



VC CLUBS!

NEW!

Anime Club

Anime club is a place to share our love of Anime, Manga, and Cosplay. At Anime club, we hope to have a space to discuss and partake in all things from watching, to drawing, to even costume design strategies and storyboard design. We seek to be an inclusive space for people to explore the things they love about Anime culture! We hope to have a number of both digital and in-person meetings, when possible, attend events, and share our own creations! Sponsor: ian.hubrig@dmschools.org

Art Club

Art Club gives students an experience with art and artists by viewing and chatting about art and creating artwork. This year we plan on participating in art challenges like Inktober, sharing current events, touring the Papa John Sculpture Park, experimenting with tie dye and shibori, creating stickers, and painting another mural for the district Art Show! Meet every other Wednesday. Sponsor: patricia.christiansen@dmschools.org

Book Club

Book Club gives students the opportunity to read and discuss fun books together! We will talk about what type of books we like to read and then vote on which books we will read as a group. If you are worried about purchase/borrowing the books we decide to read, DON'T BE! We will find a way to get you the book!! Meets Wednesdays at 3:30 PM. Club sponsor: nicholas.matsen@dmschools.org

Canvas Tutorials

Do you have trouble navigating Canvas, finding your assignments, etc.? Please contact sponsor, shannan.belden@dmschools.org

Chess Club

Chess Club meets online every Monday from 3:30-4:30 PM. Come learn how to play some chess and enjoy the chat. Please contact Mr. El-Baroudi (samy.el-baroudi@dmschools.org) or Cale Roe (cale.roe@dmschools.org) to be added to the Team! You can create a free account at: www.chess.com

NEW!

Game Night

Join us at Central Campus to play games. Des Moines's newest gaming company, The Rook Room, will be bring hundreds of games – including family, party, cooperative, classics, gateway, and many more – as well as jigsaw puzzles for you to enjoy! We meet the third Tuesday of every month from 6-9 PM. Dinner included but must RSVP by the Monday before at noon: zachary.smith@dmschools.org

NEW!

Gay-Straight Alliance

This student-led and student-organized school club aims to create a safe, welcoming, and accepting school environment for all youth, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity. Meets on Wednesdays at 3:30 PM. Contact: Stephanie.Fowler@dmschools.org

NEW!

Run Club

Meets Tuesday mornings from 8-8:30AM to coach students to run an in-person 5K. The 5 K is 12.5 times around Lincoln High School Track on Saturday, Oct. 29th @ 10:00am. Please contact abby.pudenz@dmschools.org

NEW!

Say: Poetry

We do it all! It's an open writing workshop. We listen to songs and poems as inspiration, and then we create and share our work. We have poets, general writers, rappers, and songwriters! We will have free snacks. We listen to music & play fun community-building games! Tuesdays: Writing 4-6 PM, 3rd floor, Central Campus. Thursdays: Dancing 5:30-7:30 PM, cafeteria, Central Campus. Sponsor: leah.waughtalmagiera@dmschools.org

NEW!

Sisters 4 Success

S4S creates an empowered, motivational, and informative environment that focuses succeeding in school, college and in life. Please contact gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org to sign up.

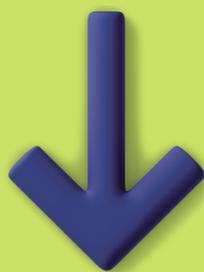
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Stomp Out the Stigma

SOS is a youth led club that empowers students to become leaders in middle schools and high schools across the state. Make effective changes and become mental health ambassadors at VC. We believe in the power of student voices!

Tutoring Club

Do you need a tutor? Can you tutor? Either way, we will take you! If you need a tutor and would be interested in having another VC student help you or, if you are able to tutor any classes you have taken and earned an "A" in, we want you to join our team! Tutoring is a great way to earn Silver Cord hours! Please contact, gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org to sign up.



HIGH SCHOOL ONLY

NEW!

Brother 2 Brother (B2B)

Brother 2 Brother (B2B) is a nationally recognized dynamic organization dedicated specifically to assist men of color to excel academically, socially, culturally, and professionally. B2B is based on a peer mentoring model where men connect, engage, support, and encourage each other to be successful in and outside of the classroom. Please contact gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org to sign up.

NEW!

Forensic Files Club

Students will watch Forensic Files episode assigned week before; will discuss the next week. What aspects of forensics helped solve the case? What can we learn about how science can help us recreate crimes and solve cases both recent and "cold"? Meets on Tuesdays from 3-3:30 PM. Sponsor: pam.devore@dmschools.org

National Honor Society

Membership in the National Honor Society is a significant academic honor as well as a personal achievement. Applying Candidates are evaluated based on leadership, service, character, and scholarship. Completed applications will be reviewed and considered for membership by members of the VC faculty. If you are a current VC 10th-12th grader, have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher and have a passion to Lead in Service and Character, we invite you to apply. If you are already an NHS member at another DMPS High School and would like to transfer membership, we would love to have you! Sponsor: stephenie.ovrom@dmschools.org

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Silver Cord

Earn a Silver Cord and wear it proudly on your graduation day by completing 160 hours of community service. Pick a non-profit, sign up and volunteer. Not only will you be serving people in your community. You will also learn a lot about yourself. Who knows, maybe it will lead to a future career path! For more information, please see the Silver Cord page on our website. Sponsor: gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org

Student Council

We are a team of student leaders who want to create a new type of virtual experience where we all have a place to belong. Virtually and in-person, we host student orientations, serve as big brothers and big sisters to new students, and advise teachers and principal on what is relevant to the lives of virtual students. To apply, please request an application from our Student Council president: Lucy Swauger: 628052@student.dmschools.org

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HIGH SCHOOL CONTINUED...

To get more information and to sign up, contact your home school's AD Secretary:

East High School

AD secretary: kim.smith@dmschools.org

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Hoover High School

AD secretary: mary.culp@dmschools.org

Lincoln High School

AD secretary: heidi.evans@dmschools.org

North High School

AD secretary: teressa.buban@dmschools.org

Roosevelt High School

AD secretary: Kathleen.Schmitt@dmschools.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL ONLY

Battle of the Books

Meetings will be held right after school on WEDNESDAYS (3:30-4:00). If you would like to participate in BOB this year -- or would just like to attend one meeting to decide if you WANT to join -- please contact sponsor Stephenie.Ovrom@dmschools.org in Teams, and she'll send you a link to the next meeting.

Trivia

Every Wednesday, students log on over lunch (11:40 AM- 12:08 PM) to compete with their trivia knowledge. Winners can earn prizes! Look for advertisements and updates on the middle school/high school Teams chats to get the link. For more information and to get the link, contact sponsor: brenna.stoffa@dmschools.org

U.S. Academic Pentathlon

The U.S. Academic Pentathlon is a fun learning and competition program in all four core subjects (Math, Science, Language Arts, and Social Studies), plus Fine Arts. You will compete with students from all over the district! If you'd like to attend a meeting, just to see if you like it, send a quick Chat or e-mail to Ms. Ovrom (stephenie.ovrom@dmschools.org), and she'll send you the link! Meetings will be held after school in Teams every Wednesday, 4:30-5:30, from now through April/May.



MIDDLE SCHOOL CONTINUED...

To get more information and to sign up, contact your home school's Student Engagement Coordinator:

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If your home middle school does not have a Student Engagement Coordinator, please contact gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org

For any questions about Virutal Campus's clubs, activities and events, please contact:
gretchen.critelli@dmschools.org