

# DOANE ACADEMY



## MIDDLE/UPPER SCHOOL Q & A

### Question:

**What is the routine for the beginning of the day for Middle and Upper School students?**

### Answer:

Each day of the week school begins promptly at 8:10 a.m. Students in grades 9-12 arriving to school prior to 8:00 a.m. are to report directly to the Student Union. Students in grades 6-8 can arrive as early as 7:45 a.m. Upon arrival, they should report to their lockers. Sixth grade lockers are located on the 2nd floor of Rowan Hall and seventh and eighth grade lockers are in the Science building,

### Question:

**What sports are offered?**

### Answer:

Fall Sports: Upper school students have the opportunity to run varsity cross country, row crew, play on a varsity boys or girls soccer team and there is

also a girls varsity tennis team. Students in grades 6-8 have the opportunity to play on a coed school soccer team.

Winter Sports: Upper School can play boys and girls varsity basketball and varsity bowling. Students in 6-8 have the opportunity to play on a middle school girls or boys basketball team.

Spring Sports: Upper School students can play varsity baseball (boys) softball (girls) or join the crew team (coed). Students in grades 6-8 have the opportunity to play on a middle school girls softball or boys baseball team.

For additional information, please reach out to Dan Williamson, Director of Athletics or Allison Trosko, Assistant to the Athletic Department.

### Question:

**Are tutoring services available at the school?**

### Answer:

Yes. Faculty members will make every effort within the context of their schedule to offer extra help and are commonly available during Community Activities period on Tuesdays and Thursdays and Meetings period on Mondays through Thursdays. Additionally, students have the option of attending the Homework Club after school where they can be helped by

members of the faculty.

### Question:

**How does Homework Club work? Where do they meet? What teacher is supervising?**

### Answer:

The purpose of the Homework Club program is to provide students with a structured and monitored study environment after school. The program runs daily from 3:30 - 4:30 p.m. and is held in the Newbold Resource Center on the third floor Rowan Hall. A different teacher will oversee it each day, and these teachers will rotate in the same pattern each week so that students know in advance when an expert in a given area of need is available. Sixth grade students are also eligible to attend the Extended Day program with Yvonne Perrottet from the end of Homework Club at 4:30 pm. up until 5:00 p.m. free of charge. If a family needs supervision beyond 5:00 p.m. they should reach out to Allison Baratta, Head of Middle School, to see if special arrangements can be made.

### Question:

**What is Renweb and how is used?**

### **Answer:**

RenWeb is the online portal through which students can view their class schedule for the coming year. As the year begins, students will use RenWeb to view homework assignments and grades. Through its directory section, there is also contact information for teachers and other Doane families.

### **Question:**

**Is College Counseling available?**

### **Answer:**

Yes. Students start with informal meetings in the ninth grade and continue through college and Career Prep classes for the junior and senior class. The students are guided, counseled and encouraged throughout the process with the goal of having each student take the reins and find their own path to the school that best fits them.

For additional information, please reach out to Meghan Toomey, Director of College Counseling.

### **Question:**

**How does the Uniform Exchange Program work?**

### **Answer:**

Doane's Uniform Exchange program works through the generosity of parents donating lightly worn items that either no longer fit their child/children or uniform items that they may no longer wear because they have moved up to another division of the school where uniform requirements have changed. Donated items are sorted and housed on the first floor of Rowan Hall. If you would like to donate items or need additional information, please contact Greta Brackett ([gretabackett@comcast.net](mailto:gretabackett@comcast.net)).

### **Question:**

**What is the proper placement for the Doane patch on the uniform blazer? Where do I get it? How do I get it applied?**

### **Answer:**

The patch goes on left breast pocket. They are sold at the front desk in the main office (not available at Flynn & O'Hara). You can get them applied at your local dry cleaners.

### **Question:**

**How can I find out about school activities and other events at the school?**

### **Answer:**

Doane has several ways of communicating various activities and events happening at the school throughout the year. On the website, there is an Events and News section. This contains a calendar with scheduled events for each month listed. An electronic newsletter, "3D" Doane's Day to Day, is distributed every Wednesday with main events that are happening that week and/or month. "Message from the Headmaster" emails are also distributed periodically that includes timely information on news currently happening at the school. The Parent Association will also be a resource for communicating out information.

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