



St. Francis of Assisi Middle School

Grade 7 - Option Descriptions 2022-2023

Option A

Foods (Miss Toeckes) - Introduction to safety and sanitation while working in a kitchen. Focus will be on use of equipment, measuring accurately and following a written recipe.

Construction (Mr. Kelly) - Students can expect to begin the year working on drafting, sketching, measuring, designing, safety, wood technology, woodworking tools and processes. Students will focus on simple woodworking projects that focus on skill development.

Band (Mrs. McLaren) - Learn a band instrument! In this option you get to learn a band instrument, it doesn't matter if you have never taken band before, all are welcome!

Art (Mrs. Keys) - In this course, students will be introduced to a variety of painting and printmaking techniques. Students will experiment with watercolours, acrylic paints and printing inks to create multi-step projects. Students will be able to use tools like paint brushes, brayers, mixing trays, styrofoam and printing blocks to achieve proficiency in the techniques and skills taught in class.

Learning Opportunities (Ms Tonery) - In this option students can expect to practice their math and science skills in the format of games and activities, working on building a growth mindset. In this class, students will have an opportunity to stay caught up on their work and receive teacher assistance on classroom assignments.

Leadership (Mr. Naicker) - Leadership 7 is a class designed to help students learn more about and strengthen the qualities they possess that make a great leader. We will play games and incorporate leadership skills into different activities. Students will create a goal that they will work towards accomplishing for the term.

Drama (Ms Nokes) - In this class students will continue to refine their dramatic skills to perform more sophisticated work. Students will use various creative drama techniques to build ensemble, stimulate imagination, movement and role play with an emphasis on concentration. Students will be taught to direct their focus, intent, and motivation to create and sustain character. Students will address plot, setting and character in monologues.

Crochet (Miss Korpova) - In this option students will learn and practice several basic crochet stitches, and complete simple projects like a class quilt, a hat and a possible choice project. This is a complete beginner course, but students with previous knowledge are all welcome.

STEM (Mrs. Loshny) - STEM is an abbreviation for four connected areas of study: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. In this class, you will have an opportunity to use your imagination and creativity to design and engineer various projects with commonly available materials.

Option B

Foods (Miss Toeckes) - Introduction to safety and sanitation while working in a kitchen. Focus will be on use of equipment, measuring accurately and following a written recipe.

Construction (Mr. LaGrange) - Students can expect to begin the year working on drafting, sketching, measuring, designing, safety, wood technology, woodworking tools and processes. Students will focus on simple woodworking projects that focus on skill development.

French (Mrs. McLaren) - An introduction into the French language. Students will focus on listening, speaking and reading basic French phrases and vocabulary to greet someone, describe school subjects and activities, the weather and Friends. They will also compare different Francophone cultures.

Art (Mrs. Keys) - In this course, students will work with multiple media to develop and bring their designs to life. Students will be introduced to the design and revision process to bring their ideas to life in projects that contain the elements of art.

STEM (Mrs. Wasylik) - STEM is an abbreviation for four connected areas of study: Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. In this class, you will have an opportunity to use your imagination and creativity to design and create various projects with commonly available materials.

Outdoor Ed (Mrs. Loshny) - Students will learn a variety of useful knots. They will learn fire starting, how to find direction without a compass, what to pack on a hike, bear safety, and shelter building. They will experience these skills both in school as well on field trips.

Media Studies/Technology (Mr. Naicker) - Students will develop media literacy skills. They will learn about media issues and will work to create different media projects.

Learning Opportunities (Ms. Nokes) - Students can expect to focus on reading skills and comprehension strategies using games, activities, and technology. We will also have time to focus on refining our writing skills and apply these skills to our classroom assignments. In this class, students will have an opportunity to stay caught up on their work and receive teacher assistance on classroom assignments.

Genious Hour (Miss Toney) - Students will be building and learning about their own personal passions to enhance their skill set in a given area. This class will require students to research, create and share a project based on these passions.