## **SCHOOL YEAR 2024-2025**

## RAMBLEWOOD MIDDLE SCHOOL 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE ELECTIVE DESCRIPTIONS

**ART (01010100)**: This yearlong course is for students with little or no experience. This course will introduce the elements and principles of Art. Students will be engaged in hands-on projects developing their creative skills while experimenting with various art media. They will create works of art which will be displayed at school. Students will develop basic artistic skills and techniques.

**BAND** (13020000): This yearlong course is for students with little or no instrumental instruction experience. Students will choose instruments with the aid of the band director at the beginning of the year. They will participate in school concerts/events and may perform at district/state levels. Thirty minutes a day of home practice is expected. There will be a limited amount of school instruments available for rent.

**CHORUS (13030000)**: This yearlong course is offered to students interested in learning vocal techniques, proper breathing, and articulation. Students will learn the fundamentals of music, sing various repertoire, and learn how to read music. They will perform in school concerts/events and may perform at district/state levels.

**CULINARY CAREERS (88092000):** In this yearlong course students will explore culinary as a career choice, focusing on food safety, interpreting recipes, menus, and prep.

**DANCE (0300000):** During this yearlong course students will learn choreography as well as create dance phrases that tell a story, this will add an element of interest and depth to the piece.

**JOURNALISM** (10060000): This yearlong course is where students will be part of a small team with the goals of assisting in building, editing, and finalizing the yearbook. They collaborate in a team setting to produce independent projects. They are expected to meet deadlines and will be mentored by other students.

**ORCHESTRA (13020400):** This yearlong course is for students who have little or no experience playing "string" instruments (violins, violas, cellos). Students will receive instruction in string techniques including proper posture, note reading, and ensemble techniques. They will participate in school concerts/events and may perform at district/state levels. Thirty minutes a day of home practice is expected. There will be a limited amount of school instruments available for rent.

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION (15080600)**: This yearlong course is for students to participate in various physical activities focusing on teamwork, sportsmanship, and skill building while focusing on fitness concepts and learning about a healthy lifestyle.

**SPEECH / DEBATE (10070000)**: This yearlong course is for students to form worldly ideas, supporting those ideas while arguing their side and the side that contradicts theirs. Debate teaches students that their voices matter and should be heard. Young debaters will learn writing and speaking skills to compete in debate competitions in 7th and 8th grade.

**THEATRE (0400000)**: This yearlong course is where the students will learn the foundations of drama using acting, role playing improvisation and group work. They may participate at district and state levels.

WHEEL ROBOTICS / PROGRAMMING (1700000): This intro course allows the student to experience a semester of each course. In Programming the student will be introduced to computer science and programming data. In Robotics the student will be exposed to the engineering process.