

## Characteristics of SEM

- \*Strength Based
- \*Student Driven
- \*Interest Based
- \*Authentic Methods
- \*Real World Problem Solving
- \*Academically Relevant

### How can parents get involved?

Go to the parent portal on the MISD Webpage to complete your interest/talent survey.

# WHY SEM?

### **Builds 21st Century Skills:**

- **Collaboration**
- **Communication**
- **Critical Thinking**
- **Creativity**
- **Problem Solving**
- **Innovation**

### **Provides Opportunities for ALL Learners to Experience:**

- **Rigor**
- **Enrichment**
- **Talent Development**

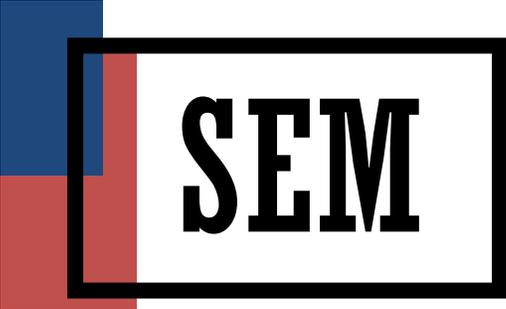
**SEM cultivates interests and talents and gives all learners a voice.**

MONTGOMERY ISD

## Schoolwide Enrichment Model



**Montgomery ISD is driven to unlock the passion and cultivate the uniqueness inherent in every learner.**



# SEM

Excitement..engagement..exploration..energy!  
All these words can be used to describe SEM — Schoolwide Enrichment Model. Our goals for implementation of the SEM Model are as follows:

- Promote relationships to inspire learning through shared interests,
- Develop leaders who are self-motivated problem solvers who will contribute to their community,
- Create self-worth, value, and a sense of belonging for all students,
- Provide students opportunities to cultivate their interests and talents and
- Focus on student strengths to increase achievement.

During the SEM journey, learners are encouraged to think, speak, and act like young professionals and are given the opportunity to experience on a small scale what an adult in the real world with this particular interest might do.

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### Frequently Asked Questions

#### What is E-Tracks?

E-Tracks provide our students the opportunity to create their own educational learning path one track at a time. All students deserve the opportunity to discover and cultivate their interests and passions through innovative learning experiences that inspire them to add value to their community and world. E-Tracks is a block of time built into the school schedule to provide students opportunities for these innovative courses. Based on the individual student's interest, the student may select a course such as robotics, chemistry, fine arts, building and design, or paleontology just to name a few. The course offerings are developed based on the student interest surveys.

#### What is SEM Showcase?

Showcase events are scheduled throughout the year to provide the learner the opportunity to showcase their learning. Guests are invited to our schools to view the innovative products created by our students during E-Tracks. Each product is developed to explore, solve a problem, or create a product to serve the school, community and/or the world. This provides our learners the opportunity to “showcase” their talents.

## Continuum of SEM Learning

### Type I: Exposure

Learners explore possible interests through a variety of mediums.

### Type II: Skills Training

Learners develop skills and expertise relevant to their areas of interest.

### Type III: Learning to Give Back

Learners discover ways to use their passion/skills to make a difference.

## SHOWCASE DATES

### Madeley Ranch Elementary:

December 8 and April 14

### Montgomery Elementary:

December 9 and TBA

### Stewart Creek Elementary:

April 22

### Lonestar Elementary:

November 18, February 10, April 26

### Montgomery Intermediate:

December 4, February 26, May 6