

# MERSD SPECIALS

## LIBRARY

### In this Trimester, your child will:

- Choose a research topic and identify authoritative sources for their research.
- Independently conduct research and take notes using at least 3 sources.
- Create a bibliography with assistance, using *EasyBib*, an online citation tool.
- Create a multimedia project based on their research in collaboration with technology class.
- Conduct self-evaluation of their final research product.

## TECHNOLOGY

### In this Trimester, your child will:

- Create multimedia projects with different Google apps.
- Use their library research to create a multimedia project that can then be shared with larger audiences.
- Learn about computer science.
- Learn and understand how to code robots to solve problems.
- Learn what an algorithm is and how to create one.

## VISUAL ART

### In this Trimester, your child will:

- Make a clay coil pot.
- Use cut photos and magazine clippings to create a detailed visual self portrait collage.
- Learn about famous folk artists in North America.

## MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS

### In this Trimester, your child will:

- Identify pop/rock instruments by sight and sound.
- Play chords on instruments while singing.
- Compose chord progressions.
- Play polyrhythms on percussion instruments.

## WELLNESS / PE

### In this Trimester, your child will:

- Demonstrate developing lacrosse skills.
- Demonstrate throwing, catching, and striking skills.
- Develop increased critical thinking and communication skills with relation to problem solving.
- Demonstrate a forehand hit in bounds with a tennis/pickleball racquet.

