



STUDENT ENRICHMENT

2024-2025 Program Guide

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## WHAT SETS UNISUS APART?

UNISUS students consider both global perspectives and their own ideas and experiences. They use critical and creative thinking skills to perform in-depth analysis and take responsible action to solve complex problems. They exercise initiative in making reasoned and ethical decisions. Our students learn this way because of the three core focuses at UNISUS: Student Learning, Student Empowerment and Student Enrichment.

Research shows that when students are engaged in learning within their areas of interest, they experience heightened success across all facets of their lives. That is the UNISUS Student Enrichment objective.

Our enrichment programs are designed to extend daily academic learning, incorporating experiential student-empowered learning opportunities to prepare students for self leadership in life and in their future careers. In some programs, we partner with expert external providers from the community or connect to virtual learning opportunities from across the globe. Enrichment programs provide opportunities to build competency sets beyond the regular curriculum. Some of the enrichment programs may qualify for academic credits.



#### K-5 ENRICHMENT

- Broad exposure to an array of interest areas
- Build basic competence



#### **GR.6-8 ENRICHMENT**

- Deeper exploration of 2 to 3 areas of interest
- · Develop skillsets



#### **GR. 6-12 ACADEMIES & CAREER PATHWAYS**

- · Focus on an area of interest
- Deepen competencies and knowledge
- Explore & build career pathways
- · Build expertise, gain experience



# **ENRICHMENT SCHEDULE**

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Enrichment is embedded into the daily schedule



Additional enrichment offerings are available 3:30-4:30

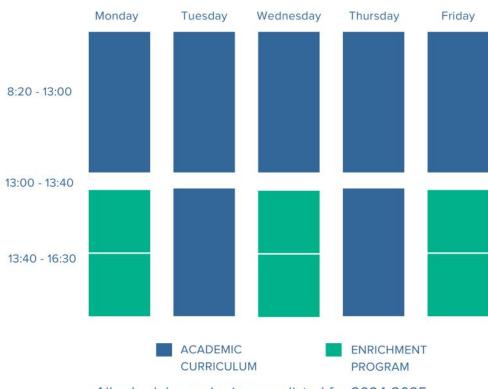
**GRADES 6 - 12** 



Monday, Wednesday, Friday 1:40-4:30 PM



Courses are offered in 80 or 170 minute blocks



All schedules and prices are listed for 2024-2025

## **UNISUS ENRICHMENT FOR GRADES 6-12**

To prepare our students to thrive in a rapidly changing, increasingly digital and technical, and globally connected world, we provide:

- Technical skills and competencies to thrive as digital citizens and innovators
- Empowered creativity and unique self expression
- Physical health and wellbeing
- Connection to our natural world and self for emotional and mental wellbeing and environmental stewardship
- World languages with cultural exposure and appreciation
- Self-leadership and entrepreneurial mindset development





WORLD LANGUAGES & CULTURES

## ATHLETIC CERTIFICATIONS

## Become a nationally recognized lifeguard or health and fitness instructor!

Health and fitness is a growing sector. Whether you're interested in developing self-discipline with your personal health, looking for a summer job, or aspiring to build a career in the health industry, these certifications will build solid foundations.

#### **BRONZE STAR AND BRONZE MEDALION**

Bronze Star develops swimming proficiency, lifesaving skills, and personal fitness. Swimmers who have completed Swimmer 9 (Star Patrol) will refine their stroke mechanics, acquire self-rescue skills, and apply fitness principles in training workouts. Bronze Star is excellent preparation for lifesaving training in Bronze Medallion and provides a fun introduction to Lifesaving Sport (with no age limit).

The Bronze Medallion challenges the candidate both mentally and physically. Judgment, knowledge, skill, and fitness, which are the four components of water rescue education, form the foundation of Bronze Medallion training. Candidates acquire the assessment and problem solving skills needed to make good decisions in, on, and around the water. This is the first step to becoming a nationally recognized lifeguard.

Prerequisite(s): 13 years of age (by the last day of course) or completion of Bronze Star.

Bronze Cross will be offered once enough students have the pre-requisite (Bronze Medallion), which will enable them to work as an assistant lifeguard (Pool Lifeguard: 15 yrs old and above; Beach Lifeguard: 16 yrs old and above).



#### TIMETABLE

- Bronze Star: 10 hours minimum
- · Bronze Medallion: 20 hours
- 120 minutes per week per certification
- This is an off-campus course
- Both courses are delivered by an external provider, with supervision by a UNISUS staff member



## CERTIFICATIONS

- Bronze Star
- Bronze Medalion
- Bronze Cross (once above are achieved)



## COST

\$120-\$515 per certification course

#### CANADIAN FITNESS KNOWLEDGE COURSE

Gain comprehensive insight into fitness principles and practices with the Canadian Fitness Education Services (CFES) Fitness Knowledge course. Explore exercise physiology, program design, nutrition, and coaching techniques to empower yourself and others towards optimal health and fitness goals.

Embark on your journey to become a certified Fitness Instructor or Personal Trainer by completing the CFES Fitness Knowledge Course. This is the prerequisite to all CFES certification programs.

This is the first step to receiving nationally recognized certification in the health and fitness industry.

Once students have completed the above foundation course, the CFES Weight Trainer and CFES Personal and Group Fitness Instructor courses will be offered.



## **TIMETABLE**

- 30 hours total instructional time
- 170 minutes once per week per certification
- This course is delivered by an external provider, with supervision by a UNISUS staff member



## **CERTIFICATIONS**

 CFES Fitness Knowledge Course Completion



## COST

• \$275 per certification course



## **MULTI-SPORT**

Fuel your love for sports through enriched, multi-sport activities, or build your skill level in a core sport offered in Physical Education (PE) class.

## SKILL AND TEAMWORK

Unlock your potential with the multi-sport skills and teamwork program!

Designed to foster your love for physical activity, teamwork, and skill development, this program offers a range of seasonal team sports building on the skillsets developed during core PE classes.

## Modules offered per term:

- Term 1: Volleyball Team up and dive into a season of skill, teamwork, and high-energy games.
- Term 2: Basketball Develop your strategy, speed, and stamina on the basketball court.
- Term 3: Soccer Finish strong with soccer, a perfect mix of teamwork, strategy, and global understanding.





#### **EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS**

At UNISUS, we're all about discovering the fun and excitement of learning new things, especially when it comes to sports.

Our Expand Your Horizons Program is a treasure chest of unique sports and activities that are not offered in PE Class. From archery to climbing, curling to bowling, and even golf to disc golf, we've got a wide array of activities to expand your interests.

#### Modules offered per term:

- Term 1: hit the target with archery and reach new heights with climbing.
- Term 2: slide into the cool world of curling and strike up some fun with bowling.
- Term 3: get out in the fresh air for some golf and throw frisbees in disc golf.

It's our way of showing that getting active isn't just good for your health; it's also a blast! We're here to help you find your new favourite sport, learn something cool, and maybe even discover a hidden talent.



## **TIMETABLE**

- 170 minutes once per week including travel
- This program will include off-campus travel



## COST

Some fees may apply for external provider costs
 e.g. golf lessons, curling and bowling entrance fees



## UNISUS HOCKEY ACADEMY

Join our innovative Scholar-Athlete Hockey Academy program to reach new heights!

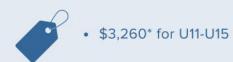
The UNISUS Hockey Academy is tailored for scholar-athletes aspiring to achieve their highest potential in hockey while acquiring academic achievements to enable life-long academic and professional success.

We have partnered with the OHA, who brings over 60 years of expertise in youth hockey instruction and development. Together with the OHA's Hockey Canada coaches, and augmented with UNISUS in-house coaches, our program is sure to provide an accelerated skill development program.

Our comprehensive athletic development systems allow for accelerated development in hockey skills while simultaneously pursuing excellence in academics.



- On-Ice: 75 minutes 3x per week Sept-April
- Off-ice and multi-sport: 75 minutes 3x per week drylands plus our multi-sports program
- This program is offered on and off-campus



\*Canadian student prices





## **SNOWSPORTS ACADEMY**

Reach for the stars as a Scholar and Snowsports Athlete in freestyle skiing, snowboarding, or alpine skiing.

The UNISUS Snowsports Academy is tailored for scholar-athletes aspiring to achieve their highest potential in snowsports, while acquiring academic achievements to enable life-long academic and professional success.

The Academy is offered in partnership with KR Academy for freestyle skiing and snowboarding, and Apex Ski Club, for alpine skiing. Scholar athletes will have the opportunity to learn from Coach Kristi Richards (2 time Olympian, World Champion). Both clubs have a long track-record of providing coaching up to the FIS and NORAM levels.

Apex Mountain Ski Resort in Penticton, B.C. will serve as the base for all on-slope sessions.



- On-snow: Main season January.
- Training will range from 12 to 65 days based on skill level
- Dry-land and multi-sport: 2 to 5 hours per week based on skill level and ski season
- This program will include off-campus travel
- Level 0 and 1 athletes (both freestyle and alpine ski program)
   can choose enrichment electives for 4 of the total 6 blocks
   per week during the shoulder seasons



• \$1,904-\$10,753 depending on the level and discipline

# MUSIC ENRICHMENT & ACADEMY

Fuel your passion for music; whether you'd like to excel with an individual instrument, learn how to song-write, play in a rock band, or create digital music, we have a program offering that will help you thrive.

#### **CONCERT BAND**

- Take your skills developed in brass, percussion, and woodwind instruments and come join our band. Perform in our holiday concerts for parents and the community. For skilled musicians looking for a chance to perform, come and perform with us at the Summerland Light Up and Penticton Music Festival.
- HIGHER LEVEL: There will be an opportunity to specialize depending on instruments e.g. jazz band, with a smaller number of students.



## TIMETABLE

- 80 minutes twice a week
- Fall term

## **ROCK BAND**

- Study melody, chords, and drum parts for popular songs in small group classes (guitar, bass, drums and keyboard).
- HIGHER LEVEL students will have the opportunity to organize talent shows, battle of the bands, etc.



- 80 minutes once a week
- Winter term





## **GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL LESSON**

- Learn piano, guitar, bass, a brass or woodwind instrument in individual or semi-private sessions (3 - 5 students per instrument group).
- HIGHER LEVEL register a for Kiwanis performance and adjudication.



## **TIMETABLE**

- 40-80 minutes once/week depending on availability
- Offered in all terms



## COST

Instrument and instructor fees



#### CERTIFICATIONS

 External Exams with Royal Conservatory of Music (optional)

## THEORY AND COMPOSITION

- Elevate from fundamentals learned in music class and advance your understanding with drills and lessons on how to write your own music.
- Learn ranges and specifics of various instruments to develop your ideas of melody and harmony to create original compositions and lyrics.
- RCM rudiments or Level 3 Harmony (university-level theory courses).



- 80 minutes once a week
- · Offered in all terms

#### **SONGWRITING AND RECORDING**

- This is an extension of rock band concepts and incorporates your original ideas for songs in different formats.
- The focus is on the creative process allowing for group compositions and improvisation, where you learn to use our recording studio, mics, recording equipment, mixers, and computers.
- HIGHER LEVEL release an album combining covers and original songs.



#### TIMETABLE

- 80 minutes once a week
- Offered in all terms

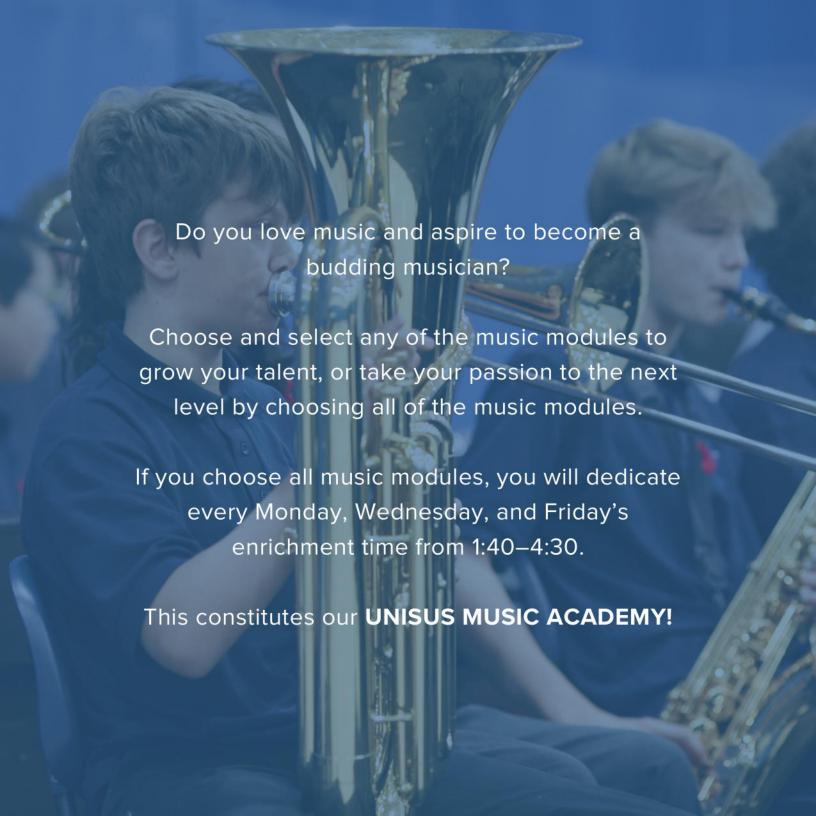
## **DIGITAL MUSIC**

- Learn about digital music production; from what tools to use to planning out the rhythm of your track and instruments to include. Create a baseline, drum loop, and melody organized into choruses and verses.
- You will have the opportunity to become self-led based on your interests: continuation of BandLab, mixing, recording studio (training on mic setup), film, various multimedia projects, and/or collaboration across curriculums, e.g., soundtracks and sound effects for game design.



- 80 minutes once a week
- · Offered in all terms





## **TECHNOLOGY & INNOVATION**

Prepare to thrive in a rapidly changing, highly digital, technical, and connected world.

Our technology and innovation enrichment builds the competencies you need in a world that is rapidly changing through digital technology, Al, and spatial computing.

## **POST SECONDARY CERTIFIED COURSES**

Each course consists of 20 hours of content learning and 20 hours of individual work.

- Game Design with Unreal (level 1)
- Video Game Coding (level 1)
- Al and Machine learning with Python (level 1)
- Mobile App development (level 1)
- Creating AR and VR Experiences and Filters (level 1)



#### **TIMETABLE**

- Minimum of 8 students required per course
- Each course will run on-campus for 170 minutes, once a week for an entire term



## CERTIFICATIONS

- All courses will achieve certifications
- Level 1 courses provide the foundations for Level 2 courses offered in the following year



## COST

· Certification fee: \$1,000/student



#### COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Explore the diverse range of pre-university courses in Robotics & Engineering, Gaming, Coding and Creativity. Each is designed to give you a firsthand look into the growing tech industry and equip you with skills that make you stand out.

#### Mobile App Development

Learn mobile app development with React Native, and the tools to build iconic apps like Snapchat, TikTok, and Siri. At the end of the course, students will build an iOS or Android app.

## Al and Machine Learning with Python

Learn the algorithms and techniques behind recommendation systems, developing a smart, interactive chatbot tailored to your interests.

## Video Game Coding

Navigate through the game development process, from design to coding using Unity and C#, creating a thrilling maze game that challenges players at every turn.

#### Game Design with Unreal

With Unreal Engine, learn the essentials of game mechanics, storytelling, and user interaction, translating your concepts into immersive gaming experiences.

## <u>Creating Augmented Reality Experiences</u>

Create custom visual effects and interactive components, crafting AR experiences for brands and social media platforms.

## Product Design and UX Labs

Dive into the world of digital product creation, navigating through UX and product design principles to transform real-world challenges into validated digital solutions.

These courses will be offered in partnership with an external provider that offers post secondary certification.

## METAVERSE AND DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP

Enabling self-directed learning, collaboration and creation in the metaverse.

## METAVERSE EDUCATION PLATFORMS FOR LEARNING AND COLLABORATION

This innovative offering enables you to explore different metaverse learning environments, with the potential to collaborate on creative projects with students from across the globe, both synchronously and asynchronously. You will build knowledge and skills for self-directed learning and the creation of artifacts in digital settings. Students may go as far as being able to learn to create their own VR world using Spatial, as well as learn how to self-certify the authenticity of their creations through blockchain (depending on competency level achieved).



#### TIMETABLE

80 minutes once a week



#### **CERTIFICATIONS**

 Students will learn how to create artifacts in this learning space





## **FINE ARTS**

Unlock your creativity through beautiful art work in oil, acrylics, watercolours and sketching. Be amazed at your artistic talents!

The program is provided by our resident artist and master painter, Ms. Tammy Jackson. Modules are offered in acrylics and oils, watercolours and sketching. Watch yourself create masterpieces! You will learn how to recognize and mix unique colours found in paintings, understand depth and light, re-create master pieces, and then paint your own. You will have the opportunity to participate in local community and/or UNISUS art exhibitions.

#### Modules offered include:

- Foundations: Colour theory and brush strokes. Learning to paint portraits, landscapes and still life. Study of watercolours, acrylics and oils.
- Extension 1: Sketching, portraits, acrylics with oil, learning depth Study of master's original paintings through replication.
- Extension 2: Learning to master your own creations and compositions, creatively or from photos.



- 170 minutes once a week
- Foundation module in Term 1 is a pre-requisite for term 2 and 3 modules

# **OUTDOOR EXPERIENTIAL EDUCATION**

Join us for environmental awareness and stewardship, and the overall enjoyment of nature.

At UNISUS, we believe in the transformative power of the great outdoors!

Anchored in the heart of the Okanagan's diverse landscapes, our Outdoor Education Program offers an unparalleled opportunity for you to immerse yourself in experiential learning, sustainability, and environmental literacy across the seasons.

Each season—spring, fall, and winter—unfolds a unique curriculum designed to inspire, nurture, and empower students to foster a deep and enduring connection with the natural world.

### Modules offered per term:

• Fall "Harvest Reflections" - As the leaves change colours, so too will your understanding of sustainability.

Learn the importance of preserving our environment while engaging in hands-on activities that promote ecoliteracy. From exploring local ecosystems through hikes and rock climbing, to planting a sustainable garden, to connecting with nature in meaningful ways.



- Winter "Exploration and Adaptation" Bundle up and dive into the winter wonderland. Through experiential learning, you will gain practical skills for thriving in the great outdoors, from building shelters and tracking wildlife to learning survival techniques. Embrace the snow-covered landscape as your classroom and enjoy activities like snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, downhill skiing, and ice fishing.
- Spring "Awakening and Renewal" As the earth awakens from its winter slumber, so too will your passion
  for sustainability. During the spring term, you will dive into projects that make a real difference in our local
  community. From organizing eco-friendly events to advocating for environmental protection, spring will
  empower you to be a changemaker. Spring is also a great time to get your hands dirty and grow our school
  gardens. There will also be opportunities to explore the great outdoors through hikes, rock climbing, and
  water activities.



## TIMETABLE

• 170 minutes once a week per term



## **WORLD LANGUAGES & CULTURE**

Become a Global Citizen and ignite your passion for learning foreign languages and cultures at UNISUS!

## SPANISH (THE UNISUS CORE SECOND LANGUAGE)

Spanish will continue to be offered as a core second language to meet the second language requirements of the B.C. Ministry of Education. In addition to the B.C. requirements, Spanish also satisfies IB-DP requirements as an instructional language in a second language

## FRENCH AND/OR MANDARIN (ENRICHMENT)

French and Mandarin are offered as enrichment options for students interested in learning vocabulary, conversational language, writing, and reading through classroom instruction and immersive cultural experiences such as foods, songs, movies, and the celebration of culture-specific holidays and events.



#### **TIMETABLE**

80 minutes two times a week



#### CERTIFICATIONS

 Students will receive certificates of progress including internal evaluations of level achievement.





#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNING**

Our innovative English Language Learning (ELL) program is designed to help non-native English speakers succeed in a globalized world. Tailored student support both within and outside of the classroom fosters the vital language skills for success.

The four components of English language acquisition include:

- English in the Mainstream: Customized support within the classroom while learning core subjects.
- Language Acquisition: Interactive activities to empower students to grasp subject-specific vocabulary.
- Language Extension: Small groups or personalized tutoring sessions after school.
- Language Immersion: Through school activities and community engagement, we craft enriching English language environments that foster an immersive experience, accelerating language proficiency.

Beginner-level English language learners requiring additional support to improve their competency levels to meet the needs of the classroom or satisfy graduation requirements will be required to enroll in additional support of up to 3 additional 80 minute sessions per week. Boarding students may also select additional English language tutoring sessions in the evenings at additional costs.



## TIMETABLE

- 80 minutes up to three times per week
- · Enrollment is automatic and mandatory (based on level)



### **CERTIFICATIONS**

 Students will be assessed according to the WIDA levels of english

## **ENTREPRENEURSHIP & LEADERSHIP**

Whether you are keen to launch your own venture, volunteer in the local community, organize a club to serve junior students, or explore a possible career through job shadowing, we have ideas for you!

### **COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP**

Get involved with the local community, whether through volunteering at local charities, visiting retirement homes for story telling and playing games with a generational buddy, or driving an initiative of your own.



## TIMETABLE

80 -170 minutes twice
 a week

### **ENTREPRENEURSHIP**

Are you a budding or aspiring entrepreneur? Would you like to take the mobile app that you developed in the tech club to market? Do you wish to run an art exhibit with your friends to sell or showcase the amazing paintings you've created? Or do you have an idea of your own product or service offering that to launch? Learn the steps necessary to launch, from fund-raising, to advertising, to service.



## **TIMETABLE**

- 170 minutes once a week
- Winter and Spring terms

## YEARBOOK CLUB

The Yearbook Group is a vibrant community of students dedicated to capturing the spirit and memories of our school year. Our members employ design tools and storytelling skills to create a yearbook that is a vivid narrative of our diverse experiences and achievements throughout the year.



- 80 minutes once a week
- Winter and Spring terms

#### STUDENT COUNCIL

The UNISUS Student Council is made up of a group of proactive students who lead projects and initiatives that matter to our school community. In the student council you become the voice of your peers, bringing fresh ideas to the table and turning them into action. Through organizing events, you learn to collaborate, solve problems, and make a positive impact while being nurtured in an environment that develops your leadership skills.



- 80 minutes once a week
- All terms

## CREATE AND LEAD A JUNIOR SCHOOL CLUB

You are invited to lead and teach, sharing your passion with younger students. It's a chance to grow your leadership and teaching skills while making a real impact. If you have got a skill or passion, from tech to sports, this is your platform to inspire and learn by teaching your fellow junior students.



- 80 minutes once a week
- All terms

## CAREER SHADOWING

Learn about a career that you're interested in through job-shadowing. Experience the daily nature of the work involved in a real-world setting and get a glimpse into a potential career. This hands-on experience allows you to observe and engage with industry professionals so you can make wise and practical career decisions.



Depends on the individual situation

## **ACADEMIC ACCELERATION**

## MATH, SCIENCE OR LITERACY ACCELERATION

Are you passionate about mathematics, science, or literacy and eager to fast-track your personal journey of learning and mastery? Or are you perhaps someone who thrives on charting your own educational course, embracing autonomy in your learning?

Tailored for both the ambitious learner seeking to accelerate their progress and the reflective student preferring to delve deeper at their own pace, these programs offer individualized support and deploys innovative learning tools. They are your companions on a journey to building a robust foundation or propelling yourself to new heights of mathematical, scientific, or literary understanding and learning acceleration in an area of passion.



#### TIMETABLE

- Offered during Study Hall, 80 minutes a week up to 3 times per week
- Available every term

## **STUDY HALL**

Whether you would like extra academic support to clarify questions from class, or you are feeling the need to catch up, or maybe your extracurricular commitments require you to be away from regular classes, you have an opportunity for a teacher to support you. This is a teacher-guided enrichment program that provides the extra time and attention to help you reach you academic goals.



- 80 minutes three times per week
- · Available every term

## UNISUS ENRICHMENT GRADES K-5

An integrated, differentiated, and expansive learning experience with enrichment options to broad horizons and explore endless possibilities!

UNISUS enrichment opportunities for grades K–5 are designed to invite our young learners to explore, experiment and have fun!

The K–5 enrichment is integrated seamlessly into our IB PYP units of inquiry. This approach immerses our young students into a world of experience-based learning. Beyond our core curriculum, we provide daily enrichment offerings from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in music, art, languages, outdoor experiences, technology and entrepreneurial concepts.

Highlights of enrichment offerings include:

- Multilingualism: Students learn Spanish as a second language, while French and Mandarin Chinese culture are introduced into daily learning. There are options available for extended French and/or Mandarin Chinese.
- Academic Excellence: Tailored numeracy acceleration to challenge and nurture budding mathematicians.
- · Creative Explorations: Music and art sessions designed to inspire creativity and personal expression.
- Digital Citizenship: Innovative Metaverse learning paves the way for responsible and skilled digital citizens.
- Senior Leadership: Senior student club offerings encourage mentorship and leadership among our students.

All K-5 selections will be made in September once students are in their homeroom classes.



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