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Bernards Township School District
Elementary Summer
Activities Program
2011

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What are Elementary Summer Activity courses?

Summer Activity courses provide fun, challenging, and exciting learning opportunities, which capitalize on the different "intelligences" of children. These courses are offered to any elementary student (K-5) in the district. Instructors are certified teachers within the Bernards Township school system.

- All courses are held between 10:45 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. at Mount Prospect School, 111 Hansom Road, Basking Ridge.
- Each course runs Monday through Thursday, an hour a day for two weeks and includes eight classes. The dates for each session are as follows:

Session 1:

Week 1: Thursday, June 30th; Tuesday, July 5th - Thursday July 7th

Week 2: Monday, July 11th - Thursday July 14th

Session 2:

Week 1: Monday, July 18th through Thursday, July 21st

Week 2: Monday, July 25th through Thursday, July 28th

- Please use your child's current grade when registering for classes; a student now in kindergarten may enroll in a kindergarten class.
- **Lunch Break-** In order to accommodate students who attend morning recreation programs or have a full schedule of summer activity classes, a break will be provided from 12:45-1:15 for students to have a snack/lunch. If your child will be attending the program during this time, please send your child with a small snack as part of his/her daily routine.
- Tuition is \$115 per student for each eight-day course. Checks should be made payable to the "Bernards Township Board of Education".
- PLEASE ISSUE A SEPARATE CHECK FOR EACH COURSE IN WHICH YOUR CHILD IS ENROLLED.
- Registration is on a first come, first serve basis and will close once a course is filled. Therefore, please send in your registration right away.
- You may select as many as four courses in Session 1 and four courses in Session 2 for a total of eight summer classes.

- It is important to select alternate(s) for each course, especially if you are interested in registering your child for a full day of scheduling (10:45-3:15). All first choices will be honored as long as the courses have openings.
- Please send your registration forms and checks in an envelope marked "Summer Activities Program" to your child's teacher.
- Confirmations will be sent home via e-mail beginning the week of 5/23/10
- The Summer Activities Program strives to maintain a ratio of 10-15 students per teacher.
- Students should behave in an appropriate manner. School rules of conduct apply to summer programs. Any student who violates the rules may be removed from the program. Please discuss this with your child.
- Please be considerate of our staff and pick up your child no later than 10 minutes after scheduled dismissal time.

I look forward to a rewarding summer experience with your child. If you have any questions, please e-mail using the information below.

Sincerely,

Mr. Patrick Vreeland, Program Director
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Session 1

June 30th - July 14th (No classes Monday July 4th)
 Due to the July 4th holiday this session begins on a Thursday.

Period 1 10:45-11:45 A.M.		Period 2 11:45-12:45 P.M.	
All "A" board Games	1-3	Dinosaur Dig	K-2
Podcasting	2-5	Art Creations	K-5
Musical Theater	K-5	Drama Kids	2-5
Let's Play Cards	K-5	Fantasy Flowers	2-4
Landscape Painting	2-5	Sports Crafts	1-4
Order in the Court	1-5	Dream It, Build It	1-5
More Chemistry Conundrums	1-4	Experiencing Great Artists	K-5
Period 3 1:15-2:15 P.M.		Period 4 2:15-3:15 P.M.	
Book Cooks	K-3	Clay, Clay, Clay	1-5
Life's a Beach	1-4	Young Illustrators	K-3
Scrapbooking Mania	1-5	Mighty Mathematicians	K-3
Science Olympics	2-5	Incredible Inventors	K-5
Reader's Theatre	1-3	You Paint It	1-5
Math Minds	2-4	Fun With Jewelry	1-4
Scenery and Prop Design for Musical Theatre	K-5	Softball	2-5

Session 2

July 18th - July 28th

Period 1 10:45-11:45 A.M.	Period 2 11:45-12:45 P.M.
Games and Crafts From Around the World 2-4	Digital Storytelling and Hyperstudio 3-5
Math Wizards 1-5	Kids Can Compose Too! 1-5
Card Sharks 3-5	Exciting Writing 2-5
Improvisation 4 -5	D is for Doodle K-3
Sinking and Floating 1-2	Games Galore! K-5
Funky Fashions K-5	Toy Factory K-5
Period 3 1:15-2:15 P.M.	Period 4 2:15-3:15 P.M.
Are You Up For a Math Challenge? 1-3	Smoothie King K-5
Girls Just Want to Have Fun K-5	Elementary Engineering K-5
Get Fit Kids 2-5	Poetry Power 2-5
Foods Around the World K-5	Shark Attack K-2
Ensemble/Instrumental Sight (two period class, requires double tuition) 4-5 Band/Strings Students	Wild About the Rainforest K-3
Bedroom Décor and More! K-5	Rock and Roll Jam Session 1-5
Fun and Games K-3	Ensemble/Instrumental Sight (two period class, requires double tuition) 4-5 Band/Strings Students
	Cupcakery & Edible Creations K-5

Course Guide

All "A" Board Games

Grades 1-3

Have you ever strolled by the toy aisle and wondered how to play some of those board games that sound like fun? Join us as we play an assortment of both familiar and extraordinary board games. You'll learn how to play some "old time" favorites and explore the rules of some new ones. You'll never say, "I'm bored" again on a rainy summer day!

Are You Up For a Math Challenge?

Grades 1-3.

Escape the heat and really start cooking with the best recipe for "fun" and "challenging" math. The ingredients include puzzles, brainteasers, tangrams, probability and even physical activity that all focus on math in an appetizing way. No books here! Stay sharp with stimulating activities that allow you to work at your own level or reach beyond. Leave your summer boredom at the door!

Art Creations

Grades K-5

The time has come to recognize your creative talent! Create masterpieces to display in your home. Work with watercolors, clay, yarn and other decorative items. Join us to find out what new and improved wild creations you will take home!

Bedroom Décor and More!

Grades K-5

If you loved Funky-Fashions but need to expand your flair for fashion, or are a little more mature, this is the class for you. You will bedazzle your bedroom and fill it with pizzazz. We will be making tie-dye pillowcases, potpourri sachets, jewelry organizers, picture frames, dream catchers, bulletin boards, desk accessories, door décor, journals and personalized notepaper. Be ready to show off your bedroom makeover at your next sleepover. Come and join the fun to make your room a dream come true!

Book Cooks

Grades K-3

Join your friends to make edible dirt, bumble bees, ants on a log, gummy fish in the ocean and even a purple cow! Each class will start with a story and end with a book related tasty treat! It is arts and crafts with a twist... you get to eat the project!

*Please be aware that food products are used that may contain traces of food allergens, (soy, nuts, milk, etc.)

Card Sharks

Grades 3-5

Do you want to learn how to play card games? Come to this fun workshop and learn various exciting card games to play with your friends and family! You will learn card games to play independently as well as in partners or even small groups. You may even learn a card trick or two!

CLAY, CLAY, CLAY

Grades 1-5

If you like to work with your hands, this is the course for you. Learn how to make pots, masks, and animals out of Mexican, quick-dry clay. Each day we will either be creating our masterpieces out of clay or painting them. In our last class we will even make our own clay that you can take home with you. Recipes for making your own clay at home will be provided.

Cupcakery and Edible Creations

Grades K-5

Just when you thought you ate it all! Come one, come all to the seventh edition of Cupcakery and Edible Creations combo. Decorate tie-dye masterpieces, cute critters, and other seasonable surprises with cupcakes. Create candy creatures, cookie characters, all made from candy and delicious delectables. So bring your creative talents along with your sweet tooth and joining us for Cupcakery and Edible Creations "combo class".

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D is for Doodle

Grades K-3

If you like to draw and use your imagination to create cartoon characters, then this is the class for you! You'll also follow a step-by-step guide to draw farm animals, zoo animals, sea creatures, dinosaurs and pets. You'll even use a few of your drawings to construct puppets, a mobile and a diorama. We'll also have fun with ink pads and thumbprint characters. Join us!

Digital Storytelling and Hyperstudio

Grades 3-5

Digital storytelling takes the ancient art of oral storytelling and combines technical tools to weave personal tales using images, graphics, music, and sound mixed together with the author's own story voice. In this course students will write and utilize various digital tools such as Hyperstudio, Microsoft Word, the Internet and digital camera to create a digital story in the computer lab.

Dinosaur Dig!

Grades K-2

Do you think dinosaurs are cool? Would you like to learn more about them? If so, this is the mini unit for you! We'll use science experiments, books and crafts to learn about dinosaurs of all kinds. Join us if you want to be a dinosaur expert!

Dream It, Build It

Grades 1-5

Use multimedia to make the creations of your dreams. You may work with Lincoln Logs, K'NEX, Lego and even paper to make anything you can imagine. Build your dream house out of Lincoln Logs or Legos, and your dream car out of K'NEX. Instructions are provided to guide you or you can build free-style. We will even build with food during our last session. Build whatever you like, it's your choice!

Drama Kids

Grades 2-5

This course will be a fun course for energetic, enthusiastic, dramatic kids! We will learn about different types of theater (monologues, skits, plays) and practice them. You will be performing a short play at the end of the mini-unit. This mini-unit will help you develop your imagination, self-confidence, personal expression, effort, and teamwork. If you love to act, or just want to learn more about it, this is the course for you!

Elementary Engineering

Grades K-5

Are you ready to have some summer fun? Join us for a fun ride as we create the viper coaster, the shark run roller coaster, the corkscrew coaster, the starburst spinner and more. We will also create fun things using sugar cubes and marshmallows. Come and join the excitement!

Ensemble performance/ Instrumental Sight-reading Grades 4-5 Band and Strings

Students will gain valuable ensemble experience and put on a performance at the end of the session. Students will learn effective tools to help sight-read more easily. Sight-reading is a valuable musical skill that takes time to master. Let's have fun while we improve on this important part of every audition.

***Please Note that this class is a double period that requires double tuition**

Exciting Writing

Grades 2-5

Can you imagine what your furniture may say about you? When your dog barks, what is he saying? We are going to look at making our writing exciting by using details, interesting vocabulary, and of course, our imagination. Join me for some fun as you create interesting stories that you'll love to share with others.

Experiencing Great Artists

Grades K-5

Imitate the great master artists of long ago! This is a fun and creative course for children to learn art history and create beautiful masterpieces of their own. They will be introduced to and learn about great artists such as Michelangelo, Van Gogh, and Leonardo da Vinci. Children will "travel" throughout the world and over the centuries to look at many colorful pictures of artwork done by the great masters. The best part is creating their own masterpieces in the style of the great masters!

Fantasy Flowers

Grades 2-4

Don't miss the chance to create fabulous wreaths, bouquets, garlands and much, much more. Learn how to make at least eight kinds of beautiful paper flowers from Daffodils to Sweet Peas. These amazing flowers are real enough to fool the bees and will stay that way all year long!

Foods Around the World

Grades K-5

Students will cook/prepare different foods from different countries around the world.

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Fun and Games!

Grades K-3

Children will have a blast playing activities and games which are creative, cooperative and challenging in nature; which have an emphasis on health, wellness, skill development and fun!

Fun with Jewelry

Grades 1-4

Do you like to wear jewelry? Have you ever thought about making your own? If so, this class is for you! We will be working with a variety of materials to make our own necklaces, bracelets and pins. Come learn techniques for beading, working with embroidery floss and more!

Funky Fashions Summertime Edition

Grades K-5

Don't be afraid to make a splash. Dive in and make some summer Funky Fashions and Trendy Treasures. Your friends will go crazy trying to figure out where you bought those awesome accessories. Students will make and design jewelry, hair ties, summer apparel such as Hawaiian accessories and beach wear, and even fabulous flip-flops. So come join the summertime fashion craze and sign up for this course. The last day of class the students will be hitting the runway to show off their apparel at our Luau celebration. New and improved for 2011!

Games and Crafts From Around The World

Grades 2-4

Are you ready to take a trip around the world (but never leave Mount Prospect School grounds)? Learn a bit about the culture of others and take home souvenirs of your trip including projects such as African drums, Australian boomerangs, Japanese fish and Peruvian dance capes to name a few. Activities from around the world include traditional games from the Czech Republic, the Philippines, Australia and Italy. Experience a bit of going abroad right in your own backyard and be able to tell you parents about the culture. This is your passport to an enlightening adventure!

Games Galore!

Grades K-5

Students will choose between various game boards and mind benders and sign up to compete in game board/mind bender competitions.

Get Fit Kids!

Grades 2-5

Come get fit together in a fun way. We'll learn basic yoga and aerobic exercises and learn how to take care of our bodies in a fun and easy way to live healthy!

Girls Just Want to Have Fun

Grades K-5

Calling all girls!! Ready for some fun!! We will decorate pillowcases, make friendship bracelets, paint and decorate picture frames, create journals and bedazzle jewelry boxes, too. We will also paint our nails and add a few nail stickers for some pizzazz! Come aboard and join the fun!!

Incredible Inventors

Grades K-5

Creative Thinkers Wanted! Can you design and build the tallest tower, strongest bridge, coolest robot, floatable raft, funniest animal, and more? Each day the children will be given a challenge and great PHYSICS tips to help them design and build the best structure they can. They can use their choice of materials like, clay, sticks, paper, pipe cleaners, tape, toothpicks, glue, and more fun materials. Children will have opportunities to work cooperatively with their friends and alone as they try to WIN the challenge of the day.

Improvisation

Grades 4-5

Enjoy making people laugh? Laughing with others? Then improvisation is the class for you! In this class, you will learn how to improvise (act on the spot) and speak in front of a crowd. We will be playing drama games that are not only fun, they also work on many great skills such as public speaking, projecting, and confidence building. Come on down and have fun!

Kids Can Compose Too

Grades 1-5

Do you want to be the next Beethoven or a big rock star? Learn to compose music that you and others can perform. Bring your creative ideas, your singing voice, and any instruments that you know how to play. Keyboards will be provided. No prior instrumental is experience necessary to participate in this class.

Landscape Painting

Grades 2-5

Learn to paint breathtaking landscapes. Explore the strategies and techniques for creating fluffy white clouds, majestic mountains, dynamic trees, rolling fields and reflective lakes. Each landscape is as unique as its painter.

Let's Play Cards

Grades K-5

Playing cards can improve strategic thinking, computation skills, give students practice in cooperation, and just be plain old fun! Students are going to sit back, relax and have loads of fun playing new and old card games together. Card games will include War, Go Fish, Spit, Rummy and other new games. Students will be encouraged to share any games they know with classmates as well. So come and learn some new card games to impress your family and friends or just have some good old-fashioned fun playing some old favorites!

Life's a Beach

Grades 1-4

Come celebrate summer! We'll make lots of crafts using a variety of materials to decorate for summer or to use at the beach. Learn to draw some ocean animals, make a thermometer, bead a sunglass holder, and even make some tasty summer treats! Surf's up!

Math Minds

Grades 2-4

Do you like to solve problems? Do you like to think about problems in many different ways? This class will teach you problem solving strategies that will help you in class, on the NJASK, and in real life situations outside of school. We will have fun modeling solutions with drawings, props, math tools, and more. Some problems require you to "step in" to the problem in order to "act out" a solution! Bring your mathematical knowledge and an open mind for new learning! Let's have summer fun!

Math Wizards

Grades 1-5

Learn math computations tricks to amaze your friends and family members! Students will use math skills and concepts to engage in math problem solving activities and situations. They can choose to participate in math games to become the ultimate math magician!

Mighty Mathematicians

Grades K-3

Come strengthen your mathematical abilities while exploring various math concepts using tasty treats! For example we will study graphing, patterns, or addition and subtraction with "Skittles", M&M's, or even "Teddy Grahams". Each day we will begin with a math related book and then use food items to explore and reinforce the skill. Great for hands-on mathematical reasoning! Come be a Mighty Mathematician!

MORE Chemistry Conundrums!

Grades 1-4

Investigate chemical reactions to produce bubbles, slime, oobleck, goop, ice cream, and more. Roll up your sleeves and get ready to mix, dissolve, melt, freeze and react!

Musical Theater

Grades K-5

For all students who enjoy acting, singing and/or dancing or even the behind-the-scenes work of music theater such as choreographing, stage management, directing and etc. In this course, we will work mainly on the performance side of theater and sing, act and even do a little dancing. Some more experienced students may even take on the role of the director or choreographer. If you have participated in this class before, we will be doing scenes and songs from a new musical. We will end our class with an "open rehearsal/short performance" to show our families what we have been learning!

Order In The Court!

Grades 1-5

Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be a judge, lawyer, or bailiff? Can you imagine being a witness and giving testimony? You will do just that. This class will teach you the basics of law and the courtroom setting. Some cases are not easy to decide so we will work on logical deductive reasoning and higher level thinking skills. You will be given a role in a case and we will perform it as a mock trial. What will the jury decide?

Podcasting!

Grades 2-5

Would you like to have your own radio show and listen to it on your computer or iPod/MP3 player? In this course we will use computers and microphones to record our voices and make Podcasts (audio files). Students will listen to sample Podcasts and then brainstorm other Podcasting ideas. Students will learn how to use the program *Audacity* to record their voice, edit their files and then add music and sound effects. Students will enjoy listening to their classmates Podcasts as well as their own! Please bring a memory stick or flash drive to the class so you can save your work.

Poetry Power

Grades 2-5

Let's take a look at different styles of poetry and create our own poetry collection. We will discuss patterns, make mental images, and explore our creative side.

Reader's Theatre for Young Readers

Grades 1-3

Strengthen your reading and verbal skills through active participation! Together we will read a variety of scripts developed from familiar folktales and fables. We will even create our own! Please join us for a delightful time.

Rock and Roll Jam Session

Grades 1-5

We are going to use instruments from around the classroom to create a rock band. You may even bring instruments from home. Learn musical patterns and improvise in a rock and roll style. Get your instruments ready! Feel the beat and get ready to jam!

Scenery and Prop Design for Musical Theater

Grades K-5

Do you like to use your imagination? Did you ever want to see what happens behind the scenes of a musical? In Scenery and Prop Design, students will design and decorate the scenery as well as props and possibly even costume pieces to be used for the musical theater class performance. The class will read through the script and work together to design backgrounds and props needed for each scene. Come join us to help make the musical beautiful!

Science Olympics

Grades 2-5

Here is the chance to participate in a competitive challenge that demonstrates the fun side of science. The Science Olympics is a series of events related to a wide range of science topics. Teams will use science skills and ideas to develop creative solutions to problems such as; how can I make a bridge out of a newspaper? How many marbles can I put in an aluminum foil boat before it sinks? How can I make a straw tower strong enough to hold a tennis ball? Test your solutions, compete with your friends, and go for the gold!

Scrapbooking Mania

Grades 1-5

Create a scrapbook of your very own memories! Students will learn how to create perfect pages using matting, journaling, and unusual art accents. Bring your favorite photos and leave each class with beautiful scrapbook pages.

Shark Attack!

Grades: K-2

Come dive into the deep this summer and learn about sharks! We will focus on a different shark species each day and discover everything there is to know about sharks. You will also make a fun craft or snack to go along with it. At the end of the class everyone will have a completed field journal filled with shark facts to keep for themselves. Take a bite out of summer fun!

Sinking and Floating

Grades: 1 - 2

Students will have lots of fun with this hands-on physical science unit. We will review the scientific method and make predictions and conduct experiments on a daily basis. Students will be introduced to fun literature related to sinking and floating. They will also practice graphing and other math skills.

Smoothie King

Grades K-5

What better time to enjoy a healthy, refreshing, fruit smoothie than the summertime. Whether it's a warm summer afternoon or for breakfast, smoothies are a great way to get kids to drink a cool drink packed with fruit and calcium. Participants of this course will work with others to prepare delicious smoothies. They will learn some basic concepts of good nutrition and develop skills such as vocabulary, understanding of numbers, small muscle coordination, independence, and teamwork. Each day they will go home with a new nutritious delicious recipe! Some smoothies include: Going Bananas, Frozen Berry Delight, and Chocolate Dream Smoothie.

**Please be aware that food products are used that may contain traces of food allergens, (soy, nuts, milk, etc.)*

Softball

Grades 2-5

Children entering Grades 2-5 will have fun while acquiring softball skills necessary for enjoying the game, as well improving their abilities to compete in the sport. Instruction will be in all areas, which include fielding, hitting, pitching, catching and base running.

Sports Crafts

Grades 1-4

If you are a sports fan, this is the class for you! We will create many different crafts and projects to thrill any athlete, girls and boys! After sharing a sports-themed story each day, we will make many fun items, including a frame to display one of your favorite team photos, a keychain, a necklace, and a water bottle holder. Various sports will be represented in this class and many crafts can be tailored to your favorite sport. Don't strike out, you won't want to miss this fun class!

Toy Factory

Grade K-5

Welcome to the toy factory where you will be creating and assembling our own toys. Let's see you try your hand at making your own horse for horse races, air-golf for a tournament, soap box cars for the soap box derby, parachute fliers, kites, personalized checkers and board, boomerangs, stilts and glider planes, to name just a few. If you think being a toy maker is fun, just think how much fun you will have playing with the toys you make. So visit the toy factory and jump on the assembly line where toys are BIG BUSINESS!

Wild About the Rain Forest

Grades K-3

Let's have fun learning all about the animals that live in the Rain Forest. You'll make a Howler Monkey mask, a wild animal wind sock, Macaw puppets and a Toucan money bank. You'll also learn how to draw several Rain Forest animals and create a scrapbook of Rain Forest facts. We'll even make an Origami tree frog. Sign up now!

You Paint It

Grades K-5

Come have a blast as you create your own masterpieces out of wood or ceramics! Let your imagination run wild as you paint toys, models, frames and jewelry to name a few. All materials are provided for you including non-toxic paints, brushes, stencils, and glitter. Everything you need to make your projects come alive!

Young Illustrators

Grades K-3

If you are a young illustrator, this is the art class for you! This program combines wonderful literature and beautiful artwork. Students will experience some of the beloved Caldecott Award-winning illustrators such as Leo Lionni, Eric Carle, Robert McCloskey, Chris Van Allsburg, and many more! Students will then take the time to create their own artwork inspired by these award-winning illustrators. This class is perfect for the experienced artist as well as a beginning artist who simply enjoys literature and inspiring illustrations!

Summer 2011 Registration Form
Elementary Summer Activities Program

Student Name: _____ School: _____

Current Grade: _____ Homeroom Teacher: _____ Room #: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Home Phone: _____

Address: _____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Name: _____ Emergency Phone Number: _____

Instructor should be aware of the following medical conditions(s) or allergies: None:

***Please note that there will not be a nurse in the school building during courses**

Please enroll my child in the following courses:

***A separate check for \$115 must be issued for each course in which your child is enrolled.**

***Checks are made payable to *Bernards Township Board of Education*.**

Session 1: Thursday June 30th, Tuesday July 5th to Thursday July 14th (Monday through Thursday)

Check # _____ (alternate 1) (alternate 2)

Session 2: Monday July 18th to Thursday July 28th (Monday through Thursday)

Check # _____ (alternate 1) (alternate 2)

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Student Dismissal:

Please describe how your child will go home after their Summer Activities course(s):

_____ Parent/Guardian Pick-up

_____ Walker (indicates child may walk home **WITHOUT** adult supervision)

Dismissal Notes: _____

The following people also have my permission to transport my child home from school:

_____ (Name and phone #)

_____ (Name and phone #)

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

Additional Registration Notes:

*Please describe any special requests you may have regarding student registration (i.e. scheduling specifics, registration with siblings, etc.)

***Please remember that registration is on a first come first serve basis. Incomplete registrations will cause a delay. Please make sure you have completed your registration properly.**



Registration Check List:

- I wrote a separate check for each course.
- I signed and completed both sides of the registration form.
- I've clearly outlined my child's dismissal procedure.
- I've double-checked my child's course schedule to ensure I didn't register for two classes in the same period.
- I've signed up for alternate course selections (this is extremely important if you are interested in a full day of scheduling).