Weston Middle School

Arts Rotation Choices
for
Rising 7th Graders
7th Grade Arts Rotation Options

WMS Ensembles

- Band
- Chorus
- Orchestra
- Jazz Band
  - Audition
- Wildcat Vocal Band
  - Audition
  - Formerly “Madrigals”

WMS Arts Rotation Choose 4 out of the following 5

- Robotics
- Engineering Arts
  - Bridge Design
- Drama
- Art
  - Drawing & Painting
- Music
  - Beginning Guitar
7th Grade Art

Mrs. Kowalski & Mrs. Ciccolo

- Create 3D imagery by drawing in perspective
- Experiment with contour line drawings from observation
- Discover the steps and techniques that lead to creating abstraction
- Develop color schemes
Tape Art Time Lapse
7th Grade Drama
Ms. Higgins & Ms. Solomon

- Expand upon skills learned in 6th Grade Drama
- Use the voice and body to create characters
- Learn the basics of technical theatre
- Explore the art of Improvisation
- Create scenes based off different criteria
- End of the quarter, perform scripted scenes
- Play lots of theatre games!
7th Grade Engineering Arts

Mr. Boardman & Mrs. Kowalski

- Work with a partner on real world Engineering Challenges
- Create videos to document your work
- Use computer programs such as West Point Bridge Designer and Sketch-Up to design bridges and houses.
Challenge:

How do I make a ball navigate through a maze by means of gravity ramps, sensors which see the ball coming, and motors which activate to keep the ball rolling along?

With lots of problem solving, that’s how!!!!!
7th Grade Music - Beginner Guitar

Mr. Eldridge

- Learn how to read music and play it on the guitar.
- Gain the tools you will need to teach yourself how to play the songs you like from the radio, broadway, TV, movies, etc.
- Melodies, tablature, chords.
- Focus on folk, pop, and classic rock tunes
- Final project = Coffee House Jam Session!
7th Grade Vocal Ensembles

Mr. Eldridge

- **7th Grade Chorus**
  - Focus on 3 and 4-part singing
  - All styles of music; all time periods; all parts of the world
  - Three concerts/year
  - Open to any rising 7th grader who likes to sing and have fun
  - You do not need to be in 6th Grade Chorus now to be in 7th Grade Chorus
  - Eligible singers participate in the 6 Flags Field Trip

- **Wildcat Vocal Band**
  - Formerly known as “Madrigals”
  - Focus is on contemporary and a cappella music (jazz, pop, Pentatonix-esque, etc.)
  - Three concerts plus additional outside-of-school opportunities
  - Must audition (week of 3/25/19) and be enrolled in 7th Grade Chorus
  - Cannot be in both Jazz Band and Vocal Band
  - See Mr. E for more information about auditions
  - Audition Website

These are separate from the Arts Rotation Courses
7th Grade Instrumental Ensembles

Mr. Fulginiti, Mrs. MacDonald, and Mrs. Nardone

- Band
- Orchestra
- Jazz Band (audition)
Band
Mr. Fulginiti

- It’s never too late to start learning an instrument!
- Private lessons available in the building after school
- Make friends...make music!
- Each year we play fun tunes. Ex. Take on Me, Pokemon Theme, Africa, Happy, All-Star, Star Wars
- [2018 Winter Concert 20:18](#)
Jazz Band
Mr. Fulginiti

- Meets once per week
- Play swing, latin, funk, and rock!
- Only auditioned band in WMS
- Play saxophone, clarinet, flute, trombone, trumpet, guitar, piano, bass, drums, or vibraphone
- **Winter Concert 2018 9:30**
Signing Up for your 4 Arts Electives ...