

# Incoming 7th Grade Course Selection Information

2024-2025 School Year

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# 7th Grade Schedule

7<sup>th</sup> grade students are enrolled in 7 classes as follows:

- Language Arts (required)
- Math (required)
- Science (required)
- Social Studies (required)
- PE, Athletics, OR Tennis (required)
- College & Career Readiness & One Half-Year Elective (required)
- Elective
  - You may be placed in an alternative class based on your performance on common assessments.




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# Honors vs. Regular Core Curriculum

- Honors and regular courses cover the same TEKS objectives. The Honors courses are an enriched, faster-paced, and college-bound curriculum designed to challenge students at a higher level.
- 6th grade Honors Math is a **prerequisite** for 7th grade Honors Math.
- 7th grade Honors Math is a **prerequisite** for Honors Algebra I in 8th grade.
  - This course covers 7th & 8th TEKS objectives. Students who master these TEKS will take Honors Algebra I in 8th Grade. These students **MUST stay in Honors Algebra I in 8th grade.**



# PE, Athletics, or Tennis

PE	ATHLETICS	TENNIS
Physical not required	<b>** PHYSICAL REQUIRED**</b>	<b>** PHYSICAL REQUIRED**</b>
<p><b>Boys PE &amp; Girls PE</b></p> <p>Students are taught fun sport units including badminton, floor hockey, lacrosse, volleyball, basketball, football, kickball, softball, and Frisbee. Conditioning is done routinely to prepare students for Fitness Gram.</p> 	<p><b>Girls' Athletics</b></p> <p>Only for students trying out for any girls' sport.</p> <p><b>Boys' Athletics</b></p> <p>Only for students trying out for any boys' sport.</p> <p>Note: Athletics is more physically challenging than PE. For example, athletes are expected to be able to run an entire mile under 10:00 minutes without stopping to walk.</p>	<p>For students who ONLY want to play tennis.</p> <p>Tryouts will be held in order to maintain a manageable class size of 35-40 students.</p> <p>7th grade tryouts will be held in the first 3 weeks of school.</p> <p>Tennis will also practice before or after school - practice times and dates will be provided by the coaches.</p>



## Again, Keep In Mind...

- You must have an annual physical before you can participate in Athletic classes and/ or tryout for a sport.
- Athletics is for students that want to participate in any sport.
- We offer the following sports: football, volleyball, basketball, soccer, track, and cross country.







# Art (Full Year Course)

Art uses a variety of mediums including paper, sewing materials, colored pencils, paints and more to provide an educational and interactive learning experience.



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# Band (Full Year Course)

The Dobie Band is a group of highly motivated musicians who range from beginners to advanced experience levels playing instrumental music!

8TH GRADE NIGHT @  
STEELE FOOTBALL



ANNUAL BAND  
SIX FLAGS  
TRIP



ELITE  
ENSEMBLES



**JOIN THE BAND - JOIN THE FUN OF SUCCESS**

POP / MOVIE  
CONCERTS





# Choir (Full Year Course)



Learn sight reading, music theory and have the chance to compete in UIL competitions.

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# Journalism 1 (Full Year Course)



**IT TAKES A SPECIAL  
KIND OF STUDENT  
TO BECOME A  
JOURNALIST**

Rising sixth graders interested in journalism and yearbook will need to demonstrate the following qualities:

- ✓ Reliable
- ✓ Independent worker
- ✓ Capable of a variety of tasks
- ✓ Excellent WRITER
- ✓ Organized
- ✓ Creative
- ✓ Able to meet deadlines and work under pressure
- ✓ Detail oriented
- ✓ Knowledge of computer skills



Yearbook editors hard at work deciding on newsworthy content for the next edition of Dobie News.



- **MOST IMPORTANTLY:**  
Students need to be committed to learning the basics of how to record the most important parts of history at **DOBIE JHS**.

# Orchestra (Full Year Course)

## A class for everyone!

In Orchestra, we play string instruments - violin, viola, cello and bass.

If you have played this year, ask your teacher for audition information for the JV and Varsity Ensembles. If you choose not to audition, that is ok too! We'll place you based on your current teacher's recommendations.

Interested in orchestra, but never played before? We have a beginner class too!



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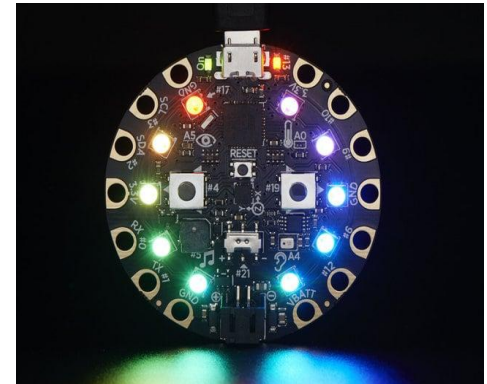
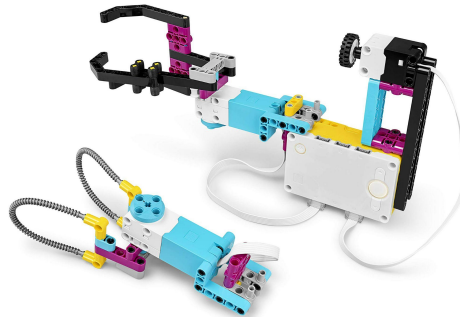
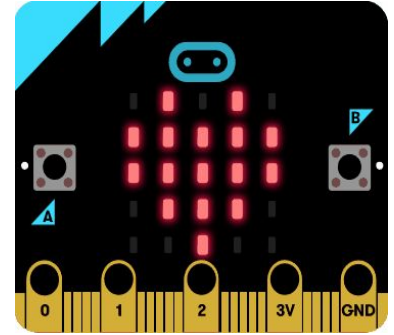
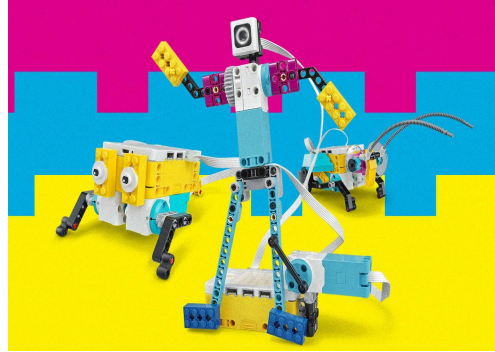
# Robotics (Full Year Course)

In Robotics, you will learn to build and program robots.

We will use LEGO SPIKE Prime robots.

You will also use JavaScript to program Adafruit and Micro:Bit circuit boards.

Be a part of a team & develop social skills!





# Theatre Arts 1 (Full Year Course)



"Theatre is a great way to learn about yourself and your talents."  
- Jaycee J. -

"Theatre helps you express yourself without feeling worried."  
- Kynzie C. -

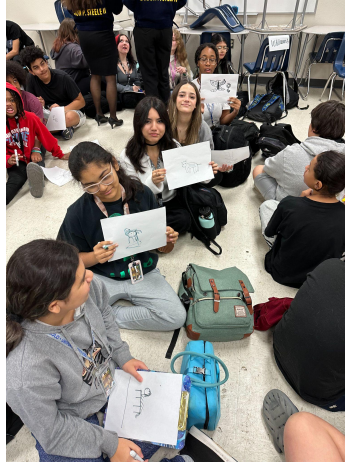
"In theatre, you can play a lot of interactive games/activities and participate in fun projects with friends."  
- Sophia M. -

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# College and Career Readiness (Half Year Course)

In College and Career readiness you will learn all the essentials to keeping and maintaining a job, the basics of how to “adult”, and explore the career and schooling options available to you! This class is very project and student centered, PERFECT for creating the basics of your resume so when you get to high school you can get your first job! In CCR we strive to help you become a better student and be prepared for all of your future endeavors.





# Exploratory Spanish (Half Year Course)



In this introduction to Spanish, students will learn vocabulary, grammar, and cultural exploration through speaking, reading, writing, and projects.



# Keyboarding/ Technology Applications (Half Year Courses)

In these courses, you will learn about your digital footprint, netiquette, and how to stay safe online. Tech Apps is a project-based course that applies **DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP** while discovering creative and productive applications of software including G-Suite (Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, and Apps), along with many other web-based programs. Finally, a strong emphasis is placed on learning proper keyboarding skills.

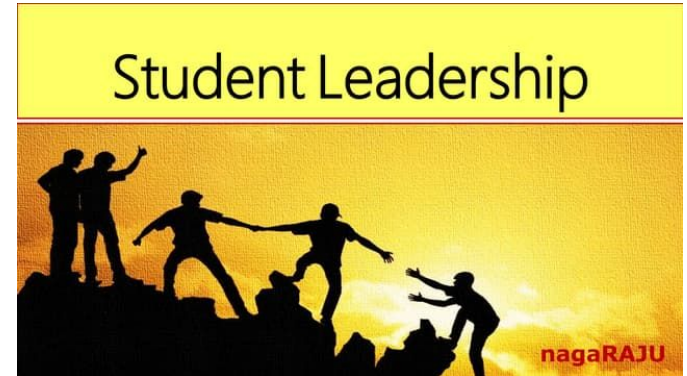


## Personal Development and Leadership (PDL) (Half Year Course)

In Personal Development and Leadership you will focus on the skills and strengths you need to be successful in high school and beyond.

## Some Topics You Will Explore:

- Time management, organization, and study skills
- Making good choices and bouncing back from issues
- Developing your character, positive attitude, and leadership skills
- Setting personal goals and identifying the steps needed to achieve them





# Dobie Sports



## Things to Remember

- THIS PRE-REGISTRATION FORM DOES NOT GUARANTEE YOU WILL GET ALL THE ELECTIVES YOU CHOOSE.
- Scheduling and class sizes can affect the number of students who are able to take an elective class. Some electives fill up quickly. Every effort is made to ensure students who are eligible receive their elective course(s).
- **NO SCHEDULE CHANGES AFTER THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SCHOOL.**
- **NO** schedule changes at the semester - including lunches and teacher requests.
- Course selection forms **with a parent/guardian signature** are **DUE BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2023** to your homeroom teacher.
- View the 24-25 Course JH Course Catalog **here**.

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