

LA MESA ARTS ACADEMY

7th and 8th Grade Electives

At LMAAC, we offer a variety of elective classes. Our general policy is that students make a commitment to year-long classes. Support classes or Study Hall may replace an elective if a student requires more academic support. Students receive 2 electives.

Choir: Non-audition choral class for any student who would like to join. This group performs on campus.

Advanced Vocal Groups: We have several performing vocal groups for grades 7 and 8—Encore, Boys Ensemble and Girls Ensemble. Auditions take place February 27 or 28 at 3:45 in room 33. Students must attend ONE of these audition dates. There are some off-campus performances.

Symphonic Band: Advanced band students.

Concert Band: Intermediate band students.

Orchestra: Stringed instruments (not guitar).

Jazz Band: Auditions required. Auditions take place February 19 (2:35) or 20 (3:35), 2019 in the Band Room.

ASB: Students must complete an application to be considered for acceptance into this leadership group. Students in the ASB leadership class develop leadership skills through in-class activities and the planning and presentation of school-wide activities and events. Applications are due March 1, 2019.

Community Action Team: “C.A.T.” coordinates many service projects on campus and in our community. Some of these students also participate in cross-age tutoring with younger students. Applications are required and due March 1, 2019.

Yearbook: Students must submit an application to be considered for acceptance into this class. Our school Yearbook is a major project of this class. Applications are due March 1, 2019.

Media: This class produces our Wildcat News Broadcast. It involves filming, writing, editing, and anchoring our own television show that airs twice a week. Special feature stories are also part of this class. Applications are due March 1, 2019.

Art: Introduces basic art concepts and skills in a fun and non-threatening environment. Each grade level explores different concepts and projects. This class promotes self-confidence, creativity, and an appreciation of fine arts.

Advanced Art: Students must apply to be part of the Advanced Art class. The art teacher will select students for this more advanced art class. Applications are due March 1, 2019.

Art 3-D: This class is for students who are interested in creating sculptures with various materials. Applications are due March 1, 2019.

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Dance: This class is for both boys and girls and involves hip-hop, jazz, and basic ballet foundations.

Advanced Dance: Auditions required. Auditions take place February 5 **AND** 7 at 3:45; students must attend **both** days.

Theatre I and II: This class covers fundamentals of theater including character development, theater vocabulary and concepts. Both on-stage and backstage components as well as some history of theater are included in this class. Auditions required. Auditions will be Feb. 12 during period 4 for current LMAAC students and at 2:45 for new students

Guitar: Includes beginners to advanced 7th and 8th grade students. Students use school guitars in classroom.

Digital Piano/Recording: This class is a hybrid of traditional piano technique and digital recording. Students of all skill levels will learn the fundamentals of music theory and how to combine these methods with recording software.

Advanced Keyboards: Auditions are for students with advanced piano skills. Auditions are February 21, 2019 at 3:45 in room 32.

Technology: This class will introduce computer skills such as PowerPoint, Pages, I-Movie, keyboarding, and more.

Culinary Arts: Students learn basic cooking techniques, sanitation and safety measures, how to use kitchen tools and equipment, nutritional information, crop cultivation, the principles of teamwork, and other food-related topics. Students participate in observations, hands-on activities, and traditional academic assignments including research, projects, presentations, and assessments.

Film as Literature: This class is designed to show students how film is a form of literature; and by viewing classic and modern American films, students will learn that good film, like good literature, has certain elements in common.

Future Teachers: In this class, students will help other students reach their fullest potential. They do 1:1 tutoring, and help teachers with various tasks, as well as help in the garden.

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7th and 8th Grade Course Interest Form

Name _____
(please print) Last Name First Name

Grade in Fall 2019 _____

All LA MESA ARTS ACADEMY
7th and 8th grade students will take:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Language Arts• Social Science• Math | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Science• Physical Education• 2 Elective classes |
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You will have the option of TWO of the electives listed below. Please see the attached descriptions of elective classes. Students not meeting grade level standards in reading, writing, or math may be assigned a tutorial class (Math Support, Language Arts Support, ELD Support, or Study Hall) in place of an elective.

Please indicate your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices (write a 1, 2, or 3 next to the class).

Some of these classes may not be available, so please indicate your preferences. **Please note that some of these classes require an audition or application in order to be considered for the class.**

- ___ Choir (no audition required, boys and girls)
- ___ Advanced Vocal Groups—Auditions take place February 27 **or** 28, 2019 after school
- ___ Band (includes electric bass, but not guitar). Indicate which instrument _____
- ___ Orchestra (stringed instruments). Indicate which instrument _____
- ___ Jazz Band—Auditions take place February 19 (2:35) **or** 20 (3:35), 2019
- ___ ASB—Application required and due March 1, 2019
- ___ C.A.T. (Community Action Team)—Application required and due March 1, 2019
- ___ Yearbook—Application required and due March 1, 2019
- ___ Media—Application required and due March 1, 2019
- ___ Art
- ___ Advanced Art—Application required and due by March 1, 2019
- ___ Art 3-D—Application required and due by March 1, 2019
- ___ Dance (no audition required, boys and girls)
- ___ Advanced Dance—Auditions are February 5 **and** 7, 2019 (**student must attend both days**)
- ___ Beginning Theatre (no audition required)
- ___ Theatre I (grade 7) and II (grade 8)—Auditions will be Feb. 12 during period 4 for current LMAAC students and at 2:45 for new students
- ___ Guitar (guitars are provided)
- ___ Digital Piano/Recording (Keyboards)

___Advanced Keyboards—Auditions will be held February 27, 2018

___Technology

___T.A. (Teacher's Assistant, Office Monitor, or Library Aide)

___Future Teachers (peer tutor, some field trips)

___Culinary Arts

___Film as Literature

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