

# Summer Learning Program 5-7\* Electives

(\*Students in grade 8 may participate in Visual and Performing Arts Electives)

**July 3 - July 28, 2023**

*\*No class Friday, July 4 2023\**

**Classes will be held Monday-Friday**

**Electives are from 12:00pm to 3:00pm**

**Fee for Electives: \$400/4 weeks (No partial enrollment or prorating)**

Please read the elective titles and course descriptions below.

Use the examples below to create your electives schedule.

Once you have drafted a schedule, log onto [CommunityPass](#) to sign up for classes.

**Please note, space is limited and is on a first come, first served basis.**

## Schedule Overview:

- 2 week classes: Session A (July 3 - July 14) and Session B (July 17 - July 28)
- 4 week classes: VPA (Visual and Performing Arts (July 3-July 28))
- Students visit 2 different classes in the afternoon; 12pm class and 1:30 class

## Example 1 Schedule: Session A/B 2 week classes only

<u>SESSION A</u> (July 3-July14)	<u>SESSION B</u> (July 17-July 28)
A1: Cooking with Chef Robert (12pm)	B1: Wilderness Survival (12pm)
A2: Poetry Writing Club (1:30pm)	B2: Edible Race Cars (1:30pm)

## Example 2 Schedule: VPA 4 week classes combined with A/B 2 week classes

<u>SESSION A</u> (July 3-July14)	<u>SESSION B</u> (July 17-July 28)
VPA1: #dancecampREMIX (4 week class @ 12pm)	
A2: Reach for the Stars (1:30 pm)	B2: Chess Club (1:30pm)

## Example 3 Schedule: VPA 4 week classes only

VPA1: #dancecampREMIX (4 week class @ 12pm)
VPA2: Intermediate Band (4 week class @ 1:30pm)

# GRADES 5-7\* Electives

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**Directions:** When you are ready to register for your elective courses, please log onto [CommunityPass](#).

All courses are individually listed in CommunityPass with session (A1/A2 or B1/B2) and class title. Be sure to sign up for the class with the correction session label. The 2 week sessions are labeled A and B. For example: Choose the course titled A1 Wilderness Survival! A Survival and Adventure Reading Club to have your child participate in Wilderness Survival class at 12:00pm between July 3-14.

Please note, the 2 week classes A1, A2, B1 and B2 are all exactly the same. The only difference is when the class meets. You will not be able to sign up for the same class twice.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Classes that are titled with **VPA1 or VPA2** (Visual and Performing Arts) instead of A1/A2 or B1B2 are 4 WEEKS LONG due to the nature of the course content. If you sign up for a course marked VPA please note the duration of the course when creating your schedule. Also, please note any performance obligations. The only difference between VPA1 or VPA2 is the grade level of the students and the time the class meets. VPA 1 meets at 12:00pm; VPA2 meets at 1:30pm.

## **Grades 5-7 VPA Electives: 4 Week Classes**

**Beginner Band (based on experience, see class description)**

**Beginner Orchestra (based on experience, see class description)**

**Intermediate/Advanced Band (based on experience, see class description)**

**Musical Theater**

**Art (Multimedia)**

## **Grades 5-7 Session A/B Electives: 2 Week Classes**

**Crafty Story Time**  
**Reach for the Stars**  
**Bling Creations**  
**Basketball**  
**Cookie Decorating**  
**Poetry Writing Club**  
**Edible Car Races**

**Under the Sea**  
**Wilderness Survival! A Survival & Adventure Reading Group**  
**Chess and Board Games**  
**Sew Much Fun and More**  
**Play it Forward**  
**Cooking with Chef Robert**  
**3-D Printing**

Grades 5-11 academic & elective classes will be held at Paramus High School  
Busing to and from Champions is available.

**\*\*See Course Descriptions Below\*\***

# Visual and Performing Arts Electives

## **VPA1 Intermediate/Advanced Band: Grades 5-8 (4 week class)(class size 23)**

Instructor: TBD 12:00 PM

This level band is for students who have played their instruments for at least one year. The instruments in band are flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone, French horn, trumpet, trombone, baritone, tuba, bells/percussion. If you are unsure of what instrument you are signed up for, please double check with your school's music teacher.

## **VPA1 Intermediate/Advanced Orchestra Grades 5-8 (4 week class) (class size 23)**

Instructor: TBD 12:00PM

COURSE DESCRIPTION COMING SOON

## **VPA1 Art: Multimedia Grades 5-8 (4 week class)(class size 23)**

Instructor: TBD 12:00 PM

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## **VPA2 Art: Multimedia grades 5-8 (4 week class) (class size 23)**

Instructor: TBD 1:30pm

COURSE DESCRIPTION COMING SOON

## **VPA1 Musical Theater Grades 5-6 (4 week class)(class size 25,)**

Instructor: Ms. Kristine Hart and Ms. Katherine Osbourne

Class 1 @ 12:00pm grades 5 and 6

Junior Theatre Rocks presents The Lion King, Kids. A maximum number of 25 students. Do you love acting, singing, and dancing on stage? Let's act, sing, and dance as we put on a show! The performance date will be on the last day of the program, July 28, 2023. If interested in a major role, the student must be available for the performance.

## **VPA2 Musical Theater: Grades 7-8 (4 week class) (class size 25,)**

**Instructor:** Ms. Kristine Hart and Ms. Katherine Osbourne

**Class 2 @ 1:30pm** grades 7 and 8 Junior Theatre Rocks presents The Lion King, Kids. A maximum number of 25 students. Do you love acting, singing, and dancing on stage? Let's act, sing, and dance as we put on a show! The performance date will be on the last day of the program, July 28, 2023. If interested in a major role, the student must be available for the performance.

## **Sessions A and B (2 Week Classes)**

### **\*New Course Offering\*** **Crafty Story Time (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor:** Melissa Morra

Designed for those students who love listening to good stories or watching their favorite films. Students will create a craft based on the story or film. At the end of each class students will leave with a one of a kind craft. If you love a good story and you enjoy arts and crafts and hanging out with other creative and interesting people then this class is for you!

### **Bling Creations (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor:** Ms. Mary DiGirolamo

Jewelry crafts are endless! Begin dabbling with your creativity as you create your own creations! Get ready to use your imagination and personalize your own handmade jewelry pieces! Some items you will make are necklaces, beaded keychains, anklets, charm bracelets, friendship bracelets and more!

### **\*New Course Offering\*** **Cookie Decorating (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor:** Ms. Camille Saffer

Come join us to learn how to make BEAUTIFULLY decorated royal iced cookies! During this course you'll learn different techniques used to make gorgeous cookies that are almost too pretty to eat! Grades 3-8 are welcome! **PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR CHILD'S MEDICAL NEEDS WHEN SIGNING UP FOR THIS COURSE. IF YOUR CHILD HAS A FOOD ALLERGY OR OTHER SAFETY CONSIDERATION, PLEASE CONTACT MS. NOSTRAME AT 201-261-7800 EXT 8610.**

### **\*New Course Offering\*** **Poetry Writing Club (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor:** Ms. Devon Alexander

Calling all Poets! Do you love to create art and poetry? Come and join us to learn all different styles of poetry such as Haiku, Tanka, Acrostic, Limerick, Diamante, Alliteration, Couplets, Quatrains, etc...) to enhance your reading/writing skills while also showing off your artistic skills. Students will create a mini-book compilation of their own original published work to showcase their creations.

## **Cooking is FUN with Chef Robert (class size 12, grades 5-7)**

Do you like food? Do you enjoy creating fun snacks and treats? The culinary arts classes are just for you. In this class we will learn about proper use of tools and techniques for preparing foods. Some of the exciting activities will include chocolate dipped strawberries, dessert sushi, preparing homemade salsa and dips, creating graham cracker decorated houses, fun with plating delicious desserts, and so much more. *PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR CHILD'S MEDICAL NEEDS WHEN SIGNING UP FOR THIS COURSE. IF YOUR CHILD HAS A FOOD ALLERGY OR OTHER SAFETY CONSIDERATION, PLEASE CONTACT MS. NOSTRAME AT 201-261-7800 EXT 8610.*

## **\*New Course Offering\* Sew Much Fun and More (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Ms. Heather O'Neill**

Calling all crafty kids! Have you ever wanted to learn how to sew? Do you love taking ordinary items and turning them into extraordinary things? This is the class for you! We will explore our individual creativity as we learn the basics of sewing, constructing, and letting our imaginations lead the way. Some examples include (but not limited to) the following: scrunchies, tote bags, pillows, bean bag pals, junk journals, custom Mickey Ears, Harry Potter wands, and more!

## **Reach for the Stars (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

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## **Swoosh! Basketball (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Mr Eujine Kim**

Swoosh! Jump into the gym to join friends and Coach Kim in Knockout, 3-on-3 and 5-on-5 full court games and much more! You'll learn to improve technique for advanced shooting, dribbling, passing and defense to boost your basketball IQ. Bounce into the bright and airy gym for fun and dynamic skills practice through individual and team games.

## **\*New Course Offering\* Edible Car Races (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Ms. Melissa Dowson**

Edible Car Races! Start your engines for this exciting engineering project where you will build a car out of food! First, explore the forces of aerodynamics with fun STEM challenges like a paper airplane launcher. Then design, build and see how far you will go in this unforgettable car race! Calling all creative thinkers looking for a fun challenge!

## **Under the Sea (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Dina Zito**

Come join the "under the sea" world of crafts and fun! Let's explore ocean creatures as we create a variety of crafts! Students will create jellyfish, floating sea turtles, ocean slime and decorate ocean rocks. Get ready to also enhance your cognitive skills through word searches and ocean-themed puzzles!

## **Play it Forward (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Ms. Kathy Guner**

This course uses hands-on (dice, card & board) games to have fun while encouraging strategic mathematical thinking as students find different strategies for solving problems, deepen their understanding of numbers, and develop computational fluency all while playing GAMES! Come and have fun while challenging your fellow campers with strategic game play. If you love math and games then this class is for you!

## **Wilderness Survival! A Survival & Adventure Reading Group (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Mr. Nathan Burr**

There is no better time than summer to lose yourself in a wilderness adventure/survival story. Feel free to read as part of a group or independently. Choose from a list of books that includes (but is not limited to) Hatchet, The Hunger Games, Peak, The 5th Wave, The Maze Runner, Alone in the Woods, and the I Survived series. Real-life survival skills will be shared over the duration of the course and there will be discussion of documented survival stories. Wilderness expert guest speakers will be invited into the classroom and trips to the Paramus Public library will be scheduled.

## **Chess and Board Games (class size 23, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Mr Paul Roumantzias**

Don't want to be "board" this summer? Join our Chess Club for afternoons filled with competitive board games with your friends! Never played chess before? No problem! We will teach you all the basics you need to defeat your opponents and have fun doing it. Already a chess master? Test your skills against others in our tournaments. We invite students of all skill levels to join the fun. Improve your problem-solving, thinking, and social skills all while playing games with your friends and meeting new people! This club will also include a variety of other board games. (If you also sign up for the 3D printing class, you may even decide to create your own game and design and make your own game pieces!)

## **3D Printing (class size 16, grades 5-7)**

**Instructor: Ms. Sue Dziob**

If you can imagine it...you can make it! In this class, students will be introduced to the principles of design and engineering as they use Tinkercad (a computer-aided design program) and our 3-D printers to take their ideas from thought to production. Whether they are making a balloon-powered car, a boat, a glider or a model of their favorite character, students in grades 5 and 6 can expand their creativity and imagination as they learn about the engineering design process and the marvels of 3-D printing. (If you sign up for the Chess and Board Games class you may even be able to design and make your own game pieces!)