

Sixth Grade Orientation

2024 - 2025

Your sixth grade coaches

We are experienced educators dedicated to your child's achievement. We regularly communicate & plan together!

We have differences based on personality and style, but all hold a strong desire to make 6th grade the best year for students & their parents.

-Mr. Cabral, Mrs. Hurst, and Ms. Ouni

Parent Communication

We will communicate with you through a variety of methods. Notes may be made in students planners/agendas, on weekly Wednesday folders, through phone/email, handwritten notes, at conferences, or through Class dojo, Aeries & Google Classroom. Please allow up to 24 hours for a response. Should there be an urgent matter in which you need to contact us sooner, please call the school office."



We will use Class Dojo to communicate reminders and behavior progress. Your teacher will send information on how to sign up.



Click here to learn about parent emails for Google Classroom! You can track missing assignments and check academic progress.



ParentSquare replaced Aeries Communications as a teacher-parent-school-district communication tool. It will make seamless communication so much easier! Click here to watch an overview in setting up your account.



Homework & important information will be posted daily. Students must write completely & accurately in planners each day! Please check & sign daily. Teachers will check planners. *This will be part of the study skills grade.*

Math Leveling

3 placement groups available: One Accelerated & Two Mixed Leveling

*Accelerated group moves at a faster pace with very challenging content & in-depth projects.

*Mixed leveling class is balanced to promote growth & learning of all abilities. Organization, precision, and collaboration are the focus.

Initial placements will be made based on the following factors:

- Performance in Topic 1. Homeroom teacher will complete the first topic and identify skills, understanding, and study habits.
- Performance in 5th grade. Based on teacher comments, report cards, study skills
- Performance on ESA's & CAASPP from 5th grade.
- Diagnostic testing (will not affect report card grades)

Placements are fluid and may change frequently. Following each topic, teachers will communicate progress, do diagnostic testing and change placements, as needed.



Class Schedule

| Time | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|---------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 7:50 – 8:25 | Morning Work / ELD | Morning Work / ELD | Math | Morning Work / ELD | Morning Work / ELD |
| 8:25 – 9:00 | WIN Time | WIN Time | Math | WIN Time | WIN Time |
| 09:00 – 10:00 | Rotation #1 | PE | ELA | Rotation #1 | PE |
| 10:00 – 10:15 | Recess | Recess | ELA | Recess | Recess |
| 10:15 – 11:30 | Math | Math | Second Step / Lunch | Math | Math |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Batting Practice | Batting Practice | | Batting Practice | Batting Practice |
| 12:00 – 12:40 | Lunch | Lunch | | Lunch | Lunch |
| 12:40 – 1:30 | ELA | ELA | | ELA | ELA |
| 1:30 – 2:30 | Rotation #2 | Rotation #3 | | Rotation #2 | Rotation #3 |



6th Grade Behavior Expectations

6th graders are required to uphold the Country Springs standards of being respectful, responsible, and safe.

Respect: Treat teachers, peers, and staff with kindness and respect. Use polite language and listen attentively.

Responsibility: Be responsible for completing assignments on time and bringing necessary materials to class. Use the internet and technology responsibly. **Take ownership of your actions and their consequences.**

Safety: Be aware of your surroundings and use walking feet in all areas of the school. Play safely on the playground, and use equipment as intended.

Sixth grade activities

We hope to be able to engage students in most or all of these meaningful activities.

- ★ Police Academy- this will be the week of parent teacher conferences (Sept 23- 27)
- ★ Outdoor Science Camp (Tuesday, Dec 3rd - Friday, Dec 6th)
- ★ Multicultural Event (March 20th)
- ★ Olympiad (May 12th-16th)
- ★ End of Year Party (Last Day of School)
- ★ Volleyball Game (Last Day of School)

Camp: American Outdoor Education

- Tuesday December 3rd- Friday December 6th
- American Outdoor Education Camp in Crestline, CA
- Orientation – Oct. 9th
- *Payment* is requested by Parent Conferences (Final deadline is October 11th)
- Please see your child's teacher if you have questions or concerns



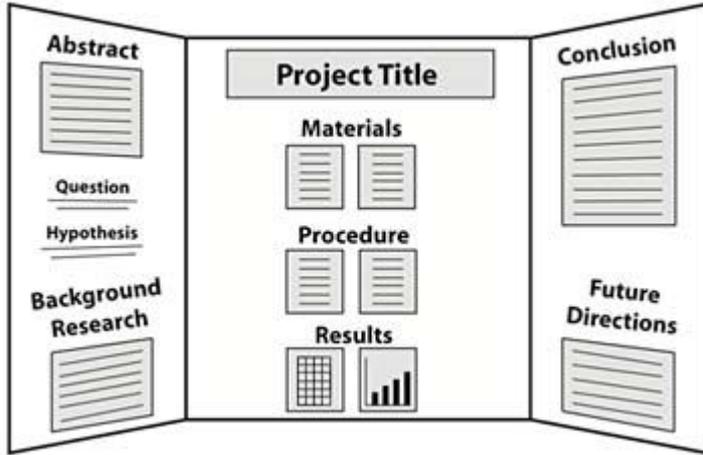
6th Grade Fees

- Outdoor Science Camp - \$383
- 6th Grade Shirt and Olympiad Shirt - \$23
- Country Springs Yearbook - \$27
- End of the Year Party (Includes Lunch) - \$10
- 6th Grade Ancient Olympiad - \$15
- Police Academy - \$5
- 6th Grade Memories Montage - \$5
- Total - \$468
- Activities Fee due August 21 (\$85)
- Camp Fee due Parent Teacher Conference - Sept. 27 (\$383)

6th Grade Parties

- Literature Day Party (October 31st)
- Winter Party / Pancake Breakfast (December 18th)
- Valentine's Day Party (February 14th)
- End of the Year Party (May 22nd)
- All parties will be held as a grade level

Science Fair



- 6th grade optional
- Following district guidelines:
 - 1-3 students per project
 - Topics approved before Winter break
 - More information this Fall
 - Based on Scientific Method or Engineering Cycle

Q & A

Questions should be related to the entire grade level. Any individualized questions should be directed to the teacher privately.

Specific questions pertaining to Outdoor Science School should be held until our camp informational meeting on October 9th.