



# Deerfield Beach Middle School Elective Choices 2020-2021



## 18 week courses:

**Art: (Two-Dimensional Studio Art 2):** Students create a variety of artwork using skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics, and collage.

**Band: (Beginning):** For students who have little or no experience. Students learn to play a wind or percussion instrument and read music. The band may perform at concert, as well as solo and ensemble assessments.

### **Communication/Broadcast:**

Students are responsible for working the sound, camera, teleprompter/script, and equipment for a daily broadcast of the morning announcements. Additional small video projects, as well as obtaining knowledge on broadcasting, are also required for this course.

### **Language Acquisition: (French or Spanish)**

Introduces students to language and culture. Beginning skills in listening and speaking and an introduction to basic skills in reading and writing are covered.

### **Home Economics:**

This course includes but is not limited to a development of leadership, communication, and employability skills; exploration of careers in the culinary field; safe, proper use of culinary tools/equipment; interpreting recipes and developing menus; basic food preparation skills; artistic presentation of food.

### **Robotics:**

This is a beginning course in robotics. Introducing the student to basic programming as well as problem solving strategies. Students will focus on math and science standards to sharpen their skills and set them up for success. Student will design and program robots to compete in various courses and competitions.

### **S.T.E.M.: Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math**

This course will explore cross-curriculum approaches to math and science while incorporating an enjoyable but learning-intensive classroom environment. Students will rediscover their interest in science through the rocket propulsion labs and have their horizons expanded covering a wide range of topics.

## Year-long courses:

### **Band: (Intermediate)**

For students who have completed Beginning Band or the equivalent. The band performs at concert, as well as solo and ensemble assessments.

### **Debate: (Speech and Debate 1 or 2)**

Students will learn skills and for creating speeches, gathering information, and presenting ideas. The class will teach confidence, boost self-esteem, and powerful speaking skills.

### **Language Acquisition: (French 1\* or Spanish 1\*)**

**\*High School Level** This course provides students with a general introduction to the language, pronunciation, vocabulary related to everyday activities, basic grammatical structure, and cultural information.

### **Technology & Entrepreneurship: (NFTE)**

This hands-on class will teach students how to design and develop their own apps. Through apps design training, students will learn the basics of creating and designing their own apps by using graphical user interface tools, integration of multimedia, and more. Through Microsoft Office Word and its tools, students will learn how to create new documents such as flyers, menus, posters, and invitations.