

2019 Summer Academy Policies and Guide to Classes and Camps

Academy Dates

Our classes and sports camps will run during the weeks of: 7/8, 7/15, and 7/22.

Grades: Enrollment in Classes and Camps

All course and camp descriptions have specified grade levels that reference the grade that your child will enter in the 2019-2020 school year. For example, if your child completes 8th grade in June of 2019, please enroll him/her in courses and camps for 9th grade boys or girls.

Cancellation of Classes and Camps

The Oratory Prep Summer Academy reserves the right to cancel classes or camps at any time due to low enrollment, facilities constraints, or other conflicts. Full refunds will be issued in those instances. (*Please note: Building Blocks Lacrosse has their own cancellation policy, and you should contact them directly with inquiries).

Additional Courses/Sections and Class Tuition Modifications

Please check our online offerings regularly, as new classes or additional course sections may be added if there is sufficient interest. Some course tuition fees may be determined at a later date. Those courses will be noted below in our course catalog.

Withdrawal from Classes/Camps

The Oratory Prep Summer Academy undergoes a time-consuming process in arranging for facilities, materials, and staff for the summer. Prior to May 31, 2019, parents may cancel reservations and receive a refund of the course/camp cost, excluding a non-refundable deposit/registration fee for each course/camp (depending on length of course). After May 31st, no refunds will be issued. For extenuating circumstances, contact the Academy directors. (*Please note: Building Blocks Lacrosse has their own withdrawal policy, and you should contact them directly with inquiries).

Sports Camps: Outside Vendor

Building Blocks Lacrosse will facilitate camps on our turf field this summer. Please contact them directly with any questions.

Transportation

We do not provide transportation to or from our school. The Summit train station is less than a one mile walk from Oratory Prep and NJ Transit has a bus stop directly across the street from the school.

Before/Aftercare

We do not provide supervision outside of scheduled Academy sessions. Parents/guardians are responsible for picking up their children in a timely manner upon the completion of daily classes or camps.

Lunches/Snacks

We do not provide lunch for students and campers; however, an assortment of cold drinks and snacks will be for sale each day from vending machines on campus. Students may bring snacks with them to their session(s).

Absences

In the event that your child is ill and cannot make it to his/her daily classes and/or camps, parents/guardians must leave a message with us at (908) 273-1084 x128 before 8:30 A.M.

Absences: Refund Policy

The Oratory Prep Summer Academy does not issue partial refunds for absences.

Student Conduct

Academy participants are expected to exhibit good behavior while attending the Summer Academy. Participants are expected to respect other participants, staff, and campus property. Disciplinary infractions may result in immediate removal of a participant from the Summer Academy.

Dress Code

Participants may wear casual clothing that is respectful of our staff and other Academy participants. All clothing must be free from offensive or inappropriate messages.

SPORTS

MEDICINE/SPORTS CAMPS

Camp: **Boys/Girls Lacrosse Camps: Outside Vendor: *Building Blocks Lacrosse***
See website (<https://www.bblax.com/>) for camp dates, times, and fees.

Camp Description:

The Building Blocks Lacrosse Summer Camp is a terrific way to learn the game or improve your skills. The camp is ideal for establishing, improving and mastering the individual skills needed to be an outstanding lacrosse player. This training serves players of all positions, and forward thinking players will understand that it is vital to be skilled both offensively and defensively because of the universality of these skills on the lacrosse field. The players are grouped according to their age and ability so they are challenged in a fun environment.

****NOTE: Building Blocks Lacrosse camps are not run by the Oratory Prep Summer Academy. Registration must be completed on the Building Blocks site. To register, please go to the Building Blocks website.***

Camp: **The Oratory Prep Basketball Camp**
Grades: 6-9
Camp Director: Coach Connor Daugherty, OP Head Varsity Basketball Coach
Gender(s): Boys
Week: 7/22
Time: 8:30-12:00
Cost: \$220 (includes camp t-shirt)

Camp Description:

The Oratory Prep Summer Basketball Camp provides the opportunity for each camper to receive individual attention to improve his skills. We will focus on core skills to improve each player's individual skill set and teach drills he can use all year long to continue to improve. We will provide a challenging and fun environment for our campers.

Camp: **Strength and Conditioning Camp for Boys**
Grades: 7-12
Instructor: Mr. Stephen Maybe
Gender(s): Boys
Week: 7/8 & 7/15 (separate one week camps)
Time: 10:45- 12:45
Cost: \$200

Camp Description:

The Oratory Prep Strength and Conditioning Camp provides a solid foundation in the fundamentals of safe and effective techniques to improve strength, speed, and conditioning. Campers will be divided by age and grouped by ability. Beginners will learn the proper way to lift weights. Advanced campers will learn and perform advanced lifts. All participants will work on speed and power improvement.

Title: **Current Topics and Trends in Sports Medicine**
Grades: 9-12
Instructor: Mr. Allan Parsells, OP Athletic Trainer
Week: 7/22
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$200

Description:

In this one-week course, students will learn about the latest topics and trends in sports medicine. Information covered will include concussions, anatomical overview of major joints and body systems, injury prevention, functional movement screening, and common injuries seen in the sports medicine field. Students will also take part in guest speaker presentations from an Orthopedic Surgeon and NFL Concussion Spotter. This course is ideal for those high school students with an interest in anatomy, biology, exercise science, kinesiology, medicine and other health related subjects.

Title: **Human Anatomy**
Grades: 9-12
Instructor: Mr. Allan Parsells, OP Athletic Trainer
Week: 7/22
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$200

Description:

In this one week course, students will learn about the major systems of the human body. Major emphasis will be focus on the vascular, respiratory, nervous, lymphatic/Immune, skeletal and muscular systems. Students will gain a foundational knowledge of what composes the body and covers the basics of human anatomy, including anatomical terminology and basic biochemistry. Common human disease processes as well and the healing process that occurs when an injury takes place will be introduced. This course is ideal for high school students with an interest in anatomy, physiology, biology, exercise science, kinesiology, medicine, and other health related subjects.

Skills Development

Title: **Pre-OP: An Introduction to Oratory Prep**
Grades: 7 and 9 or any Transfer Students
Instructor: Mrs. Michelle Gribbin
Week: 7/8 & 7/15 (separate one week courses)
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$200

Description:

In this one-week course, students entering Oratory Prep will get to know our history, campus, fellow incoming students, faculty, administration, and school policies. Some of the skills students will be exposed to include:

- Comprehension, listening, note-taking, test preparation, and class-participation strategies
- Time-management and organization skills for school, sports, and social activities
- Tips for using various forms of technology that they will utilize during the school year
- Confidence to make positive decisions, to analyze strengths and weaknesses, and build character.
- Tools for choosing how to effectively be involved in extracurricular life at Oratory

Title: **SAT Prep: Math**
Grades: 10-12
Instructor: Mr. Joseph Barresi
Week: 7/8
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$200

Description:

This SAT preparation class will meet two hours a day, for a total of ten instructional hours. This course is a more intensive version of the SAT preparation class that currently runs at Oratory Prep. All sections of the SAT are covered at length, with ample time allotted for practice problems and sample test sections. The text for the course is *The Official SAT Study Guide*, which is written by College Board, the association that develops the actual SAT exam.

Title: **SAT Prep: Writing, Critical Reading, and Language**
Grades: 10-12
Instructor: Staff
Week: 7/15
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$200

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Title: **Study Skills**
Grades: 5-8
Instructor: Mrs. Michelle Gribbin
Week: 7/22
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$215 (workbook included)

Description:

This one-week course focuses on developing & improving study habits. Students will learn various principles & techniques to help them with planning & organization, note-taking, test preparation, improving memory, and basic daily study habits. A must for any student looking to make his/her life easier next school year!

Title: **Study Habits and Life Skills Planning**
Grades: 9-12
Instructor: Mrs. Michelle Gribbin
Week: 7/15
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$200

Description:

This fun and interesting high school study skills workshop helps regular students become super-students! This course will help students identify their personal strengths and weaknesses, discover their learning style(s) and receive tips on how to use that to their advantage, and learn tools of effective studying, reading, and class participation. Additionally, it will provide organization tips for both inside and outside of the classroom while providing insight on how to become a well-rounded and successful student.

Art Courses

Title: **Dictionary Watercolor Art**
Grades: 5-12
Instructor: Mrs. Susan Preston
Weeks: 7/8 & 7/15 (separate one week courses)
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$225

Description:

Discover how to design and create a painting on vintage and other non-traditional papers! Students will learn to design and use professional watercolor techniques and tools to create a fun and imaginative painting.

Title: **Summer Fun Ceramics**
Grades: 5-12
Instructor: Mrs. Susan Preston
Weeks: 7/8 & 7/15 (separate one week courses)
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$225

Description:

Beginning ceramic students will learn the fundamentals of pottery wheel and hand-building techniques. Intermediate and advanced students will focus on improving skills already acquired. All levels will create projects such as: bowls, mugs, platters, vases, and more! All pieces will be decorated & glazed and need to be picked up in early September.

English Courses

Title: **Student Publications 101**
Grades: 9-12
Instructor: Mrs. Michelle Gribbin
Week: 7/8
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$200

Description:

This fun and creative course is a great way for students looking to become involved with student publications or looking to fine tune their journalism skills! Through videos, activities, and roundtable discussions, students will be given an opportunity to review current publications (yearbook and newspaper) and learn valuable tips and ideas on photography, layout and design, marketing and advertising, and news writing. Perfect for incoming students looking to become a part of the school community and for existing students who want to get a jump start on the 2019-2020 school year!

Title: **Mastering the College Essay**
Grades: 11 & 12
Instructor: Staff
Week: 7/15
Time: 8:30-10:30
Cost: \$200

Description:

This course introduces students to the college admission process, and specifically to the college essay. The class will work through the process methodically, from learning about what a college selection committee looks for in an essay, to determining which personal attributes and experiences each student might write about, to exploring writing strategies and techniques that make essays stand out from the rest.

Through a series of self-examination and class exercises, students will brainstorm ideas, evaluate sample essay topics and writing styles, and become familiar with the essay prompts of the Common Application as well as examples of essay questions from non Common App schools. Then, using teacher-guided writing activities and peer reflections, each student will develop a topic that is unique and appropriate for his/her circumstance and begin crafting a college essay.

Title: **How to Become a Better Writer in 5 Days**
Grades: Grades 5-8
Instructor: Mrs. Michelle Gribbin
Week: 7/22
Time: 10:45-12:45
Cost: \$200

Description:

This course is designed for students looking to strengthen their writing and get a jumpstart on the year ahead. This course will provide students with tips, guidelines, and suggestions for improving their writing by teaching the basic writing process and providing help in areas such as: Getting Started, Organization, Transitions, Grammar, Proofreading, and Creativity. Learn what teachers look for in essays and how to become a better writer in 5 days!

Social Studies Courses

Title: **Seinology (The Sociology of Seinfeld)**
Instructor: Mr. William McCrystal, Jr.
Week: 7/15
Time: 8:30-10:30
Grades: 8-12
Cost: \$200

Description:

Seinology, or the Sociology of Seinfeld, will analyze the major socio-cultural themes of the hit 90s sitcom. Using Tim Delaney's book as a guide, students will connect episode viewing analysis to the sociological content of characters (like the close talker), themes (trials of adulthood & relationships), and urban living (life in the Big Apple). Ultimately, students will leave with an appreciation of Seinfeld humor, nuance, and absurdity. This is certainly more than a show about nothing.

Title: **Sociology of The Simpsons**
Instructor: Mr. William McCrystal, Jr.
Week: 7/15
Time: 10:45-12:45
Grades: 8-12
Cost: \$200

Description:

Sociology of The Simpsons will analyze America's most popular and longest running sitcom. Students will connect The Simpsons to religion, politics, education, family, and pop culture via episode critiques, clip viewings, discussions, and debates. "I think Smithers picked me because of my motivational skills.

Everyone says they have to work a lot harder when I'm around." –Homer Simpson

Title: **Sociology of The Office**
Instructor: Mr. William McCrystal, Jr.
Week: 7/22
Time: 8:30-10:30
Grades: 8-12
Cost: \$200

Description:

Since its debut in 2005, *The Office* has captivated viewers with a sardonic wit unmatched by most scripted television programs. The Sociology of *The Office* will allow students to analyze episodes through the perspective of race, ethnicity, culture, gender, socioeconomics, small group processes, the family, bureaucracy, and the composition of the workplace. Classes will be comprised of episodic viewing, group discussion, real world parallels, pop culture Easter egg hunts, and character examination.

“I guess the attitude that I've tried to create here is that I'm a friend first and a boss second and probably an entertainer third.”

— **Michael Scott**, *The Office*

Title: **The History of Baseball: From the 19th Century to Today**
Instructor: Mr. William McCrystal, Jr.
Week: 7/22
Time: 10:45-12:45
Grades: 8-12
Cost: \$200

Description:

The History of baseball will analyze the rise of America's pastime from its humble origins as a British inspired game to the multibillion dollar industry it is today. The class will consider, discuss, and debate baseball's greatest players, stadiums, rules, cultural impact, fantasy gaming, and controversies.

Science Courses

Title: **Marine Biology**
Instructor: Mr. Joseph Seebode
Week: 7/22
Time: 8:30-10:30
Grades: 6-8
Cost: \$225

Description:

Do you have a passion for the ocean? Ever wonder what it would be like to live under the sea? Is your favorite animal a shark or sea turtle? If so, marine biology is the class for you! Marine biology is a one week class in which you will embark on a journey up the marine food chain to learn more about the ecology of the ocean, the marine wildlife of NJ, and some of the threats to our oceans' face. The class will include hands-on activities, labs, and video interactions with marine biologists from around the world!

Mathematics Courses

Title: **Principles of Algebra I**
Instructor: Mr. Joseph Barresi
Weeks: 7/8
Time: 8:30-10:30
Grades: 7-10
Cost: \$200

Description:

Welcome to Principles of Algebra 1, a one week summer class that will cover all the important topics of Algebra 1. This course includes the study of rational number properties, variables, polynomials, and factoring. Students learn to write, solve, and graph linear equations. They also learn to model real-world applications of various algebraic concepts.

Title: **Algebra II**
Instructor: Mr. Joseph Barresi
Weeks: 7/15, 7/22 (2 week class)
Time: 8:30-10:30
Grades: 9-11
Cost: \$350

Description:

Welcome to Algebra II, a two week summer class that will cover all the important topics of Algebra II. Since this is a summer enrichment program and it is only two weeks there will be no homework or grades given. This course includes the study of functions, including linear, quadratic, exponential, logarithmic, radical, and rational functions. This course will also give them a glimpse of trigonometry which will be a part of their Algebra II curriculum during the school year.

Title: **Geometry Core**
Instructor: Mr. Joseph Barresi
Weeks: 7/15, 7/22 (2 week class)
Time: 10:45-12:45
Grades: 8-10
Cost: \$350

Description:

Welcome to Geometry Core, a two week summer class that will cover all the important topics of Geometry. Since this is a summer enrichment program and it is only two weeks there will be no homework or grades given. This course includes the study of major geometric topics such as essentials of geometry, triangles, quadrilaterals, circles, and area and volume.

*Thank you for being a part of
2019 Summer Academy!*