## Lake Elkhorn Middle Enrichment Seminars

School year 2021-2022

### Enrichment Seminars will be starting September 27th

This year we will be having 11 different seminar opportunities for students to participate in.

- Book Club
- Creative Writing
- Coding through Minecraft
- Debate
- Gaming / Game Creation
- Green Team

- Mystery Club
- Photojournalism
- Science Olympiad
- TV Production
- Independent Production

Enrichment Seminars are during the school day and involve having to make up missed classwork. They are extension activities that provide opportunities for students to do new and exciting things.

- Enrichment Seminars meet once a week or every other week.
- Each Enrichment Seminar will have a specific day of the week that it meets.

#### Book Club Meets on Mondays



If you like to read good books and then talk about them with other students who have also read the same book, this is the place for you. This is a chance to read and respond, without having to do any writing. This is a high energy Enrichment Seminar that brings avid readers together to discuss books in an open and honest way. There is also a county meeting each month that you can attend to share your thoughts with students from all over the county.

### Mystery Club Meets on Mondays



If you like to solve problems, puzzles or mysteries this is a good Enrichment Seminar for you. This group of students works with puzzles, mysteries and other problem situations and through collaborative problem solving, finds solutions. They also write and act out their own mysteries.

#### Television Production Meets on Mondays



This group of students creates our morning news show. Students do all of the jobs including anchors, computer techs, sound and mixer. There are many behind the scenes jobs that go into getting the show on every morning. We are also always looking for ways to improve the show and make it more entertaining.

#### Science Olympiad Meets on Tuesdays



This is a new Enrichment Seminar where we will form a team of students to compete against other schools in 24 different science based competitions. There are regional, state and national competitions. This is for students who love science and want to compete against other schools for prizes. Many high schools have Science Olympiad Teams and this is great prep for high school thinking.

#### Photojournalism Meets on Tuesdays



Do you enjoy taking pictures? In this seminar we will weave 21st century skills with the art and creative process of photography. You will learn how to use digital tools and photographic techniques in order to create amazing photos.

#### Debate Team Meets on Wednesdays



This Enrichment Seminar is for students who like to disagree with others and also prove them wrong. We are given a topic and we prepare our debate for and against the resolution. We have to follow the debate format and we do actually compete against other schools. This is about finding evidence to support your opinion on the resolution and establishing strong, factual support for the point you are trying to make.

#### Green Team Meets on Wednesdays



The Green Team is our group of students who want to make sure that we are all recycling properly and consistently. We also participate in the PepsiCo Recycle Rally. We set goals and try to recycle plastic bottles and aluminum cans for national rankings. We were in the top 50 middle schools last year and want to improve on that. If you think that recycling is important and want to make a difference at our school, this is the one for you.

### Creative Writing Meets on Thursdays



This is a writers workshop format. It is for advanced writers who would like the opportunity to create and develop their writing skills. We will have mini lessons and time for writing to develop.

### Coding through Minecraft Meets on Thursdays



This is for students who are interested in learning more about coding and all the things that go with that. There are lessons that are associated with Minecraft and we will work through those.

### Gaming / Game Creation Meets on Fridays



This is a small group of students who live to play games, not just video games, but any game. We will do research on what makes a game "good" and what are the different types of games. Then we will begin the process of creating our own "good" games.

#### Independent Production Meets on Friday



If you are very passionate about something and it is not offered in an Enrichment Seminar, then this is for you. This is an opportunity to follow your passion and learn more and do something about whatever it is that you are passionate about.

### Becoming involved in an Enrichment Seminar is easy.

- Everyone is eligible to join an Enrichment Seminar!
- You need to be able to make up the work you miss in class while you attend the seminar.
- At the first meeting of the seminar, you will receive the dates and times the seminar will be meeting and you need to attend regularly.

# Pay attention to the announcements and the scroll. They will tell you when Enrichment Seminars are meeting.

- All Enrichment Seminars will meet in room 218 to start.

  Teachers will know who is in each seminar, so do not get lost on your way down.
- 6th graders can be in two.
- 7th graders can be in three.
- 8th graders can be in four.
- Missed work must be made up.

To attend an Enrichment Seminar, you first go to your class. Write down all the important information, hand in any homework and see if there is something you need for that class.

Then you quietly leave class and come to the Enrichment Seminar. You have about five minutes after class has started to come down to the my room. The idea is to touch base with your teacher, make sure you have taken care of everything and then leave without causing a disruption.

#### This is how you sign up.

You will go to this link and you can sign up Enrichment Seminar Sign up

If you sign up, show up, you need to remember what you signed up for, there is no chasing.