



# DESANA MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Welcome to the website of **DeSana Middle School!** We are truly excited about what promises to be an *awesome Year 7* at DeSana!

Opening our doors for the first time in August 2016, we are a school with a rich legacy, named after a remarkable couple in the Forsyth community, *Jim and Jeanne DeSana*. The DeSanas were highly talented and committed community members who were extraordinarily passionate about helping young people be successful. For thirty plus years, they gave of their time, their talents, their leadership, expertise, intellect, and their resources for the betterment of young people in our great community.

With a projected enrollment this year of 1200 sixth, seventh, and eighth grade students filling our hallways and classrooms, we are excited about our new year at DeSana and the countless possibilities and opportunities that it holds! We look forward to working with the finest group of students around and our committed and involved parents as well as the incredibly supportive business community! We look forward to seeing our young Dragons back at DeSana!

Our highly talented, caring, and extremely enthusiastic teachers and support staff are eager to engage our students in a safe, connected, and thriving learning community for all, along with providing an unparalleled education for all students to succeed. We also encourage our Dragons to connect with fun and engaging activities through our clubs, performing arts, and athletic teams.

Throughout this year at DeSana, we will continue to build upon the solid foundation we have established thus far built on the cornerstone of ***excellence in education***. Our mission each day? Simply put:

**Collaborate . . . Create . . . Innovate . . . Persevere . . . Inspire!**

We also invite and encourage our DeSana Families to work in partnership with us to optimize the opportunities in all three facets of our DeSana program Academics (first & foremost always!), the Arts, and Athletics.

DeSana Middle School is located in the southwestern area of Forsyth County, on James Road, which is right off of Union Hill Road, which runs off of McFarland Parkway. Our state-of-the-art facility is a gorgeous, two-story school, with an interior design that is bright, sleek, and modern. The latest in educational technology can be found throughout our school, and there is plenty of flexible space and furnishings for collaborative group work for both students and teachers. While natural light abounds within our school, the grounds around our building provide many possibilities for outdoor learning, and include a couple of outdoor classrooms, several areas for outside activities, an athletic field, and an established woodlands area, filled with many hardwoods and a stream running through it. We are, indeed, very fortunate to have such great outdoor space for our students to use!

Again, we welcome you to DeSana Middle School as we continue to grow and broaden the opportunities for our young Dragons! We look forward to working together with every member of our *DeSana Family* in building upon what we have established these past four years creating a most wonderful school where our young Dragons' imaginations, ingenuity and passion for learning continue to grow every single day!

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