

# K-8th Grade Enrichment Classes Fall Semester, 2018-2019

# **K-1 Enrichment Classes**

## Integrated

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30-11:15/Room 2 with Christina Bush and Kari O'Kane

We spend our mornings together creating, exploring, listening to stories, singing, playing and making friends.

#### **Afternoon Enrichment**

Tuesday 12:00-1:30/Room 2 with Kari O'Kane and Esther Allison

Students will have to opportunity to experiment with many mediums with the emphasis being on process. We will be working with re-use and recycling wherever possible. Of course, when we are feeling extra wiggly, we will continue the afternoon dance party/wiggle fest tradition. Please provide an apron or smock for your student, as things tend to get messy in art.

#### Garden Club

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 2 with Terri Jensen and Kari O'Kane

This class will have a variety of themes including seeds, plants and soil. We will play games, work outside and possibly do some building with hammers and nails. Come help the flowers, vegetables, berries, and vines grow tall. This class is subject to change and lesson themes will be announced prior to class.

# 2-3 Enrichment Classes

# **Explorations/Natural Wonders**

Tuesday 9:30-11:15/Room 8 with Esther Allison and Nell Hergenrather

Hopscotch the 7 continents to discover the strangest animals on Earth!

Starting from the largest continent (Asia) to the smallest (Australia), we will investigate the worlds craziest creatures and their supporting ecosystems. These include: the Tufted Deer, the Saiga Antelope, the North American Porcupine, the Mexican Axolotl, the Pink Fairy Armadillo, the Aye Aye, the Maned Wolf, the Dumbo Octopus, the Irrawaddy Dolphin, the Dugong, the Tiger Quoll and more! Students will be drawing, painting, sculpting, writing, and using their creative genius!

#### Science

Tuesday 12:00-1:30/Room 3 with Cyd Miller and Maxwell Chambara

Students will be involved in hands-on, project-based learning to promote interest, excitement and understanding of science concepts. Our content areas this year will include Our Earth (natural resources), Systems (extreme weather), and Experimentation (force and motion).

#### **Art/Ceramics**

Thursday 9:30-11:15/Room 8 with Candace Birchfield and Maxwell Chambara

Students will have fun creating visual art in an atmosphere that promotes self-esteem, good listening skills, and hand-eye coordination. They will create a variety of 2 and 3-D artworks using colored pens and pencils, paints, fiber, paper, metal, found objects, and clay. Students will use clay to make sculptures as well as food safe bowls, plates, and mugs, that can actually be used at the table.

# Children's Literature-Grade 2

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 3 with Lisa Loughran

In this class, students explore new and classic children's literature through teacher read aloud and group discussion of the story and its elements. Students will then create a connected art project.

#### **Creative Writing-Grade 3**

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 4B with Sondra Hall

"Take My Word For It!" creative writing adventures for kids!

Our 3rd-grade class ignites kids' passion for writing and helps them feel safe and supported while they grow as writers. Ever wonder how writers get their ideas? We're going to scavenge for words, collect phrases, and hunt down hidden ideas in unusual places and then create original poems and stories using what we've collected. We work with reluctant and enthusiastic writers alike, reminding kids that when it comes to their imaginations the sky's the limit.

#### Dreambox Math/Headsprouts ELA Lab-by arrangement

Tuesday 1:30-3:00/Room 3 with Denise Eufusia

Dreambox lab is for students who need extra help with Math, and is recommended by their teacher. Space is limited. Priority goes to students in grades 3-5.

# **Projects & Workshops TBA**

Tuesday 1:30-3:00/Room 8 with Nell Hergenrather

See website for complete description of the many projects offered. Workshops vary with some being offered only for one day, and others as a three week series. Please check that you can make it to all dates offered unless otherwise noted. Grade levels vary from 2nd-5th. You may sign-up for 2 workshops per semester in the office.

# 4-5 Enrichment Classes

#### Science

Tuesday 9:30-11:15/Room 7 with Cyd Miller

Students will be involved in hands-on, project-based learning to promote interest, excitement and understanding of science concepts. Our content areas this year will include Our Earth (natural disasters), Systems (human body), and Experimentation (chemistry).

#### **Animation-Grade 4**

Tuesday 12:00-1:30/Room 4B with Denise Eufusia

This introductory class will familiarize students with the basic elements of timeline-based animation and the practices of good digital-citizenship. Advanced students may explore stop-motion and code-based animation, depending on their interests.

# Spanish -Grade 5

Tuesday 12:00-1:30/Room 4 with Amy Contardi

This class is designed for both students who have taken Spanish previously and for students who are taking Spanish for the first time. The students will sample the language through a variety of topics. We will review the Spanish alphabet, numbers, colors, weather, time, greetings. We will learn simple dialogues that incorporate common verbs and adjectives. Art, music and story-telling will be incorporated into the daily lesson plan. Students will be exposed to the many Spanish speaking countries through their culture and traditions. The class is taught in Spanish and English.

Dreambox Math/Headsprouts ELA Lab-by arrangement

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# Writer's Workshop

Thursday 9:30-11:15/Room 3 with Colette Weber

Bringing in the Arts-A Writer's Workshop

The focus of this creative writing workshop is to build confidence, encourage self-direction, and foster a love of writing. Through activities that integrate the arts, participants, not only build writing skills, but also their ability to focus, cooperate, and collaborate.

# **Art/Ceramics**

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 8 with Candace Birchfield

Art for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grades helps build self esteem by supporting artistic self expression and building upon prior art knowledge. Students will be encouraged to use cooperative classroom behavior. Thoughtful design and craftsmanship will be emphasized in the creation of exciting 2 and 3-D projects. We will use paper, colored pencils and pens, chalk, watercolors, metal, fiber, found objects, and clay and ceramic glazes. Tableware will be fired using food safe glazes.

# Drama - 5th & 6th Grades only

Thursday 1:30-3:00/Room 2 with Terri Jensen

Join us as we learn and improve our acting abilities. Our class will include many drama games and exercises, improvisation, dramatic scenes, monologues, character development, stage presence, mime, and LOTS of fun. We will do a performance at the end of the year to show off our abilities.

# **Grade 6 Enrichment Classes**

# Spanish

Tuesday 9:30-11:15/Room 3 with Amy Contardi

This class is designed for both students who have taken Spanish previously and for students who are taking Spanish for the first time. The students will sample the language through a variety of topics. We will review the Spanish alphabet, numbers, colors, weather, time, greetings. We will learn simple dialogues that incorporate common verbs and adjectives. Art, music and story-telling will be incorporated into the daily lesson plan. Students will be exposed to the many Spanish speaking countries through their culture and traditions. The class is taught in Spanish and English.

#### Art

Tuesday 12:-00-1:30/Room 8 with Nell Hergenrather

Art class will be a safe and creative working environment for studying influential artists through history and working with a variety of mediums and tools. We will have critiques and discussions using the language of art appreciation and cultivate personal expression through a variety of projects ranging from pencil and paper to three dimensional sculpture.

# **Historical Literature**

Tuesday 1:30-3:00/Room 7 with Lisa Jacobs

In Historical Literature class we will read literature and discuss how it relates to history. We will make a notebook on skills needed to analyze literature.

# **Grade 6 Enrichment Classes, continued**

#### Science

# Thursday 9:30-11:15/Room 7 with Cyd Miller

Students will be involved in hands-on, project-based learning to promote interest, excitement and understanding of science concepts. Our content areas this year will include Our Earth (global warming), Systems (human impact on ecosystems), and Experimentation (inventions).

## **Math Enrichment**

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 4 with Tui Wilschinsky

This math class provides enriching and challenging activities. Students will practice improving problem solving and communication skills. They will also work collaboratively, play math games, and explore mathematics related to their interests.

# Creative Writing—Grades 6 & 7

Thursday, 1:30-3:00/Room 4 with Sondra Hall

"Take My Word For It!" creative writing adventures, for young writers.

Our 6th & 7th grade class is a launch pad into learning about the craft elements of writing including story arc, metaphor, simile, onomatopoeia, alliteration, point of view, personification and sensory detail. In the process, we'll listen to, watch and read admired authors' work and then reinforce students' understanding of each craft element by inviting them to use it in their own writing.

# **Grade 7 Enrichment Classes**

#### Math 7

Tuesday & Thursday 9:30-11:15/Room 4 with Jason Stevens

Math 7 is a year-long course designed for 7th grade students. Students will polish their arithmetic skills and refine their number sense. They will also add to their growing understanding of geometry and basic algebra. Advanced students will finish the year prepared for the high school Math 1 course, while most students will take Math 8 the following year.

# **Digital Story Telling**

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 7 with Amanda Timbermoon

This class focuses on communication and collaboration as we explore what makes a compelling story and how we can use different formats to tell a story. Some of those formats will be Google Slides, Comic Book! (an iPad app), and iMovie. Students will create movie trailers, choose-your-own-adventure stories, original comic books, and more.

#### **Spanish**

Tuesday 1:30-3:00/Room 4 with Amy Contardi

This class is designed for both students who have taken Spanish previously and for students who are taking Spanish for the first time. The students will sample the language through a variety of topics. We will review the Spanish alphabet, numbers, colors, weather, time, greetings. We will learn simple dialogues that incorporate common verbs and adjectives. Art, music and story-telling will be incorporated into the daily lesson plan. Students will be exposed to the many Spanish speaking countries through their culture and traditions. The class is taught in Spanish and English.

# Science

Thursday 12:00-1:30/Room 7 with Jennifer Lofchie

A hands-on laboratory class focused on life and physical science through labs and projects. Students will use scientific method to design and conduct experiments, gain experience in a lab setting, and participate in hands-on projects focused on concepts such as cell structure, genetics, chemical reactions, ecology, microscope use and more.

### **Ceramics**

Thursday 1:30-3:00/Room 8 with Candace Birchfield

This class is for students to use their own ideas of self expression while learning to working with clay. They will make a variety of functional and sculptural artworks incorporating Elements and Principles of Art and Design. Students will learn about tools, glazes, kilns, and various forming methods. Historical influences will be presented to give students an understanding of the depth and breadth of the art and craft of ceramics. Students will be required to keep a visual/verbal Ceramics Notebook to record their ideas, creative processes and essays.

# Creative Writing—Grades 6 & 7

Thursday, 1:30-3:00/Room 4 with Sondra Hall

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See above for description.

#### Drama

Friday 1:00-3:00 with Terri Jensen

This will be a Theatre Skills/Rehearse and Performance class. We will spend the first several weeks reviewing for some, introducing to others, theatre games, skills and improv with an emphasis on performance. But as always, it's about process, not product. Then we will create or choose a play to work on and present at the end of the school year for friends and family. Looking forward to seeing you all on stage!

# **Grade 8 Enrichment Classes**

#### **Physical Science**

Monday 8:50-10:20/Room 7 with Milo Mitchel

This laboratory science enrichment class supplements the 8th grade science curriculum that students do with their supervising teachers. Every class period will have hands-on experiments and scientific investigations. The first semester focuses on chemistry, covering measurement, states of matter, atomic and molecular structure, and chemical reactions. The second semester focuses on physics: motion, forces, and energy. Investigations will include basic math calculations, experimental design, and written lab reports. Students will occasionally be asked to finish lab reports at home. Regular attendance is very important, as the concepts will build on those introduced in previous classes.

#### Writing

Monday 10:20-11:50/Room 3 with Sondra Hall

"Take My Word For It" essay writing class.

Our 8th-grade class covers expository essay writing with a creative twist. Like it or not, middle and high school students need to know the 5-paragraph essay format, but learning about it doesn't have to be a snooze fest! We'll take an unorthodox approach that includes multimedia, games, and imagination, and while we're at it, dip our toes into poetry and short stories.

## **Adobe Illustrator**

Monday 12:30-2:10/Room 3 with Jason Farthing

An introduction to using Adobe Illustrator, a powerful vector based design program, to create original and interesting graphics, logos, and design projects. In this intro course, students will learn how to use Adobe Illustrator to create and alter shapes, manipulate type, and make free form illustrations.

#### Spanish 1

Monday & Wednesday 12:30-2:10/Room 4 with Alison Malisa

¡Bievenidos! Welcome! The number one goal of the class is to build community, and to do it in 100% Spanish. Through improve, games, and play, students learn how to decode messages and communicate with what second language they have. Students are encouraged to take risks, make mistakes, be flexible, stay positive, and not be afraid of a second language environment (so you can go on to learn more languages!) Through music, novellas, videos, journaling, dramas, and presentations, students will be introduced to Spanish-speaking culture, and develop their interpersonal, interpretive, and presentational communication skills. Students in Spanish 1 will be assessed on increased proficiency, generally obtaining novice high to intermediate low by the end of the year.

#### Art

Wednesday 8:50-10:20/Art Room 8 with Nell Hergenrather

Art class will be a safe and creative working environment for studying influential artists through history and creating art that speaks to the individual. Students will keep a sketchbook for idea building, quotes and lectures. We will have discussions and critiques and become more familiar with the language of art appreciation. Assignments will be project based and meet each student on their unique journey towards self expression.

#### Math 8

Wednesday & Friday 10:20-11:50/Room 3 with Tui Wilschinsky

Math 8 fosters mastery of math concepts as well as understanding how to apply the skills to real life situations. Students will delve into Algebra, as well as Geometry, and be supported by a rich, in-depth textbook and an on-line textbook-aligned repertoire of instructional support, review, clear explanations, as well as challenging problems for extra credit. Students will be asked to keep math notebooks, complete weekly homework assignments, participate in math games, and be active learners.

#### Math 1

Wednesday & Friday 8:50-10:20/Room 4 with Madelyn Hodges

Math 1 is the first of three integrated high school math classes, including lessons in algebra, geometry, statistics, and probability. Lessons will be based on inquiry, and on broadening the ability to think mathematically. During the course of the year, students will build a Math 1 portfolio, documenting their understanding of material covered.

#### Make Studio

Friday 8:50-10:20/Room 8 with Kari O'Kane

Students will gather to create, invent, tinker, explore and discover using a variety of tools and materials. Project guidance is given, but, there is space for creativity and individual expression to develop. This class is always evolving, but, currently we have plans for creating board games, musical instruments, and pinball machines. Field trips will be scheduled.

## Drama, grades 7-12

Friday 1:00-3:00/with Terri Jensen

This will be a Theatre Skills/Rehearse and Performance class. We will spend the first several weeks reviewing for some, introducing to others, theatre games, skills and improve with an emphasis on performance. But as always, it's about process, not product. Then we will create or choose a play to work on and present at the end of the school year for friends and family. Looking forward to seeing you all on stage!