

DDSD Virtual Program--Middle School Courses

SUBJECT	GRADE 6	GRADE 7	GRADE 8
Language Arts	Language Arts I	Language Arts II	Language Arts III
Math	Grade 6 Mathematics	Grade 7 Mathematics	Grade 8 Mathematics
Science	Comprehensive Science I	Comprehensive Science II	Comprehensive Science III
Social Studies	Civics	US History	World History
Health/Physical Education	Fitness	Comprehensive PE	Comprehensive PE

ELECTIVES	GRADE LEVEL	DESCRIPTION
Beginning Spanish	6/7	You will learn to ask for directions, order food in a restaurant, and talk about the weather. New words and phrases are introduced with text, pictures, and audio clips to demonstrate proper pronunciation.
Intermediate Spanish	7/8	You will learn basic Spanish grammar to help you form sentences correctly, build your fluency, and provide you with a more thorough understanding of the Spanish language.
Career Exploration I	6-8	What career are you best suited for? In this course, you will explore career options in many different fields including business, health science, public administration, the arts, and information technology.
Coding Ia: Introduction	6-8	This course will give you an introduction to the amazing world of coding. Be part of an exciting and real-world skill.
Coding Ib: Learning Python and Javascript	7/8	Get an introduction to the skills required to be competitive in today's high-tech workforce. This course introduces the computer languages of Python and Javascript.

Creative Photography I	6-8	Learn and apply basic camera skills to photograph animals, people, and landscapes. You must have access to a digital camera (cell phone cameras do not meet the requirements) to take this course.
Critical Thinking, Problem Solving, and Learning Strategies	6-8	Gain strategies to find important information quickly, transfer it to long-term memory, and perform better on assignments and tests.
Exploring Music	6-8	This course will provide you with the opportunity to explore a variety of music. You will acquire basic knowledge and listening skills, making future music experiences more satisfying.
Journalism	6-8	Journalism provides us with the answers to questions for the events that affect our lives. In this course, you will learn how to gather information, organize ideas, format stories for different forms of news media, and edit stories.
Orientation to 2D Art	6-8	Using the tools, tricks and techniques of professional artists, you will create people and objects that leap off the page. You will start with your sketchbook, and put down your ideas and impressions. You will develop those ideas by using lines, colors, composition and perspective.
Peer Counseling	6-8	Learn how to manage your time, set goals, and get organized. By the end of your training, you will have higher confidence, new skills for success, and dozens of proven strategies to solve problems quickly and achieve your dreams.

*Please note that all middle school courses are grades 6-8.

**Grade 5 students use the elementary school curriculum, which includes the following: language arts, mathematics, science, social studies, art, physical education, Spanish, and technology.