

## Windemere Ranch Middle School

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Dear Fifth Grade Families,

March 1, 2019

Welcome to Windemere Ranch Middle School. Plans for scheduling your child into classes for next year are underway. Sixth grade students are enrolled in a seven period day consisting of Math, Science, Physical Education, and a three period block of Language Arts/Social Studies, plus lunch (please refer to our Course Description Booklet, which can be found at wrms.schoolloop.com in the "Quick Links" section). Also, students will have a choice of either early start, late start, or a six period day.

In addition to the required courses, students are able to elect to take either the Exploratory Wheel, which is a rotation of introductory elective courses, or join the music program by electing to take either Falcon Band, String Orchestra, or Vocal Music. While we highly recommend that students choose one of the above elective choices, families may opt to have their student choose to take a six period day in lieu of one of the elective choices.

Previous instrumental training is recommended for enrollment in Falcon Band and String Orchestra. If your student does not have prior musical experience, please consider taking private lessons before school begins. No prior musical training is required for enrollment in Vocal Music.

Principal, Dave Bolin, and Counselor, Alyssa Fraser will be visiting 5<sup>th</sup> grade classes at the elementary schools on the following dates:

March 20- Live Oak March 22- Hidden Hills March 25- Bella Vista

At this visit, students will receive information about middle school as well as a form to choose **one elective and another form to select early start or late start. These forms are due on March 28** to your 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher who will send them to my attention at Windemere Ranch Middle School.

If you are from a school other than Live Oak, Hidden Hills, or Bella Vista, forms were mailed to your home address via U.S. mail today. Please hand deliver or mail these forms to Windemere Ranch Middle School, Attn: Alyssa Fraser.

General questions regarding 6<sup>th</sup> grade will be answered at **Incoming 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night scheduled for March** 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM in the WRMS Gym. We hope you can attend.

Sincerely, Alyssa Fraser Counselor