

## DAKOTA HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL

# **7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** ONLINE ELECTIVE REGISTRATION 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR



All 7<sup>th</sup> grade students will have the following required classes:

\*English \*Communications \*American Studies \*Science \*Math \*Physical Education

In addition to these required classes, students need to <u>complete their schedule by registering for a total of 6</u> <u>elective credits</u>. Electives will be either classes full year in length (3 elective credits) or classes by trimester (1 elective credit). If choosing Art, FACS or Tech Ed you will need to select two alternates.

# FULL YEAR CLASSES 70MUS1 - Band 7 (3 elective credits) Instrument \_\_\_\_\_ \*MUST have been in 6<sup>th</sup> grade band 00MUS2 - Choir 7 (3 elective credits) 70FOR7 - Spanish A (3 elective credits) 70FOR4 - French A (3 elective credits)

### **TRIMESTER CLASSES**

**00ART2** - ART: Drawing & Beyond (1 elective credit)

**00ART3** - ART: Clay & Cool Creations (1 elective credit)

00ART4 - ART: Painting, Pencils & More (1 elective credit)

**00FCS2** - FACS: Creative Cooking & Design (1 elective credit)

**00FCS3** - FACS: Power Foods & Money Smarts (1 elective credit)

**00TEC2** - TECH ED: Game Creation and Design (1 elective credit)

**00TEC3** - TECH ED: Build for Change (1 elective credit)

**00TEC4** - TECH ED: Adventures in Digital Imaging (1 elective credit)

\*\*Regardless of the combination, again, you must select a total of 6 elective credits. For Art, FACS and Tech Ed electives, we will try our best to get every student their choices but we do require the selection of two alternates. If needed, course summaries and descriptions are listed below.

### **REGISTRATION DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Click here for two-minute instruction VIDEO on the course registration process.
- 2. Click here for written step-by-step directions.
- 3. Click here to log onto Infinite Campus to complete course registration online. (use your Student Account)

# **Course Descriptions**

\*\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE: All related arts (Art, Tech. Ed. and FACS) electives will have new and different projects. (NOT a repeat of the 2020-2021 Art, Tech Ed., FACS). There are no prerequisites for any related Art, Tech. Ed. and FACS electives.

# 70MUS1 - Band 7

Grade 7 Three Elective Credits

(Full year, every other day class)

# (You must be currently participating in 6<sup>th</sup> grade band to register for 7<sup>th</sup> grade band)

Pop, Rock, Jazz and Traditional Music.... Use your talents to play these styles and more in 7<sup>th</sup> grade band rehearsals and lessons. All students perform two traditional concerts in the auditorium. Ensemble opportunities include: Jazz Band, Flute, Clarinet, and Brass & Percussion Ensembles. Performances at the local malls, Como Zoo and other locations!

# 00MUS2 - Choir 7 & 8

### Grade 7 & 8 Three Elective Credits (Full year, every other day class)

Do you love to sing? Make music with your friends? Choir is the place for you! Students in seventh grade choir will be able to build skills that will make them better musicians while having fun rehearsals with friends. In choir, you will get the opportunity to sing movie music, Broadway, pop, and classical. Choir is large group singing, so no need to worry if you "don't sing solos", but there are solo and small group opportunities for students who do want that experience. Students in choir will share their musical experiences with an audience at a Winter and Spring Concert.

Eighth grade singers will have the option to participate in the All-District Choir Fest!! Middle School Choir is highly encouraged for those considering continuing on to the Eagan Choral Program.

Let's make some music!

# 70FOR7 - Spanish A

### Grade 7 Three Elective Credits (Full year, every other day class)

¡Hola! Do you want to learn a language spoken by over 350 million people? Do you want to learn about the cultures of Spain, Mexico, Costa Rica, and others? Try Spanish!! Students will learn introductions, school schedules and classes, free time activities and conjugate verbs in the present tense. With the use of the textbook and videos, you will meet people from the United States and other Spanish speaking countries. Students must have demonstrated proficiency in sixth grade English and reading.

Are you college bound? If so, don't miss your chance to earn College in the Schools (CIS) credit through the U of M while still in high school. Only students who successfully complete level one in the middle school will have this incredible college cost-saving opportunity.

# 70FOR4 - French A

### Grade 7 Three Elective Credits (Full year, every other day class)

Bonjour! Come learn a language that is spoken by over 275 million people and is the 5<sup>th</sup> most spoken language in the world and growing. French students will learn introductions, family culture, school schedules and classes, free time activities, and verb conjugation in the present tense. With the use of the textbook and videos, you will meet people from France, Switzerland, Belgium, Canada, and many African French-speaking countries. Students must have demonstrated proficiency in sixth grade English and reading.

Are you college bound? If so, don't miss your chance to earn College in the Schools (CIS) credit through the U of M while still in high school. Only students who successfully complete level one in the middle school will have this incredible college cost-saving opportunity.

# **00ART2 - ART: Drawing & Beyond**

### Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

Practice your observational skills by creating an ultra-realistic, larger-than-life drawing with charcoal & soft pastel. Experience the calming effects of abstract mandala designs. Develop your skills through daily practice in your

sketchbook. Take your drawing skills to the next level with 3D "drawings" created with wire. *This art class will have new projects. It will not be a repeat of this year's projects!* 

### Possible Projects:

- Realistic Charcoal Drawing
- Abstract Line Design
- Sketchbook Prompts & Exploration
- Wire Sculpture

# **00ART3 - ART: Clay & Cool Creations**

### Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit

(One trimester, every other day class)

Dig into clay! Roll up your sleeves and get ready to create. Explore tons of different clay construction techniques to create personalized, glazed mugs, keepsake boxes or banks, and sculptures of your choice. Take a break from clay as we find ways to use recycled materials to create something entirely new. This art class will have new projects. It will **not** be a repeat of this year's projects!

### Possible Projects:

- Glazed Mug
- Keepsake Box or Bank
- Choice Sculpture
- Recycled Object Creation

# 00ART4 – ART: Painting, Pencils & More

### Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

Splash into painting! Experiment with color mixing to create a geometric illusion. Explore emphasis and design in the wonderful world of watercolor. Discover tons of oil pastel techniques and work together with your fellow artists to create collaborative masterpieces. This art class will have new projects. It will not be a repeat of this year's projects!

### Possible Projects:

- Geometric Tempera Painting
- Watercolor Emphasis Design
- Oil Pastel Landscape (Abstract or Realistic)
- Collaborative Mural

# **00FCS2 - FACS: Creative Cooking & Design**

### Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit

(One trimester, every other day class)

Will you be the next top chef or designer? Come and design and prepare some amazing things! We will learn about the principles and elements of design, create a 3D room, sew a cool bowl pot holder or even a bucket hat. In the creative foods unit we will learn about plating, evaluating food and using all of our senses to create creative dishes. Compete in challenges like cupcake wars and a ramen competition. Most importantly, we will learn to work together cooperatively and have fun!

# **00FCS3 - FACS: Power Foods & Money Smarts**

Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

Together we will learn valuable life skills to use now and later. In our money management unit we will look at our money values, budgeting, credit, debit as well as savings. We will understand the 6 vital nutrients and how they can help our body function to their full potential. We will end the course by planning and creating meal plans that are budget conscious and nutritionally beneficial. Students can look forward to discussions, lab experiences, and practicing essential skills they will use now and in the future.

# **00TEC2 - TECH ED: Game Creation and Design**

Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

What is your favorite game? Have you thought about what makes that game so fun? In this class, we will spend time analyzing and critiquing different games to uncover what makes them exciting and fun to play. You will then have the opportunity to experience what it's like to be a game designer using the Engineering Design Process. You will create a variety of games using modern-day technology found in the STEAM Lab. The goal is to create a game that is fun and engaging for a specific group of people.

# <u>00TEC3 - TECH ED: Build For Change</u>

Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

Do you want to make the world a better place? In this class, you will become a leader in the world of energy efficiency using modern construction methods. Your roles will include being an engineer, builder, and designer of a Green Home using the equipment and technology found in the STEAM Lab. You will then participate in a personal build project in order to create a solution for an everyday problem.

# **00TEC4 - TECH ED: Adventures in Digital Imaging**

Grade 7 & 8 One Elective Credit (One trimester, every other day class)

Learn to look at life from a different perspective. We will explore Adobe Creative Suite and other software to create and design 2D graphics and 3D work. Create a picture in Photoshop of you as an astronaut floating with the stars, surfing in shark-infested waters, or flying through mountain peaks like a bird. Students will also design and create original stickers and decals with Adobe Illustrator, as well as using a heat-press to make a personalized t-shirt. This class will change how you look at the world around you.

\*\*\*After you have made your elective decisions, please complete online registration.

Based on student registration data, school administration will determine the number of sections to be offered.

We will try our best to give every student their top choices for electives. However, we cannot guarantee student placement in all of their highest priority selections.