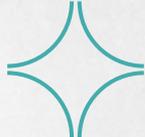
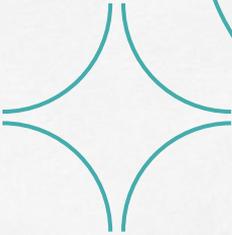


Discovery

Middle School

7th/8th Grade Overview

March 2026





Discovery Middle School Information



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DMS Panther Football

Hard work, dedication and athleticism.





DMS General Information

Grades

6th - 8th

Enrollment

1100+ Students

Feeder Schools

Columbia, Rainbow,
Horizon, Midtown,
Madison

Colors

Teal and Black

Mascot

Panthers

Next School

Bob Jones High
School



Administration Team



Principal Kate Wade

6th Grade AP Matt Sweatman

7th Grade AP Jasmine Simpson

8th Grade AP Josh Hollingsworth



Counselors



A - Ha Kelle Moody

He - Mc Verena Owsley

Me - Z Constance Long



Bell Schedule



Discovery Middle School Bell Schedule

A Block	8:15 - 9:33
Transition	9:33 - 9:37
B Block	9:37 - 10:53
Transition	10:53 - 10:57
C Block	10:57 - 12:40
Transition	12:40 - 12:44
D Block	12:44 - 2:00
Transition	2:00 - 2:04
E Block	2:04 - 3:20

Lunch A 11:01 - 11:21	Lunch B 11:26 - 11:46
Lunch C 11:51 - 12:11	Lunch D 12:16 - 12:36

Advisory Schedule (Tuesday)

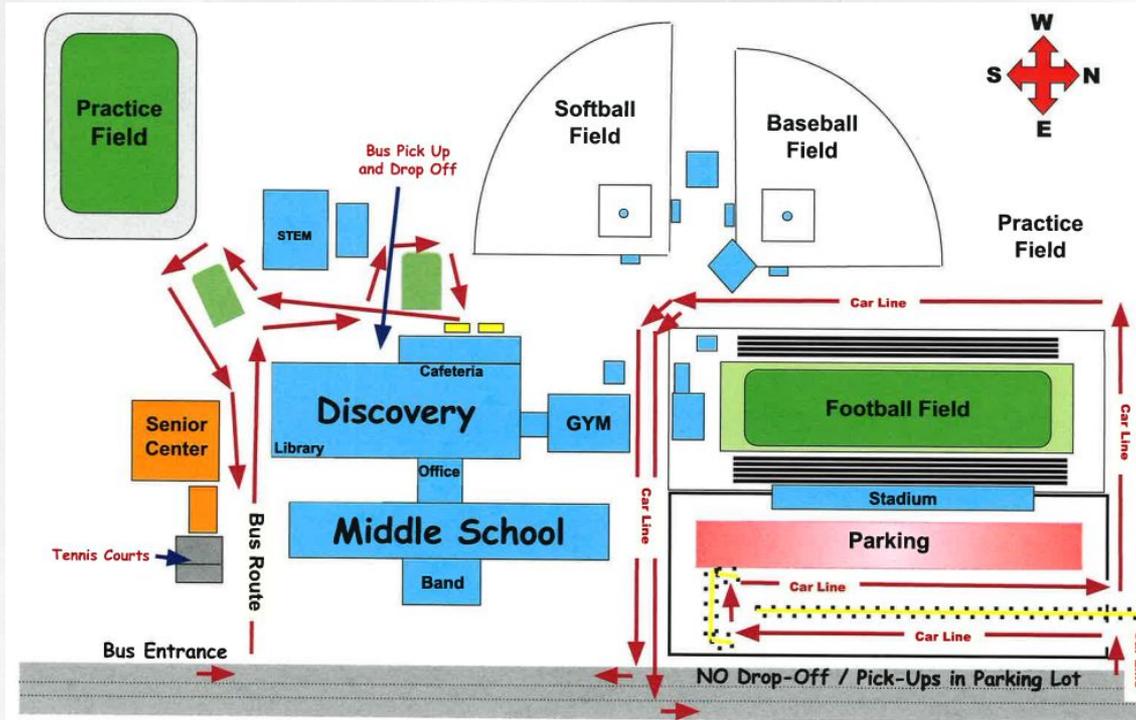
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Transition	9:23 - 9:27
Advisory	9:27 - 9:57
Transition	9:57 - 10:01
B Block	10:01 - 11:09
Transition	11:09 - 11:13
C Block	11:13 - 12:56
Transition	12:56 - 1:00
D Block	1:00 - 2:08
Transition	2:08 - 2:12
E Block	2:12 - 3:20

Lunch A 11:17 - 11:37	Lunch B 11:42 - 12:02
Lunch C 12:07 - 12:27	Lunch D 12:32 - 12:52

Rotations

Rotation 1	Rotation 2	Rotation 3	Rotation 4
A Block	E Block	B Block	D Block
B Block	D Block	A Block	E Block
C Block	C Block	C Block	C Block
D Block	B Block	E Block	A Block
E Block	A Block	D Block	B Block

Car Line and Buses



DMS Bus & Car Traffic Flow (am and pm)



General Information



01

Attendance

- 18 absences is chronically absent
- turn notes in using Droplet

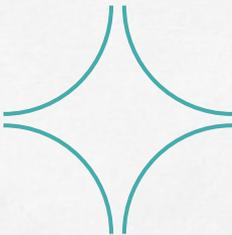
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Technology

- One to one district
- Can purchase insurance through the district

03

Focus Act

- No wireless communication devices between 8:15 am - 3:20 pm
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Major Disciplinary Offenses



Vaping

5 Days OSS
15 Learning Academy
5 ISS

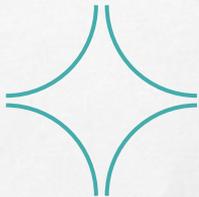
Fighting

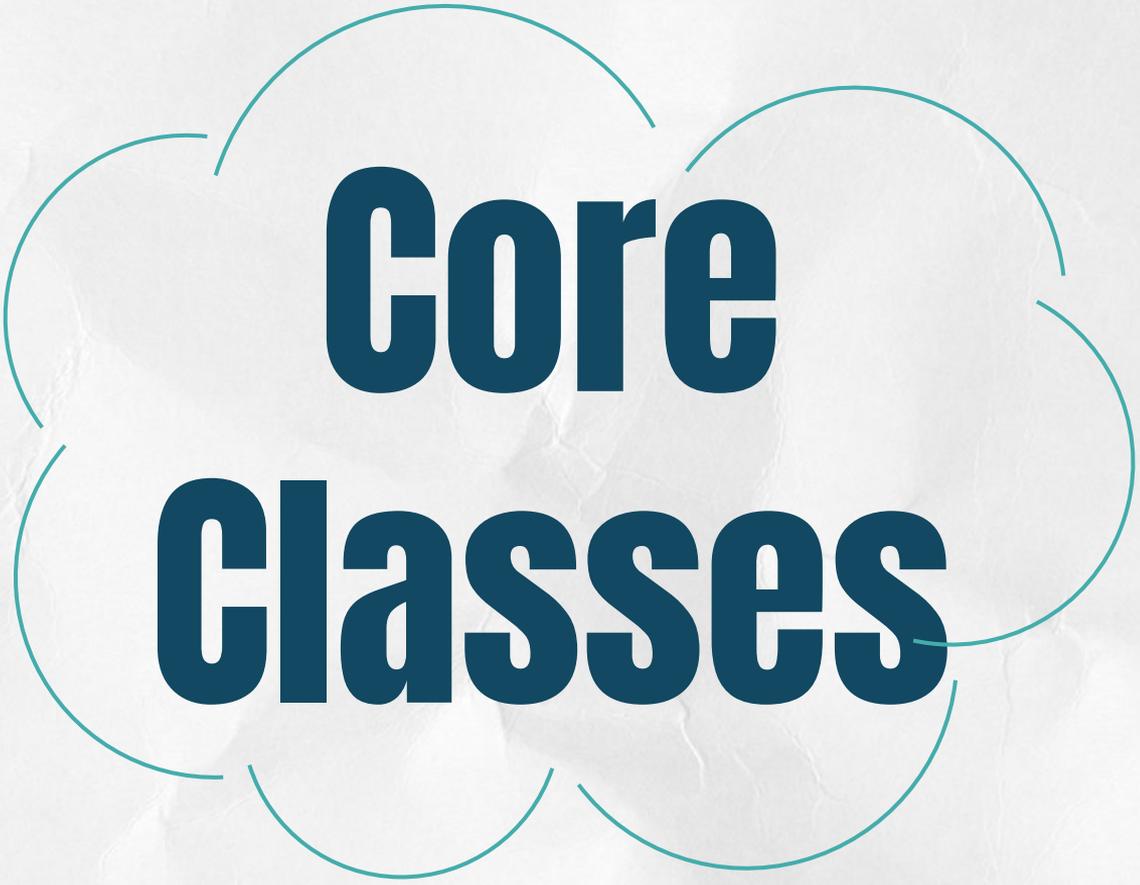
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Grading

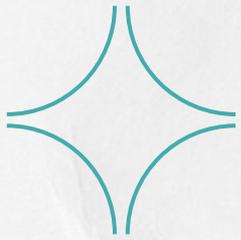


- Student grades consist of 60% test grades and 40% daily grades.
- Students must complete make-up work as soon as possible after an excused absence.
- Make-up work and missing assignments count as a zero until turned in and graded by the teacher.
- Midterms and finals are cumulative exams.
- There are no early exams. If a student misses an exam, they will receive a zero until it is made up.





**Core
Classes**





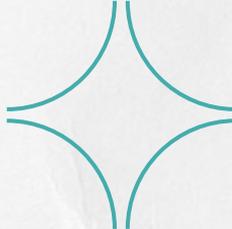
Language Arts

Language Arts
Honors Language Arts



Math

Math
Accelerated Math
Accelerated Math Team



Required

Science
Social Studies (8th grade has PreAP option)



7th Grade Elective Options

9 Weeks		Semester	Year
Fine Arts Electives	STEM Electives	Fine Arts Electives	Fine Arts Electives
Intro to Visual Arts	Innovators & Makers (Comp Sci)	Advanced Art - App	Beginning Band
Visual Arts	App Creators (Comp Sci)	Intermediate Theater	Concert Band
Sculpting Art	Intro to Python with CodeX	Advanced Theater - Audition	Symphonic Band
Interior Design	Energy & the Environment PLTW		Intermediate Chorus
Beginning Theatre	Flight & Space PLTW		Advanced Chorus -Audition
Technical Theatre	Magic of Electrons PLTW		
Language Arts Electives	Medical Detectives PLTW	Language Arts Electives	Language Arts Electives
Composition Workshop	Health Science Discovery	Digital Communications - App	Yearbook - Application
Creative Writing I	Healthcare Career Explorations		
Creative Writing II	Green Architecture PLTW	STEM Electives	
Intro to Public Speaking	Science of Technology PLTW	Automation & Robotics PLTW	
Math Electives	STEM		
Money! Money! Money!	Survey World Language Electives	General Electives	
Math Meets Art	French A/B	Innovations/Inq Based Learning	
General Electives	Latin A/B		
Introduction to Chess	German A/B		
Competition Chess	Spanish A/B		
Digital Publishing Tools			

8th Grade Elective Options

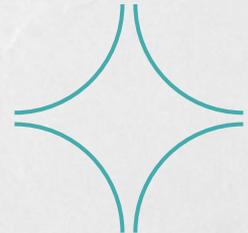
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Fine Arts Electives	STEM Electives	Fine Arts Electives	Fine Arts Electives
Intro to Visual Arts	Innovators & Makers (Comp Sci)	Advanced Art - App	Beginning Band
Visual Arts	App Creators (Comp Sci)	Intermediate Theater	Concert Band
Sculpting Art	Intro to Python with CodeX	Advanced Theater - Audition	Symphonic Band
Interior Design	Design & Modeling PLTW		Intermediate Chorus
Beginning Theatre	Energy & the Environment PLTW		Advanced Chorus
Technical Theatre	Flight & Space PLTW		
Language Arts Electives	Magic of Electrons PLTW	Language Arts Electives	Language Arts Electives
Composition Workshop	Medical Detectives PLTW	Digital Communications - App	Yearbook - Application
Creative Writing I	Green Architecture PLTW		
Creative Writing II	Health Science Discovery	STEM Electives	World Language (year)
Intro to Public Speaking	Healthcare Career Explorations	Automation & Robotics PLTW	French I (1 credit)
General Electives	Science of Technology PLTW	Computer Science Essentials PLTW	Latin I (1 credit)
Digital Publishing Tools			Spanish I (1 credit)
Introduction to Chess	Survey World Language Electives		German I (1 credit)
Competition Chess	French B	Other Electives	
Math Electives	Latin B	Career Prep A (0.5 credit)	
Money! Money! Money!	German B		
Math Meets Art	Spanish A/B		

PE Requirement

All students must take a 9 weeks of PE.

7th and 8th grader can request Fitness & Aerobics, Health and Wellness, Weight Training, Indoor, or Outdoor PE.

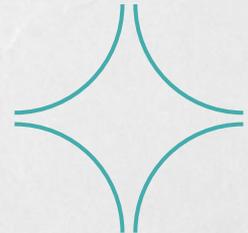
They could be scheduled for up to three 9 weeks of PE.



8th Grade World Language

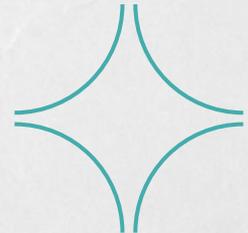
Spanish 1 French 1 German 1 Latin 1

- 8th Graders **ONLY**
- Foreign Languages are year-long challenging courses
- A high school credit is earned
- These courses **CANNOT** be dropped from a transcript
- These courses should **NOT BE CONSIDERED** lightweight. They **REQUIRE** a commitment to studying.



8th Grade High School Credits

Spanish 1 (1 credit)
French 1 (1 credit)
German 1 (1 credit)
Latin 1 (1 credit)
Career Prep A (0.5 credit)



Registration Information



Course Catalog

Overview of courses

Registration Form

Due March 30th

Applications

Due March 30th

7th Grade Registration Worksheet

Blocks 5 per day	Term 1 9 weeks	Term 2 9 weeks	Term 3 9 weeks	Term 4 9 weeks	# of Terms
A	Math (year) Required				4 terms +
B	Language Arts (year) Required				4 terms +
C	Life Science (semester) Required		Social Studies 7 (Semester) Required		4 terms +
D	Physical Education (9 wks) Required				4 terms +
E					4 terms =
Total:					20 terms

Blocks = 5 per day	Semester= 18 weeks or 2 terms
Term = 9 weeks	Year = 32 weeks, 2 semesters, or 4 terms
Total: 20 terms per student request/schedule	
<i>7th Grade students have seven terms to fill with elective choices plus choice of required PE.</i>	



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