DNHS School Year 2026 - 2027

Del Norte High School
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THE RIGHT WAY – THE KNIGHT WAY

DNHS VISION

Del Norte's Diverse and inclusive community will work together to become meaningful and contributing leaders in an ever-changing and challenging world.

DNHS MISSION

We are a collaborative community that focuses on equity and excellence to ensure high levels of learning for all students.

To guide students in creating and maintaining a productive community of lifelong learners by developing meaningful relationships between staff and students and providing a variety of challenging and meaningful experiences.

People You Should Know

(For phone extensions of other faculty, please visit www.delnorte.aps.edu)

Mr. Edward Bortot (All 12th graders)	Principal	ext. 43002
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Mrs. Debra Leyva	Attendance Secretary	ext. 43024
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Mrs. Ricki Baca	Attendance Secretary	ext. 43001
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APS School Security	Sergeant Chris Marquez	ext. 43010

Del Norte High School
2026 - 2027 BELL SCHEDULES

ALL CLASSES
Mondays/Tuesdays/Fridays - Periods 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7

0	7:40am - 8:30am
1st	8:40am - 9:28am
2nd	9:33am - 10:26am
3rd	10:31am - 11:19am
4th	11:24am - 12:12pm
5th	12:17pm - 1:05pm
Lunch	1:09pm - 1:39pm
6th	1:44pm - 2:32pm
7th	2:37pm - 3:25pm

A DAY Wednesdays - Periods 1, 3, 5, 7

0	7:40am – 8:30am
1st	8:40am – 10:08am
3rd	10:13am - 11:44am
5th	11:49am - 1:17pm
Lunch	1:22pm - 1:52pm
7th	1:57pm - 3:25pm

B DAY Thursdays - Periods 2, CCR, 4, 6

0	7:40am – 8:30am
2nd	8:40am – 10:08am
CCR	10:13am – 11:44am
4th	11:49am – 1:17pm
Lunch	1:22pm – 1:52pm
6th	1:57pm – 3:25pm

Snow Day (abbreviated) – Mon, Tues, Friday

0	9:40am – 10:30am
1st	10:40am - 11:09am
2nd	11:16am - 11:45am
3rd	11:52am - 12:21pm
4th	12:28pm - 12:57pm
Lunch	1:05pm - 1:35pm
5th	1:42pm - 2:11pm
6th	2:18pm - 2:47pm
7th	2:54pm - 3:25pm

Snow Day (abbreviated) – Wed/Thurs

0	9:40am – 10:30am
1st /2nd	10:40am – 11:25am
3rd/CCR	11:32am – 12:32pm
4th/5th	12:39pm – 1:39pm
Lunch	1:46pm – 2:16pm
6th /7th	2:23pm – 3:25pm

As a reminder, there will be no early dismissal of students after 2:45pm.

Dear Del Norte Community,

Welcome to another exciting year at Del Norte High School! It is an honor to serve as your principal, and I am thrilled to welcome our returning students, families, and staff, while extending a special greeting to those joining the Knight family for the first time.

At Del Norte, we believe every student deserves to be known, valued, challenged, and supported. Our commitment extends beyond academic excellence—we strive to build meaningful relationships, foster a strong sense of belonging, and create a school culture where every student has the opportunity to thrive. Through restorative practices, student leadership, and engaging learning experiences, we continue to strengthen a community built on respect, responsibility, and connection.

Whether your interests lie in Advanced Placement, Dual Credit, AVID, DECA, SFJROTC, eSports, Visual and Performing Arts, Career Pathways, Athletics, or one of our many clubs and activities, Del Norte offers opportunities for every student to discover their passions, develop their talents, and prepare for success beyond high school.

This student agenda serves as a valuable resource throughout the school year. Inside, you will find important school policies, procedures, expectations, and resources designed to help every student achieve success. I encourage students and families to review it together and use it as a guide throughout the year.

Thank you for choosing Del Norte High School. Together, we will continue building a culture of excellence where students are empowered to learn, lead, serve, and succeed. I look forward to another incredible year celebrating our achievements and creating new opportunities for every Knight.

Have a safe, successful, and memorable 2026 – 2027 school year.

Once a Knight, Always a Knight!



Sincerely,

Principal Edward Bortot

bortot@aps.edu

Welcome back Knights!

I hope you all had an eventful, relaxing summer and are ready to return for the 2026 - 2027 school year! This new school year will be one to remember, filled with events, assemblies and memories to be made.

I recommend joining a club and getting involved. Our school has great programs and opportunities for all wanting to join activities and sports you may like. Remember to live your high school years to the fullest, because they disappear in what feels like seconds. Make the best of your high school experience and go get involved and make memories and friendships that last lifetimes.

Keep the momentum from the start to the finish line of this fresh new year and keep a positive mindset making this a year to remember. Keep in mind these years are what YOU make of them, so remember to get involved, be spirited and take pride in your education and accomplishments.

And as always, ITS RIGHT TO BE A KNIGHT!



Jeremy Aragon
Student Body President

Del Norte High School Important Dates
2026 – 2027 School Year
1st Semester

Fri, Aug 7th	**First Day of School for 1st – 12th Grade**	
Mon, Sept 7th	**Labor Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Fri, Oct 9th	**Fall Break**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon, Oct 12th	**Indigenous People's Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Date to be announced at a later time	**PSAT Testing (10th Graders)**	
Tues, Nov 3rd	**Election Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Wed, Nov 11th	**Veteran's Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon, Tues - Nov 23rd & 24th	**P/T Conferences** **Virtual Learning Days for Students**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Wed - Fri - Nov 25th – 27th	**Thanksgiving Break**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon, Dec 21st – Fri, Jan 1st	**Winter Break**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**

If you will be gone for Parent/Teacher Conferences, please let your student's Advisory teacher know.

<u>If you will be gone during Final Exams, a form must be filled out 2 weeks before finals and approved by our Asst Principal, Monica Joyce, before taking your student out of school.</u>

Del Norte High School Important Dates
2026 – 2027 School Year
2nd Semester

Tues, Jan 5		**Students return to school**
Mon, Jan 18	**Martin Luther King Jr Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon, Feb 15	**President's Day**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon - Fri - Mar 22 - 26	**Spring Break**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Mon, Tues – Mar 29 & 30	**P/T Conferences** **Virtual Learning Days for Students**	**SCHOOLS CLOSED**
Tues, May 18	**Graduation Day for DNHS**	**2:00pm Tingley Coliseum** **Asynchronous learning day (at home) for 9th, 10th & 11th graders**
Thurs, May 27		**Last day of school for students**

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<u>If you will be gone during Final Exams, a form must be filled out 2 weeks before finals and approved by our Asst Principal, Monica Joyce, before taking your student out of school.</u>

********As a reminder, pre-registration for the 2027 – 2028 school year takes place in February during advisory classes.***

QUESTIONS? WHERE TO GO. . . .

Admin/Office	**Counseling** **Room 208**	**Activities Office** **Front Office**	**Nurses Office** **Room 253**	**Other**
· Accidents · Attendance · Building/Facilities reservations · Conference Room reservations · Bus schedule · Leaving campus (permission) · Meetings with principals/deans	· College Information · Driver's Education · Graduation requirements · Night School · Personal Problems · Schedule changes · Summer School Information · Testing information · CNM Enrichment classes · Work Permits · Ecademy/Night School · Problems with drugs or alcohol - Scholarship info	· Announcements · Assemblies · School Photos · Parking Passes · Clubs · Fundraising requests · Graduation Information · Permission to display posters · Student ID's · Student Government	· For medical attention · First Aid · Insurance · Leaving campus for illness · Lost and Found · Personal Problems	· Athletics- Athletic room 225 · Athletic field reservation- Room 225 · Lunches- Cafeteria Manager · Report Cards - CCR Class - School Security - Room 201 · Transcripts - Room 207 · Yearbooks - Mr. Garcia

Fight Song

March on, march on, down the field
with our heads held high
Determined to win every battle we're in,
We'll fight with all our might for black and white.
March on, march on, down the field
for our victory is nigh
We know we came to win the game
for ol' Del Norte and
We'll win or we'll know the reason why.

Knight Traditions

· Academic achievement is the ***#1*** tradition at the Castle!

It is a Knight tradition for everyone to stand, clap, and sing along when the fight song is played
It is a Knight tradition to always demonstrate good sportsmanship at all athletic events.
It is a Knight tradition to wear school colors (turquoise, black and white) to school every Friday–spirit day and to all athletic events.
It is a Knight tradition to support all Del Norte activities by attending athletic events, concerts and performances.
It is a Knight tradition to keep our campus ***clean!*** Always ***throw your own trash away!***
It is a Knight tradition to show your school pride and class spirit at all assemblies and activities
Excellence has been a Knight tradition for *60* years!!!
· Our motto: **The Right way…The Knight way!**

Del Norte High School 2026 - 2027

Clear Backpack Policy

WHY:

Enhance school safety, make it difficult for students to conceal prohibited objects and/or contraband, and build a layered security strategy.

WHAT IF…

- my backpack becomes damaged?

The *first one is on us, you'll be responsible for the replacement and in a timely manner (3-days max)

*backpack AND pencil pouch

- I don't have a clear back-pack?

If you elect not to use the backpack provided to you, you will be given a plastic bag to carry your belongings.

Repeated non-compliance may result in further disciplinary action.

TEAM SPORT BAGS (ie. Baseball, Cheer)

- These bags are NOT allowed as your primary 'school' bag and must be stored in your athletic locker.

A non-compliant backpack will be **secured and locked** in the Front Office for the duration of the school day and you will be provided a plastic bag to carry your essential academic materials. The backpack can be picked up at the end of the school day. Lost or damaged belongings are not the responsibility of the school.

A small personal bag and pencil pouch will be the only allowable non-clear items within the clear backpack.

This policy is effective immediately as of distribution and will be strictly enforced.

APS SCHOOL ATTENDANCE GUIDELINES

For purposes of this procedural directive, “attendance” means students who are in class or in a school-approved activity. If a student attends up to one half the total instructional time during a school day, the student will be counted as having attended one-half of a school day. If the student attends school for more than one-half of the total instructional time, the student will be counted as having attended for the full day.

For purposes of this procedural directive, “absence” means a student who is not in attendance for a class or school day for any reason, whether excused or not; provided that "absent" does not apply to participation in interscholastic extracurricular activities. Students are provided no more than fifteen (15) days per semester for interscholastic extracurricular activities.

For purposes of this procedural directive, “chronic absenteeism” means a student who has been absent for ten (10) percent or more school days for any reason, whether excused or not, when enrolled for more than ten days in the school. Students with chronic absenteeism receive early intervention strategies. In the full instructional calendar for Albuquerque Public Schools, ten percent is eighteen (18) days.

For purposes of this procedural directive, “excessive absenteeism” means a student who has been absent for twenty (20) percent or more school days for any reason, whether excused or not, when enrolled for more than ten days. Students with excessive absenteeism receive intensive support strategies. In the full instructional calendar for Albuquerque Public Schools, twenty percent is 36 days.

For purposes of this procedural directive, “tardy” means when a secondary student (9th-12th grade) arrives to any class period during the school day after the scheduled tardy time. A tardy shall not be recorded as an absence.

Excused Absences

Absences will be excused for the following reasons with proper notification:

- Illness (including chronic illness documented on a health plan, IEP or 504 plan)
- Limited family emergencies

- Family deaths
- Medical, health or legal appointments
- Religious commitments
- College visits
- Deployment of a military parent/guardian
- Limited extenuating circumstances as approved in advance by the school principal
- Tribal obligations

Interscholastic and Extracurricular Activities and Absences

No student shall be absent from school for school-sponsored interscholastic and extracurricular activities in excess of fifteen (15) days per semester, and no class shall be missed in excess of fifteen (15) times per semester.

Religious Instruction Excusal

A student may, subject to the approval of the school principal, be excused from school to participate in religious instruction for not more than one class period each school day with the written consent of the student's parent(s)/guardian(s) at a time period not in conflict with the academic program of the school.

Tribal Obligations Excusal

A student will be excused from school to participate in tribal obligations with the written consent of the student's parents/guardians.

Pregnant/Parenting Student Excusal

Albuquerque Public Schools shall permit ten (10) days of excused medical absences for a student who provides documentation of the birth of the student's child and parentage. Albuquerque Public Schools shall provide additional excused absences to a student after the birth of the student's child if deemed medically necessary by the student's physician. In addition, pregnant and parenting students of a child under the age of thirteen (13)

shall be permitted four (4) days of excused absences for a child needing care upon the provision of proper documentation.

Unexcused Absences

All absences for reasons not included under excused absences shall be considered unexcused. Examples include, but are not limited to:

- Non-school sponsored activities or trips
- Family vacations outside of the normally scheduled school breaks

Students Who Have Exceeded Absence Limitations and Who Move to New Attendance Areas

A student in this category shall be allowed to enter school in the attendance area to which the student has moved if the student has not been long-term suspended or expelled from the prior school. Out-of-school suspension and expulsion shall not be used as punishment for absences.

ATTENDANCE POLICY

· A parent/guardian must notify the school that the student will be absent in accordance with the notification procedure established by the school.
· A parent/guardian must notify the school each day that a student is signing out before the end of the instructional day in accordance with the notification procedure established by the school.
· Teachers will take attendance by class period for each instructional day.

Absences may be excused for the following reasons with appropriate documentation:

- Illness (including chronic illness documented on a health plan, IEP or 504 plan)
- Limited family emergencies; family deaths
- Medical, health or legal appointments
- Suspensions
- Religious commitment
- College visit

* limited extenuating circumstances as approved in advance by the school principal

All absences for other reasons are unexcused including:

- Non-school sponsored activities or trips

- Family vacations outside of the normally scheduled school breaks

In APS, a student is considered **“a student in need of early intervention” (truant) at five (5) unexcused absences and a habitual truant at ten (10) unexcused absences** in a year. School staff will make an attempt to contact the parent/guardian if the school has not received notification of absences by a parent for three (3) consecutive days, Principals may request additional documentation for excessive excused absences.

Del Norte High School Tardy Policy 2026 - 2027

1st Period

8:30 - 8:40 Teachers, admin, and security will sweep kids into classrooms

8:40 Teachers will lock doors when the tardy bell rings

After 8:40 Students must obtain a pass from the Student Success Center to enter class.

1st tardy occurrence

Students will write a reason why they were tardy and select a consequence of their choosing if/when they are tardy an additional time.

Once a consequence is selected, students will be returned to class via Synergy/paper pass.

2nd Tardy occurrence

Once dates and times of consequences have been determined, students will be reminded about being on time and returned to class via Synergy/paper pass.

3rd occurrence

Students will complete the consequence selected at lunchtime. Call home will be made and every tardy thereafter, students are required to complete the consequence that was selected.

4th occurrence

Student,parents, and admin will meet with student to determine the root cause of problem, and student will complete full day of ISS

For teachers who have an established Google Classroom already populated with daily classwork…

Students ***must complete and submit*** the assignment during the

period they are swept to receive full credit for the assignment.

For teachers who do not have an established Google Classroom with 'daily work'...

Students ***must take responsibility/ownership of their tardiness*** and seek out **(on the day they miss class)** the teacher to collect the work they missed.

If the student does not collect their work, they will receive a '0' (zero) for the assignment.

<u>If students claim they have 'nothing to do' or nothing is posted on Google Classroom, students will utilize their time in ISS to study.</u>

MAKE-UP WORK

When a student is absent from school due to an absence (not long-term suspension or expulsion) that student shall be allowed to make up any work missed. Parents/legal guardians shall be notified through newsletters, school handbooks, or any other community communication, that it is the parent/legal guardian's responsibility to notify the school of the student's absence and the reason for the absence. No student shall be refused permission to make up work missed during an absence, with the exception of those with long-term suspensions or expulsions.

If the student is or will be absent, the parent/legal guardian may call the school and request make-up work. Teachers shall be granted at least twenty-four (24) hours from the time of request to compile the assignments.

It is the student's responsibility to request make-up assignments upon return from excused and/or unexcused absences. Failure to request make-up assignments shall not minimize the importance of make-up assignments and the impact on the student's progress. The student shall have the opportunity to complete the work in a period of time equal to the number of days absent unless this creates an undue hardship for the student. When a student is absent, make-up work may be adjusted from the original assignment so that learning needs are met without overburdening the student, teacher, or parent/legal guardian.

Grades shall not automatically be reduced because of attendance or disciplinary action. Grading plans may include participation grades as a part of an overall grading method. Grades shall not be reduced as a direct penalty for non-attendance.

School Improvement Plans

EXCESSIVE ABSENCES

- Schools will identify and provide intervention strategies for students with unexcused absences.
- School-related activities taking students out of school are not included when evaluating excessive absences. A student is not allowed more than ten (10) school-related absences per class per semester.
- State law requires schools to withdraw a student after ten (10) consecutive days of absence, but only after the school has exhausted its efforts to keep the student in an educational setting through a variety of interventions.
- Schools may not use out of school suspension or expulsion as punishment for truancy.

ATTENDANCE POLICY NOTIFICATION AT DEL NORTE

The parent/guardian must notify the school each day that the student will be absent, in accordance with the notification procedure established by the school. **Del Norte requests that a parent note must be sent to the office excusing the student. The note must include:**

Student's full, legal name, Student ID number, Parent name and phone number, Parent signature

Medical or professional appointments should be scheduled outside of the school day whenever possible. Should such an appointment need to be made during school hours, **care should be taken to see that recurring appointments do not occur during the same class period.**

Parents are encouraged to contact the student's Counselor in the event of any extended or long-term absence (3 or more days).

NOTE: Suspension, In School Suspensions (ISS), and KNIGHT Absences are not counted as absences.

Excessive absences may result in the student being suspended from extra-curricular activities

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected to attend school regularly and on time. District policy and state law require daily school attendance for those between the ages of 5 and 18 years, or until graduation from high school.

Make School Attendance a Priority

- Talk about the importance of showing up to school every day.
- Help your children maintain daily routines, such as finishing homework and getting a good night's sleep.
- Try not to schedule dental and medical appointments during the school day.
- If your children must stay home because they are sick, make sure they have asked teachers for resources and materials to make up for the missed learning time in the classroom.

Help Your child Stay Engaged

Find out if your children feel engaged by their classes, and feel safe from bullies and other threats.

Make sure your children are not missing class because of challenges with behavioral issues or school discipline policies. If any of these are problems, contact the school and work with them to find a solution.

Monitor your child's academic progress and seek help from teachers or tutors when necessary. Make sure teachers know how to contact you.

Stay on top of your child's social contacts. Peer pressure can lead to skipping school, while students without many friends can feel isolated.

Encourage your child to join meaningful after-school activities, including sports and clubs.

Notice and support your children if they are showing signs of anxiety, such as headaches or stomach aches. Listen to their concerns, and if needed, ask school staff for help.

Communicate with the School

- Know the school's attendance policy – incentives and penalties.
- Check on your child's attendance to be sure absences are not adding up.
- Seek help from school staff, other parents, or community agencies if you need support.

PARENTS

Get your students to school on time every day. Punctuality and good attendance are family responsibilities. Keep the school informed of your current contact information by notifying the school of any change of address or phone numbers.

STUDENTS

Attend school every day and be on time for every class.

Attendance for Success

Student attendance is a critical educational process component. Students, families and APS personnel must work together to promote student success by encouraging daily student attendance. Attendance positively correlates to student success and should not be treated as a disciplinary issue, but rather lead to conversations with students and families to improve attendance.

Except as otherwise provided in the Public School Code, a school-age person shall attend public school, private school, home school or a state institution until the school-age person is at least eighteen (18) years of age unless that school-age person has graduated from high school, received a high school equivalency credential or withdrawn from school on a hardship waiver. A parent/guardian may give written, signed permission for the school-age person to leave school between the ages of sixteen (16) and eighteen (18) in case of hardship approved by the local superintendent or private school. A school-age person subject to the provisions of the Attendance for Success Act shall attend school for the length of time established in that school-age person's school district, charter school or private school. The school district or private school shall not excuse a school-age person from attending school except as provided in that act.

The parent/guardian of a school-age person, subject to the provisions of the Attendance for Success Act, is responsible for their attendance.

Attendance improvement plans, activities and interventions shall focus on:

- Keeping students in an educational setting
- Prohibiting out-of-school suspension or expulsion as the punishment for absences
- Assisting a student's family to remove barriers to the student's regular school attendance or attendance in another educational setting
- Identifying solutions to improve a student’s attendance and discuss necessary interventions for the student or the student’s family
- Providing additional educational opportunities to students who are struggling with attendance

- Reintegrating students with chronic absences back into an educational setting
- Limiting a student's ability to withdraw only after all intervention efforts have been exhausted.

Extra-Curricular Substance Abuse and Tobacco Policy

Extra-curricular activities are an integral part of the educational process, providing students with opportunities to further develop their unique capabilities, interests and needs beyond the classroom. Participation in extracurricular activities is a PRIVILEGE offered to and earned by students. Because participants are representatives of their school and community, their conduct is expected to exemplify high standards at all times. This policy is in effect twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, at all times/locations from the first day of fall sports practices to the end of the school year.

The following applies to a Suspension of Extra-Curricular Privileges:

The suspension applies to all NMAA sanctioned athletic and non-athletic activities. Students will not be withdrawn from co-curricular classes with activities. A student serving a suspension cannot participate in a "try out" during that suspension. Suspensions can carry over from one school year to the next for underclassmen. Participation in summer programs for students on suspension will be interpreted the same as scholastic eligibility for athletics in the summer (i.e., students may participate in on-campus/intramural activities only).

For Del Norte students who are elected or selected for any Del Norte extra-curricular activity in the spring semester, this policy is in effect beginning at the time of election/selection through the end of the following school year.

Some violations may require immediate suspension to parent a conference or removal from class as determined by an administrator.

Standards of Dress:

Guidelines for Prohibited Dress

Albuquerque Public Schools shall prohibit student dress that may present a health or safety hazard, violate municipal or state law or present a potential disruption to the instructional program. The APS Board of Education shall not allow for the imposition of punishment, discrimination or disparate treatment against a student based on the student's racial identity, sex, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, cultural or religious identity and observances, household income, body size/type or body maturity or because of the student's use of protective hairstyles or cultural or religious headdresses.

Prohibited clothing and accessories include, but is not limited to:

- obscene or violent language or images

- depictions of alcohol or drugs or other illegal item or activity
- racist content, hate speech, profanity or pornography
- accessories that could be considered dangerous or used as a weapon
- underclothing worn as primary clothing items
- sheer or see through clothing
- swimwear
- clothing without all sides in the garment

Hair color, length, style, including hair coverings or styles related to an individual's personal, cultural or religious beliefs cannot be considered for disciplinary action.

Students Not Following School Dress Code

Students are expected to follow the dress code at school. When students do not dress appropriately the following steps will be followed.

- Offer other clothing options if available
- Call parent/guardian to bring other clothing
- Students could have consequences such as lunch detention, loss of recess, etc.

Uniform Dress or Appearance for Musical Performing Group

The district recognizes that some schools may desire uniform dress or appearance for performing musical groups for positive reasons. These positive aspects may include group identity, motivation, and appearance. The ability of all students to participate in district-sponsored activities shall be taken into consideration when uniforms are selected. If a school permits the wearing of a simple uniform dress or appearance requirements by musical performing groups, the following guidelines shall be pursued:

- Parents/legal guardians shall be notified in advance of any uniform dress for musical performing groups during a school year in the school's course description booklet, which is sent home to families.

- Each teacher shall have the approval of the principal or their designee before any discussion and/or decision takes place between teacher and their class.
- As often as possible, uniforms shall incorporate clothing that can be worn at other times.
- Total cost of the uniform shall not exceed minimum practical cost.
- Individual schools and/or music departments involved shall be ready to help any student who cannot afford the minimum cost. Under no circumstances shall any student ever be excluded from the performing group for not having the group uniform.
- Any exceptions to the above shall be presented, in writing, to the principal and shall not be approved without counter signature of the appropriate associate superintendent or their designee.
- If a course or activity is required of all students, no fee may be charged nor may students be required to purchase a uniform.

Dress Code for 9th Grade Physical Education Classes

Gray t-shirts/sweatshirts and black shorts/sweatpants/leggings (NO spandex/bike shorts & NO graphics) are required clothing for physical education classes. Tennis shoes must have laces and be laced. DNHS P.E. uniforms will be available for purchase from your PE teacher.

ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies are held as necessary. *Always* stand for the flag presentation and the National Anthem, and refrain from talking. *Always* stand and clap along with the fight song. Attendance at school assemblies is expected. ***Proper respect should be demonstrated to those who are speaking or performing.***

BEHAVIOR

As Del Norte students, you are expected to be in class daily, be prepared, and be on time! A number of adults on this campus are available to help you with any problems you may have. You are encouraged to meet with your counselor, the assistant principals, and the principal.

CELL PHONE POLICY

NMPED EXPECTATION - No cell phones (for ALL New Mexico schools)

Del Norte High School Cell Phone Policy 2026 - 2027

As students enter each classroom, they will place their cell phones in pocket holders or somewhere out of sight and out of reach.

Teachers will have autonomy to use cell phones, as needed, to supplement their curriculum.

Cell Phones/Electronic Devices and Personal Electronic items of value are the sole responsibility of the student. If items are lost or stolen, the school is not responsible for search, replacement or reimbursement.

1st Violation - teacher confiscation of device and returned to the student at the end of class; contact parent/guardian and log into Synergy.

2nd Violation - teacher confiscation of device, and returned to student at the end of the day - teacher will advise student/parent where to pick up the phone at the end of the day; contact parent/guardian and log into Synergy.

Subsequent Violations - teacher will submit a behavior referral to the appropriate member of administration. A phone call will be made to parent/guardian and appropriate consequences will be determined. This could potentially result in confiscation of the device for the duration of the semester, if student behavior does not change. **This may also require parent/guardian coming to school to pick up the device.**

STUDENTS ARE NOT TO HAVE THEIR PHONES WHEN THEY GO TO THE RESTROOMS

***if students have their phones, during class time in the restroom or in the hallway, they will be directly escorted to administration.**

We understand that 'emergencies' happen over the course of the day. As such, students will have the opportunity to access their phones during passing periods and at lunch. Please refrain from attempting to contact your student during class time as this obstructs the educational process.

The main building is closed during lunch to students unless they have a pass to go see a teacher or they belong to a club that meets at lunchtime.

CLOSED CAMPUS POLICY

Leaving campus for lunch is a privilege! Only seniors in good standing with a Senior ID will be granted off-campus privileges. Juniors, sophomores and freshmen are NOT granted off-campus privileges and will be considered truant if leaving campus at lunch. Failure to comply with the Knight Code could result in loss of off-campus privileges for individual seniors or for the class as a whole.

COMMENCEMENT

Participation in Commencement is a privilege. However, seniors who do not wish to participate should notify the Activities Director as soon as possible. Participation in the Honors Assembly is required to participate in the Commencement ceremony. All seniors must complete the graduation checkout process prior to graduation .

Campus Specialties is Del Norte's official contracted vendor for cap & gown, announcements, etc: 1529 Eubank NE, 505-275-9357
Textbook return: Seniors are responsible for returning books directly to the library.
Fines: Cap and gown will **NOT** be issued if you are carrying any fines.
Senior Survey and Next step plan must be completed for graduation clearance
Graduating Seniors NOT participating in ceremony:
Those not participating in the commencement ceremony may pick up their diploma in the main office after graduation.

Correct Graduation Ceremony Cap & Gown Attire:

Black Gown with Teal Stole with the turbo Knights logo. ALL graduates will be "screened" as they enter Tingley Coliseum. **No bags, purses, cameras, cell phones, food, drinks, beach balls, flowers**, etc are allowed past the "Student Entrance". You will **NOT** be allowed to bring those items in. **Do not bring them in!**

COUNSELING

Counselors are available for consultation on school related and personal matters. Counselors and parents share the responsibility for helping students plan their high school program. Information on school scheduling, curriculum, vocational and post high school planning may be obtained through the counseling office. During passing periods or at lunch students should make appointments to meet with their counselor. Counselors are available before school, after school, during passing periods, and by appointment to meet with students. Parents who wish to have a conference with a counselor are welcome to call and arrange for an appointment
See page 1.

Section 504

Section 504 is a civil rights law that provides educational benefits to students with disabilities in public schools. Section 504 is part of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 USC Sec. 706(8) and is written to ensure that individuals with disabilities are not discriminated against because of their disability. The act also provides for certain accommodations for individuals who have an impairment but cannot receive services under IDEA (special education)

Student Assistance Team (SAT)

The SAT is a school team, which includes the parent and the student, when appropriate, in a positive, problem solving, intervention process. It assists students by ensuring that the school and community are doing everything possible to make student's school lives successful. For more information about 504 plans and the Student Assistance Team contact your student's counselor.

CRITICAL RESPONSE/FIRE DRILL

DNHS has established a critical response plan (located in the Main Office) for various types of campus emergencies. For the safety of our students and staff these evacuation procedures will be rehearsed throughout the school year. When the fire siren sounds, students should move immediately to an open area, which is 50 feet away from the buildings. They will take direction from their teacher. The "all clear" signal (three long rings) will indicate when it is safe to return to the building. Fire lanes on the campus grounds have been clearly marked, and fire lane violations will result in fines by city officials or APS Security during school hours and at school events.

DANCES (Del Norte dances are not open to the public.)

DN generally hosts dances throughout the school year for DN students with current school I.D. 's. School rules of conduct/behavior are applicable, and appropriate action will be administered for infractions. DN students wishing to bring a non-DN guest must give the guest's name when tickets are purchased and must be turned in and approved by the deadline. **The DN student is responsible to have their guest complete the DN Dance Form that is authorized by his/her school's administration and return it to the dance.** The non-DN guest must present his/her photo ID to the chaperone at the door. Guest age may be no younger than **9th grade and no older than 20 years old**. Once any student chooses to leave a dance, he/she will not be readmitted.

Dress expectations are as follows:

Males - nice dress slacks, not jeans*; a dress shirt and appropriate shoes. Males are encouraged to wear a tie, vest, sports coat or suit. Tuxedos are appropriate for the Homecoming Court at the Homecoming Dance, and for Prom. Shirts must be worn at all times. **If dressed in full western attire, dress jeans are acceptable.*

Females - appropriate formal or evening dress, or dress slacks outfit; appropriate shoes. Dresses must be as long as an extended arm and fist when standing up straight. Jeans are not allowed.

Homecoming/Prom Dance times are at the discretion of DNHS admin. If the student does not drive and must rely on a ride home, the ride should be waiting for the student prior to end of dance. Del Norte dances are chaperoned by DN staff, administration and parent volunteers.

DELIVERIES

Outside deliveries to students are not allowed during class time or inside the building. Outside deliveries include flowers, food, or balloons, food deliveries.

FINAL EXAMS

Final exams are required by state law and calculated into the semester grades for all high school students. Final exams will be administered the last days of each semester. Attendance is mandatory. The final exam grade is recorded on the semester report card.

FINES

Fines include activities, athletics, library and textbook fines/fees. Failure to clear fines by the end of the school year will result in the loss of the right to receive school records or register for classes for the upcoming school year. All fines are paid in the Bookkeeper's Office (Exact Cash, or Money Order, or by online payment). Fines are posted in synergy on StudentVUE/ParentVUE *fines need to be paid in full by graduation

FLAG CEREMONY AND PLEDGE

During the announcements, everyone should stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. During assemblies, games, or other events where the colors are presented, all persons should stand. This position should be held during the National Anthem and continued until the colors leave the floor or are posted.

FOOD OFFERINGS

Free breakfast and lunch offered daily. A variety of food products are available at designated sites throughout the campus. **Only seniors have off-campus privileges during lunch and will have to show an ID with 12th grade on the front to leave campus.** Students are expected to follow rules of courtesy at all food locations to clean up after themselves by busing trays and throwing trash away properly. *Knights* take pride in keeping Del Norte's campus clean! **NO FOOD or DRINKS (only bottled water allowed) ALLOWED IN THE BUILDING**

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Food Delivery Lunch Policy

(Uber Eats, Door Dash, Grubhub…)

- If you order food, it needs to be delivered ***ONLY*** during lunch time and at a designated area…

FRONT BLACK DOUBLE GATES OFF OF MONTGOMERY

Mon, Tues & Fri - 1:09pm - 1:39pm

Wed & Thurs - 1:22pm - 1:52pm

- Food needs to be consumed **ONLY** during lunch time and not in class.

- If orders are delivered outside of lunch time, they will be held at the front desk and will not be allowed for pick-up until the end of the day.

Cafeteria

Free lunches and breakfasts are available for all students. Cutting in line, unruly behavior, or failure to bus one's tray could result in the loss of privileges.

DECA

Pizza and other offerings will be sold from the windows at the Student Commons. (offerings subject to change.)

In order to preserve the clean, healthy environment of the Del Norte buildings, food items are not allowed anywhere in the buildings, including the auxiliary gym and the main gym. This includes drinks (other than water), candy, snacks and gum. Please do not plan to eat in the buildings. There is ample seating provided in the lower courtyard, the cafeteria and the patio area. During bad weather students can eat in the lobby between the main gym and auxiliary gym. Please throw away your own trash

GRADE POINT AVERAGE/CREDIT

The student's semester grades determine grade point average. Grade point average is based upon the following:

A = 4 points
B = 3 points
C = 2 points
D = 1 point
F = 0 points

In addition, grades in honors classes are weighted higher than grades in other classes.

The normal class load for a DN student is seven classes for all grades. One half (.50) credit is granted for each class per semester. Passing grades which contribute toward credits are A, B, C, D. Credit is not granted for F,

WF, I or N but is computed for grade point average. For NMAA grade point average, WF, I or N are computed as an F. Semester grades remain part of the permanent record.

Students who repeat a course will receive credit only once. Both grades are recorded on the transcript, but only the higher grade is used in computing the grade point average. Classes evaluated on a pass/fail basis are not counted in computing the grade point average or class rank. The basic grading system used at DN is based on a percentage system:

A = 90 - 100%
B = 80 - 89%
C = 70 - 79%
D = 60 - 69%
F = 0 - 59%

Some teachers are utilizing Equity in Grading, but all grading scales are on the Teacher Subject Syllabus.

Since absences eliminate the student's ability to participate in class activities and discussion, attendance is essential to student learning. Per district policy, honors and AP courses carry a weighted grade.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Graduation requirements are determined by the State of New Mexico and Albuquerque Public Schools. Next Step plans are developed annually in partnership with students, parents and faculty advisors. Specific questions regarding appropriate course work and requirements should be directed to your counselor. Students are required to pass a standard based assessment.

HAZING

As per the APS district guideline J.14 hazing will not be permitted as a condition of membership in any group or organization connected with the Albuquerque Public Schools. Hazing is defined as:

a) To harass by exacting unnecessary, disagreeable, or degrading tasks or activities which may result in harm or bodily injury to an individual.

b) To play abusive and humiliating tricks on an individual by way of initiation.

Inductions may be formal/informal—***hazing is NOT allowed!***

HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES

The Nurse's Office is open during school hours for students in need of first aid, health information, personal counseling, or referral to another health delivery agency. The school nurse may, with parental concurrence, excuse students from classes when they are ill or injured at school. Parents are notified of all conditions that require further medical attention. APS policy discourages the administration of medication at school. However, when a student needs to take prescription medication during school hours, arrangements can be made with the school nurse. Over-the-counter medications such as aspirin and Tylenol® are not dispensed from the Nurse's Office. At any point during the student's enrollment in the Albuquerque Public Schools, you may

request (through the Equal Opportunities Services office and/or the principal) an individual support plan meeting to ensure the student has access and opportunity to participate in all programs and activities, and is otherwise protected from gender-based discrimination at school.

HOMEWORK

Completing homework and contacting teachers about make-up work is the student's responsibility and part of the educational process. Teachers will provide the deadline for completion of assignments. Students should request make-up work for short-term illness. If a student is ill and will obviously be absent several days, his/her parents should request homework assignments through their Counselor. Please pay attention to the course syllabus.

IMMUNIZATION

Students must be in compliance with state law regarding immunizations in order to attend DNHS. **Students without current immunization will not be admitted to Del Norte High School.** Questions should be directed to the school nurse.

LETTER AWARDS ACADEMIC AWARD LETTER:

The DNHS Academic Letter was established to reward demonstrated excellence in academics. A student must have a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for three semesters. These semesters do need to be consecutive. A minimum of at least one semester must be while in attendance at Del Norte. Academic Letter applications are available in the Activities Office, and are awarded at a special assembly early in the spring semester.

ATHLETIC AWARD LETTER: Varsity participants are eligible to earn an Athletic Letter. Letter requirements are set and approved by the head coach of each sport and the Athletic Director. **All athletes must fulfill expectations and finish the season in good standing.** Athletic Letters are awarded at the end of the sports season.

LIBRARY/MEDIA

The Library/Media Center serves the student's need for a quiet place to study, to do homework, to read or do research. A current school I.D. with proper bar code is the student's library card, which must be shown to check out any library material. After the class bell has rung, passes are required for students to enter the library. The library staff helps students locate materials needed for study, research or reading. Students using the library computers must adhere to the Internet Use Policy, Students with late arrival or early dismissal should take advantage of this time for academic enrichment.

MESSAGES

The office staff is unable to deliver messages to students except in the case of an emergency. Student emergency messages must go through the front office secretaries.

ParentVUE/StudentVUE

ParentVUE/StudentVUE is a wonderful tool to monitor your child's education. It will provide you with the latest information about your child's attendance, grades, report cards, etc. If you need assistance with logging in please inquire with the counseling office or the admin office.

PARKING

Student parking grades 9-11th is provided in the designated student parking lot on the South East side of the campus (Montgomery Lot). All students will be **required to purchase and display a current parking sticker.** A New Mexico driver's license, current proof of insurance for each vehicle, current registration for each vehicle and a current Del Norte student I.D. cards are required to purchase the current year parking sticker in the Activities Office at a cost of $30.00 (cash only).

The parking lot will be monitored during the regular school day. APS and DNHS do not guarantee that losses will not occur, nor will they be responsible for damages to or loss of personal items or vehicles. Cars parked in the wrong lots or without a parking permit may and can be towed at the owner's expense.

PROGRESS REPORTS

Students are encouraged to discuss their academic progress with their teachers. Students and parents can request progress reports on an individual basis through the Counseling Office and StudentVUE/ParentVUE.

REPORT CARDS

Report cards are issued every nine weeks. Report cards are distributed on campus. The report card indicates **the total number of days absent** in each class for that nine-week grading period, the **letter grade earned** and appropriate teacher comment. The **final exam grade** and the **number of earned credits** are listed at the end of each semester on the student's report card. At the end of the second semester only (spring), report cards will be mailed home. If students do not receive their report card, they should contact the Del Norte High School Office.

SCHEDULE CHANGES

Students have been given all possible assistance in selecting courses. Schedule changes will **not** be made after the first 10 days of the semester.

SCHOOL RECORDS

When a student registers, forms will be completed requiring the student's legal name. Del Norte is happy to use a nickname, but for accuracy, data processing, and efficiency, the student's legal name must be used. **Any change** of address/telephone number/legal name/or guardian status must be recorded with the Registrar. Release of student information will only be allowed to the legal parent or guardian. School staff or administrators are required by law to use students' legal name and gender in state academic records, such as standardized testing, but school staff and administrators shall use students' preferred name and gender in all internal records, documents, and interactions.

SCHOOL TRIPS

The school administration must approve all trips, which are part of the activities of a class or club. The Principal approves club trips and class-related trips. Athletic team travel is approved by the Athletic Director. **Parents must give written permission for such trips.** Each school-related absence is a *Knight* Absence. Parent volunteers must be cleared through the APS volunteer process.

SPORTSMANSHIP/CHARACTER COUNTS

All DN students and parents have a responsibility to show respect and consideration for their opponents, coaches, and officials as well as to demonstrate enthusiastic support of the Knights! All spectators and fans are expected to exercise good sportsmanship.

• Booing or razzing the opposing team or officials represents poor sportsmanship.
• Demonstrate respect for all private and community property.
• Unnecessary litter creates additional work for stadium and gymnasium maintenance people and does little to show respect for the athletic teams.
• Cheerleaders, athletes or any other students **must not throw anything** into the stands at/to the fans.
• All athletic events are school sponsored activities; therefore students are expected to follow the **Knight Code.**
• Spectators and fans must remain in designated areas at all times.

STUDENT DROP-OFF/PICK-UP LOCATIONS

Safety is our #1 one concern! Parents should pick up and drop off students on the **Montgomery side of Del Norte in the designated loop. Do not drop off or pick up students in the parking area.** You will **NOT** be able to enter the campus from San Mateo during drop off and pick up times. Reminder school begins promptly at 8:40 am. Drop offs should occur prior to this time. Doors to the school are locked until 8:15 am.

NO EARLY DISMISSAL AFTER 2:45PM

Please pick-up your student prior to 2:45pm, if you have an appointment. THERE WILL BE NO EARLY PICK-UP OR DISMISSAL after 2:45pm

STUDENT ELECTIONS

All student elections are coordinated through the Activities Office. Students are encouraged to run for student office, to vote in student elections, and to take elections seriously. Student ID is required to vote. Students running for office must be enrolled in Student Leadership.

STUDENT I.D. (MUST be worn and displayed at all times). Student I.D. cards are issued to every student at registration. **I.D. cards must be worn at all times** and must be presented to any staff member upon request. Bar codes are necessary to check out textbooks and library books and purchase food from the cafeteria. **Replacement I.D. cards will be made only during passing periods or at lunch at a cost of $5.00 for the first replacement.** Proof of attendance at Del Norte is required.

2026-2027 ID Badge Policy

THE PURPOSE OF THE ID POLICY IS TO ENSURE SAFETY AND SECURITY FOR ALL STUDENTS AND FACULTY.

All staff and students are required to "prominently" display the DEL NORTE H.S. identification (ID) badge at all times while on campus.

Student Identification badges will be provided to every student. A student ID badge authorizes a student to be on campus. EVERY student must wear their ID and prominently display at all times while on school grounds. Administration and teachers try very hard to be familiar with all of their students. Therefore, it is crucial that we are able to identify everyone on campus. Identification of staff and students is a safety issue and will not be compromised when it comes to the safety of students and staff. ID badges help us in identifying students as well as trespassers.

How do I obtain an ID Badge? ID Badges will be taken on school picture day..

What if I lose or misplace my ID? If you lost or misplaced your ID, please go to the activities office room 344. It is $ 5.00 to replace a lost, stolen or damaged ID.

What happens if I have my ID just not on me? Report to the office to get a temporary ID.

Consequences for students not having your ID:

1st incident- Warning/student must obtain a temporary ID from the Student Success center.
2nd incident- Warning/student must obtain a temporary ID from the Student Success center.
3 or more incidences- Progressive discipline- Lunch Detention and Parent Contact***

Important Note:

All year, students must wear their current year ID in order to:

a. Be on campus
b. Access library during lunch and free periods

c. Obtain early dismissal
d. Seniors must show Senior ID to leave at lunch. Juniors in their 9 weeks grading have a 3.5 and above can leave for lunch, but must show an ID and get a special Pass from the Dean of Students.
e. Check out books
f. **PARTICIPATION IN CAMPUS LIFE ACTIVITIES (ATHLETIC EVENTS, HOMECOMING, PROM, ETC.)**

STUDENT INSURANCE

Accident insurance is made available through the Albuquerque Public Schools by a local insurance agency. Del Norte assists by offering the application forms at the beginning of school. The insurance plan provides good coverage (both school time and full time). For information or verification of grades for good-student insurance discounts, the student or parent should see the school nurse.

TESTING

Del Norte students participate in a number of district, state and national testing programs. It is essential for a student to expend maximum effort on these tests as results become part of the student's permanent high school record. The State Public Education Department requires that all students pass a *standard based assessment*. Each test is designed to measure skills in reading, writing, English, math, science and social studies. End of course exams and/or finals will be given for all courses. Specific questions regarding testing and/or graduation requirements should be directed to your counselor.

TEXTBOOKS

Textbooks are assigned using the student ID and textbook barcode. **Students are responsible for their assigned textbooks.** When the textbook is returned, the computer database clears only the student to whom the book was assigned. **Students will be responsible for lost, stolen or damaged textbooks. Fines must be paid for before another textbook will be issued.** Students need to make arrangements to replace books within five (5) days

VISITORS

All visitors must check in to the Main Office and receive approval from an Administrator to visit during school time. Non-Del Norte students, especially younger children, are prohibited on campus during the school day due to safety and liability concerns. **Student guests are not permitted unless it is for a Del Norte sponsored activity.**

STUDENT INVOLVEMENT

Activities & Athletics

Student activity/athletic involvement is an integral part of the educational process at Del Norte. Studies indicate that there is a strong correlation between academic success and involvement in school-related activities. **Knights are encouraged to be involved!** Also, Knights are expected to behave in a manner that demonstrates school pride and positive school spirit!

ACTIVITIES AND ATHLETICS ELIGIBILITY

Declaration for eligibility, as well as, ineligibility is 8:00am on the 5th school day after the end of the grading period,

Eligibility shall be determined by student grades in all enrolled classes including classes at eCademy, CEC, dual-Credit sites and other credit recovery providers. All students who participate in activities and athletics governed by the New Mexico Activities Association (NMAA) must meet the following requirements:

- Be enrolled in a minimum of four classes

Athletic and Activities Eligibility- After the students have been declared NMAA eligible at the beginning of the semester the head coach has the discretion, at any point in the semester to deem students ineligible in maintaining a minimum grade point average of 2.0 with no F's. Head coaches may declare students eligible once they have improved their grade point average and have no F's.

1. Use of Semester Grades Only: Scholastic eligibility will be determined by semester grades.

Eligibility checks for those deemed unable to participate at semester will undergo checks at designated marking periods (9 weeks) during that semester. If they are eligible at the 9-week marking period, they are eligible immediately and will undergo an additional check on the next 9 week marking period as well.

2. No F's: A student must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 and **NO F's** in order to be eligible to participate in activities/athletics.

3. Summer Courses: Beginning in the summer 2026, students may make up multiple courses to attempt to gain eligibility. Any class eligible for replacement based on local district policy can be taken and have the grade replaced to gain eligibility. The replacement classes are required to be the exact course that was listed on the official transcript (i.e. AP English must be replaced with AP English, etc.).

4. Cumulative Provision: The cumulative provision may only be used at the beginning of the semester and must include all semester grades beginning with the 9th grade year. This provision may be used if the student has no more than one F grade at the semester. In addition-all participants in athletics, clubs and organizations will sign and follow the terms of the APS District alcohol, substances and tobacco policy.

If the student falls below these requirements, he/she will be ineligible for participation in the activity or athletics as stated by the policy.

ELECTION STANDARDS FOR STUDENT GOVERNMENT

Members of student government at DN are known as **Knights of the Round Table**. Student officer elections for Student Body President and Vice-President, Senior Senate, Junior Jury and Sophomore Congress are held in the spring. Selections for Freshman Forum are held in the fall. All elected/selected officers must enroll and attend Round Table and their respective class meetings. To run for a position or see qualifications please see Mrs. Espinosa in the front office.

Student Organizations - A hard copy updated list of student organizations are available in the front office.

Selection for membership into these Academic Organizations is based on meeting criteria that include a specific grade point average, character, service and leadership.

BSU - Black Student Union - The mission of the Black Student Union is to provide academic support, and service learning opportunities, in collaboration with teachers, parents, and the community. Membership is open to all students who will educate themselves and others about African American History and Culture. BSU will also promote and prepare ALL to become contributing members of a diverse, changing world with respect and appreciation for the uniqueness of others.

Kitty Hawk Air Society - NM 51st SFJROTC. Promotes higher academic standards, school/community service, develops leadership and promotes self-confidence.

National Art Honor Society – Promotes the arts within the school and the community and provides enrichment opportunities for advanced art students.

National Honor Society - Creates an enthusiasm for scholarship, stimulates a desire to render service, promotes worthy leadership and encourages the development of character in all students of DNHS.

Spanish National Honor Society - Recognizes high achievement in Spanish language students of secondary schools and promotes continuity of interest in Hispanic studies.

Student Organizations – Athletic

Students of all grade levels are welcome to participate in athletics. Specific information on each sport is available from the Athletic Director or from the head coach of each sport.

FALL SPORTS
Football
Cross Country
Girls Soccer
Boys Soccer
Volleyball

WINTER SPORTS
Boys Basketball
Girls Basketball
Swimming
Wrestling-Girls and Boys

SPRING SPORTS
Softball
Baseball
Tennis
Track & Field
Golf

Cheerleaders - Varsity, Junior Varsity, and Freshmen. The cheerleader's role is to maintain enthusiasm and school spirit, develop a sense of good sportsmanship among the students, and better relationships between schools at all athletic events.

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS- GENERAL INTEREST

Each year these organizations are offered based on student interest and staff sponsorship.

SFJROTC – Space Force Junior ROTC. This is a class that provides leadership training and engages in school and community service projects

Concert Band - This band is for beginning level students of all ages. No experience required! $40 fee.

Wind Ensemble - This band is composed of all grades and is part of the marching band. Students must have prior band experience or instructor permission. $200 fee

Jazz - Satin Knights. This band is for intermediate and advanced students.

Dragon Guard - This group performs with the marching band. Flags, rifles, and sabers are used.

Phantom Knights - The Marching Band. This group is made up of students in the Wind Ensemble. Students must have prior band experience and/or instructor permission.

Bowling – Membership is open to all students interested in improving their bowling skills, and to participate in team play and tournaments.

Chorus - Membership is by audition or permission of the instructor.

Mixed Choir - The beginning level choir for grades 9 - 12.

Concert Choir - The advanced mixed choir for all grades.

MESA- Math, English and Science Association. Recognizes high scholastic attainment in the Math, English and Science curriculum.

Orchestra -Membership is by audition or permission of instructor. This is a course for the student who plays violin, viola, cello, or string bass.

The ***Pavilion*** - The DNHS Yearbook. It is designed and produced by the Yearbook class and distributed toward the end of the school year

GSA- (Gay Straight Alliance) A club for anyone who would like to learn about more about LGBQT community.

Peer Helpers- A club that promotes helping others and positivity on campus.

Baile Folklorico- A club for anyone who would like to learn Mexican Folklore dancing.

eSports - A gaming club that focuses on competition against other schools through video and computer games.

DECA-Organization that explores and develops entrepreneurship and business skills.

AVID-AVID is a college prep elective class. It teaches students skills to prepare them for college and career.

Round Table Student Senate- The purpose of the Knights of the Round Table Student Senate is to take action, with Administrative approval, on matters of student interests, to coordinate and support student activities, to voice student opinion on school related issues, to participate in school and community service projects and to promote the general interests of DNHS students.

Thespian Troupe #2776 - Membership is open to interested students that meet the qualifications and who are invited and inducted into membership. The troupe further educates, explores and participates in the theatre.

Other Organizations/Clubs as they are developed, and Club Charter is applied for by DNHS students.

Principal Student Advisory Council-Students from across grade levels and various organizations meet with the Principal once a month and discuss various issues from school culture to having a secure campus.

***NOTE*:** In accordance with APS policy, the principal or his/her designee has the authority to suspend students guilty of an alcohol/drug/tobacco related violation from participation in any school- related activities or athletics. **All students participating (including "attending") in out-of-school events must meet and maintain eligibility.**

Knight Code

Del Norte High School provides a safe and healthy environment conducive to learning. All teachers maintain classroom management plans and consequences and have expectations for student behavior. It is expected that the behavior consequences within the classroom be communicated to students/parents. Interventions will begin at the classroom level and administration referrals will follow when appropriate. The following infractions and subsequent consequences are in effect at Del Norte High School. In addition, all provisions of the APS Student Behavior Handbook will be in force. All consequences for inappropriate behavior are at the discretion of the administrator. All out-of-school suspension will require a parent conference. All In School Suspensions (ISS) will require parent contact.

PJ45 Restrictions Related to Controlled Substances, Alcohol, and Tobacco/Nicotine Use for Students Participating in Activities and Athletics24
https://www.aps.edu/about-us/policies-and-procedures/procedural-directives/j.-students/student-participation-in-activities-and-athletics-restrictions-related-to-controlled-substance-alcohol-and-tobacco-use

PJ47 Student Searches
https://www.aps.edu/about-us/policies-and-procedures/procedural-directives/j.-students/student-searches

PJ41 Student Discipline and Standards of Behavior
https://www.aps.edu/about-us/policies-and-procedures/procedural-directives/j.-students/student-discipline-and-suspension