

# After School Learning Tree Summer Camp 2018

## Classes Descriptions



### **COOKING AROUND THE WORLD!**

*Class Size: 16 Maximus*

- ❖ Mexican
- ❖ Italian
- ❖ American
- ❖ The Incredible Egg
- ❖ Healthy Eating

Learn to chop, peel, mix and stir! Basic nutrition facts about protein, fats and carbohydrates are discussed. Learn how to be healthy and fit by diet, sleep and exercise!

**Tacos, Quesadillas, Refried Beans  
Guacamole, Salsa & Chips**

**Pizza, Spaghetti & Meatballs  
Garlic Bread**

**Salads & Salad Dressing  
Breakfast & Lunch  
Healthy Snacks**

**Eggs Scrambled, Poached, Fried & Omelets  
Egg Salad  
Deviled Eggs**

**And More !!!!**

# **HEALTH SCIENCE**

*Class Size: 16 Maximus*

**How does your body work?**

**How do you eat right?**

**How do you stay strong?**

This introductory health science class will teach students about the human body, its many systems, how to stay healthy and do it for life! Most adults take better care of their cars than their bodies. And yet, our body is a machine; an incredible machine!

Students will keep a Health Journal to keep track of daily lessons, learn about all of the body's organs, how to choose healthy foods and why they are good choices. At the end of the week, there will be a "Superfoods" party where students can choose and taste-test healthy foods.

# **MANNERS CLASS**

*Class Size: 16 Maximus*

**What does “Mind Your Manners” mean?**

**What is Courtesy?**

**What are “Magic” Words?**

Manners are the ways we treat others and how we act in public. Good manners show both kindness and respect to people you know and also to people you may not know. When we have good manners we are polite and we follow certain rules that make us more enjoyable to be around. People can tell if you have good manners by the way you talk and by the way you. Manners show courtesy.

Good manners are like magic! Good behavior makes special things happen. Saying words like “Please”, “Thank you”, and “I’m sorry” are magic words.

This class explores manners for every day, every day of the year, at home, in public, at school, traveling, playing, and anywhere else a person might be.

## **WRITING CLASS** *Grades K & 1<sup>st</sup>*

- **READING & WRITING**
  - **Story Time**
  - **Writing Practice**
- **Detailed Coloring to Build Penmanship Skills**

## **WRITING CLASS** *Grades 2 & 3*

- **Leads, Hooks & Brilliant Beginnings**
- **Paragraphs and Topic Sentences**
- **Conclusions – The Hardest Part**
  - **Fun With Idioms All Week!**
- **English Scrabble to Build Vocabulary**
  - **Prizes!**

## **WRITING CLASS** *Grade 4 & Up*

- **Leads, Hooks & Brilliant Beginnings**
- **Conclusions – The Hardest Part**
- **Summaries & Gratitude Journals**
  - **Fun With Idioms All Week**
  - **Idiom Charades & Contests!**
- **English Scrabble Contests to Build Vocabulary**
  - **Boggle Vocabulary Contests**
    - **Prizes!**

## **Music Classes:**

We have 2 music classes with wonderful teachers. In Music Camp, students will learn music theory, writing, piano, and violin. In Music Box, students will learn flute, guitar, recorder, and ukulele!

## **Art Classes:**

We have 3 art classes with our fantastic art teacher, Trisha Neubrand.

**Ceramics Classes:** In ceramics class, kids explore clay hand building, sculpting, and glazing techniques. Pieces will be kiln fired and sent home each week.

**Drawing Classes:** Drawing classes offer basic drawing skills and a new lesson each week. Lessons include perspective, portraits, still life, value and shading, cartooning, line/pattern and composition skills.

## **LAW: MOCK TRIAL**

Students learn how a jury trial works and then conclude class by performing a mock trial themselves.

- Discussion and explanations of conducting a trial by jury;
- Discuss the jobs needed to conduct trial plaintiff, plaintiff's lawyer, defendant, defendant's lawyer, witnesses, judge and jury, court reporter, bailiff;
- Discuss facts, summarize roles, decision options for jury

Structure of trial:

- Opening argument
- Testimony
- Closing argument
- Deliberations
- Jury decision

## **FINGER KNITTING AND BASIC NEEDLE KNITTING:**

Finger knitting is a fun and easy craft for children as young as 3 or 4 years old. The finished product can be made into a variety of play things. All you need is fingers and yarn!

Basic knitting with needles: Students will learn basic knitting terminology, how to cast on the knit stitch, how to bind off and knit their own scarf! Students will learn to use bamboo needles.

## **BASIC LAW FOR JUNIORS:**

Discussion and examples of right and wrong; Consequences of wrong actions and crimes; General explanation and discussion of our legal and justice system in the United States and what makes it a great process; Students conclude class with writing a crime story complete with illustrations

## **ESSAY WRITING & MYTHOLOGY**



Education from Common Core in elementary school on through college requires that students be able to understand multicultural traditions AND be able to write good essays. In this class training in essay-writing will be joined to the fun of learning about myth traditions, a grounding they will need in order to understand the art, literature, history, and current events they will encounter as they move through school.

## **CRITICAL THINKING SKILLS & ESSAY WRITING**

Learning critical thinking skills can be easy and fun, but they are important skills needed throughout school testing, the SAT, and college. This class introduces the techniques for making good arguments and recognizing bad ones. We'll use these skills in essay writing, practicing both good structure and good style. As part of our essay writing, we will be crafting an essay to enter into the Writers' Square essay contest, in which my students had seven winning essays last year!