St. Elizabeth Ann Seton 2022-2023 Elective Course Descriptions 6th Grade



Please review the St. Elizabeth Ann Seton's Elective Course Descriptions and discuss the options your child would like to select for next year.

- Band and Math Enrichment are both full year courses.
- Math Enrichment is only available for students who are placed by their 5th Grade math teacher.
- Spanish, Art, STEM, and Physical Education are offered for one semester.
- Art, STEM, and Physical Education may be selected both semesters if students choose to take it for a full year.
- Spanish may only be selected for one semester.

Beginning Band Length: Full Year

Course Description: Sixth grade band focuses on the development and mastery of music fundamentals and instrumental performance. Much of the year is directed toward note identification, proper fingering/sticking, rhythm identification, posture/hand position, knowledge of musical terms, articulations, phrasing, musical interpretation, and proper application of time and key signatures. Students are expected to practice on a regular basis and participate in all performances.

Math Enrichment Length: Full Year

Course Description: This class is designed to give students an opportunity to work on their assignments with the guidance of a math teacher. Concepts are reviewed and reinforced. The extra time may also allow for enrichment activities to deepen the understanding of math concepts. Participation in this class has led to less time and frustration with homework, better test scores and overall grades. The overall goal is to give students a solid foundation of math concepts before entering Algebra 1 in high school. The grade is based primarily on participation with a report card grade of credit or no-credit.

Physical Education Length: Semester

Course Description: Pickleball! Curling! Spikeball! Basketball! Mission Impossible! Ultimate! Lax! Soccer! Flickerball! Bowling! Tennis! What are some of these games? Find out and experience a variety of activities that focus on new ways to be active and have a blast while doing them. Physical education provides unique learning opportunities for students to acquire knowledge, skills, fitness, and the confidence needed to enjoy a lifetime of healthy physical activity. This course is geared to all students, including those with little or no athletic experience. Health-related fitness testing will be completed twice a year. Developing an understanding and appreciation for the human body, as well as how to stay healthy and fit for a lifetime, are the overall goals of the physical education curriculum.

STEM Exploration Length: Semester

Course Description: Attention future engineers or any student interested in design! This fun, handson course teaches all students about the processes of design. Students are exposed to several different technologies structural design, problem solving projects, robotics using VEX IQ, and much more.

Art

Length: Semester

Course Description: Art allows students to explore their creativity and build craftsmanship with a variety of art media. Students will improve their drawing skills, sculpt with paper Mache, create pottery, and try new painting techniques. We will learn about artists, art history and increase our ability to solve problems creatively. You do not have to be a "natural" to succeed in art!

6th Grade Foundational Spanish

Length: Semester

Course Description: The focus is on fun in this exploratory Spanish class. Through thematic units, students will interact with the language in a variety of ways: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. In just a few short months, students will be engaging in common conversation, reading a mini novel in Spanish, writing original stories, performing skits, and singing songs all in Spanish. They will also begin working with some grammatical concepts of the language that they will encounter in Spanish 1. Games and collaborative activities encourage students

Course selections are done online through the Renweb Family Portal.

Instructions to choose Elective Courses

- 1. Log into your Renweb Family Portal
- 2. Select the **Student** tab, if you have more than one child in GTACS you will need to select the child's name for whom you are scheduling.
- 3. Select Course Request
- 4. A Course Request page will appear, and you will select courses using a drop-down menu.
- 5. Select Save

Please select Elective Courses before June 13th. The Course Selection tab will not be available after this date.