



# WHAT TO LOOK FORWARD TO IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

## COURSES

- Bible
- English
- History (Ancient History, World History, US History)
- Math 6, Math 7, Math 8 or Algebra 1
- Physical Education
- Science (Earth Science, Life Science, Physical Science)

## ENRICHMENT CLASSES

- Introduction to Music
- Foundations
- Student Leadership & Communication
- Computer Literacy and Keyboarding
- Creative Minds
- Art
- Creative Cuisine
- Health/Wellness

*\*Available classes subject to change*

## RESPONSIBILITIES

- Overall, middle school students will see an increase in required responsibility and be held to higher expectations.
- Beginning in 6th grade, all middle school students will be issued an iPad for classroom instruction and course work.
- Middle school students will have multiple subject specific teachers and rotate between classrooms.
- Students will be required to wear PE uniforms and maintain PE lockers.

## ATHLETICS

Middle School students will have the opportunity to participate in school organized athletics.

Current middle school athletic teams include:

- Boys 11 Man Tackle Football (fall)
- Cheerleading (fall)
- Girls Volleyball (fall)
- Boys Basketball (winter)
- Girls Basketball (winter)
- Co-ed Soccer (spring)

## ACTIVITIES

- Middle school students take part in activities organized by the Middle School Associated Student Body. Students are sorted into “Casitas” as a part of the House System. Casita competitions are held throughout the year. This program will continue to build each year.
- 6th grade students take a three-day trip to Palomar for science enrichment and spiritual development.
- 7th grade students spend three days on a spiritual retreat at Thousand Pines Christian camp designed to encourage each student in their walk with Christ during this pivotal time in their development as believers.
- 8th grade students participate in a 12-day Historic Study Tour of the East Coast, where they engage in interactive learning about early American heritage, experience cultural exhibitions, and explore government institutions while completing a project supported by daily study and reflections.
- 8th grade students will have leadership opportunities as officers on the Middle School Associated Student Body.
- 8th grade students will get to celebrate their completion of middle school with a promotion ceremony.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Desert Christian Academy’s mission is to train students to glorify Jesus Christ by growing spiritually, academically, physically, and socially.

### QUICK FACTS

Founded: 1977  
Non-Denominational  
Total School Enrollment: 778

### ACCREDITATION

DCA is fully accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the Association of Christian Schools International.

### DEDICATED FACULTY

The individualized attention provided by our teachers creates an engaging, safe, and nurturing learning community for students to thrive.

### ENROLLMENT

Preschool	91
Elementary	299
Middle School	195
High School	193