

OLF Elective Offerings for Junior High 2026-2027



OLF Elective Classes

The following will be available:

Elective	Grade Offered	Instructor
Year Long Elective		
Band - Level 2	6	Mr. Scotty Walker
Chorus - Level 2	6	Mrs. Stacy Shumacher
French Part 1	6	Mrs. Taylor Deville
Band - Level 3	7 & 8	Mr. Scotty Walker
Chorus - Level 3	7 & 8	Mrs. Stacy Shumacher
French Part 2	7	Mrs. Taylor Deville
Rotating Electives		
Strategies for Success	6	Mrs. Alyce Moncla
Faith & Family: A Biblical Journey	6	Mrs. Shannon Jaubert
Art	7	Mrs. Gwen Foreman
Scripture	7	Mrs. Shannon Jaubert
Disciples for Christ	8	Miss Justine DelCastillo
Broadcasting/ STREAM Lab	8	Mrs. Sarah Judice

- All Band, Chorus and French I students will have Elective on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, with PE on Tuesday and Thursday.
- All French II students will have Elective on Tuesday and Thursday, with PE on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.
- All students in the Rotating Electives will have their elective class Monday - Friday for one nine weeks. They will rotate through the two electives with PE in the other two nine weeks.

Band Level 2 - 6th grade

This is a skills-oriented class. Emphasis is placed upon the continued development of those fundamentals introduced in the beginning band, such as: tone production, technical proficiency, and rhythmic skills. Prerequisite: One year of beginning band or by special permission from the teacher. No after-school rehearsals are required, but there are two mandatory evening performances: Christmas and Spring Concerts. Additional performance opportunities may include the school pep rally and the Fatima-Cathedral football game. There will be a \$65 class fee for this elective.

Chorus Level 2 - 6th Grade

Our Lady of Fatima Chorus is a vocal music class in grades 5-8. Students may enter the program at any grade level, and no prior experience is necessary. Emphasis is placed on vocal and performance techniques, as well as basic music theory. No after school rehearsals are required, but there are 2 mandatory evening performances (Christmas concert in December and Spring concert in May). Other performances throughout the year include Solo and Ensemble Festival, Children's Choir (optional), and singing at weekly school masses and liturgies. There is a \$40 class fee, which includes music/supplies, Solo and Ensemble Festival fees, chorus spirit shirt, and a spring concert shirt.

French- Part I - 6th grade

This will be an introductory course offered to 6th graders. Learning conversational French and the basics of the language will be the focus of this elective all while having fun and exploring French and Cajun culture. Taking two consecutive years of French as an elective in junior high at OLF will allow students to earn a high school credit for French I at St.Thomas More. There will be a fee of \$25 for this elective course.

French- Part II - 7th grade

This course will build upon French (Part 1), so students must have taken the previous course in order to sign up for Part 2. We will continue learning the basics of the language and will incorporate more conversation skills. This will be the final year to earn a high school credit for French I at St.Thomas More. There will be a fee of \$25 for this elective course.

Strategies for Success - 6th grade

The purpose of this course is to learn the organizational skills necessary for survival in the 21st century. Students will continue to build upon their reading foundation. They will be encouraged and given time to work on their A.R. reading and testing. They will receive tips on how best to study and organize their time and work, along with test taking tips and strategies. Students will also learn other real-life skills (email writing, addressing envelopes, etc) that will help them be successful adults.

Faith & Family: A Biblical Journey - 6th grade

Students will explore God's beautiful gifts of family, friendship, community, and self through the lens of Catholic values and teachings. This class blends the RCL Benziger Family Life curriculum with a meaningful dive into Scripture, helping students grow in their faith while learning more about themselves and others. Along the way, they will build the virtues and skills needed for healthy relationships and faith-filled living.

Art - 7th grade

Art will offer 7th grade students an opportunity for self-expression, while gaining relevant skills for the 21st century learner. This in-depth experience will provide students a necessary means to foster and develop art making skills, while practicing various art techniques. Printmaking, painting, drawing, sculpting, and mixed media are among the

areas of concentration that will be investigated over the course of the school year. Additionally, students will explore the world of art through the avenue of history, aesthetics, and art criticism.

Band Level 3 - 7th and 8th grades

This is a performance-oriented class. Emphasis is placed upon ensemble playing skills and sight-reading. Students are encouraged to switch to secondary instruments to achieve proper instrumentation in the ensemble. Prerequisite: two previous years of band or by special permission from the teacher. No after-school rehearsals are required, but there are two mandatory evening performances: Christmas and Spring Concerts. Additional performance opportunities may include the school pep rally and the Fatima-Cathedral football game. There will be a \$65 class fee for this elective.

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Scripture - 7th grade

Get ready for a journey through the Bible! This Scripture class is designed for students to explore the remarkable story of God's love and redemption. Together, we'll take a chronological walk through the Bible, starting with creation and leading up to the teachings and miracles of Jesus. Each session will bring Scripture to life through hands-on activities like skits, creative projects, and songs. This class focuses on making the stories personal and relatable, helping students connect the lessons of the Bible to their everyday lives. Along the way, we'll dive into fascinating stories like Noah and the ark, David and Goliath, the birth of Christ, and the miracles of Jesus, discovering how they all fit together in God's plan and how God speaks to us today through them.

Disciples for Christ - 8th grade

Rooted in the Corporal Works of Mercy, students will be given the opportunity to respond to their baptismal call of service allowing them to be witnesses to Jesus' Gospel message and enabling them to embody virtues through daily discipleship. This class provides leadership formation, which prepares the student to effectively lead others in the tradition of Jesus Christ. Students are encouraged to develop and use personal skills, talents and knowledge. Leadership is demonstrated through liturgies, prayer services, retreat experiences, service activities and example. Through spiritual reflection and guidance, Disciples for Christ can unite the entire school into what all of us are called to be, the Body of Christ.

Broadcast/X-STREAM Lab - 8th grade

This course will be a combination of developing students' skills and an introduction to broadcast journalism. Basic principles will include writing captions and headlines, digital photography, creating scripts for news stories and creating pre-recorded broadcasts. Students enrolled in this class will be responsible for newscasts that will be shown on the Fatima YouTube Channel. Students will need a basic understanding of Canva, iMovie, Green Screen production, as well as be required to do some work outside the time of class. In X-STREAM Lab, students are free to explore multiple solutions to a task using a variety of materials to accomplish their goal. While completing these projects, students build upon their problem solving, critical thinking, logic reasoning, and communication skills.



Elective Choice Form 2026 - 2027

6th Grade

Name _____ Grade _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

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_____ Chorus Level 2 - No prior experience is necessary. There will be a \$40 class fee for this elective. This elective meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday, with PE on Tuesday and Thursday for the full school year.

_____ French Part I - Successfully completing French Parts I and II will result in a High School Credit for French I at STM. There will be a \$25 class fee for this elective. This elective meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday, with PE on Tuesday and Thursday for the full school year.

_____ The Elective Rotation - Students will spend nine weeks in each of the following electives - Strategies for Success, PE, Faith & Family: A Biblical Journey, and PE. These electives will meet Monday - Friday for nine weeks.

All electives will be for a grade and may include homework, projects, and tests. Grades given in electives will be included in grade averages when considering Blue and Gold, Banner Roll, etc. Elective Choice will only be changed in extreme cases.

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7th Grade

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Homeroom Teacher _____

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_____ Chorus Level 3 - No prior experience is necessary. There will be a \$40 class fee for this elective. This elective meets Monday, Wednesday and Friday, with PE on Tuesday and Thursday for the full school year.

_____ French Part II - Successfully completing French Parts I and II will result in a High School Credit for French I at STM. There will be a \$25 class fee for this elective. This elective meets Tuesday and Thursday, with PE on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the full school year.

_____ The Elective Rotation - Students will spend nine weeks in each of the following electives - Scripture, PE, Art, PE. These electives will meet Monday - Friday for nine weeks.

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8th Grade

Name _____ Grade _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

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