Technology prepares students to understand and apply technological concepts and processes that are the cornerstone for the high school Technology and Pre-Engineering program. Group and individual activities engage students in creating ideas, developing innovations, and engineering practical solutions. Technology content, resources, and laboratory/classroom activities apply student applications of science, mathematics, and other school subjects. ***Possible projects: Electric kit, trebuchet, hydraulic robot, prototyping, geodesic dome. This class has a \$10 class fee. A \$6 Foundation of tech materials card is required for this class.***

**CLOTHING I – Semester Class:** This course is designed to explore the textile world. We discuss fiber through fabric construction to clothing care. The students will create three projects to demonstrate the required sewing techniques. Each student will purchase their own fabric for the class projects as well as their sewing supplies. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**FOODS I -- Semester class:** This is a comprehensive course designed to teach the fundamentals of human nutrition based upon the six major nutrient groups. While building skills in kitchen management and food preparation, students will gain the ability to select recipes and plan menus based upon the U. S. Dietary Guidelines that will support a lifestyle of health and wellness. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**FLORAL GREEN MANAGEMENT (Formerly known as HORTICULTURE/FLORAL DESIGN) -- Semester Class:** Students will be exposed to greenhouse operations and management practices that will prepare the students to produce commercial plant species in a controlled environment and to manage commercial and experimental greenhouse operations. Students will develop knowledge and skills related to the floriculture industry. Floral design and greenhouse operations and management will be the primary units of study. Students will be prepared to create floral arrangements, produce commercial plant species in a controlled environment, and manage commercial and experimental greenhouse operations. Joining the FFA is highly encouraged! *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**BIOLOGY/AGRICULTURAL SCIENCE – Full Year Class:** This course is designed to meet the requirement for biological science core credit. The standards and objectives for this course are the same as those for Biology, with the only difference being the degree of emphasis on agriculture. Major concepts include: structures in all living things occur as a result of necessary functions; interactions of organisms in an environment are determined by biotic and abiotic components; and evolution of species occurs over time and is related to the environment in which the species live. Students completing this course will be cognizant of current technologies, methods, and changes in agricultural science and are expected to know and apply the standards outlined in the core curriculum as they relate to the industry of agriculture. Joining the FFA is highly encouraged! *A \$10 class fee is required for this class.*

**EXPLORING BUSINESS AND MARKETING (Formally Computers in Business) – Semester Class:** The formal name of the class is Exploring Business and Marketing, but a more accurate class title should be "Teen Entrepreneurship." Students will learn firsthand business and marketing principles by running their own business. Students will learn business and marketing principles from start to finish and will keep all of the profits they make from their business. Students will learn interviewing and resume skills, marketing principles, investing in the stock market and business strategies. Application required. See Mr. Assmus for more information. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

**MARKETING INTRODUCTION – Semester Class:** Ever wonder why something costs \$49.99 and not \$50.00, or why a KitKat has a shiny red wrapping as opposed to a blue wrapper? Or have you ever wondered why one gas station can be 5 cents cheaper than the one across the street? We will learn about all of these things and so many more principles that deal with marketing. Students will be exposed to Student Leadership organizations and may have the opportunity to compete in region and state competitions. A great introductory class which exposes students to the fundamentals of marketing. Application required. *This class has a \$5 class fee.*

# OTHER ELECTIVE CLASSES

**WEIGHT TRAINING -- Semester Class:** This class is designed for students to tone, shape and strengthen. Cardiovascular exercise will be incorporated for an overall training program. *This class does not replace the PE skills requirement.*

**ADVANCED CARDIO/CORE TRAINING -- Semester Class:** (9th Graders Only) This fun class is designed for students that want a higher intensity workout. Students will strengthen their Cardiovascular Fitness and Core muscles with Circuit/Cross Fit type workouts. Cardiovascular exercise will be incorporated into an overall training program. Students in this class must be approved by the teacher. *This class does not replace the PE skills requirement. Weights or Aerobics Prerequisite.*

**DEBATE 1 – Semester Class:** This is a basic course in speech and debate. Students will learn techniques of research, persuasion, organization, refutation, and group processes. Content will include important issues facing the world, our nation, and ourselves. Students who take this class will read at or above grade level, and will write two cases which are five paragraphs in length. Attendance while cases are presented is critical in this class. Students are not allowed to argue with parents while they take this course.

**DEBATE 2 – Semester Class:** Debate 2 is for the experienced debater who knows how to write a debate case, understands research, and recognized logical fallacies and illicit appeals to emotion. This debate class requires all students to write well, enjoy researching, and can engage in a polite, respectful exchange of ideas with those of opposing views. Debate 2 will explore team (policy) debate, public forum debate, mock trial, student congress. These are the activities which require previous exposure to argumentation as an art form.

**JOURNALISM – Full Year Class:** This year-long class focuses on the elements and work of journalism with the goal of publishing articles and photography on the school's online newspaper *Willowcreek Voice*. Students will write opinion, polls, informational, and community activity articles on an ongoing basis. Students will also use video production to produce commercials for activities and programs in the school. This class requires a writing sample to be assessed before acceptance into the program, and requires teacher approval. Only those individuals who enjoy talking with people, working with groups, and creating a strong staff of people interested in the events around them should apply. Students need to love to write and be self-starters. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**YEAR BOOK - Full Year Class:** Yearbook is a full year elective class and an extracurricular activity. We are responsible for putting together the yearbook that is passed out at the end of the year. You will learn the fundamentals of photography, journalism, and design while producing a yearbook. The class will also teach you organizational skills, layout and design, journalistic writing, and most importantly, teamwork and responsibility. *Application Only—See Ms. Measom (Room 108.) This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**CREATIVE WRITING -- Semester Class:** It is a broad-based introduction to various forms of writing, such as short fiction, poetry and non-fiction. Students also experiment with writing these genres and practice the art of creative writing. *This class has a \$10 class fee.*

**SEMINARY – Full Year Class:** A release period where students enroll in Seminary religious classes. This class does not receive credit for high school graduation.

**PEER LEADERS -- Semester Class:** This course focuses on the qualities of leadership and then works to develop these qualities in the lives of students. This course includes developmental skills in the areas of relationships, communications, human development, decision making, and interpersonal skills. *Students will be participating in service and activities. Counselor approval and application required.*

**PEER TUTOR – Semester Class:** Peer Tutors will be involved in assisting students in special education with their classes. This class would be most helpful to students considering a career in teaching, coaching, etc. It is extremely important that the students chosen for this class are responsible and have a very good attendance record. During the school year this class goes on community trips, a few of them will require the student to bring a few dollars. *Application required.*

**TEACHERS AID – Semester Class:** In this class you will assist the teacher in any assignments that they have during that day. Your role will be to aid the teacher with whatever responsibilities they may have. You will be required to have homework or a reading book to stay busy for any down time there may be. *Application required.*