

# Co-Curricular Clubs at DTS 2019-2020

Clubs and competitions are a fun way to stretch your muscles, your brain and your skills. For further information, parents and students can email the teacher associated with the club.

## ARCHERY with Mr. Deneka

Participants will shoot field style archery. This is also known as Olympic style archery.

Mr. Deneka is hoping to see this club expand into a team sport that will be able to shoot in state and national competition.

**It is open to 5th through 8th grade. This club meets two times per week, before school from January through May.**

## JAZZ and 5th GRADE BAND with Mr. Komarek

Students will practice music during morning rehearsals.

**Open to students grades 5 through 8. These rehearsals are held in the morning. The sections meet two times a week from September through June. Jazz: Tuesday, 5th Grade band: Thursday**

## CHORUS with Mrs. Scialla

Fourth and Fifth grade chorus is a performing group that focuses on singing in several parts and healthy vocal production.

**Meets from Sept. to May, 45 minutes per week before school**

## DISSECTION CLUB with Mr. Deneka

Students will conduct a series of dissections designed to lead them through a progression of techniques used to examine the interior structures of large organs such as heart valves, eyes, digestive and reproductive tracts.

**The club will meet during October and November, three hours per week, and meets on Wednesday evening. Maximum of 12 participants – 8<sup>th</sup> grade only.**

## DTS DRAMA CLUB with Ms. Fisher

Depending on the interest and number of participants, the Drama Club will produce a drama or a musical production as a full production. **Grades 6-8.**

## DANCE ACADEMY with Ms. Fisher

Come learn creative choreography and routines like you may have seen on Broadway or on So You Think You Can Dance. This club will meet throughout the year to share and learn ballet, jazz, contemporary, tap, and hip hop styles. Previous dance skills are not required and all are welcome! **Grades 6-8.**

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONGRESS with Ms. McShane and Mrs. Terranova

This club instills environmental ethics. Students pass along environmental information, maintain township trails, celebrate Arbor Day, and OTHER ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS AS THEY COME UP.

**Meets November through April. Hours and meeting schedule varies, typically twice a month for an hour. Open to all students 6th to 8th.**

## LITERACY JOURNAL CLUB with Mrs. O'Brien

**Also known as Wildcat Word Wizards**

As a club, our members write and solicit pieces of writing from all school students, then help edit the writing. We create a bound journal of the work. Students create posters and meet with classes for submissions. The activity culminates in a celebration reading at a school-wide event at the end of the activity.

**This club meets from January through June, 3 hours a month after school, and is available to all grade levels. Hours increase in May to finalize the project.**



**RECREATIONAL SPORTS** with Mr. Smith

Middle school co-ed volleyball and flag football for the following levels. Practice skills and play games.

**Grades 4th-5th: Co-ed Flag Football**

**6th-8th: Co-ed Volleyball. During November and May for two hours a week.**



**STEM EXPO** with Ms. Maltese

While not a club, STEM EXPO evening is full of STEM based activities for all DTS students. **Grades 6-8** are invited to help run the activities for the elementary students who attend the event.



**GARDENING CLUB** with Mr. Chojnowski

Students will learn and apply basic gardening techniques and garden maintenance.

**Fall and spring; one day/week for grades 6-8.**



**CODING CLUB** with Mrs. O'Brien

You've learned the basics of coding in Technology class, why not take it a few steps further? Learn how to write code and have your programs do amazing things! **Grades 4-6.**



**STUDENT COUNCIL** advisors Mr. Deneka and Mrs. Joyce

Be a part of the DTS student government as homeroom reps or student officers.

**Weekly meetings throughout the school year for grades 6-8.**



**LEGO-ROBOTICS** with Mrs. Blair

Students work in teams with mentors from HCRHS robotics team to take on the challenge of creating a sustainable community using Legos with a motorized component. **November through January; competition in March for grades 3-5.**



**MAKER SPACE** with Ms. Mazzucco

Students work collaboratively to put together a new kit each week that will be used to explore different STEM activities.

**January through March for grades 6-8.**



**SCIENCE OLYMPIAD** with Ms. Maltese

This exciting competition is designed to engage students in problem-based STEM activities centered around best practices in engineering design and physics.

**Meets multiple days per week November through February. Open to grade 5 only.**



**BEDTIME MATH'S CRAZY 8'S CLUB** with Ms. Maltese

Math club where students will build stuff, run and jump, make music, and make a mess! It's a totally new kind of math club. **March and April for grade 2.**