

1st - 3rd Grade Class Descriptions

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Class Title	Instructor	Deposit	Tuition Amount	Class Description	Prerequisite	Basic skills requirement	Estimated homework hours	Required Materials or Books
All About Spelling Level 2	Karen Rose (krrose@gmail.com)	\$35	\$39.50	In All About Spelling 2 students will build on what we learned in level 1, learning additional encoding skills, reliable spelling rules, and multi-sensory strategies for spelling, along with exciting new concepts including 11 new phonograms, vowel teams, syllable division rules, Silent E and Vowel-Consonant-E words, blends, and R-controlled syllables. Phonological awareness is taught throughout using visual, auditory, and kinesthetic pathways to increase retention.	All About Spelling Level 1 or equivalent knowledge	Students should know all letter sounds plus ch/sh/th/ng/nk/c k phonograms and be able to spell 3 & 4 letter words.	1	
American Road Trip	Christy Swaringen (christy@swaringen.net)	\$50.00	\$39.50	I would be thrilled for your child to join in this exciting road trip through America. In this elementary US Geography class, we will pack our bags and load up the RV to leave Rockwall in August to travel the continental US. On our journey, we'll travel through each of the 50 states learning what each state has to offer and through rich scenery, history, attractions and what state calls their own from birds, flowers, flags and more. We'll keep a travel journal to document our trip so we won't forget a thing. What's a roadtrip without awesome food? Once a month, we will hit a roadstop and sample food from the awesome places we learn about.				1-1/2" 3 ring binder with cardstock paper
Animal Art	Julie Waller (julieawaller@yahoo.com)	\$40	\$39.50	Do you love fur, feathers, and fins? Are animals your best friends? Each week we'll learn some facinating facts about a different animal then draw it, or make an art project based on it.				
Budding Botanists	Shannon Boyd (boydshouse@yahoo.com)	\$45	\$39.50	If you are all about plants, then this class is for you! From dissecting seeds and making leaf skeletons, to nature journaling and lapbooking, this course will give your students a love of all things Botany! There will be plenty of class discussion, experiments, and virtual nature journaling. We will be using the Apologia Exploring Creation With Botany textbook and the Junior Notebooking Journal.		Reading/Writing/ Cutting skills	1	Apologia Exploring Creation With Botany Textbook and Exploring Creation With Botany Junior Notebooking Journal
Children's drawing	Terri Benson (terribenson@hotmail.com)	\$20	\$39.50	A drawing class for elementary aged children. Students will develop their drawing and creative talents and abilities by completing weekly guided drawings. They will use different drawing materials and will learn fundamentals of drawing shapes and perspective. Students will improve hand-eye coordination and experiment with color and design.				

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Critical Thinking Grades 1-3	Phyllis Howard (iphyllis@howardrp.us)	\$35	\$39.50	We will learn Critical Thinking skills using worksheets, games and building challenges. We will learn about Venn Diagrams, Matrix Logic, Sudoku, and much more. This class will be challenging and fun!				Notebook to keep handouts
Kids in the Kitchen 1	Audra Tibboel (tibb000@yahoo.com)	\$55 per semester	\$39.50	Come bake, stir, mix, measure, chop, knead, and whip with us! We are learning the basics of cooking and baking. In Kids in the Kitchen 1, we will make simple, fun, and creative recipes that the students will be able to share with their families. Your child will learn kitchen terminology and math, measuring skills, how to read and follow a recipe, and learn to try new foods. Every week, the student will add a new recipe to a 3-ring binder. At the end of the year, they will submit a family recipe and have a keepsake cookbook to add to as they grow and develop a joy of cooking!			1 hour	3 ring binder with dividers and apron
LEGO SIMPLE MACHINES	Alison Strew (astrew2000@gmail.com)	\$50	\$39.50	This course will use the LEGO simple machine program and is an excellent way to introduce young builders to key simple machine concepts while working on teamwork and communication skills.				
Math Masters	Jodi Green (jodi@casagreen.com)	\$50	\$39.50	Description: This class will turn students into "Math Masters." Each week, we will reinforce math concepts through a variety of fun ways: math games, manipulatives, books, songs, STEM/STEAM projects, critical thinking activities, interactive math notebooks, and even some escape room games. No more boring "drill and kill" methods of mastering math facts and skills. This class will master math through fun, working together, and sometimes even the use of food! Math concepts covered will include the following: number sense, numeration, skip counting, time, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, fractions, geometry, measurement, problem solving, decimals, money, graphs and data, estimation, algebra readiness, and critical thinking. Students will be challenged in this class, but on their level of expected achievement. This class should not take the place of a full math curriculum done at home, but rather augment or expand upon what is already being learned.	Basic Kinder math skills	Basic Skills Required: Identify 0-100, Count to 100 by 1's, Sums to 10, Differences to 10, Ability to correctly hold and use a pencil	1hr	TBD

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Nature & Bugs	Phyllis Howard (iphyllis@howardrp.us)	\$55	\$39.50	This will be an arts & crafts class. We will learn about nature, animals and bugs. We will also play games, eat the occasional snack and have a really fun time! (Ex. Caterpillars, butterflies, owls, birdhouses, birdfeeders, squirrels etc)				
World Tour Art & Stories	Julie Waller (julieawaller@yahoo.com)	\$40	\$39.50	Tour the world this year through art and reading. Draw, color, paint and craft your way through eight different countries near and far to learn about different cultures. Each month we will read a storybook, and do art projects related to a specific country. Countries include: China, Botswana, Costa Rica, Ukraine, Canada, Norway, Germany, and France. Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies related activities/links will be suggested to parents to continue the adventure at home. Perfect for budding artists, emerging readers, and curious kids.				
The Playbill, Jr. (1st-6th Grade)	Jodi Green (jodi@casagreen.com)	\$60	\$39.50	"All the world's a stage," or at least in this class it is. The Playbill, Jr. introduces the sweet simplicity of a one-act play. Your student will learn the ins and outs of the theater, while gaining confidence with public performance. This class will be geared toward 1-6 grade students, with an emphasis on: character development, voice projection, acting with body movement and facial expressions, working as a group, and creative thinking. The Playbill, Jr. will be a class for little thespians of all ages and experience. The play for semester 1 will either be "The Gingerbread Man" or "Not Even A. Mouse." The play for semester 2 will most likely be "Aesop's Clinic." These play choices are tentative and are only one-act plays lasting 25-45 minutes.	Student must be able to read independently.		1-2 hours per week for line memorization	Scripts purchased by the director