



**Fern Bacon Middle School
Elective Course Descriptions
2022-2023**

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The following descriptions of our elective courses are approved by the SCUSD Board of Trustees and offered at Fern Bacon Middle School. Elective classes may change if staffing does not permit offering a specific course.

YEARLONG ELECTIVES

Beginning Band

This class is the first level of the band program at Fern Bacon where students choose and learn a brass or percussion instrument to be ready for Intermediate Band, Level 2.

Intermediate Band (8th Grade Only)

This course is the second level of our band program with Beginning Band a prerequisite.

Bulldog C.O.R.P. (AVID)

Bulldog C.O.R.P. **C**ommunity **O**utreach, **R**esponsibility, **P**ride-this course is for students interested in performing various school and community service duties towards initiatives that help better others who need it.

College Readiness

In this course, students will explore valid, reliable educational information on how to prepare for college.

Leadership (8th Grade Only)

This course teaches student governance through student activities and leadership on campus. Teacher recommendation & separate application required. Visit our Fern Bacon website for application on Google Drive.

Math Lab (Math Support)

This is a supplemental course designed to prepare students for success in math through engaging practice time and learning opportunities at a student's current level.

Media Publications

This class produces the Bulldog Bulletin and school yearbook. Teacher Recommendation and separate application required. Visit our Fern Bacon website for application on Google Drive.

Study Skills

This course is designed to help develop the skills necessary for improved success in all other classes. Skills taught are organization and self-advocacy to develop and improve their reading and math skills.

School Gardening & Horticulture (Creative Writing)-This course will explore the benefits and best practices to support a successful school garden by connecting food and wellness education through creative writing.

Speech & Debate

This course teaches confidence, expression of opinion, and experience in public speaking.

QUARTERLY ELECTIVES

Students will have 9 weeks of the following classes each quarter during the year) Q1-Bootcamp; Q2-Coding; Q3-College Readiness; Q4- Speech & Debate

Bootcamp-This course promotes health and wellness through connection of the body and mind.

Coding-This course teaches the basic knowledge coding to develop websites, apps, and computer programming.