

**ALICE DEAL MIDDLE SCHOOL**

*An International Baccalaureate candidate school*

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## **8<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Outlines**

This package includes course outlines from all of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade subjects at Alice Deal Middle School for the 2009-2010 school years. Outlines included are:

1. Language A (English)
2. Sciences
3. Humanities
4. Mathematics (Algebra 1 and Geometry)
5. Visual Arts
6. Physical Education

Course outlines Language B (World Languages) will be provided in those respective classes.

### **International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IB MYP)**

Alice Deal Middle School is a candidate for the IB MYP. Our goal is to become an authorized IB World School by the end of this winter. Observers from the IB will be visiting Deal in late October 2009.

Course outlines included are organized around units of work. A unit is an extended area of study, focused on the IB themes of the “Areas of Interaction.” Each unit will eventually have a specific area of interaction, a unit question that guides learning and thinking, common assessments, and a common method of evaluation. Over the course of the year, students will be assembling critical pieces of work in their IB MYP portfolios.