Welcome to Team Phoenix!

Please use this form to select your elective classes for the 2020-2021 school year.

My Counselor is....
(circle one)

Ms. Malloy  Ms. Easterlin
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REMEMBER: Our schedule allows for you to take ONE year long elective and ONE semester long electives or THREE semester long electives. This is because PE/Health is a semester long class and is a requirement for all students.

Note: you CANNOT take two year long electives.

I would like the following YEAR LONG elective classes:
- [ ] Band
- [ ] Orchestra
- [ ] AVID

I would like the following SEMESTER LONG elective classes:
- [ ] Computer Applications
- [ ] Leadership
- [ ] Robotics
- [ ] Spanish
- [ ] Visual Art

REQUIRED COURSES will be preloaded and include English (ELA), Math, Science, History and PE/Health.

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Course Descriptions

**AVID:** The AVID elective course is a yearlong course dedicated to preparation for high school success and college preparation. AVID scholars will learn, and practice powerful academic skills called WICOR (writing, inquiry, collaboration, organization and reading) strategies. These strategies include Focused Note-Taking, Critical Reading, Socratic Seminar, Philosophical Chairs, and goal-setting strategies. Once to twice a week, AVID scholars will participate in scholar led study groups called Tutorials. AVID scholars will have many opportunities to increase their college and career awareness through guest speaker presentations, college field trips, and independent research projects. The AVID scholar should have an interest in attending college one day and a willingness to work hard and become a leader in their school.

**Band:** Scholars will learn the basics of reading music and the foundations of their chosen instrument. Scholars will participate in concerts.

**Computer Applications:** Computer Applications for 6th graders will explore computer basics and typing fundamentals. This class should be taken prior to taking computer applications class in 7th and 8th grade, where we explore photoshop, 3D modeling and website design.

**Leadership:** Students learn about the basics of student leadership (kindness, respect, commitment, etc.) and use them as a foundation to improve their individual character and grow their confidence and pride. Students will participate in small group projects, independent work as well as work that will ask them to serve others, set goals and have fun!

**Orchestra:** Scholars will learn basic music theory, history, tone production, string technique and ear training. Scholars will study home-practice strategies and participate in concerts.

**Robotics:** Scholars learn basic robot building instructions, programming and movement then move on to working with sensors and more complex robot behaviors. This engaging program teaches STEM concepts utilizing LEGO Robots. Many in-depth hands-on lessons are based on real-world robots. Scholars learn the basics of mechanical engineering, design and computer programing.

**Spanish:** This course will introduce oral expression, pronunciation and basic grammar functions. This is an introductory course designed to set scholars up for success in Spanish as a 7th grader.

**Visual Art:** This course provides rigorous teaching and learning to increase skills in drawing, perspective, shading, painting, mixed media and other craft projects. Scholars will explore various materials to create compelling and dynamic art projects and gain skills in use of materials and knowledge of color theory, positive and negative space and composition.

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