

2023 9th Grade Counts Summer Academy David Douglas High School

Program Information

REGISTRATION DUE BY FRIDAY, May 20, 2023

CREDIT: 0.5 Elective Credit with a chance to earn 1.0 Credit by completing an elective class.

-DDHS credit awarded upon successful completion of program and enrollment at DDHS in the Fall of 2023.

DATES:

June 22 – July 21, 2023

Core Program: 8:00AM – 11:30AM Monday – Friday (lunch served daily) **Elective Program:** 11:30AM – 1:00PM (see calendar for program days)

DAILY ATTENDANCE IS MANDATORY— AFTER TWO ABSENCES STUDENTS WILL BE IN DANGER OF NOT EARNING CREDIT.

COURSE FEE: \$10 Supply Fee (contact Michael Theofelis with questions)

STUDENT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Incoming 9th grader enrolled in the David Douglas School District
- Minimal number of minor/major incidents
- In need of academic and/or social support for transition to high school
- Demonstrates effort and perseverance
- Attendance rate 80% or higher
- Completion of SUN forms

<u>PROGRAM DESCRIPTION</u>: Over 20 days, NGC students will attend a simulated high school experience. Students will rotate through classes and work to familiarize themselves with the high school campus, staff and peers. Certified DDHS instructors will build an academic and social bridge between middle and high school, emphasizing skills to better

prepare students for success in these core content areas. Students will work in class and in groups on skills to better prepare themselves for 9th Grade; they will go on tours of the campus, meet staff and support people around campus, work on projects similar to what they will see in high school, and learn the expectations for success in high school. At the end of the program, the goal is for students to feel confident and have the tools necessary to make their 9th grade year a success.

<u>ELECTIVE OPPORTUNITIES FOR NGC 2023:</u> Summer PE, Pass the Piano (music class), Gardening, Black Studies and Enrichment, Latinx Studies, Art, and Physical Education. Class descriptions below.

Summer PE - Work to stay in shape, or get into shape by experiencing what a high school PE class looks like. Participants will work on a combination of athletic training, as well as exploring games and sports offered at DDHS while having fun and being active!

General Art - Explore a few of the artistic opportunities we provide at DDHS. Students will work with paint, charcoal art, some basic animation, and other activities through the program. See what our award winning art department looks like and explore your creative side.

Pass the Piano - This is a class in partnership with Pass the Mic and Sunshine Ray Piano Studio (https://sunshineraystudio.com/). This class seeks to guide participants to play piano without diving into replaying the same old classics. Instead, the instructors of this class aim to meet everyone where they are at and guide them to play what they want. It is our hope that our class will allow you to play your favorite tunes, write your own tunes, jam with friends, and even record your works through audio software. Pass the Piano is designed for English Language Learning students (but all are welcome to sign up). The class will move slowly so everyone feels welcome.

Gardening - Learn cooking skills! Grow fresh food directly from home! Improve access to food resources in your community! Join us for the Food Systems elective as we explore our relationships to food with lots of hands-on experiments in the kitchen and outdoors. We will learn from food system leaders in our community and each other.

Latinx Studies - Latinx Studies is a safe and fun place for students to connect with the Latinx culture. The class will focus on Latinx empowerment, identity, history, and advocacy for the wider Latinx community. This course will help you develop critical thinking skills centered on Latinx culture, geography, and history. This class is designed to be student led and to empower students to function as effective leaders.

Black Studies and Enrichment -Black Studies will be a safe and fun environment to learn about the diverse Black culture through education, empowerment and community building activities. We will will explore Black history heroes, and current events. Students will have the opportunity to do art projects, play games and develop leadership skills for the upcoming school year.

CONTINUED SUPPORT: Participation in Ninth Grade Counts increases the possibility of participation in future summer programs, and also helps incoming students connect with organizations that can support them throughout their high school experience.

EXPECTATIONS:

PARTICIPATION: In order to receive credit, students are expected to take part in all required academic and guest speaker activities.

ATTENDANCE: Good attendance is an essential part of our program.

- A reasonable attempt will be made to contact parent/guardian by a personal phone call when a student is absent from the first period of the day.
- After 2 absences, students may no longer be able to receive credit for the course. However, students may continue to attend the program in order to hone skills and master concepts if work is completed and expectations are met.
- The Parent/guardian will also be contacted by the Ninth Grade Counts Coordinator following the second absence to discuss continuation in program and credit.

<u>BEHAVIOR/DISCIPLINE:</u> Teachers will discuss all behavior and discipline policies with students during class time. Students who do not follow policies may be removed from Ninth Grade Counts.

DRESS CODE: The high school dress code will be upheld while students are on campus and participating in 9th Grade Counts:

 Phones, headphones, earbuds, and other electronic devices are not allowed to be used during school time. Students will be asked to put them away until the end of the day.

<u>COMPUTERS:</u> Students will be expected to bring their assigned district chromebook on campus.

QUESTIONS: Contact Michael Theofelis at michael_theofelis@ddsd40.org.

OR go to https://hs.ddouglas.k12.or.us/
Click on "Activities" (Right Side of the screen under Site Menu)
Find 9th Grade Counts and click on Registration Link

OR scan this QR code to complete the form:



9th Grade Counts Summer Calendar

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6/19	6/20	6/21 TEACHER WORK DAY	6/22 Core Program 8:00-11:30	6/23 Core Program 8:00-11:30
6/26 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	6/27 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	6/28 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	6/29 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	6/30 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00
7/3 NO SCHOOL	7/4 NO SCHOOL	7/5	7/6	7/7 Core Program 8:00-11:30
7/10 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/11 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/12 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/13 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/14 Core Program 8:00-11:30
7/17 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/18	7/19 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/20 Core Program 8:00-11:30 Electives 11:30-1:00	7/21 Core Program 8:00-11:30