

MOUNT PROSPECT

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES PROGRAM

Fall, 2010

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What are After School Activity Courses?

Activity courses provide fun, challenge, and excitement for new learning that capitalizes on the different "intelligences" of children. Instructors may be teachers or community members who are certified to teach.

All courses are held at Mount Prospect School from 3:15-4:30 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday.

Choosing Classes

- A separate registration form has been provided for each day. Complete a separate form for each class your child wishes to participate in.
- The alternative class section is used in the event your child's first class will not run or has been closed (**choosing alternatives greatly increases the likelihood of your child participating in the program**)
- In order for a class to be held, there must be a minimum of 10 students per class. We strive to maintain a class ratio of 10 to 15 students per teacher.
- Some courses have irregular schedules due to holidays and parent conferences. Please check the meeting times for each class.

Payment

- Tuition is **\$85** per student for each eight week 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.**
- If you qualify for free or reduced lunch you may also qualify for a scholarship. Please contact Kerry Linstra at x259

How to Register

- Registration is on a **first come, first serve basis**. So please send in your registration right away.
- **Registration ends on Wednesday, September 22, 2010**
- Please send your registration forms and checks in an envelope marked "After School Activities" to your child's teacher.
- **Confirmations will be sent by Friday, September 24, 2010** Please do not call the office for Activity Program confirmations. **Courses will start beginning Thursday, September 30, 2010.**

Program Guidelines

- **If a student is present at school but will not be attending his/her course that afternoon, YOU MUST SEND A NOTE/E-MAIL to Ms. Kerry Linstra (klinstra@bernardsboe.com). You may also call the After School Activities line at (908) 470-1600 x259 and leave a message by 3:00 p.m. This is an important security precaution for your child's safety.**
- If inclement weather occurs, call the school office to find out if after school courses are canceled. Canceled classes will be made up the week after the last scheduled class.
- Students should behave in an appropriate manner. School rules of conduct apply to after school programs. A student who violates the rules may be removed from the program. Please discuss this with your child.

- Students must be picked up promptly by 4:30. If you are late picking up your child more than two times, the student will be unable to continue in the program. No refund will be given.

Monday Courses

Monday Meeting dates: 10/4, 10/11, 10/18, 10/25, 11/1, 11/8, 11/15, 11/22

Chemistry Conundrums

In Chemistry Conundrums we will create a variety of substances using different materials and observe how they change. For example, have you ever wondered what Oobleck really is? If you enjoy science and mixing ingredients to create something new, you will have fun in this hands-on mini-unit!

Grades: 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. M. Guggenheim

Cupcakery/Edible Creations

Just when you thought you ate it all! Come one, come all to the spring edition of Cupcakery and Edible Creations Combo. Decorate tie-dye masterpieces, cute-critters and other seasonal surprises with cupcakes. Create candy creatures, cookie characters, even edible dirt made with candy and “wormy” treats. So bring your creative talents along with your sweet tooth and join us for Cupcakery and Edible Creations “combo class”.

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

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. K. Milito

Origami!

Origami is the ancient art of paper folding. In this unit, students will create all kinds of objects and learn about math as well! Students will learn the basic folds and create sea creatures, dragons, mystery boxes, animals, boats, and many more! Beginners and advanced students of origami are welcome!

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. K. Linstra

Mighty Mathematicians

In this course, we will read math related stories and have fun exploring various mathematical concepts such as: graphing, fractions, measurement and money. We will play number games like Uno, Trouble, Dominoes and Bingo. So come strengthen your mathematical ability and be a Mighty Mathematician!

Grades: 1

Instructor: Mrs. T. Vena

Wall Street at Mount Prospect

This course is designed to introduce students to the world of economics and investing. Students will learn about such concepts as stocks, mutual funds, bonds, risk, supply & demand, and interest rates. Students will also participate in an eight-week competition to see how much money they can accumulate by investing in different areas.

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mr. P. Vreeland

Animals in Art

In this class students will explore Animals In Art - Dancing Cows, Speckled Hens, Giant Giraffes, Fantastic Frogs & more. A variety of media will be used to complete the lessons – watercolor and tempera paint along with crayons, markers, oils pastels and cut paper. Animals have always been a source of inspiration for artists – let them inspire your child!!!

Grades: 2, 3

Instructor: Ms. S. Bivona

Bananagrams!

Come play the word game that will drive you BANANAS! Bananagrams is an anagram game designed to make words from tiles. It may sound familiar, but there is a twist... a banana theme! There is no board and everyone plays at the same time. You don't have to wait for "your turn." This makes the game exciting and fast. If you like games, words, and have an urge to learn new vocabulary, this is the mini-unit for you!

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mr. J. Ganz

Scrapbooking Mania

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.

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. S. Jakubowski

Tuesday Courses

Tuesday Meeting dates: 10/5, 10/12, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/23, 11/30

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Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mr. J. Ganz

Dream It, Build It

Use multi-media to make the creations of your dreams. You may work with Lincoln Logs, K'NEX, paper airplanes, Legos, balloons and even marshmallows and toothpicks to make anything you can imagine. Instructions are provided or you can build free-style. It's your choice!

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mrs. D. Reilly

- Ms. Muserlian

- If enrollment numbers permit, a second co-teacher will assist with this course

Art From Many Lands and Hands

This class will focus on art made by different cultures. Exposing students to art from all over the world brings them the wonder of art in all it's many forms, expands their knowledge of what art is and shows them the variety of ways design problems can be solved. Students will use a variety of materials including: watercolor & tempera paint, markers, oils pastels and CLAY!!!

Grades 4, 5

Instructor: Mrs. S. Bivona

The Magical Worlds of Harry Potter

Hop on board the Hogwarts Express and explore the magical worlds of that famous wizard, Harry Potter. Just in time for the movie coming out this fall, discover the amazing origins of magical creatures and uncover hidden meanings in magical names and places. Find out what Fluffy the three-headed dog has to do with ancient mythology and how the new book, Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, was inspired by Chaucer's Canterbury Tales. Students will design their own Hogwarts Crests, create magical creatures and enjoy other enchanted activities as they join Harry on many of his magical adventures!

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mrs. S. Scully

Kids Can Keyboard Too!

Did you want to finish Type-to-Learn? Here is your chance! Students practice and improve their keyboarding skills using various computer websites and programs such as Typer-Instructor and Type to Learn. Students will be able to chart their progress each week. Typing skills will also be reinforced through popular typing games such as Typer Shark! (This course will be taught in the computer lab.)

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. K. Pellicone

Landscape Painting

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.

Grades 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mr. M. Pepitone

Mount Prospect School Chess Club

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Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructors: Mr. J. Garrity

*Mr. P. Vreeland

* If enrollment numbers permit, a second co-teacher will assist with this course

Mock Trial

7:30-8:30 AM, Year long course

Participate in the New Jersey Mock Trial Competition by taking this course. Students will be learning about the American justice system, constitutional rights, and courtroom and trial procedures, while honing their reasoning and thinking skills. The students will create and write an original trial to submit to the competition which is sponsored by the New Jersey BAR Association. This is a thinking/writing intensive class which requires a commitment to attend all classes in both the fall and spring semesters. Participation is limited. Grade 5 only, students need not have participated in the grade 4 Mock trial.

Grade 5

Instructor: Mrs. Scully

* Ms.Bivaletz

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Thursday Courses

Thursday Meeting dates: 9/30, 10/7, 10/14, 10/28, 11/11, 11/18, 12/2, 12/9

Mindbenders, Board games, and Brainteasers

Back by popular demand! Engage in a variety of puzzles, riddles, and unique board games. You will improve your ability to solve problems, plan and strategize, concentrate and conceptualize. This class is a stimulating game potpourri!

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mrs. S. Scully

Geography Road Trip

Have you ever wanted to learn about the different parts, states, cities/capitals and landforms in the United States without ever stepping foot out of the classroom? Take this "virtual" mini-unit to travel to and learn about the different regions of the United States. You will create various landforms using model magic, design maps and participate in games that highlight the different areas. A culminating activity for this mini unit will be to be a voluntary participant in a state and capital name competition. Bon voyage!

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. K. Pellicone

Magician School

Wow your parents and amaze your brothers, sisters, relatives, and friends with a variety of magic tricks! Students will learn a variety of magic tricks utilizing cards, coins, optical illusions, and sleights of the hand. Students will also gain experience in dramatic presentation as well. Come join the fun and mystery!

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mr. P. Vreeland

Mount Prospect Book Club

Calling All Readers! Do you enjoy reading and talking about the latest book, series, or author you have read? Do you like working as a group? Well, this year you are invited to participate in the Mount Prospect School Book Club! Come meet as a community of readers once a week and read, discuss the plot, characters, the author, and more. Challenge the ideas of others and share your own point of view on the story and other elements: humor, suspense, figurative language, foreshadowing, etc. Enjoy books and discuss with peers while reinforcing comprehension, accuracy, fluency, and vocabulary development. Build and strengthen critical thinking skills by expressing opinions and connections. Also, you will have the chance to respond in other ways as well. Write and publish reviews, as well as construct projects with technology and art materials to extend your understanding of the books with others. And did I mention you will have the opportunity to select the book of choice and work with peers? Join with friends and invite new ones to form your very own team of readers while reading from the genres and titles you choose. Can't wait to see you there!

Grades 3,4, 5

Instructor: Ms. M. Morrone

Roots and Shoots

In Roots and Shoots you will learn about endangered animals, how to improve the environment and develop ways to help our community. We will brainstorm ideas to achieve these goals and then do our best to fulfill them! We learn about endangered chimpanzees, in particular, as Roots and Shoots is part of the Jane Goodall Institute. You will participate in activities such as a whole school clean-up, making birdfeeders and run the bake sale to raise money to sponsor endangered animals and to help build schools for children who have none. There are many things we can do to help make our world a better place. Please join us!

Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Ms. M. Guggenheim

Hook Up on Crocheting for a Good Cause

Did you ever think of crocheting for charity? In this mini unit the students will learn the basic steps of crocheting by making squares which will then be sewn together to make an afghan. The group will then decide together what charity they would like to donate their afghan to. Come and have fun learning this great craft!

Grades: 3, 4, 5

Instructor: Mrs. L. McNally

Fantasy Football

Are you ready for some football? Join us to manage your own fantasy football team. Draft your own team and track the performance of your players. In addition you'll learn real life math skills, learn how to read box scores, review the history of football and discuss past and present players.

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Grades: 4

Instructor: Mrs. S. Scully

* Ms. Bivaletz

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Friday Courses

Friday Meeting dates: 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10

Cartooning and Comic Book Art

In this class, you will learn how to draw some famous cartoon characters and then develop your own to create your very own comic strip or book. You will learn drawing techniques as well as using multimedia to create them on the computer. In addition to drawing, you will learn how to do a storyboard and focus on writing skills for your comic book story. Pre-writing, drafting, editing and publishing will be skills you will polish in this mini-unit.

Grades: 2, 3, 4, 5

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Grades: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5

Instructors: Ms. K. Pellicone

*Ms. Denise Callaway * Mr. J. Ganz

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Knotting Friendships One Stitch At a Time

Take a twist on art this fall and come play with string and lanyard! Bring along a friend and make new friends while learning how to explore friendship bracelet patterns and a variety of lanyard stitches: box, braid, Chinese staircase, cobra, and more! Apply these stitches to make bracelets, key chains, anklets, zipper pulls, headbands, and other creations of your own design. Join us in this colorful string of fun while Knotting Friendships One Stitch at a Time.

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Mount Prospect After School Mini Units Program

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Monday Course Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Class Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Name: _____

Emergency Phone: _____

If you would like a receipt for tax purposes, please check this box.

Please enroll my child in the following mini-unit:

- Siblings must each have their *own registration form*.
- **Make checks out to Bernards Township Board of Education.**
 - Taxpayer Identification #: 22-6001655
- Please issue a *separate check* (\$85.00) for each child and for each course you enroll your child(ren) in.

Monday: Course(s): _____

Alternatives (If your first choice does not meet the minimum or reaches the maximum number of students, your child will be assigned to their second or third choice.)

Second choice: Day: _____ Course: _____

Third choice: Day: _____ Course: _____

Instructor should be aware of the following medical condition(s) and allergies:

****Please indicate if your child is prescribed an EpiPen:** _____

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

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

(name and phone #)

(name and phone #)

- **Please indicate how your child will usually be dismissed on the day they are attending this course. (If you need to change your arrangement on a certain day, you must send a note to school through your child's homeroom teacher.)**

Walker _____ Parent Pick up _____ After Care Program _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

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Tuesday Course - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Class Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

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Thursday Course - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Class Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Cell Phone: _____

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Friday Course - Registration Form

Student Name: _____

Grade: _____ Class Room Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

_____ Work Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Emergency Name: _____ Emergency Phone: _____

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