



Thursday Connection

2012 Spring Co-op Classes

Classes for K through 12th grades.
Subjects include English, History, Math, Music, Science, Spanish and more.
(Middle School & High School English & Literature classes are at the end of the listing)

Classes will be held on Thursdays
January 5-April 26
(High School Exams—week of April 30)

Register early, space is limited.
Registrations for current families will begin November 3.
New family registrations will be accepted on December 1.

Note: Monthly tuition is paid 4 times per semester.

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<p>Acting</p> <p>Grades: 5-7 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Jeni Lamm Managing Director The WordPlayers</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$2</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10 Maximum: 14</p>	<p>In this course, the student will develop and explore the skills involved in acting, defined as communicating a story through believable behavior within a set of imaginary circumstances. Through creative dramatics, theatre games, and exercises, students will explore and expand their abilities in all areas of acting for the stage. <i>Enrichment Only.</i></p> <p>Specific Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop confidence, spontaneity, sensitivity, and imagination through improvisational exercises. • Develop dynamic energy flow through relaxation and concentration. • Expand physical and vocal range, flexibility, and creativity. • Develop self-confidence, trust, and sensitivity to self and others through an interactive and cooperative work process.
<p>Acting</p> <p>Grades: 8-12 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Jeni Lamm Managing Director, The WordPlayers</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$2</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10 Maximum: 14</p>	<p>In this course, the student will develop and explore the skills involved in acting, defined as communicating a story through believable behavior within a set of imaginary circumstances. The methods used will be games, exercises, monologues and dialogues. <i>Enrichment Only.</i></p> <p>Specific Goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop confidence, spontaneity, imagination and stimulate creative ability through improvisational exercises. • Develop dynamic energy flow through relaxation and concentration. • Expand physical and vocal range and flexibility. • Develop self-confidence, trust, and sensitivity to self and others through an interactive and cooperative work process.
<p>Advanced Art</p> <p>Grades: 6-12 (teacher approval required) Time: 2:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Douglas Kimball</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$35 Material Fees: Student will provide art supplies. (see description)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Advanced art class will explore painting techniques and media not covered in my drawing class. This class will be an independent study course so that the individual student may explore one or more of the following media: oils, acrylics, watercolor and pastels. As the students focus on a common subject such as still life, figure/portrait or abstract, each student will be able to work in their media/medium of choice. Students will need to bring their own art supplies including portable easel, paper, canvases, paints, brushes, etc...A list of supplies will be given to each student based upon the course of their individual study.</p> <p>This art class will be for students demonstrating a significant aptitude and interest in artistic discipline and study. At the beginning of each semester, I will interview each student to determine a course of study required to achieve their goals in the class. This will include specific projects that will be worked on and completed during the semester. A student's acceptance into this class will be based on teacher's approval and will be determined before the beginning of the semester. To discuss the acceptance of your student into this class, please call me @ 865/577-0328 or email: kimballs@iol24.com with "Art Class" in the subject line. Please include a phone number to contact you. Thanks.</p>

<p>Agriculture, Intro to</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 10:00-11:00 Instructor: Niki Denton</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p>	<p>This is an enrichment course for 6th- 8th graders. We will discover how agriculture is a part of our everyday lives... even if we live in the city! We will start by studying soil, gardening and farming. We will test soil samples and learn what amendments we need to add to make the most fertile soil. We will then move on to livestock in second semester. We will study sheep, swine, poultry, rabbits, and beef and dairy cattle. We will make ice cream, tour a milk plant, hatch a chick (hopefully!) and dissect a fetal pig. We will also take a few field trips (local dairy farm, local urban garden among others).</p>
<p>Algebra I</p> <p>Grades: 9-10 (advanced 8th graders)</p> <p>Time: 10:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Michael Ham</p> <p>Algebra II</p> <p>Grades: 10-12 Time: 12:00-2:30 (includes 30 minute break)</p> <p>Instructor: Michael Ham</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Saxon Algebra 1</u> (4thEdition) and Solution manual.</p> <p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Saxon Algebra 2</u> (4th Edition) and Solution manual.</p>	<p>We will be using the newest edition of the Saxon Algebra 1 book which covers topics typically covered in an Algebra 1 class, including some topics which the third edition did not cover at this level. There are 120 lessons, so we will cover an average of 4 lessons per week. There will be some take home tests (about 1 every 3 weeks) and quizzes. The teacher will grade the tests, quizzes, and corrections but the daily assignments are to be graded by the parent at home. Mastery of algebra involves going back over missed problems and learning how to do them correctly, so students are asked to submit corrections to the missed homework problems. The parent will need the Teacher edition for grading the daily assignments. The 4th edition books incorporate lessons on how to make use of a graphing calculator. Students are strongly encouraged to have a TI83 or TI84 calculator.</p> <p>Supplies: Scientific calculator, binder, 4 dividers, paper & graph paper</p> <p>We will be using the newest edition of the Saxon Algebra 2 book. This course covers typical Algebra 2 topics and includes a strong focus on advanced math topics. The book also includes “labs” which teach the students how to make better use of a graphing calculator. There are 120 lessons, so we will cover an average of 4 lessons per week. There will be some take home tests (about 1 every 3 weeks) and quizzes. The teacher will grade the tests, quizzes, and corrections, but the daily assignments are to be graded by the parent at home. A mastery approach is utilized which involves having the student go back over missed problems and reworking them to do them correctly. Supplies: TI83 or TI84 calculator, binder, 4 dividers, paper & graph paper</p>
<p>American History</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 1:30-2:30 Instructor: Maureen Schenk</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition:\$20 Materials fee: \$3</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Text: To be determined.</p>	<p>This is a high school class focusing on the essential aspects of the American experience from the establishment of the colonies to the present time. Students will read both primary and secondary sources including the Constitution and Declaration of Independence. Students should expect writing assignments to be a part of this class with essay tests, poems, and a research paper included. Three to four hours a week should be allocated to the assignments. The text book will be determined before the summer and students will be notified.</p>
<p>Are You Smarter Than a 5th Grader?</p> <p>Grades: 7-9 Time: 9:00-10:00 Instructor: Penelope Whaley</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$8</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This class will be based upon the the game show format but is so much more than a game. I will use the Core of Knowledge series by E.D. Hirsch to locate questions in each category and place them in the familiar game format. In class we will play the game. Questions missed will then become homework for the week for the student to search and locate the answers. Missed questions will then be rotated back into the card pool to confirm mastery. Students learn extremely well in a competitive game environment.</p>

<p>Art with Margaret</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 8:00-9:30</p> <p>Grades: 4-6 Time: 10:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Margaret Migas</p>	<p>K-3 Monthly Tuition: \$42 Material Fees: Included in Tuition</p> <p>4-6 Monthly Tuition: \$44 Material Fees: Included in Tuition</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Art with Margaret teaches art history, art vocabulary, and analytical and artistic skills using a variety of media and techniques. Students learn about other cultures, the lives of master artists, and the techniques they used to produce famous works of art. Also students read award winning children's books and study the authors of these books. Each class then has a hands-on project which engages each student's own creativity in that master artist's style. These classes will always have a different curriculum offered each class & semester. Art with Margaret builds confidence and knowledge of the arts, bringing the associated self-esteem to students as they learn the basics of drawing and painting techniques with each class. Most every artwork created by the student is matted with information on the back summarizing what was studied. A typical materials list provided for each semester includes class sets of:</p> <p><i>Drawing & Painting Supplies</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Permanent and water based markers ◆ Pencils: Drawing (Prismacolor 4H and 6B), charcoal (white and 6B black), Berol Prismacolor colored pencils, Prang colored pencils, Conte' pastel & watercolor pencils ◆ Regular Crayons, and Construction crayons ◆ Paints <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ 6 sizes of Royal & Langnickel sable paintbrushes ◆ Oil pastels ◆ Water soluble oil pastels ◆ Soft pastels ◆ Prang semi-moist watercolors ◆ Watercolor mixing trays ◆ Acrylic paint ◆ Tempera paint ◆ Liquid watercolors incl metallic colors ◆ Class set (30) of 390 Containers to put 13 watercolors & glitter/confetti glue in ◆ Glitter glue to paint with ◆ Confetti glue to paint with ◆ Strathmore #140 watercolor paper ◆ Colored art papers, vellum, Bristol board, poster board, mat board <p><i>Gold-silver-white clay scratch boards, Clay, Ceramic clay glazes</i></p> <p><i>Printmaking Supplies</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◆ Actual fish replicas for Gyo-taku (Japanese fish printing) ◆ Printing inks ◆ Japanese rice paper ◆ Art towel and art apron ◆ Pose-able wooden manikins ◆ Rulers, sea sponge, glue sticks, Elmer's glue, art erasers, exacta knives ◆ Rubbing plates <p>Materials, mostly ordered through the internet, are constantly replaced as they are used and there are many more not listed here. Please visit my website for a sampling of student artworks from past classes: http://picasaweb.google.com/artsea1946/Desktop#</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Art is a desire not a gift!</i></p>
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<p>Ballroom Dance</p> <p>Grades: 7-12 Time: 11:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Jeremiah King</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 6 Maximum: 20</p>	<p>In this course the student will be introduced to the basics of Ballroom, Latin, and Swing dance in their social forms. They will learn the basic figures (dance patterns) in the following dances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Ballroom--Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango ➤ Latin--Rumba, Cha-Cha, Salsa/Mambo ➤ Swing--Single-Time Swing, East Coast Swing/Triple Swing <p>The emphasis of the course is three-fold: <u>Etiquette</u>: Students will learn and practice how to physically and verbally interact with members of the opposite sex in a respectful, non-suggestive manner. <u>Physicality</u>: Students will spend as much class time as is possible, dancing and practicing. <u>Musical Knowledge</u>: Students will learn what kinds of music can be used for each dance. They will also learn the cultural and historical origins of the music and dance styles.</p> <p>Grading: This course may be used for physical education and/or fine arts credit or just for fun. Grades will be based 70% on attendance and class participation, 20% on completion of take home worksheets, and 10% on oral examination. The purchase of dance shoes is not required, but is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. They are available locally from The Dancers Shoppe on Papermill Rd.</p>
<p>Band Basics - Brass</p> <p>Grades: 5-9 Time: 8:00-9:00</p> <p>Instructor: Amy Kornegay</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials Fee: \$15 (includes class band method book <i>Standard of Excellence</i>)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 3* Maximum: 6</p> <p>*If minimum enrollment is not met, students will have the option of private lessons.</p>	<p>This class is for students who wish to learn to play the trumpet, French horn, trombone, or baritone in a small group setting. No previous music experience is necessary. This class is best suited for beginners. Students will learn basic music notation and theory, proper playing position, breath control, articulation, fingerings, and correct posture. Rental/Purchase of instrument, cleaning kit, and folding music stand are required. Beginning Band method book is included in the materials fee. At least 30 minutes a day of practice at home will be necessary to improve on the instrument. Band Basics classes will also fulfill the private lesson requirement for the first year of participation in Knoxville Christian Youth Bands, Knoxville's Premier Homeschool Band Program (see Mrs. Kornegay for more information on KCYB). Please contact Mrs. Kornegay BEFORE enrolling in Band Basics – students will need to be fitted for an instrument. (865) 385-3983 or amykornegay@yahoo.com.</p>
<p>Band Basics - Woodwinds</p> <p>Grades: 5-9 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Amy Kornegay</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials Fee: \$15 (includes class band method book <i>Standard of Excellence</i>)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 3* Maximum: 6</p> <p>*If minimum enrollment is not met, see above.</p>	<p>This class is for students who wish to learn to play the flute, clarinet, or saxophone in a small group setting. No previous music experience is necessary. This class is best suited for beginners. Students will learn basic music notation and theory, proper playing position, breath control, articulation, fingerings, and correct posture. Rental/Purchase of instrument, cleaning kit, and folding music stand are required. Beginning Band method book is included in the materials fee. At least 30 minutes a day of practice at home will be necessary to improve on the instrument. Band Basics classes will also fulfill the private lesson requirement for the first year of participation in Knoxville Christian Youth Bands, Knoxville's Premier Homeschool Band Program (see Mrs. Kornegay for more information on KCYB). Please contact Mrs. Kornegay BEFORE enrolling in Band Basics – students will need to be fitted for an instrument. (865) 385-3983 or amykornegay@yahoo.com.</p>
<p>Band Basics – Percussion</p> <p>Grades: 5-9 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Amy Kornegay</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials Fee: \$15 (incl class band method book <i>Standard of Excellence</i>)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 3* Maximum: 6</p> <p>*If min. enrollment is not met, students will be given the option of private lessons.</p>	<p>This class is for students who wish to learn to play the snare drum and orchestra bells in a small group setting. No previous music experience is necessary. This class is best suited for beginners. Students will learn basic music notation and theory, proper playing position, stickings and posture. Rental/Purchase of a drum kit, a bell kit, and folding music stand are required. Beginning Band method book is included in the materials fee. At least 30 minutes a day of practice at home will be necessary to improve on the instrument. Band Basics classes will also fulfill the private lesson requirement for the first year of participation in Knoxville Christian Youth Bands, Knoxville's Premier Homeschool Band Program. Please contact Mrs. Kornegay BEFORE enrolling in Band Basics – students will need to be fitted for an instrument. (865) 385-3983 or amykornegay@yahoo.com.</p>

<p>Biblical Holidays & History</p> <p>Grades: 3-6 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Staci Proctor</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Optional Text: <u>A Family Guide to the Biblical Holidays</u> by Robin Sampson & Linda Pierce</p>	<p>Did you know that the Biblical Holidays/Feasts in the Old Testament were given by God to ALL His people- not only the Jews, and are ALL, in fact, a complete foreshadow of our Messiah and what He would come to do for us? As Christians, learning about the Biblical Holidays makes for a captivating study, not only on the history of God's people, but also brings us to a MUCH greater understanding of who Christ really is, and what He did for us. Come and enjoy as we learn together using ALL of our senses to celebrate on God's calendar all the joy He has for His people. Taste and See that God is, indeed, good! We will be going through the year with <u>A Family Guide to the Biblical Holidays</u> by Robin Sampson and Linda Pierce with activities for all ages as we cover each Holiday in sequence and delve into the history of God's people. Planned activities will include: a shofar demonstration for Trumpets, building a Sukkah for Tabernacles and having a native Israeli Feast, Menorahs, dreidels and latkes for Hanukkah, a Purim party to celebrate Queen Esther, and a Christian Passover Seder in the spring..</p>
<p>Biology</p> <p>Grades: 9-11 Time: 8:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Jodie Moore</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$40 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 20</p> <p>Text: <u>Apologia Exploring Creation Through Biology</u>, 2nd edition</p>	<p>This course is a college prep course and is designed to be the first laboratory science course for the high school student. Material covered in this class includes the five kingdoms, with special emphasis on plants and animals, genetics, classification techniques, ecosystems, and cell structure. Labs include work with microscopes and dissection of four different specimens. Heavy emphasis on vocabulary terms. Material covered in class will be from several sources to cover the standards required for an AP level Biology course. This will include material that is available at an online website. Labs will be completed though they may not be the labs in the text. The work in this course is designed to help the student learn not only the basic Biology knowledge but also the basics of a science lab. This includes use of equipment and reasoning skills. Tests will be given at appropriate intervals including a midterm and a final.. These will be a combination of in class tests and tests taken at home. The at home tests are available in online format, the student will take the test online and get immediate feedback. Take home tests should be monitored by the parent and no book should be used. The Students should expect to spend 3-4 hours per week on homework.</p> <p>Materials: three ring binder, notebook paper, 5 divider tabs, colored pencils,</p>
<p>Bookworms</p> <p>Grades: K-2 Time: 12:30-1:30</p> <p>Instructor: Laura Croft</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 15</p>	<p>In this class we will be enjoying all kinds of books. We will read a different book each week, exploring fairy tales, fables, classics and more. We will be doing different activities to go along with the book are reading, based on the ideas of "Five in a Row." We will even make several types of books of our own! This is a hands-on class and does not require a certain reading level. The primary goal of this class is to make reading fun and get the children really excited about books. If your child has taken my literature class before, I would love to have them take again. We will be reading all new books!</p>

<p>Botany for Kids</p> <p>Grades: 3-7 Time: 8:00-9:00</p> <p>Instructor: Lisa Haskell</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: Included in Tuition</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Exploring Creation with Botany</u> by Jeannie K. Fulbright (I suggest that parents buy this text!)</p>	<p>A fun, hands-on study of botany with a creationist world view... Students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Create nature notebooks ● Grow plants from seeds, and grow “grass head” guys! ● Make a “comic book” story of the life of a flower ● Make plant pop-up books and 3-D books ● Build plant cell dioramas and “light huts”, “wormeries”, and mold gardens! ● Dissect seeds and plants ● Force bulbs to grow out of season ● Observe plants under a 3-D microscope ● Construct seed cast tiles and use them to make greeting cards ● Play games and dramatize plant processes ● Write lyrics and perform songs about photosynthesis and other plant processes in groups <p>Students learn all of the basics of botany. They will: observe the germination process; learn about pollination, pollinators, carnivorous plants, and molds; see how plants grow toward the light; measure transpiration; categorize foods by plant parts (leaf, stem, root); and lots more!</p>
<p>Brain Quest</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Beebe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 7 Maximum: 20</p>	<p>This class will challenge your students to s-t-r-e-t-c-h his/her thinking skills. Using a variety of methods, students will be encouraged to try new things each week. Occasional teamwork situations will be presented allowing students the opportunity to work with others. The following skills will be developed through this class: reasoning, logic, analysis, mathematical thinking, scientific thinking, prediction, observation, questioning, creativity, problem solving, strategic thinking, and effective communication. This enrichment class promises to be loads of fun for the students. It will also be unpredictable as students will walk into the class receiving new challenges each week. We will solve mysteries, build structures, explore basic logic, and figure out complex problems. Each week some students will evaluate their peers discerning proper approaches to the task given.</p> <p>No homework. Excellent class for students involved with competitions or needing opportunities to develop team-working skills. FUN!</p>
<p>Cantering the Country</p> <p>Grades: K-2 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Grades: 3-5 Time: 12:30-1:30 Instructor: Sondra Cofer</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Rand McNally Children's Illustrated Atlas of the United States</u></p>	<p>This class uses the <u>Cantering the Country</u> material by Geo Matters to explore the United States. Students will learn mapping skills and geography terminology then set off on a tour of our beautiful country. Along the way, we will learn the states, major cities, land forms, manmade landmarks, mountains, national and state parks, and how the states are different from each other. While exploring each state, we will learn about the culture and learn to do travel and vacation planning by mapping routes to various places of interest. A notebook will be compiled throughout our studies. Games, puzzles and fun projects will enhance learning. Join us as we canter the country.</p> <p>Requirements: 3 ring binder dedicated to this class, tabbed dividers, colored pencils and a good, colored student atlas of the US. (I recommend the Atlases sold by Geomatters.com, a Rand McNally Illustrated Atlas of the United States.)</p>

<p>Chemistry</p> <p>Grades: 10-12 Time: 8:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Niki Denton</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p> <p>Text: <u>Exploring Creation with Chemistry</u></p>	<p><u>A required course for graduation for students who started HS in year 2009 or after.</u> Students must complete roughly 150 hours of studying for 1 credit in HS. The students will receive 32 hours of instruction in class (including at least 16 hours of lab). However, this leaves many hours to be completed at home. Your students will be required to complete 20 questions (on average) in Chemistry per week and read a chapter every 2 weeks. Some tests will be given in class and some will be taken at home. I love to have fun, and I especially love having nerdy science fun, but this is a hard course any way you look at it. Be prepared!</p> <p>Semester 1: Focus on learning about matter, the structure of the atom, basic reactions and stoichiometry. Requires: high school reading and comprehension, Algebra 1, ability to understand word problems. Semester 2: Solutions, Acid/ Base Chemistry, Gas Laws, Molecular geometry. Requires: high school reading and comprehension, Algebra 1, ability to understand word problems. Passing grade in Semester 1 Chemistry.</p>
<p>Choir</p> <p>Grades: 6-12 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Emily McCoy</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 18</p>	<p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To give students the opportunity to experience the fun, joy, and fulfillment of participating in a choral ensemble! To expand the student's musical knowledge, including singing, repertoire, reading music, ear training, and general musicality. <p>Overview:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students will learn the basics of healthy singing, including proper breathing & technique. Students will learn the foundations of ensemble singing, to include; unison, homophonic, and polyphonic textures; attention to timbre, texture, melody, harmony, rhythm, dynamics, and form; listening to different voice parts; and blending as an ensemble. We will focus on preparation of music: reading, listening (identifying melody, harmony, and rhythm), interpretation of music and text (tempo, dynamics, etc.) and memorization. The choir will listen to and learn a variety of music, to include classical, sacred, contemporary worship/gospel, and non-sacred popular music.
<p>Christian Heroes of the Faith</p> <p>Grades: 2-5 Time: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Staci Proctor</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Did you know that in 16th century, the Bible was translated and smuggled into England by William Tyndale? Did you know that Sir Isaac Newton said, "Atheism is so senseless" and "The true God is a living, intelligent and powerful being"? Did you know that Pocahontas became a Christian, or that Betsy Ross was a Quaker, and that the star on the American flag was almost the Star of David? These fascinating facts from history and many more will be discovered as we explore the lives of famous heroes of the faith! I am so excited to be teaching this new HANDS-ON unit study-style approach to the biographies of Christian heroes! Students will choose from a suggested list of biographies that will be made available for each character that we study. We should cover a new character every 3-4 weeks beginning in the Fall with Renaissance/Reformation period and moving into Early American and mod-ern Christian heroes in the spring. Students will read biographies at home; class time will be spent discussing the interesting lives of these famous heroes of the faith and doing hands-on activities that will bring us to a greater understanding and appreciation of their time in history, their lives and contrib.-utions, and what makes them such interesting role models for us today. As Dr. James Dobson said, "...we are desperately in need of inspiring Christian models with which our young people can identify."</p>

<p>Cooking for Kids</p> <p>Grades: 4-8 Times for Boys: 1:30-2:30 Times for Girls: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Margaret Manneschmidt</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$27</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 12</p>	<p>Two gender separated classes for 4th-8th graders that will cover the same content. First Semester: Cooking basics aimed at getting the youngsters comfortable in the kitchen. Students will work in groups of 3 or 4 to prepare a dish, providing 2-3 different dishes to sample each week. Knife, oven, and microwave safety will be emphasized. By the end of the semester, some youngsters will be able to prepare a meal on their own while all should improve as kitchen helpers. Nutrition and meal planning included. Second Semester: The awesome variety of ways God gives to man to meet nutritional needs in different cultures. We will make dishes from different countries or cultures each week. Students' horizons will be broadened as they learn or review geography while continuing to practice and develop cooking skills. Homework: No written work. Because class time will be limited, I may sometimes ask you to view a YouTube link or provide other information via email to read with your child before class. This will keep you informed as to what is being covered in class and hopefully make the class run more efficiently allowing more time to be devoted to "doing." Note: class content will vary only slightly from year to year.</p>
<p>Craft-a-Mania</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Times: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Penelope Whaley</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$24</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>If you are crazy about crafts, this class is for you! There is no way to list all the things we will be doing so here are a few; kaleidoscopes, bird feeders, candle holders, aquarium diorama, bubble wrap surprise, snake soft sculptures, mosaics, rainsticks, full size portraits, photo puzzle, costume, paper mache, mobile, shoelaces, cup weaving, air dry clay, crayon scratchings, treasure chest, leather bracelet, pop up card, stamp stationary, pinwheels, mask, bead projects, flower pots, holiday theme crafts, fabric backpack, and to much, much more. I plan on finishing a project (sometimes two) a week.</p>
<p>Critical Thinking</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Times: 11:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Penelope Whaley</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$8</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Although this class is Enrichment you could use these hours to add toward other classes you are taking to help complete the required hours needed. In class our main text will be <u>Critical Thinking Book 1</u> from Critical Thinking Company, but you don't need to purchase the text. Some of the chapters are; <i>What is critical thinking?</i>, <i>When is it stupid to argue?</i>, <i>Is your thinking stuck in a rut?</i>, <i>Feelings associated with words</i>, <i>don't jump to conclusions</i>, <i>eyewitness and circumstantial evidence</i>, <i>common errors</i>, <i>circular reasoning</i>, <i>avoiding the question</i>, <i>faking a connection</i>, <i>propaganda</i>, <i>advertising schemes</i>, <i>looking at both sides of an issue</i> and more. The complete table of contents can be viewed at www.criticalthinking.com. Along the way we will work in a healthy dose of analogies, think a grams and think a minutes. In class we will have activities to accomplish a group and mini-debates/discussions or the students to discuss together under guidance to learn to express their point, reason, apply problem solving and learn to think critically. The goal of this class is to awaken their brain. Homework will be minimal. Example: developing an opinion for the next weeks discussion and 1-2 thinking worksheets a week.</p>
<p>Critters, Critters!</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 11:30-12:30 and 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Grades: 3-6 Time: 12:30-1:30</p> <p>Instructor: Lisa Haskell</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: Included in Monthly Tuition</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>A <u>hands-on</u> class! We'll explore the world of God's Creatures with the Knoxville Zoo and Ijams Nature Center bringing <u>live animals</u> for us to observe and learn! Students will participate in integrated, hands-on, thematic activities including: games, quality children's literature, creative writing, poetry, crafts, science experiments, cooperative learning, book making, and creative dramatics. We will explore mammals, amphibians, reptiles, birds, animal habitats, herpetology, ecosystems, camouflage, migration, and more! We will also have a visit from the <u>Knoxville K-9 Unit</u> with their dogs to learn how police dogs are trained and actually see some of the things they do! Also, there will be a visit from a guide dog and his trainer to tell us how dogs are used to help the blind! Students will have an opportunity to bring in some of their unusual pets to share with the class!</p>

<p>Drawing</p> <p>Grades: 6-12 Time: 12:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Douglas Kimball</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$35 Material Fees: Students will be required to provide basic materials - \$60-70 for the year. A list will be supplied on the first day of class.</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This is a drawing course designed specifically for high school and middle school students. It is a “hands-on” course in how to draw and how to appreciate drawings. Its main purpose is to open up the world of drawing to those who don’t believe they can draw, those who already love it, and everyone in between. The exercises in this course are designed to teach basic concepts: space, composition, media and design. They will help lead the student in how to observe and translate the world around them. Students will have an opportunity to try a variety of drawing mediums and be encouraged to use their imaginations and express their own personalities. They will not only develop skills that are foundational for all other visual arts, but become an appreciative and knowledgeable art audience.</p>
<p>Exploring Math</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Times: 11:30-12:30</p> <p>Instructor: Jana Caywood</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 12</p>	<p>The students will be introduced to a variety of math skills such as pattern recognition, classification, place value, math facts and much more. The students will improve their math skills through a variety of hands on activities like group work, manipulatives, exploration, and games. This class will be an enrichment class to support any math program at home. If you are not sure of your child’s placement please don’t hesitate to ask.</p>
<p>Fencing</p> <p>Grades: 5-12 (age 11+) Time: 8:00-9:00 Instructor: John Farmer</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$40 Material Fees: \$36 (first semester <u>new students</u> only)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Taught as a 2 semester sequence with returning students serving as mentors for first year students (in addition to studying advanced topics). Students will learn the basic movements and tactical actions of foil fencing, as well as learning how to referee. Students will learn to warmup and prepare themselves physically for fencing. Students should dress as for gym activities, bringing a clean shirt, etc. to change into afterwards is recommended.</p>
<p>Food Science</p> <p>Grades: 5-8 Time: 8:00-9:00</p> <p>Instructor: Joan Ham</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>If you’re a fan of Alton Brown, you’ll love this class. Each week, there will be hands-on demonstrations, experiments, video clips, and activities in the classroom to teach middle schoolers about the chemistry of food. We’ll be answering questions like why do fruits turn brown when we cut them? Why does bread turn brown when we toast it? Why does milk curdle? How does fermentation work? And why do eggs solidify when we heat them? We’ll also learn about the four basic food molecules: water, fats, carbohydrates, and proteins. Students will be expected to do a little homework (worksheets, small cooking activities, etc.) every other week.</p>

<p>Forensic Science</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 2:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Becky Bowman</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$38 Materials Fee: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This is a high school science lab course. Both public and private schools have embraced forensic science as another science course that students find both challenging and interesting. Currently, there are over 10,000 forensic science teachers in the country. This course was developed with the assistance of Dr. Art Bohanan, longtime friend and colleague of Dr. Bill Bass. Dr. Bohanan helped to develop the famous National Forensic Academy at the University of Tennessee and is known throughout the world for developing revolutionary fingerprinting techniques. Topics covered include the science of crime scene processing and investigating, evidence analysis, blood trajectory, and forensic psychology. We have several labs each year. In the past, guest speakers have included an FBI agent who is the Special Agent in Charge of Mass Weapons, Knox County Homicide Detective Tom Walker who is the specialist in gangs in Tennessee, and field trips when possible. Homework averages 2 - 4 hours per week. Each year culminates with a realistic mock crime scene where students demonstrate the skills they have learned throughout the year. This course is as realistic as possible without being too graphic. <i>No book is required for the course. Students will need to gather common household items for a crime scene kit.</i> <u>Umbrella school info, homework assignments, and more course info may be found at www.usaschool.us</u></p>
<p>Geometry</p> <p>Grades: 10-12 Time: 10:00 -12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Marilyn Corwin</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$5</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Geometry: Seeing, Doing, Understanding, 3rd ed.</u> by Harold Jacobs. (Student book only)</p>	<p>Why geometry? A dedicated geometry course goes beyond lines, shapes and angles. It teaches geometric proofs, both by induction and by contradiction, which take a student from the hypothetical to a conclusion. It causes a student to think very clearly and express oneself very precisely – skills that students need in almost aspect of life. This is a basic high school geometry course with homework and tests. The student should expect to spend 1 to 2 hours each day. The textbook, Geometry: Seeing, Doing, and Understanding (3rd ed.) by Harold R. Jacobs, is listed in Cathy Duffy's Top 100 Picks for Homeschool Curriculum. It includes algebra reviews and SAT problems. Another reason? It's fun! Pre-requisite: Algebra I</p>
<p>Girls' Crafts</p> <p>Grades: 4-8 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Blair Prince</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 7 Maximum: 15</p>	<p>Creating useful and beautiful things with your own hands is not only fun, it also builds a sense of accomplishment and the confidence to bring creativity into all areas of your life. In this class we will enjoy making a wide variety of projects including necklace holders, cute magnets, kaleidoscopes, paper flowers, homemade stationery, and cool jewelry. We will also learn the fine art of napkin folding and discover the simple skills of impressive cake decorating. Then at Christmas time we will be making beautiful keepsake ornaments and scarves for the homeless. Come enjoy the fun of making things for your room, gifts to give, things to wear, and much, much more... Come enjoy the fun with the girls!</p>

<p>The Great Wars</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Gene Akers</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p>	<p>War has helped structure the whole of human history and featured its greatest triumphs and greatest tragedies and underlying all of it is the need for all living creatures to survive. We will examine how war forged the spread of human settlement, from the first tribal areas to the first cities and, finally, the first great empires. Our study will encompass the complete spectrum of war—from ancient battles to 21st. century conflicts. We will chart the key events of the various wars that have shaped the world as we know it today. Our studies will include the great commanders: Cyrus the Great, Leonidas, Alexander, Hannibal, Washington, Napoleon, Nelson, Grant, Pershing, Macarthur, Rommel, Eisenhower, etc. Over the centuries the methods of war have changed beyond recognition, but the reasons for war remain the same—desire for territory and recourses, ideology and strategic disputes. Our study will attempt to link the legacy of the world’s military past to the world we live in today and will include detailed map study, battlefield strategy, battle re-enactments and small-group projects. Text and reading assignments will be taken from several internet sources. The course can be taken for high school credit.</p>
<p>Guitar Private Lessons</p> <p>Grades: any Time: 1:30-4:00</p> <p>Instructor: Andrew McCoy</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$60 Material Fees: \$0</p>	<p>Lessons must be scheduled directly with Instructor:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Andrew McCoy mccoymusicstudio@gmail.com</p> <p>Please read Andrew's experience and background in his teacher's bio. Payment should be made through Thursday Connection with other class payments.</p>
<p>Hands On Human Body</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 12:30-1:30</p> <p>Grades: 4-6 Time: 11:30-12:30</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Beebe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 7 Maximum: 25</p> <p>Text: <u>God's Design for Life: The Human Body</u> (God's Design Series) by Debbie Lawrence (required for 4th-6th grade class)</p>	<p>Enjoy a very hands-on learning experience as we learn about organs of the body, the different body systems, and amazing facts about the human body! This will all be done in a very fun and memorable way! We will work during the year to “build” a life-size model of each student’s body including all of the major organs. Fun, creative, engaging activities will fortify the student’s reading at home. Additionally, everything will be taught with the understanding that God is the master designer of our amazing bodies! A detailed syllabus will be provided for you to follow along at home with the book. (I enjoy the Exploring Creation series as a read-aloud with my own children!) There will be optional homework opportunities provided to increase exposure to the different areas of the body. During the year we will do the following: build a fully functioning digestive system, use water to understand the heart muscle, soak teeth in various sodas to see how it affects them, have “bone races” after learning a song with 59 bone names, wear a “labeled brain” on our heads, perform short skits to understand the function of the different parts of blood, blow up balloons to demonstrate aspects of our respiratory system, measure out our small and large intestines with rope, and view true medical and dental models of our subject matter. Educational games will be sprinkled throughout the year to fortify comprehension. Special medical guest speakers will share with the class during the year. We will enjoy a Human Body Party at the end of each semester sampling fake brain jello, eyeballs, intestines, etc... (Yum!) !)</p> <p>K-3: Because of the age of these children, reading from the text is optional, but reading aloud to them is highly recommended. Everyone will have one show-n-tell day each semester to share something they have learned about the amazing human body.</p> <p>4-6: All students will be asked to do a class presentation each semester with at least one visual aid. Topics and dates of presentations will be assigned.</p>

<p>Hands-On Science</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Lisa Haskell</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$22 Material Fees: All materials and guest speaker fees included in tuition.</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Science has never been <u>so fun</u>! Watch science become your student's favorite subject as it comes alive in the most exciting ways!! Topics covered include: matter, magnets, molecules, mixtures, density, water, air, weather, and rocks. Guest speakers from the American Museum of Science and Energy and Ijams Nature Center will be coming! We will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Make "metamorphic" pancakes as we learn about how rocks are formed! ➤ Create our own fossils in our studies about sedimentary rocks! ➤ Form density towers as we see how density affects objects. ➤ Do the "molecule dance" as we recreate the movements of molecules in different temperatures! ➤ Work in groups to do hands-on experiments! ➤ Make homemade ice cream and slushies as we discover how matter changes! ➤ Recreate an indoor rainstorm during our weather unit!
<p>Hands-On Science</p> <p>Grades: 3-6 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Lisa Haskell</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$22 Material Fees: All materials and guest speaker fees included in tuition.</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Science has never been <u>so fun</u>! Watch science become your student's favorite subject as it comes alive in the most exciting ways!! Topics covered include: sound, cells, and balance in nature, energy transformation, motion, and creation vs. evolution (from a Biblical worldview). This is a hands-on class. Half of the class will be instructional time while the second half will be spent working cooperatively in groups performing tasks and/or experiments, dramatizing scientific processes, or completing creative projects. Guest speakers from the American Museum of Science and Energy and Ijams Nature Center will be coming! Activities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Working with buddies to give a "television news report" on a critical scientific break. through. ➤ Creating various types of books, posters, and 3-D projects revealing new information learned! ➤ Acting out (with costumes!) how cells are formed! And lots more!!
<p>Interactive Science for Inquiring Minds! Part B</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Jodie Moore</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 20 Text: <u>Interactive Science for Inquiring Minds</u> text B, Practical book and workbook. All can be ordered in a group order with the teacher for \$40</p>	<p>Scientific reasoning is a vital skill. Science knowledge is important but being able to think and reason with that knowledge is necessary for success in upper level science. ACT tests do not test knowledge, they test scientific reasoning. This course is a textbook science for those in grades 6-8 that takes scientific knowledge and teaches the student to reason through the scientific process. This text uses the Inquiry approach. With the inquiry approach and interactive nature, students will be motivated and they will accept that science is relevant and interesting. The book also challenges students to think creatively and critically. The text is part of the Singapore curriculum. Why Singapore? This country is top in the world in both math and science. If we want to be the top, then we can learn from how they teach their children. We will cover topics as follows: Energy, Light, electricity, photosynthesis, force and pressure, momentum, work, heat, chemical changes, and ecosystems. <i>This class is not the same class that was taught last year. It is part B though part A <u>does not</u> need to be completed before you take part B.</i></p>
<p>Instrumental Music Private Lessons</p> <p>Grades: 5-12 Times: 11:00am, 12:30pm, 1:00pm Instructor: Amy Kornegay</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$60 Materials Fee: \$0 (Purchase of appropriate etude book and a solo or song book will be the responsibility of the student)</p>	<p>Private lessons are available on flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, baritone, and snare drum/bells at the Beginning-Intermediate Level and French horn at the Beginning-Advanced Level. Lessons are 30 minutes in length. Private lessons are appropriate if you prefer your child to have a one-on-one music lesson, which may allow your child to progress quicker on his or her instrument. Students will learn or improve upon knowledge of music notation and theory, proper playing position, breath control, articulation, fingerings/stickings, and posture. Rental/Purchase of instrument, cleaning kit, and folding music stand are required. At least 30 minutes a day of practice at home will be necessary to improve on the instrument. Please contact Mrs. Kornegay BEFORE enrolling in private lessons. (865) 385-3983 or amykornegay@yahoo.com.</p>

<p>Jazzercise</p> <p>Mon-Fri 9:10am Monday 5:00 pm T,W,Th 4:30,& 5:55pm Saturday 9:00am Sunday 3:00pm Instructor: Kim McCurry</p>	<p>There are no contracts and you can try us for a week FREE!!! Babysitting is also available @ NO CHARGE in all classes except the weekend.</p>	<p>You may be asking yourself what is Jazzercise? Jazzercise is aerobics set to dance. It has been around for 38 years and is still going strong. It is for all ages, sizes and fitness levels and can be tailored to your ability. All you need is some water, comfortable clothes to move in, and a mat or beach towel. We incorporate strength training in all of our classes. Our cardiovascular segment is at your level, meaning high or low impact. If you are willing to meet new people, get your heart healthy, tone your body, work out your stress, make new friends and become a part an extended family, then Jazzercise is the place to be! Visit us @ our web site jazzerkim.com or contact Kim McCurry 690-1601 for more information and scheduling.</p>
<p>Jonathan Park Science</p> <p>Grades: 4-8 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Jodie Moore</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 20 Text: None but if you would like to have the stories at home we will use <i>Jonathan Park The Adventure Begins, No Looking Back, and The Winds of Change</i></p>	<p>Adventure! Dinosaurs! While running from a storm, Jonathan and his father collide with the Brenan family as they seek shelter in a hidden cave. After discovering a massive dinosaur graveyard, these two families combine forces to build a Creation Science Museum to spread the message of the Creator! In class we will listen to an adventure, about 15 minutes, and then we will investigate the concepts presented. We will make fossils, learn about layers of the earth, the truth of the Ice age, great scientists, evolution vs creation, sound, light, and more. This course will be taught from a totally Biblical perspective and the students will come out with the truth of Scripture and some very strong scientific concepts. Adventure will lead us on a great journey!</p> <p>Materials: notebook, paper, Bible (NIV will be used in class) pen or pencil</p>
<p>Lapbooking</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Penelope Whaley</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Lapbooks are a portfolio of mini-books, flaps, folded materials, graphs, diagrams, facts and drawings on a topic displayed creatively on an interactive folder that can fit in your lap. There is a lot of cutting and gluing involved. The bulk of the informational text will be pre-typed but from time to time some writing will be necessary. Topics covered will cover the core subject spectrum including history (Presidents, Tennessee State, Columbus), Science (5 Senses, astronauts, animals), Health (Fire Safety, First Aid), Literature Based (Hungry Caterpillar), Basic Math (Time, Calendar, Money), Phonics (Vowel sounds, blends), Holidays, and much more. I know their attention span is shorter so we will focus on finishing units within 1-2 weeks to keep it fresh and exciting.</p>
<p>Lapbooking Through American History</p> <p>Grades: 3-5 Time: 10:00-11:00 Instructor: Penelope Whaley</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Lapbooks are a portfolio of mini-books, flaps, folded materials, graphs, diagrams, facts and drawings on a topic displayed creatively on an interactive folder that can fit in your lap. There is a lot of cutting, gluing and writing involved. It is a very hands on approach to learning American History, since as we cover each time period in class that section of the lapbook is made. Upon completion the student will have a complete American History text that they have made. We are going to start with the Early Explorers, 13 Colonies, Pioneers, Founding/Government, Presidents, States, Civil War, Expansion, Industrial Revolution, and much more. Working our way through American History we will spend 2-4 weeks on each time period. Homework is minimal - roughly 3-5 questions a week to locate the answer and share the information with the class, mainly on historical people.</p>

<p>Latin for Middle Schoolers</p> <p>Grades: 5-7 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Shelly Powers</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$5</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10</p> <p>Text: <u>The Big Book of Lively Latin</u> (cost: \$30 for Big Book 1 classroom online for one year with the ability to download and print lessons, listen to audio files, and watch lessons.)</p>	<p>Latin is not a dead language! 60% of English is derived from this amazing language! This moderately-paced creative class will give your middle schooler a head start in learning Latin, preparing to learn any romance language (Spanish, French, Romanian, Portuguese, Italian), and strengthening English grammar and vocabulary skills at the same time. We will also study Roman history and famous works of art dealing with Roman history. On-line material allows access to games, videos, flash cards, and pronunciation tutorials. Homework should take 1.5-2 hours per week, with additional time when a one-time Roman history report is due. Visit www.livelylatin.com to see examples of this curriculum. <i>Enrichment only.</i></p>
<p>Latin I for HS</p> <p>Grades: 8-12 Time: 12:00-2:30 (includes 30 minute lunch)</p> <p>Instructor: Shelly Powers</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Material Fees: \$5</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p> <p>Text: <u>The Latin Road to English Grammar, Vol. 1</u>, "LRTEG Comprehensive Reference Guide", and Vol. 1 CD by Barbara Beers</p>	<p>Latin is not a dead language! 60% of English is derived from this amazing language! This intensive 2-hour course for 8th-12th graders will teach your high-schooler Latin and will prepare him/her to learn any romance language (Spanish, French, Romanian, Portuguese, Italian) while strengthening English grammar and vocabulary skills. Latin language emphasis will be on noun cases and declensions, verb conjugation, syntax, derivatives, verb tenses, prepositions, adjectives, dictionary study, prefixes, and suffixes. The program utilizes word studies from scripture, history, and patriotic and Christmas songs. We will also include root studies from English From the Roots Up when class time permits. This is a notebook-driven approach, so each student will need a 2" notebook with 11 dividers and notebook paper. Pre-requisite: Basic knowledge of English grammar (subject, verb, direct and indirect object, noun, adjective, preposition). 9th-12th graders can use this class for one language credit of the two required in high school if followed by Latin 2. Homework time: 1 hour per day</p>
<p>Legos Science: Simple Machines</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Marsh</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Materials fee: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This is an introductory level enrichment class using Legos to teach the principles of simple machines. We will be covering the topics of gears, levers, pulleys, and wheels and axles. Each child will work with a partner building with Legos to reinforce the concepts studied in class. 100% hands on class. 10% homework assignments. We will also be studying inventors in the area of simple machines. If your child can focus on age appropriate tasks, follow simple instructions, work with a partner, and if they love Legos....this is a class for them. We also use David Macaulay's book <u>The Way Things Work</u> (purchase not required).</p>
<p>Legos: Advanced II: Pneumatics, Renewable Energy, Simple Machines & Bridges</p> <p>Grades: 3-7 Time: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Marsh</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Materials fee: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>We will be using motorized Lego kits to study in-depth topics like pneumatics, which is the study of movement with air or gases, renewable energy, bridges, cams, and other related topics. Your students will explore power systems and components, sequence and control, pressure, prototyping, kinetic and potential energy. Students will also explore renewable energy sources and investigate energy supply. We will study structure in relation to various types of bridges. And the study of simple machines will be covered. Each child will be working with a partner or group to accomplish building projects with Legos to facilitate their understanding of the topics being studied.</p>

<p>Mad Chemistry</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 11:00-12:00 Instructor: Cynthia Denton</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p>	<p>This is a slightly academic course. We will study the basics of chemistry, matter, atoms, and the different types of reactions. We will do a lab every week and learn the ever popular atom song. Students will be required to take some quizzes and tests in class. This is a <u>very</u> fun class with lots of bang and boom! Come prepared to learn a lot ... and stand in awe of our Creator who gave order and structure to everything around us!</p>
<p>Marine Biology</p> <p>Grades: 6-9 Time: 12:30-1:30 Instructor: Cynthia Denton</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p>	<p>Come explore the oceans with me!!! We will study the unique properties of ocean water and waves, the beauty and complexity of the organisms dwelling in the ocean, and the different marine environments and the unique organisms in each. We will spend time understanding our unique God given role as a steward of the ocean and what that means for us individually. We will do several dissections, use microscopes, and take quizzes and tests. We will take at least one field trip to an aquarium with a guided tour. Quite possibly we will be able to go to an "beach field trip" over spring break!</p>
<p>Marine Biology (High School)</p> <p>Grades: 10-12 Time: 1:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Cynthia Denton</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p> <p>Text: Apologia, <u>Exploring Creation with Marine Biology.</u></p>	<p>As a bona fide Science Nerd I am very excited to teach this class! We will be doing several dissections, watching some video clips... and fingers crossed... possibly going on a "ocean field trip" over spring break. We will also be visiting a local aquarium and taking a guided tour.</p> <p>Semester 1: Modules #1 -8: Covering ocean water science, ocean dwelling invertebrates, vertebrates, and marine ecology.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires: High school level reading and comprehension, and rudimentary algebra skills. <p>Semester 2: Modules #9 – 16: Covering the different types of marine ecosystems, the resources found in the ocean, and Ocean stewardship.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Requires: High school level reading and comprehension, and rudimentary algebra skills. <p>Counts as a third lab course required for graduation for students entering high school in the year 2009.</p>
<p>Math Counts for Science</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Jodie Moore</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 20</p>	<p>As students move into middle and high school, math becomes an important part of science. The integration of math skills into science can be a confusing one. This class will focus on using math skills to figure out the questions of science, a skill that will be VERY valuable to the student. We will do fun and exciting experiments, learn to graph our results, learn to apply and calculate formulas, area, volume, and perimeter. Many pre-algebra skills and some beginning algebra skills will be covered. We will cover concepts from Biology, Chemistry, Physics, statistics, and more! This class will be a GREAT addition to any math and science program used at home. Real life situations and scientific problems will be worked out as we grow our love of math and science. Mrs. Moore and Mrs. Denton are both excited about the value of this class to their future science students! Students should have a basic knowledge of 5th grade math skills. Struggling math students will find this class valuable because they will see why they need to learn the material. Those gifted math students will love the challenge of figuring out WHY they need this math.</p>

<p>Math Essentials</p> <p>Grades: 4-6 Times: 12:30-1:30 9:00-10:00 Instructor: Jana Caywood</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 12</p>	<p>This class will use a variety of manipulatives to enhance basic math skills. We will use base 10 blocks to gain a better understanding of decimals; Cuisenaire rods to explore fraction concepts; attribute blocks to enhance logical thinking skills. We will exercise these concepts with additional hands on experiments and maybe a few games. We will cover fractions, decimals, percents, and whole numbers just to name a few. This is an enrichment class to help strengthen the math program being used at home. I want the students to enjoy math as much as I do. I also want them to have a deeper understanding of the concepts. I plan to keep it self-contained, but occasionally there might be something for them to do at home. If you are unsure of your child's placement please don't hesitate to ask.</p>
<p>Music Appreciation and Theory</p> <p>Grades: 7-12 Time: 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Emily McCoy</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10</p>	<p>This course covers the basics of Music Theory, including reading notes on the staff (and orienting them to the keyboard), clefs, major scales and key signatures, intervals, triads and inversions, basic chord analysis, and lead sheet symbols. We will also cover basic rhythm and meter. As we study these elements of reading & writing music, we will also incorporate ear training and music appreciation listening examples. Commentary on historical context spanning from Ancient Music/Gregorian Chant, Medieval, Baroque, Classical, Romantic, through 20th Century periods will be included, as well as discussion of popular musical styles (including, but not limited to, rock, jazz, country, and Contemporary Christian). The class will help the student to become an educated music listener, and hopefully awaken an interest in music performance. Students will leave the class with a fundamental understanding of music on a written page or lead sheet, be able to do simple musical notation, & hear pitch, intervals & harmony. No prior musical knowledge is required. The course fulfills the requirements for one high school fine arts credit with the completion of homework and listening assignments during the week. Successful completion of this course will prepare and equip a student to pass the music theory fundamentals entrance exam at most universities.</p>
<p>Native Americans - Pocket Studies</p> <p>Grades: 1-3 Time: 11:30-12:30 Instructor: Ginger Bethmann</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This is an exciting, hands-on unit study on eight Native American tribes. Some of the tribes you may be familiar with; some may be new. They are Inuit, Tlingit, Nez Perce, Maidu, Sioux, Navajo, Iroquois, and the Seminoles. With the study of each tribe, the student will make a pocket folder that holds all materials, activities, crafts made by the student. At the end of studying each tribe, I will send home the completed pocket so you can put it together to make a notebook showing all their work. At the end of the year, you will have all the activities done by your child in one notebook. I love pocket studies. They are a perfect way to keep all activities together and see their progress and document a year-long study in history. There is a lot of cutting, gluing, writing, etc in the class. If you have a younger child that would like to take this class, you can talk to me. Younger students need to be proficient in these skills.</p>
<p>Nutrition and Wellness</p> <p>Grades: 7-12 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Joan Ham</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This class will count as the TN state requirement for Wellness. Each week, there be will hands-on demonstrations, activities, and in-class discussions. Students are expected to complete weekly homework assignments. We'll cover proteins, simple & complex carbohydrates, fats (trans, saturated, unsaturated), vitamins & minerals, antioxidants, eating disorders, junk food vs. junk diets, real food vs. industrial food, food safety, and aerobic vs. anaerobic exercise. Along the way, I'll include some history of medicine, such as the 1753 experiments of James Lind that led to the British Navy giving daily rations of lemon juice to sailors to prevent scurvy, thus the nickname "limey".</p>

<p>Photography</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 12:00-1:00</p> <p>Instructor: Joan Smith</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 8</p> <p>Text: <u>Focus on Photography</u>, ISBN #0871927217</p>	<p>Students will learn about photography through lectures illustrated with slide shows. Out-of-class photo-taking assignments will allow students to practice what they have learned. Topics to be covered include: how cameras work, types of cameras and lenses, using shutter speed and apertures for correct exposure and effect, composition, and other techniques to create an aesthetically pleasing picture, depth of field, lighting techniques, the history of photography, and a very basic intro to enhancing images with Photoshop. Students will learn techniques for portrait, architectural, and landscape photography, photojournalism and more. Average time spent on homework is a maximum of 30 minutes per day, or 1-2 hours per week. A camera is required. The monthly tuition includes all materials fees and also covers 1 to 2 matted enlargements for entry in the TN Valley Fair Photography Contest. Examples of previous students' photos and homework assignments are online at http://mmphoto.webs.com.</p>
<p>Physical Education</p> <p>K-3: 10:00 and 1:30 4-6: 12:30 and 2:30 7-12: 3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Ginger Bethmann</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Physical/aerobic exercise and activities while learning new games, team sports and team work. This class will work best when grade requirements are followed because of differences in the physical maturity of children. If, however, the time periods do not fit your child's schedule, I am willing to see if, physically, they could move to a different grade level. Lots of fun!!</p>
<p>Physics</p> <p>Grades: 11-12 Time: 10:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Jodie Moore</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$40 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Min: 5 Max: 20</p> <p>Text: <u>Physics Matters</u> (Singapore), practical book and workbook. All texts can be ordered from teacher for \$60.</p>	<p>Physics! Yikes! That is only for the brainy students, right? No! This is a great course for those who wonder why we learn all that algebra. Physics is the "why" of Math. This course will be challenging but is a great course for all high school students who have completed algebra 2. Those taking algebra 2 currently can complete the course as well. This course is designed to be a college prep science course. It will include a lab component.</p> <p>Materials: three ring binder, notebook paper, scientific calculator</p>
<p>Prairie Primer Little House Unit Study</p> <p>Grades: 3-6 Time: 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Laura Croft</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$20</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5 Maximum: 15</p>	<p>No other stories have captured the heart like the Little House on the Prairie series. We will use these books as a basis for cross curriculum studies of literature, science, art, creative writing, cooking, history vocabulary and art. Students and/or Parents will provide and read books at home beginning with, Little House in the Big Woods. Typical class will be spent on discussion and age- appropriate activities. A list of optional home projects will be provided and students will have an opportunity to share these in class. A few special guests are even planned!</p>
<p>Pre Algebra</p> <p>Grades: 7-8 Time: 12:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Marilyn Corwin</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$5</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Pre-Algebra</u> by Prentice Hall (2007). ISBN 013-1339958</p>	<p>Will your student be ready for high school math?? This course is designed to build a solid foundation for higher-level math courses, to fill in any gaps in basic math ability and to prepare your student for the exciting adventure of abstract algebra and geometry. Prentice Hall Pre-Algebra is a colorful, easy to read text with plenty of visual examples and hands-on activities. In addition to review exercises, each lesson contains a section called "Test-Prep" to help prepare the student for end-of-year standardized tests. An in-text Skills Handbook provides instruction for all basic skills. Each student will have access to a free online video tutor if additional instruction is desired. This is an academic class with assigned homework. The student should plan to spend about an hour each day on homework.</p>

<p>Pre-Calculus</p> <p>Grades: 11-12 Time: 8:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Michael Ham</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$40 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: To be determined.</p>	<p>This class will be excellent preparation for calculus. It will review concepts learned in Algebra 2 and enhance the students understanding of those topics and will also cover trigonometry concepts in depth. Students will also learn how to make good use of a graphing calculator for advanced math problems. There will be some take home tests (about 1 every 2-3 weeks) and quizzes. The teacher will grade the tests, quizzes, and corrections, but the daily assignments are to be graded by the parent at home. A mastery approach is utilized which involves having the student go back over missed problems and reworking them to do them correctly.</p> <p>Supplies: TI83 or TI84 calculator, binder, 4 dividers, paper & graph paper</p>
<p>Psychology</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Cheryl Blanchard</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Homeschool Psych</u> text and student workbook. Order from homeschoolpsych or ChristianBook.com</p>	<p>This course is designed to prepare the home schooled student for the challenges of taking Psychology 101 in college. We will learn about the relevance of psychology in today's world and how it shapes our worldview. Human development, the nervous system, intelligence, famous psychologists, conditioning, emotions, mental disorders, The DSM, various forms of therapy and more are covered. Fun experiments/activities will be done to learn how the psychology students are learning plays out in real life. NOTE: This class will be taught from a Christian perspective. Cheryl Blanchard has a Bachelor's degree in psychology and a Masters in Social Work and was previously a licensed family counselor. Info on this course may be found at www.homeschoolpsych.com.</p>
<p>Recorder Karate</p> <p>Grades: 3-5 Time: 11:30-12:30 Instructor: Amy Kornegay</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials Fee: \$20 (includes Recorder Karate workbook and one recorder)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This class provides a foundation for music appreciation that will last throughout your child's life. Students will learn basics of music notation and theory, proper recorder playing position, breath control, articulation, and fingerings on the recorder in a fun atmosphere. This is a great class if your child is considering learning a band instrument in the future or if they just want the experience of making music with others. Students progress through a series of songs in their Recorder Karate workbook and can earn colored "belts" for their recorder when they master each level.</p>

<p>Shurley English Grammar 3</p> <p>Grades: 2-3 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Beebe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 7 Maximum: 22</p> <p>Required Text: <u>Shurley English Homeschool Workbook Level 3</u> by Brenda Shurley AND <u>Shurley English Homeschool Practice Booklet</u> by Brenda Shurley Level 3 Optional Materials – Shurley English Introductory CD and Practice CD with Question and Answer Flow.</p>	<p>This English class will take your student through an intensive year of English combining grammar and writing skills. Students will learn grammar terms and keys for labeling sentences through the Shurley Grammar technique. Once the student learns this method, English becomes a FUN subject! We will learn English Rules set to music and memorize all 49 prepositions and 23 helping verbs in a "jingle!" Your child will understand the eight basic parts of speech, subject/verb agreement, and the four types of sentences. They will grasp various punctuation and capitalization rules, and begin editing the written word. A developed understanding of English grammar increases a child's ability to write well and gives them a 'jump ahead' when attempting to master a foreign language. Weekly vocabulary words will expand student's command of the English language. Both workbooks will be utilized for weekly homework assignments. Students will enjoy playing the educational games and having the opportunity to share their writing assignments orally with the class. Writing assignments progress from expository and persuasive paragraphs toward 3-5 paragraph essays. Poetry, silly limericks, friendly letters, and other creative assignments will be given. Although much will be expected of the students, I will expect them to rise to their ability as they receive encouragement for the areas where they are excelling! We will consolidate an impressive writing notebook containing their writing assignments. You will be encouraged to see their progression throughout the year! Weekly e-mails and a detailed syllabus will keep you informed. If students complete assignments, they should not need a supplemental English curriculum. This class will cover what they will need!</p>
<p>Shurley English Grammar 5</p> <p>Grades: 4-5 Time: 1:30-2:30</p> <p>Instructor: Robin Beebe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 7 Maximum: 22</p> <p>Required Text: <u>Shurley English Homeschool Workbook Level 5</u> by Brenda Shurley AND <u>Shurley English Homeschool Practice Booklet</u> by Brenda Shurley Level 5 Optional Materials – Shurley English Introductory CD and Practice CD with Question and Answer Flow. Teacher Manual</p>	<p>This English class will take your student through an intensive year of English combining grammar and writing skills. Students will fortify grammar skills through the Shurley Grammar technique. Once the student learns this method, English becomes a FUN subject! We will learn English Rules set to music and memorize all 49 prepositions and 23 helping verbs in a "jingle!" Your child will understand all four basic sentence structures, seven types of sentence patterns, predicate nouns, direct objects, indirect objects, complete verb phrases, verb-intransitive, verb-transitive, possessive nouns/pronouns, irregular verb tenses, comma splices, nouns in the nominative and subjective case, subordinate conjunctions, compound subjects and predicates, quotation rules, personal pronouns and their antecedents, etc. Weekly vocabulary words will expand student's command of the English language. A developed understanding of English grammar increases a child's ability to write well and gives them a 'jump ahead' when attempting to master a foreign language. Weekly vocabulary words will challenge students to develop an intelligent mental thesaurus resource. Both workbooks will be utilized for weekly homework assignments. Expository, persuasive, descriptive and narrative writing will all be briefly covered. Poetry, silly limericks, friendly letters, business letters, and other creative assignments will also be given. Although much will be expected of the students, I will expect them to rise to their ability as they receive encouragement for the areas where they are excelling! We will consolidate an impressive writing notebook containing their writing assignments. Weekly e-mails and a detailed syllabus will keep you informed. If students complete assignments, they should not need a supplemental English curriculum.</p>

<p>Spanish I Grades: K-4 Time: 10:00-11:00 Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$16 Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>The children will be immersed in Spanish through games and songs typical of the instructor's native country, video clips in Spanish, art projects, as well as other very fun activities. Themes are new each semester. You will get vocabulary sheets with activity suggestions which you can do at home if you want to incorporate Spanish into your curriculum. You don't speak Spanish but still want to incorporate it? Talk to me, I have solutions for this as well. <i>Enrichment only.</i></p>
<p>Spanish II Grades: K-4 Time: 12:30-1:30 Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$16 Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Children in Spanish II will continue to work on new vocabulary but will also work on answering questions in Spanish in complete sentences using new vocabulary learned. They will learn to modify the sentences so they can give different answers to the same questions. The conversation questions the students learned to answer in Spanish I will be used to have mini conversations with classmates. Numbers, colors, weather, commands, shapes and body parts will continue to be reviewed, as well as other things learned in Spanish I. Immersion at this level still occurs through games & songs typical of the instructor's native country, video clips in Spanish, art projects, & other fun activities but also through the teacher's complete use of Spanish by the second semester. Students will be encouraged to use only Spanish as well. Prerequisite: Spanish I K-4th <i>Enrichment only.</i></p>
<p>Spanish I Grades: 4-8 Time: 1:30-2:30 Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$10 Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Immersion in older children's programs occurs through conversation with the instructor and classmates, active involvement in games, music in Spanish, video clips in Spanish, as well as, other very fun activities. Students will learn to use the new vocabulary in modeled sentences which they will then learn to modify so they can answer different things. They will also learn basic conversation questions and answers so they can start conversing with their classmates in Spanish right away. Spanish grammar is introduced in this class and continued throughout the year. The amount done depends on the dynamics of the group. Students are expected to take notes in this class. Vocabulary themes are new each semester. <i>Enrichment Only.</i></p>
<p>Spanish II Grades: 4-8 Time: 11:00-12:00 Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$10 Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Immersion at this level also occurs through conversation with the instructor and classmates, active involvement in games, music and video clips in Spanish, as well as other very fun activities. Students in this class will be encouraged to use Spanish in many different ways, a special website will be set up just for this class where they will get an assignment, then they will have to blog about it in Spanish. They will write letters back and forth with other Spanish students in another group. Other activities will be used as well to encourage the students to use their Spanish grammar as they learn it. Grammar learned in this class includes conjugation of regular and irregular verbs in the present tense, simple future, prepositions, idiomatic expressions and the uses of the verb tense, imperative and giving directions. More grammar points may be introduced depending on the group dynamics.</p>
<p>Spanish I Grades: 9-12 Time: 2:30-4:00 Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$30 Materials fee: \$5 + textbook TBA Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Students will be introduced to the Spanish grammar in the first course combined with conversation with the instructor and classmates, video clips and music. Cultural aspects will also be discussed. Students also are given internet work which helps complete required hours for a credit. About 2-5 hours of homework are given every week and vocabulary and/or grammar quizzes are given in class almost every week. To enhance their experience with the language they will be required to choose from a few projects like reading children's books, watching movies in Spanish, taking a latin dance lesson, making a scrapbook, writing a comic strip and many more. Some of the topics covered this year are noun and adjective gender, number and agreement, present tense conjugation of regular and irregular verbs, commands, directions, questions, negatives, and others. Please call if you need a more complete list. One year of this course equals 1 full credit. <i>Academic.</i></p>

<p>Spanish II</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Suzette Laporte-Ayo</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$5</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Students will continue to study Spanish grammar and will do many more conversation exercises. Cultural aspects will be further discussed. To further enhance their experience with the language they will be required to continue to choose from a few projects like reading children's books, watching movies in Spanish, taking a latin dance lesson, making a scrapbook, writing a comic strip and many more. Students who get an A or a B in this class should be capable of testing out of at least the first level of College level Spanish. By the end of this course, students will have completed present, imperfect, preterite, future, conditional and perfect tenses. Many groups also are able to complete some subjunctive or at least get an introduction to it. They also complete other topics like direct and indirect object pronouns, reflexive verbs, comparisons, possessive pronouns, commands, and others. Please call me if you need a further list. One year of this course equals 1 full credit. Prerequisite: Spanish I for highschool or meet with me if you did not take my Spanish I class. <i>Academic.</i></p>
<p>Speech</p> <p>Grades: 8-12 (mature 8th graders only) Time: 11:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Meryl van der Merwe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$18 Materials fee: \$ 2 (2nd semester fee = \$5)</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10 Maximum: 14</p> <p>Required text: <u>Secrets of Great Communicators</u> Student Book, ISBN: 0805468803</p>	<p>For the first semester, the Speech class will focus on the mechanics of public speaking. These are the basic building blocks needed to give any type of speech. In the second semester, the students will learn how to apply what they have learned to different types of public speaking opportunities. The video instruction course we will be using is <u>Secrets of Great Communicators</u> by Jeff Myers. As a supplement, we will also use the <u>Standard Deviants' Public Speaking DVD</u></p> <p>Students will have on average one hour of homework each week, so the total year's course will count as a ½ credit. Most weeks students will be expected to prepare a speech.</p>
<p>Spotlight on America: 20th Century</p> <p>Grades: 4-7 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Sondra Cofer</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Using the Spotlight on America series, we will spend some in depth time studying certain periods of American history including the civil war, the industrial revolution, 20th century wars, and the Great Depression. While in each time period we will explore what it would have been like to live in that era. Reading, activities, and participation in reader's theater will be included.</p>
<p>U.S. History Through the Eyes of Our Presidents</p> <p>Grades: 4-7 Time: 11:00-12:00 Instructor: Sondra Cofer</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Materials fee: \$10</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>In this class, we will learn about our nation's history by studying the presidents and the major events of their terms. We will create timelines of each presidency and the major events in US history to better associate the two. Along the way we will learn fascinating facts about the men who have run our country from George Washington to George W. Bush. A presidents notebook will be completed and one project will be required per semester. Games, puzzles and trivia challenges will be used to enhance learning.</p> <p>Requirements. A 1-1 1/2 inch 3 ring binder.</p>

<p>Voice Private Lessons</p> <p>Grades: any Time: 1:00 and 3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Emily McCoy</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$60 Materials fee:</p>	<p>Lessons must be scheduled directly with Instructor.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Emily McCoy mccoymusicstudio@gmail.com</p> <p>Payment should be made through Thursday Connection with other class payments.</p>
<p>Wonderful World of Trade</p> <p>Grades: 5-8 Time: 12:30-1:30</p> <p>Instructor: Meryl van der Merwe</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$15 Material Fees: \$15</p> <p>Class Minimum: 10 Maximum: 24</p>	<p>In the first semester we will learn about all aspects of global trade – mainly through playing simulation games. As part of the class, the students will play the Stock Market Game against other school team in Eastern TN.</p> <p>During the second semester the focus will be on our local economy. I turn the classroom into a mini-economy in which the students all have roles to play (mayor, shopkeeper, tax collector, realtor etc). The result is the students learn by doing. I am using great material from the National Council on Economic Education. These resources succeed in making the study of economics not only understandable but also FUN!</p>
<p>You Wouldn't Want To Be a Roman Gladiator!</p> <p>Grades: K-3 Time: 3:30-4:30 Grades: 3-6 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Lisa Haskell</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Material Fees: Included in monthly tuition.</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>Ancient history will come alive as we learn about Egypt, Greece, and Rome... The major events, the cultures, and the important historical figures of each empire. We will emphasize God's hand in history and see how the Bible coincides with ancient history.</p> <p>Each class will include hands-on projects and activities such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creating our own pyramids, King Tut masks, roman mosaics, and Egyptian puppets • Making a miniature salt dough Egypt with the Nile River • Holding our own Chariot races and Olympic games! • Having our own Egyptian market place, bringing in items to “buy, sell, and barter”! • Constructing models of Constantine's shield and sword! • Acting out parts of ancient history with fun skits and plays!

Writing courses at Thursday Connection have been carefully planned to take students from early elementary through high school with a continuum of necessary skills. In order to keep our classes moving at the expected pace and be fair to parents expecting to have material covered on each syllabus, it will be necessary for parents to provide proof of their child's level of reading and writing as indicated in course descriptions. Students enrolled in a writing class the previous year will be given a suggestion as to correct placement. Each Literature/Creative Writing course may be taken for up to two years. Students should have at least two years of Literature/Creative Writing before entering Composition I.

<p>Advanced High School English</p> <p>Grades: 11-12 Time: 3:30-4:30</p> <p>Instructor: Nanette Landen</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Materials fee: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Texts: see course description</p>	<p>This course will continue to build upon the skills and knowledge learned in previous English and Composition classes. Critical reading and analysis will be emphasized, as well as the skill of linking knowledge cross-curricularly, through the integration and synthesis of literature with the other academic disciplines. The writing component of this level will focus on Persuasion, Argumentation, and Literary Analysis, examining and employing the modes of comparison/ contrast, cause/effect, and problem/solution, and will include a research paper. Development, refinement, and sophistication of the multiple paragraph essay is the ultimate goal of Advanced English writing. Correct grammar, punctuation, and the study of SAT level vocabulary will continue to be emphasized. The average workload is 4-5 hours per week depending on reading speed and writing ability. Texts needed for students include: <i>Prentice Hall Handbook for Writers, 12th Ed., My Antonia - Willa Cather, The Importance of Being Earnest – Oscar Wilde, Vanity Fair – William Thackeray, A Tale of Two Cities – Charles Dickens, and How to Read Literature Like a Professor: A Lively and Entertaining Guide to Reading Between the Lines – Thomas C. Foster.</i> If time allows, additional selections may include <i>Pygmalion</i> or <i>Cyrano de Bergerac</i>.</p>
<p>American Literature</p> <p>Grades: 9-12 Time: 12:00-1:00</p> <p>Instructor: Maureen Schenk</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Materials fee: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: To be determined.</p>	<p>This class is an upper level high school class which is designed to accompany the American History class. This class may be taken independently, however. This class will focus on the unique body of literature referred to as American literature from the early writing of the Puritans to the school of realism. Both primary and secondary sources will be read. Novels include the <u>Scarlet Letter</u> by Hawthorne, the <u>Jungle</u> by Sinclair, and the <u>Adventures of Huck Finn</u> by Twain. Others may be added to the list including either Henry James, Hemingway, or Cather, time permitting. Students will also write a variety of assignments including a research paper. Students taking this course must have completed one other English course or have the permission of the instructor. Besides the novels, the primary text will be chosen at a later date, and students will be notified before the summer. The workload is 3-5 hours.</p>
<p>Composition I</p> <p>Grades: 6-8 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Debbie Oylar</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$3</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p>This course is a prerequisite to Mrs. Schenk's Comp. 2 class. Students will need to be able to independently write a paragraph in correct form, write with understanding of the 6+1 writing traits, display skills in writing narrative, expository, persuasive essays, as well as display some use of literary devices in writing. Students in Comp I will be exploring the essential elements of composition writing using a five paragraph format. These elements include grammar, punctuation, spelling, form, style, voice, and others with emphasis on the traditional essay format. Literature will be added in the second semester and used to facilitate writing character sketches, plot summaries, and literature critique. Weekly writing, grammar and second semester reading assignments will be completed at home. Please plan on the equivalent of 2 hours per week to complete homework.</p>

<p>Composition II</p> <p>Grades: 7-9 Time: 10:00-11:00</p> <p>Instructor: Maureen Schenk</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Materials fee: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u></p>	<p>This class is designed as a late MS/early HS class which will introduce the basics of grammar, composition, and literature. The class will focus on the basic five paragraph essay format along with grammar. Students will read Shakespeare's <i>Romeo and Juliet</i> and <i>To Kill a Mockingbird</i> by Harper Lee during the first semester. Other works will be selected with students' input for the second semester but may include <u>Johnny Tremain</u>, <u>the Hobbit</u>, and <u>the Cay</u>. For the grammar, students will need the <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u>. Students should count on 3-6 hours per week for the workload. It is highly recommended that students use a supplemental grammar text such as Easy Grammar or Shurley English. Prerequisite: Comp I</p>
<p>High School English A</p> <p>Grades: 9-10 Time: 2:30-3:30</p> <p>Instructor: Jessica Boling</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: Strunk & White's <u>The Elements of Style</u></p>	<p>This course will encompass grammatical usage, literature, and writing for freshman and sophomore high school students. Students should have taken at least one writing course prior to this one, and should be familiar with the rudiments of word processing to properly format their papers on a computer. We will read and discuss four classic books as a class, two in the fall semester and two in the spring, and students should expect approximately 2-4 hours of homework per week including time for reading, writing essays, and completing occasional worksheets. Writing assignments will explore several types of literary analysis, including compare/contrast essays, character studies, persuasive papers, and a research paper. For the research paper, students will learn and practice the MLA system of citation. The course will include written tests, quizzes, and oral presentations as well as reading and writing assignments. Literature Selections include: <i>Pride and Prejudice</i> by Jane Austen, <i>King Lear</i> by William Shakespeare, <i>Wuthering Heights</i> by Emily Brontë, and <i>The Great Divorce</i> by C.S. Lewis.</p>
<p>High School English A</p> <p>Grades: 9-10 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Maureen Schenk</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u></p>	<p>This is a traditional English class focusing on the fundamentals of composition, literature, and grammar. Students will write a variety of papers using the five-paragraph essay format. Students will read novels and plays including <u>Pride and Prejudice</u> by Jane Austen and <u>Much Ado About Nothing</u> by William Shakespeare. Other selections will be chosen with student input. Students should plan to spend 3-4 hours a week on the homework depending on individual reading speeds and writing strengths. The class will use the <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u>.</p>
<p>High School English B</p> <p>Grades: 11-12 Time: 11:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Maureen Schenk</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$25 Material Fees: \$0</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p> <p>Text: <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u></p>	<p>This class is designed as an upper level English class for Juniors and Seniors only. All students must have successfully completed High School A before being admitted to this class. This class is a traditional English class focusing on literature, composition, and grammar. Students will be reading Dickens' <u>Great Expectations</u> as well as <u>Animal Farm</u> by Orwell. Students will also examine Shakespeare's <u>Othello</u>. Other works may be included. A literary research paper is required in this class. Students should expect to spend 3-4 hours per week on the work load depending on individual reading speed and writing strength. The class will use the <u>Prentice Hall Reference Guide to Grammar and Usage</u> as their primary grammar text.</p>

<p>Literature and Creative Writing A</p> <p>Grades: 3-4 Time: 9:00-10:00</p> <p>Instructor: Debbie Oyler</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$3</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p><u>Enter the world of Literature and Creative Writing (LCWA):</u> Students entering this class will be required to display independent reading on a third grade level or above. This class uses excellent children's literature to encourage a love of reading and to promote writing skills at this level. Books are carefully selected from a wide range of recommended literature and will be rotated on a two year basis to accommodate those taking this class two years. It is through reading, dissecting, and analyzing good writing that students begin to find how it fits into their world of expression. Writing skills introduced are through the nationally recognized 6+1 Writing Traits program by Ruth Culham. These skills gently move students through ideas, organization, voice, sentence fluency, word choice, conventions, and presentation to gain more confidence in putting thoughts on paper. Structure of writing is presented and encouraged at this stage in order for the writer to feel safe in the way he/she expresses. This program has proven to be a great resource for encouraging the independent, creative writer. Book lists will be provided as well as information for parents about the 6+1 program. Please plan on completing assignments at home each week equivalent to about 20 minutes/4days.</p>
<p>Literature and Creative Writing B</p> <p>Grades: 5-6 Time: 11:00-12:00</p> <p>Instructor: Debbie Oyler</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$3</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p><u>Continue the path of Literature and Creative Writing (LCWB):</u> Students enrolling in this class will be expected to read on a 5th grade level, write a paragraph in correct form (topic, supporting, and concluding sentences), along with writing an essay or short story that is coherent and displays some organized thought. This class will use the 6+1 Writing Traits program by Ruth Culham as does Creative Writing A, but with different standards and self-evaluation. Skills are presented in mini-lessons and practiced in writing using good literature as a stimulus. Once again, in order to write well, students must be guided in analyzing good writing in the books they read. We do this by character analysis, compare/contrast, plot analysis, story mapping, graphic organizers, oral reading, and searches for literary devices. Books we read are carefully selected and lean towards Newberry Award and Honor books. At this level, students love to read books about events that affect their lives and then respond with their thoughts and opinions. These books will alternate on a two year basis to allow for students wishing to take the class two years. Book lists will be provided along with materials for parents about the 6+1 writing program. Parents should include approximately two hours per week for at home assignments to complete this course.</p>
<p>Literature and Creative Writing C</p> <p>Grades: 7-8 Time: 12:30-1:30</p> <p>Instructor: Debbie Oyler</p>	<p>Monthly Tuition: \$20 Materials fee: \$3</p> <p>Class Minimum: 5</p>	<p><u>Explore the world of Literature and Creative Writing (LCWC):</u> It would be beneficial for students to have had at least one year of experience in this course before entering Comp I because of the wide range of writing experiences offered. Students must be able to write an essay or creative writing piece that displays some understanding of writing traits of ideas, organization, voice, word choice, sentence fluency, conventions, and presentation as discussed in 6+1 Writing Traits. In addition, the student must be able to write a well constructed paragraph, be able to independently read on the 6th to 7th grade level and be willing to complete a book at least every 3-4 weeks. This course is designed to address a wide range of reading and writing with the use of different genres of literature to include realistic fiction, Newbery Award Winners, animal tales, biographies, historical fiction, nonfiction, news reporting/media, mystery, science fiction/fantasy, poetry, and plays. The lessons will be designed to help open student's minds to the craft of writing and the pleasure it brings through self-expression. The 6+1 Writing Traits by Ruth Culham will be used as a guide to ensure standards and encourage student self-evaluation. Students will select their own books from a suggested list in each genre. Parents will be offered materials explaining the 6+1 program. In addition, parents must be prepared to allow two plus hours a week for homework assignments (depending a lot on student's reading speed).</p>

<p>Private or Small Group Tutoring Grades: 3-12 Times: To be arranged with Instructor Instructor: Debbie Oyler</p>	<p>Cost: ½ hour - \$15 for one student or \$20 for two students 1 hour - \$30 for one student or \$40 for two students</p>	<p>Designed to give individual assistance to students in the area of writing. It will be offered on a sign up basis for students enrolled in Creative Writing, Comp or High School English classes. Hopefully, it will be a short term aide to get students up to speed in classes. Those wishing to use this for an entire writing program will need to contact me for a permanent slot.</p>
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