Intro to Art

Explore your creative side by taking introduction to art! This is a unique DPS inspired beginning art class for 7th & 8th grade students of all abilities. In this class you will be given the opportunity to find your favorite medium (material) by exploring various art forms such as: ceramics, printmaking, drawing, and painting. You will also be collaborating in various STEAM challenges throughout the year, trying your hand at papermaking, puppetry, and claymation. Intro to studio art will help you grow in your abilities as an artist and maker.

Concert Band

Band is for students who have had at least one year playing a musical instrument, (band in 5th grade counts). We explore a wide variety of fun music as we get better and better on our instruments. Cadet Band is for 6th graders, and we will have several performances throughout the year, including one festival at Knott's Berry Farm where everyone will have a chance to enjoy the park after our performance and before the awards ceremony! Symphonic Winds and Concert Band are available to both 7th and 8th graders, with Symphonic Winds by audition only. Both upper grade bands will travel to compete at a festival and Knott's Berry Farm. Symphonic Winds is for students who want to be challenged and perform on their instruments at the very highest level, and this ensemble will be taking a trip to Disneyland next year! Teacher will make the decision as to placement in the two classes.

Digital Media - Suns TV

In Digital Media, you will be on the SunsTV crew! You will learn how to make news segments for our weekly SunsTV broadcast.   We will also learn about graphic design (for example Photoshop) and video production! Students in this class should be comfortable having their voice or face in the broadcast, have school spirit, and enjoy being service-minded toward others.

Computer Science

In computer science, students learn to code starting with basic prorams all the way to programming functions and variables. Then we learn to code physical devices including building and coding robots! And, lastly, we learn to be engineers learning CAD (computer assisted design) software to solve authentic problems to help people improve their lives.

Yearbook - Application Required

Are you passionate about photography? Would you love to help design our Double Peak yearbook? In this elective you will be given an opportunity to explore the digital arts as you learn the skills needed to create, advertise, and publish a yearbook.   This is a great leadership opportunity as you collaborate with the students and teachers of our school to create a lasting memory for our community! You will also develop your skills as a photographer learning the elements of digital photography, and composition. This elective will allow you a unique opportunity to lead and create.

[S Cubed - Application Required](#)

Are you interested in helping younger students in a leadership role?

Are you a natural helper?

Do you enjoy helping students with academics and social-emotional learning?

In this class, you will be trained to work with younger students to help them with tutoring and mentoring needs. You will be assigned to a class, which may be in the classroom teaching academic skills or on the playground working with students on social skills.

This will be your one elective, is graded pass/fail and a one year commitment.

You will need to come in for training at the end of the summer for 2 days (The first week of August)

This class looks good on college applications, can count towards community service, and helps you feel good about supporting our DPS school community.

We will likely only interview those who choose this a their first choice elective, so if you are very interested, select it as your first choice.