

C2E

2010-2011 Elective choices

Please choose 2 electives and four alternates per semester. Electives are filled on a first come, first served basis.

Wednesday/Friday Electives

Art Club: Students in this class will have an opportunity to create works of art involving several techniques. We will experiment with more time consuming mediums such as weaving, ceramics, and painting. Art history will be discussed and students will have an opportunity to develop their critical thinking skills by evaluating their own work, as well as the work of their peers and famous artists. **Supply Fee: \$15.00**

Band: **year long elective.** Students who join the band at the beginning of the year are expected to commit to the group for the entire year. Beginning band students may only join the group in August. If a student was not enrolled in band in the first semester, they will need permission of the instructor to join in January. Beginning band is open to all students grade four and above. Students who have never played an instrument must join beginning band which meets after school.

Instruments offered in band are flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone and drums. Students need to rent or purchase their own instruments. Students who wish to play drums will need to have at least two years of piano lessons prior to beginning band. Students who play guitar, bass, or piano may join band upon consulting with the teacher. **The school does not have wind instruments available for student use.**

Band students are expected to bring their instruments and music to each class, and this is included as part of their grade. The group needs each member in order to perform well. Students are also expected to practice their instruments at home.

There will be two evening performances a year - one in December and one in May. These performances are part of the class grade. Performance dates will be posted as far in advance as possible to help with family planning.

Drama: This class offers an opportunity for a variety of performance experiences, which includes the following: scene work, monologues, technology, set building, and costumes. The students also have an opportunity to record for C2E's own radio station. Developing beginning acting skills and self-esteem is a major emphasis. At the end of the semester, the students will put on a production for the parents at C2E. If you are interested in drama, this is the class for you!
Elective Fee: \$10.00

Orchestra: year long elective: Orchestra is a year long elective. Students who join the orchestra at the beginning of the year are expected to commit to the group for the entire year. Beginning orchestra students may only join the group in August. If a student was not enrolled in orchestra in the first semester, they will need permission of the instructor to join in January.

Instruments offered in orchestra are violin, viola and cello. Students need to rent or purchase their own instruments. The **school does not have instruments available for student use.** Orchestra students are expected to bring their instruments and music to each class. Students are also expected to practice their instruments at home.

There will be two evening school performances a year - one in December and one in May. There may also be other performances, such as the annual Chaparral HS feeder concert in the spring. Performance dates will be posted as far in advance as possible to help with family planning. Performances are part of the class grade.

Math Enrichment: Struggling with your math class? Get extra help with homework and math concepts.

Real World Math: In this course the student will be involved in hands-on activities to learn and use real world math skills. Students will learn the challenges of comparative shopping, determine the savings of on-sale items, make payments, and record financial transactions. They will create a weekly family menu to feed a family of four. Calculate family expenses and develop a workable budget. They will also plan a family vacation—learning to calculate gas mileage, hotel costs, entertainment costs, and other trip expenses. Students will learn about scale and practice calculations when they design and furnish their own home. If you often question "Why do I need to learn this?" then this is the class for you. Every day of class will bring eye-opening insight as to how we use math in our every day lives.

Rocketry: This course is a study in the history, design and building of rockets. Included will be building model rockets, determining trajectories, and flight patterns. The student will access data from previous NASA missions and learn to collect data and understand reasoning for such data. **Supply fee: \$15.00**

Spanish 1B-2A (Pre-requisite: Spanish 1A or teacher's signature): year long elective

Spanish 1B: Students in this class will complete the 2nd half of the textbook, *Ven Conmigo*. This will include, but not limited to an introduction to past and future tense conjugation, irregular and stem-changing verbs as well as building strong vocabulary. Students successfully completing this course would be eligible to take Spanish 2A next year here at C2E or Spanish 2 at his/her chosen high school. There will be no new additional fee if student brings his/her workbook that was used in Spanish 1A.

Spanish 2A: Students will complete the 1st half of the textbook, *Ven Conmigo II*. Students successfully completing this course will NOT be ready to take Spanish 3 in high school, but will be a very strong student when entering Spanish 2 in high school. **Workbook fee: \$18.00**

Team Sports: This fitness class is intended to provide students with an introduction to sports that they may participate in for their whole life. Students will be able to take part in and learn about a variety of skills essential for participation in: speedball, volleyball, soccer and other fitness activities. This course is intended to provide a basic knowledge of rules and skills to help students become more competent in a variety of team sports. **Equipment fee: \$10.00**

Creative Writing: Do you love writing and playing around with the way different words can come together to express a feeling, an emotion, a thought, etc? Come join us, then, in creative writing, where you can surround yourself with kids who share the same passion you do. You can write to your heart's desire and even have an audience to share your masterpiece with! It doesn't matter if you're a poet, a short story writer, or a novelist--all abilities are welcome!

Resource: Please see Ms. Gibson

Tuesday/Thursday Electives

Aerobic Fitness: This class is intended to provide an introduction to Aerobic fitness. Students will take part in a variety of fitness conditioning activities to improve their own personal fitness level. **Equipment fee: \$10.00**

Art Club: Students in this class will have an opportunity to create works of art involving several techniques. We will experiment with more time consuming mediums such as weaving, ceramics, and painting. Art history will be discussed and students will have an opportunity to develop their critical thinking skills by evaluating their own work, as well as the work of their peers and famous artists. **Supply Fee: \$15.00**

Choir: Choir is a group singing class. Students will learn to sing by ear as well as to read music. Students will be expected to come to each class prepared with any music the group is working on and this will be included as part of their grade.

There will be two evening performances a year - one in December and one in May. There may also be before school dress rehearsals before each concert. Students are expected to memorize concert music and practice it at home. Performance and rehearsal dates will be posted as far in advance as possible to help with family planning. These performances and extra rehearsals are mandatory and part of the student's grade.

English Enrichment: This course is designed for students who need additional tutoring in reading, writing, grammar, and vocabulary skills. Each English Enrichment class will focus on an in-depth review of one language arts concept per day, and the rest of the class will be used to allow students to work and be tutored individually based on their own individual needs.

Keyboarding/Typing: This course is designed to teach the basics of proper keyboard and typing skills. Students will be working with typing tutorial software in this class.

Leadership team: This elective is limited to 8th graders previously selected by the previous year's team and teaching staff.

Math Enrichment: Struggling with your math class? Get extra help with homework and math concepts.

Health and First Aid Combo: This semester-long course will be separated into two sections. The first nine weeks the student will learn health concepts, and the second nine weeks the student will learn hands-on first aid.

In health, we will explore nutrition and fitness, personal hygiene, substance use and abuse, adolescent changes, and personal safety through practicing effective decision making skills.

First aid topics include how to assess and act in the event of injuries (including cuts, burns, joint injuries, and temperature-related illnesses). Splinting and bandaging techniques are covered. CPR topics include how to recognize an emergency, caring for conscious and unconscious choking victims, recognizing signs of a heart attack, rescue breathing, and cardiopulmonary resuscitation, and provides an introduction to Automatic External Defibrillation. All students will receive a First Aid Certificate as well as a personal first aid kit. **Fee: \$12**

Spanish 1A- year long elective: Students in this class will complete the 1st half of the textbook, *Ven Conmigo*. This will include, but not limited to, greetings and courtesies, gender and number agreement, simple verb conjugations, as well as numbers, time, and weather. Students successfully completing this course would be eligible to take Spanish 1B next year either at high school or at C2E. This course is highly recommended to anyone who is planning on attending Regis high school or wanting to get into the IB program and/or AP classes in high school and should be taken in 6th or 7th grade. **Workbook fee: \$18.00**

Resource: Please see Ms. Gibson