

ELEMENTARY CLASSES

Spanish Club

Spanish Club is for students in kindergarten through 5th grade and will introduce students to listening, speaking, and reading Spanish. The instructor is a former DMPS staff member with over 10 years of language learning and teaching experience in the U.S. and Latin America. Through games and interactive activities, the curriculum is designed to enhance learning through play and cultural awareness.

Session 1

Kindergarten - 5th grade

Location: Monroe Elementary

Dates: Mondays April 29th – May 30th

Time: 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

Instructor: Kylie Gottschalk

Class Limit: 12

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Session 2

Kindergarten - 5th grade

Location: Capitol View Elementary

Dates: March 28th - May 30th

No class on April 18th or 25th

Time: 5:30 PM - 6:00 PM

Instructor: Kylie Gottschalk

Class Limit: 12

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Do the Math

Do the Math 24-7 Spring programming! Do The Math 24-7 is a club with a positive message on respect, unity, and equality. Do The Math 247 Character Building Program will cover the subjects respect, responsibility, leadership, peer pressure, teamwork, and anti-bullying. Students will understand the importance of having a good character as a foundation to build upon.

2nd - 5th grade

Location: King Elementary School

Dates: Wednesday March 27th - April 24th

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Kenny Lilly

Class Limit: 20

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Zoo Academy

Connect with nature and the zoo through authentic STEM experiences and career explorations. The Zoo is open until 4PM, program participants are allowed and encouraged to explore the zoo after each program.

Session 1

1st - 3rd grade

Location: Blank Park Zoo

Dates: Sundays April 7th - May 5th

Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Instructor: Blank Park Zoo

Class Limit: 12

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Session 2

1st - 3rd grade

Location: Blank Park Zoo

Dates: Sundays April 7th - May 5th.

Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Instructor: Blank Park Zoo

Class Limit: 12

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6th Grade Jump Start

Calling all 5th Graders! This course will teach you everything you need to know about juggling classwork, making a good 1st impression, new routines, organization tips, time management and many more subjects to help you prepare for your transition into middle School. Each participant that completes the class will receive a free backpack!

5th grade

Location: Merrill Middle School

Dates: Mondays April 15th - May 13th

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Instructor: Kimber Foshe, Simone Freeman, & Madisen Gaskin

Class Limit: 40

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Reading and Relaxation Club

Get cozy with a good book and unwind with yoga at the Reading, Relaxation, and Yoga Club. Discover magical stories, share your favorites, and enjoy a peaceful space made just for you, with a sprinkle of calming yoga sessions.

K - 2nd grade

Location: Hillis Elementary

Dates: Fridays March 29th - May 3rd

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Julie Franz

Class Limit: 15

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Art Club

Let your imagination soar at the Art club! Join us for colorful projects, creative games, and lots of artistic fun as we explore the wonderful world of art together. K-2nd grade session and a 3rd-5th session.

Session 1

3rd - 5th grade

Location: Hillis Elementary

Dates: Wednesdays March 27th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Annie Chojnacki

Class Limit: 15

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Session 2

K - 2nd grade

Location: Hillis Elementary

Dates: Thursdays March 28th - May 2nd

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Annie Chojnacki

Class Limit: 15

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Gardening Club

Gardening Club will be a chance for kids to explore growing plants from seeds, tending plants, and the practice of making gardens. We will learn about the role of native plants in our ecosystems and about growing plants you can eat. We will also explore crafts and experiments related to garden plants.

2nd - 3rd grade

Location: Hillis Elementary

Dates: Wednesday March 27th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Lexi Young

Class Limit: 15

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Ready, Set, Play!

Come join us for a fun and engaging adventure! Here students can play popular board games or engage in a challenging puzzle, all while boosting social skills! Students will have a blast as they work on sharing, turn taking, and interacting with others. A variety of games will be taught and available for students during club time!

K - 2nd grade

Location: Samuelson Elementary School

Dates: Thursdays March 28th - May 2nd

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructors: Denie Rew & Megan Davidson

Class Limit: 20

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Cheerleading Club

Interested in working on tumbling, flexibility, jumps, stunts, and all things cheer? Sign up for Cheerleading Club!

3rd - 5th grade

Location: Samuelson Elementary School

Dates: Wednesdays March 27th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 3:00PM - 4:00 PM

Instructors: Nick Black & Hailey Griffin

Class Limit: 15

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Directed Drawing & Writing

Come spend an hour listening to music and relaxing with Directed Drawing. After the drawing, we will spend some time writing about our Masterpiece!

K - 2nd grade

Location: Samuelson Elementary School

Dates: Mondays March 25th - April 29th

Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Kimberly Hofbauer

Class Limit: 12

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Lil Yogis + Sour Grape Book Club

Firefly Fitness will consist of two classes back-to-back. K-2nd will be in Lil Yogis from 3-4PM then Sour Grape Book Club from 4-5PM. 3rd-5th will start with Sour Grape Book Club from 3-4 and finish with Lil Yogis from 4-5PM.

Lil Yogis - This program will engage students in various yoga poses, unique stretching, animated play, games, and movement. Some forms will be upbeat and include vigorous activity. Children will learn the importance of stretching, balance, and flexibility.

Sour Grape Book Club - A read-along book series that explores and highlights different ways of being and creating "self". Self-care, self-expression, self-acceptance, self-esteem, compassion, forgiveness, and sportsmanship. Each week offers a new book and different themes.

Session 1

K - 2nd grade

Location: Garton Elementary School

Dates: Tuesdays March 26th - April 30th

Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Instructor: Firefly Fitness

Class Limit: 15

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Session 2

3rd - 5th grade

Location: Garton Elementary School

Dates: Tuesdays March 26th - April 30th

Time: 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Instructor: Firefly Fitness

Class Limit: 15

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Superhero Training Camp

Do you have what it takes to save the earth? Do you have the sparkle to rule the world? Train to be the superhero you were meant to be! Save the world from evil doers everywhere in this interactive and high energy program. The training combines co-operative games, team building activities, literature, educational enrichment activities, and craft projects to ensure your powers will be supreme.

K - 2nd grade.

Location: Capitol View Elementary School

Dates: Wednesdays March 27th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 3:00PM - 4:00 PM

Instructor: Little Scholars

Class Limit: 20

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Goldfinch Speed Rookies

Come join us for our Rookies program! For more than 15 years, we have been immersing young athletes in a world of diverse movements, including skipping, running, kicking, and more; shaping a positive introduction to exercise. Our mission is to create an engaging and supportive atmosphere, ensuring your young athlete finds both enjoyment and value in physical activity. All you'll need to bring are some shoes to run around in and a water bottle, we'll bring the rest!

1st - 5th grade.

Location: Central Campus Gym

Dates: Wednesdays March 27th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Instructor: Jeff Woody

Class Limit: 50

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MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASSES

Goldfinch Speed Jr. High

We live by, 'Build a better human first, then a better athlete,' and mix it up with sprints, jumps, squats, and more! Our goal? To instill great movement habits and foster a love for training, all in a lively and encouraging vibe. Led by former Iowa State football player, and owner of Goldfinch Athletics, Jeff Woody. Think of it as the ultimate prep for high school sports—technique, education, and a lot of fun! You'll only need training shoes to get to work.

6th - 8th grade

Location: Central Campus Gym

Dates: Monday & Wednesday March 25th - May 8th

No class April 10th

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Instructor: Jeff Woody

Class Limit: 50

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Middle School Art Creating Comics

Learn how to make comic books! In this class, we will explore the visual storytelling of comics and how to create our own stories. We will discuss different forms of art and techniques that are part of visual storytelling. Learn how to compose storyboards and scenes for the characters you design. Students are encouraged to bring their own supplies, but we will have some available to use.

6th - 8th grade

Location: Merrill Middle School

Dates: Tuesdays March 26th - April 30th

Time: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Instructor: Carissa Dannen

Class Limit: 15

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Jewels Academy Science

Are you interested in experiments and learning new things? If you are this will be the class for you. Here you will learn all about STEM which is Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics. You will be making fun projects like a homemade bouncy ball, Lava lamp, Bioplastics, and so much more. If you want to learn more about STEM sign up here!

6th - 8th grade

Location: Weeks Middle School

Dates: Fridays March 29th - May 3rd

Time: 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Instructor: Jewels Academy

Class Limit: 15

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Middle School Spring Break Basketball Camp

Need something to do over spring break? How about working on your basketball skills? Whether you are a beginner or pro, this camp is designed to improve your basketball game. We will work on dribbling, shooting, passing, rebounding and defense. This camp is for boys & girls in 6th-8th grade!

6th - 8th grade

Location: Harding Middle School

Dates: Mon – Fri March 11th – March 15th

Time: 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Instructor: North/Harding coaches

Class Limit: 50

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HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES

College Football Recruiting Seminar

Former Iowa Western and Drake football coach with years of experience recruiting kids to a 2-year and 4-year schools is offering this unique opportunity to help high school football players understand the different aspects of the college football recruiting process: schools (NCAA/NAIA, levels, etc.), communication, campus visits (gameday, camps, spring, etc.), Hudl Highlight film, etc. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend. When registering please choose which night you will attend.

9th - 11th grade football players

Location: Monday – Hoover HS, Tuesday – East HS, Thursday – North HS

Dates: Monday March 25th, Tuesday March 26th, Thursday March 28th

Time: 6:00 PM - 7:30PM

Instructor: Willie Cashmore

Class Limit:10 (each session)

Hoover: <https://dmps.revtrak.net/WS-Redirect/?wsresource=eventDetail.html%3fid%3d1422342>

East: <https://dmps.revtrak.net/WS-Redirect/?wsresource=eventDetail.html%3fid%3d1422344>

North: <https://dmps.revtrak.net/WS-Redirect/?wsresource=eventDetail.html%3fid%3d1422346>

College & Career Readiness

Feeling overwhelmed with the college application process?

This course is designed to break down the college and career readiness process into small, manageable bites. In this course, students will develop an education and career plan that is aligned to their strengths, interests, skills, and goals. Together, we will explore frequently used words at the college level, practice completing a college application form, locate scholarship banks, draft a college/scholarship essay, and prepare a resume as well as discuss the basics of budgeting and finance. Step by step, one bite at a time.

9th - 12th grade

Location: Central Campus

Dates: Tuesdays April 2nd - May 7th

Time: 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM

Instructor: Christina Estes & Jonathan Preston

Class Limit: 20

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Creating Community

Each Week we will spend time talking about identity, building community, writing together, and experimenting with various fun art forms such as photography, jewelry making, and spray painting. Weekly workshops will be centered on building empowering, joyful spaces where students feel seen and celebrated.

9th - 12th grade

Location: Central Campus

Dates: Thursdays March 28th - May 2nd

Time: 5:00 PM - 6:30 PM

Instructor: Leah Waughtal-Magiera & Jalesha Johnson

Class Limit: 25

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Verti-Go Athletics

Students will perform multiple athletic skills and drill utilizing the latest technology and research in habit formation. Students will learn the benefits of instant feedback and receive instruction on movement patterns and the importance of knowing and understanding their physical patterns.

Session 1

9th - 12th grade

Location: Verti-Go Athletics

Dates: Mondays & Wednesdays March 25th - May 1st

Time: 7:15 PM - 8:00 PM

Instructor: Tony Douglas

Class Limit: 16

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Session 2

9th - 12th grade

Location: Verti-Go Athletics

Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays March 26th - May 2nd

Time: 7:15 PM - 8:00 PM

Instructor: Tony Douglas

Class Limit: 16

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Session 3

9th - 12th grade

Location: Verti-Go Athletics

Dates: Saturdays March 30th - May 4th

Time: 9:00 - 10:00 AM

Instructor: Tony Douglas

Class Limit: 16

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African American/Black History Course

A Perspective in Blackness (the Past, Present, and the Future)

This course will help learners build an understanding of the historical roots of African American/Black culture, especially as it pertains to social, economic, and political interactions within the broader context of United States history. The course will take learners on a journey of blackness by providing them with a deep analysis of important ideas, events, social and cultural values, beliefs, and traditions related to the black experience.

9th - 12th grade

Location: Central Campus Board Room

Dates: Mondays April 15th – May 20th

*Field trip dates: June 8th – 11th

Time: 5:00 PM -6:00 PM

Instructor: Alex Hanna

Class Limit: 15

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