



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)

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.

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 four-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 enjoy a twelve day History Study Tour of the East Coast. The trip focuses on our early American heritage (colonization), the Civil War, and the establishment of our government as well as current government processes. 8th grade students complete a digital workbook of information from their trip. This project serves both as a tool for the teacher to see what the students learned from their trip.
- 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.

ELECTIVES & FLEX TEAMS

- Music Performance
- Elementary Teaching Aides
- Intro to Film & Media
- Visual Art
- Choir
- Woodworking
- Debate
- Athletic Performance
- Conqueror Cafe

**Available classes subject to change*

ATHLETICS

Middle School students will have the opportunity to participate in school organized athletics. Current middle school athletic teams include:

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

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: 725

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	92
Elementary	294
Middle School	184
High School	155