**ACADEMY PROGRAMS**

Academy programs are District run elective classes that may or may not take place at a different high school than where the student attends. Programs are credited courses scheduled within the school day. These courses fulfill student’s graduation requirements. Transportation **between Delta schools is available for most academies.** Students from both out-of-catchment and out-of-district are eligible to participate in an academy program. Out-of-district students must be registered at a Delta school. PLEASE NOTE: Delview and North Delta Secondary schools are ineligible to attend most academy programs due to an incompatible timetable. Please check with your counsellor.

**Applying is a two-part process:**

1. Apply through Student Connect. (If student connect is closed please contact your school counsellor.)

AND

2.  Also through online registration on the Delta Academies website

**For online application, fees, videos, program content and transportation information, visit us at: deltaacademies.ca or call 604 952-5374.**

**BASEBALL ACADEMY**

**Sands Secondary**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Basketball Academy is coached by, legendary former National team coach John Haar. John’s resume is extensive including, founder of the National Baseball Institute, and International Baseball Federation’s top coach in 1992. John is also a two-time Canadian Baseball Hall of Fame inductee as a builder and coach, and a long time coach of the PBL’s North Shore Twins. Students will also work with several very qualified local coaches as well as Sands Secondary Teacher Coordinator and former pitcher for the Vancouver Canadians/Toronto Blue Jays organization, Eric Brown. Students in this academy are offered the opportunity to develop and refine their baseball skills and fitness levels throughout the entire school year.  (2 block program every other afternoon).

**BASKETBALL ACADEMY**

**Richmond Oval**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Basketball Academy is run in partnership with Split Second Basketball. Former UBC Thunderbird, Eric Butler, founder and Program Director of Split Second Basketball, coaches the program along with other professional coaches from the organization. The Basketball Academy is a skills development academy (not a team) that allows students to come from different Delta high schools to train at one location and maintain eligibility at home schools as per BCSS eligibility regulations. Students in this academy are offered the opportunity to develop and refine their basketball skills and fitness levels.  (2 block program every other day)

**DANCE ACADEMY**

**Delta Secondary**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

Coordinated by DSS Teacher, Jessica McMillan, this academy offers students the opportunity to work with local professional dance instructors, Melissa Pribula and Tanner Plecas. Students will be exposed to multiple forms of dance, developing their technical skills in both choreography and performance. Jazz and ballet training is recommended. (2 block program every other afternoon)

**FILM ACTING ACADEMY**

**The Studio – Delta Manor Education Centre**

Gr. 8-12 Males & Females

Coordinated by SDSS Drama Teacher, Jennifer Mckee, this academy offers aspiring film and television actors the opportunity to work with local actors, Cameron Bancroft, Alex Zahara and other talented guest instructors. Students will take on a serious study of on-camera work including auditioning, scene study, and meeting with industry professionals to guide their learning (including agents, casting directors, acting coaches, etc.). Students will work on career development for success in Vancouver's vibrant film acting industry where we are the third largest film and TV production center in North America! Students will work in collaboration with students in the Film Production Academy. (2 block program every other afternoon)

**FILM PRODUCTION**

**The Studio - Delta Manor Education Centre**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

Coordinated by SDSS Drama teacher Jennifer McKee, this academy is designed for aspiring young film, television and documentary makers interested in learning the artistic and technical aspects of storytelling in pre-production, production and post-production processes from leading industry professionals: Garnet Campbell and Sandra Almond. This academy is ideal for students wanting to develop a successful career in Vancouver's vibrant film acting industry where we are the third largest film and TV production center in North America! Students will work in collaboration with students in the Film Acting Academy. (2 block program every other afternoon)

**FILM VISUAL EFFECTS (VFX)**

**The Studio – Delta Manor Education Centre**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

This academy is designed for aspiring young Visual Effects Artists (VFX)! Students work with top Vancouver Industry professionals to learn the basics key components of VFX. Students learn the basics of: photography, modeling, texturing, lighting, rigging, rotoscoping, matte painting, compositing, dynamics, rendering to name a few! This program is run with the support of [CG Masters Professional Training Centre](http://cg-masters.com/). This academy is ideal for students wanting to develop a successful career in Vancouver's vibrant film industry where we are the third largest film and TV production center in North America! Students will work in collaboration with students in the Film Acting Academy and Film Production Academies to experience a real world collaborative process. Teacher Coordinator is Shelly Bojahra (2 block program every other afternoon)

**GOLF SEAQUAM SECONDARY (NORTH END)**

**Seaquam Secondary**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Golf Academy is designed to improve individual golf skills, golf IQ and improve student’s golf specific conditioning within the regular schedule of classes.  This program is coached by, Teacher Coordinator, Bryce Hamade, and PGA of Canada Coach, Shingo Akizuki and golf fitness coach Lindsay Manion.  The academy includes a 12 month junior membership at Mayfair Lakes Golf Course plus up to 6,000 range balls.  This academy meets the needs of golfers from beginner to elite.  (2 block program every other afternoon)

**GOLF BEACH GROVE (SOUTH END)**South Delta Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Golf Academy is designed to improve individual golf skills, golf IQ and improve student’s golf specific conditioning within the regular schedule of classes.  This program is coached by Teacher Coordinator, Bryce Hamade, and PGA of Canada Coach Keri Moffat and golf fitness coach Lindsay Manion.  The academy includes a 12 month junior membership plus unlimited range balls during academy sessions. This academy meets the needs of golfers from beginner to elite.  (2 block program every other afternoon)

**GOLF DELTA SECONDARY – MAYFAIRE (SOUTH END)**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Golf Academy is designed to improve individual golf skills, golf IQ and improve student’s golf specific conditioning within the regular schedule of classes.  This program is coached by, Teacher Coordinator, Bryce Hamade, and PGA of Canada Coach, Shingo Akizuki and golf fitness coach Lindsay Manion.  The academy includes a 12 month junior membership at Mayfair Lakes Golf Course plus up to 6,000 range balls.  This academy meets the needs of golfers from beginner to elite.  (2 block program every other afternoon)

**DELTA LACROSSE ACADEMY**

**South Delta Secondary**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Lacrosse Academy is coached by Evan Messenger, a professional NLL box player for the Vancouver Stealth, accomplished guest community coaches including professional NLL box player Logan Schuss, and by former New Westminster Salmonbellies Mann Cup-winning coach John Hannah. Students in this academy will further develop their lacrosse skills and core fitness. College recruitment opportunities and support applying for athletic scholarships is available. The program includes knowledge on sports nutrition, injury management, stick stringing, athletic psychology and a variety of cross training activities. This program is overseen by Teacher Coordinator Patty Burr who has extensive lacrosse knowledge which includes Minor President Delta Lacrosse, Coaching Coordinator, Senior Pioneers Lacrosse management, coach for both, boys and girls box and field lacrosse, coach/sponsor of the South Delta Secondary lacrosse program as well as being a former competitive player herself. (2 block program every other afternoon)

**STAGE PERFORMANCE ACADEMY**

**DMEC**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

The Stage Performance Academy is designed for students who love theatre and music! This academy coaches students towards writing their own theatre piece! Student will learn about their own creative process and will develop both personal and ensemble pieces of theatre. Acting, voice, script writing, score writing and staging will be developed in collaboration with master teaching artists through our unique partnership with Vancouver Opera- Vancouver’s largest theatre! Students will attend local theatre, all of Vancouver Opera mainstage productions and will have full backstage access. Opportunities for apprenticeship programs are available. This program is overseen by Teacher Coordinator Jenn McKee. (2 block program every other afternoon)

**SOCCER ACADEMY**

**Sands Secondary**

Gr. 8 -12 Males & Females

This academy is coached by Martin Bittengl, a former professional player from the Czech Republic, as well as professional coaches, Mark Pennington and Ajit Braich. This program offers outstanding skill development opportunities to soccer players with a passion and commitment to improve their skills and abilities. This program is overseen by former UBC assistant coach and Sands Soccer Academy Teacher Coordinator Lucas Serres (2 block program every other afternoon)

**SOCCER ACADEMY**

**South Delta Secondary**

Gr. 8 – 12 Males & Females

This academy is coached by Vancouver 86’ers FC player and South Delta Teacher Coordinator, Stephen Burns and assistant coaches, Martin Bittengl, a former professional player from the Czech Republic, Paul Bahia who is a former Whitecaps FC Prospects player/coach, Nico Marcina and Andy Singh. This program offers outstanding skill development opportunities to soccer players with a passion and commitment to improve their skills and abilities. (2 block program)

**SOFTBALL ACADEMY**

**Seaquam Secondary**

Gr. 8 - 12 Females

This academy is overseen by Teacher Coordinator, Paige Collings and Head Coach, Ron Clarke.  Ron has over 20 years experience as a National Team Coach (Sydney Olympics, Pan-Am Games, World Championship in Japan). Ron coaches with Susan Desrosiers (20+ years coaching at the elite level), Leah Riske (SFU Player & Coach Alumni) and Larissa Franklin (current member of the Canadian National Team), Kaitlyn Cameron (former SFU Catcher) and Courtney Gill (coached Team BC and the White Rock Renagades).  Students develop their softball skills through in-field fundamentals and sport specific skill development and training. (2 block program every other afternoon)