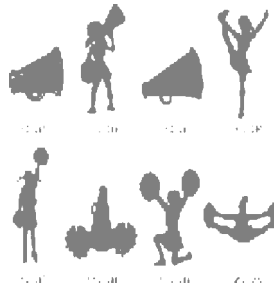
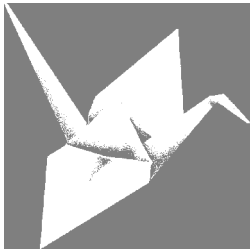
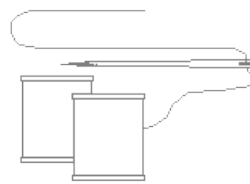
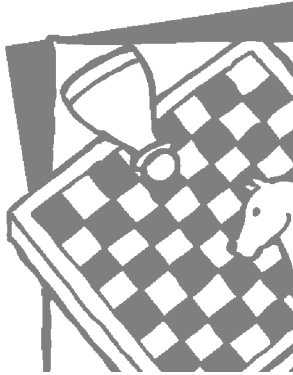


Briargrove Elementary School

After School Excellence

A-Z GUIDE TO ENRICHMENT CLASSES FALL 2017





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One School. One Community. One Great Place to Be.

Enrichment Class Descriptions Fall 2017

The Schedule below is sorted by ABC Order.

Academic Group Tutoring

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Thur** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **3/5**

Course Description

This class is offered to provide One-on-One Private Academic Tutoring by a Faculty Member at Briargrove Elementary

Teacher Description

Briargrove Faculty

Academic Private Tutoring

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Teacher Description

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Teacher Description

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Archery

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **10/15**

Course Description

Fun activity and something different. The purpose of the class is to introduce students to the basic techniques of archery emphasizing the care and use of equipment, range safety, stance, body position and shooting techniques.

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Art After School: Multimedia

Grade Level **1-5** Day **Mon** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **5/15**

Course Description

Investigate the visual arts through hands-on art making, while learning about various artists, art movements, and art techniques. Time-tested lessons are structures to achieve a creative goal in a fun educational environment. The course content and inspirational images change each semester, allowing students to explore art on a continual basis without repetition. Students will work with a range of materials and techniques including drawing, painting, printmaking, and sculpture.

Teacher Description

City ArtWorks engages trained art instructors to teach their curriculum-based Art After School program. City ArtWorks is a nonprofit arts education organization based in Houston since 1982. Their programs serve approximately 50 elementary and middle schools in five school districts in the greater Houston area.

Baseball for All

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Wed** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **9/18**

Course Description

A class where kids can get away and enjoy an hour of fun! We will cover learning the proper baseball mechanics in hitting, fielding, and throwing; and most importantly, a basic understanding of the game and rules by working on basic skills and drills. Mini Stars will work with all students to improve their skills, such as: hitting, catching, fielding and throwing.

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Chess Instruction with USA Chess/K-5

Grade Level **K-5**

Day **Tues**

Time **3:30-4:30**

Min/Max **8/16**

Course Description

Children of all ages and abilities will be taught the game of chess from experienced tournament players. Lessons are tailored to the abilities of the class. Beginners will be taught the basics (how the pieces move, the rules, etc.) while more experienced players will be given problems to solve, lessons in tactics, checkmates, openings, etc. Children will be split into groups by ability if more than 20 children enroll.

Teacher Description

Active Learning has been teaching children Chess and Game Design for over 17 years! Our experienced instructors make learning fun for students.

Dance: Ballet I - K-2

Grade Level **K-2**

Day **Tues**

Time **3:30-4:30**

Min/Max **8/15**

Course Description

Learn both basics of the ballet language both physically and intellectually. We will tackle all the positions of the arms, feet and legs based on Cecchetti and Vaganova ballet schools. All are welcome no experience needed just a drive to be a beautiful butterfly or a fun little bunny. Dress Code: Ballet shoes, pink tights and black leotard are suggested.

Teacher Description

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Dance: Ballet II - 3rd-5th

Grade Level **3-5**

Day **Tues**

Time **4:35-5:35**

Min/Max **8/15**

Course Description

Learn ballet language and a bit of history. Get ready to learn at the barre and move across the floor. This will be the basis of all the dance technique to follow. All you need is a drive to feel the rhythm and fly across the room. Tinker Bells wanna- a-bes are wanted! Dress code: Ballet shoes, pink tights, black leotard are suggested.

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Dance: Hip Hop/Jazz

Grade Level **K-5**

Day **Wed**

Time **3:30-4:30**

Min/Max **8/15**

Course Description

Learn the latest cool moves and some old school funk. A basic jazz steps across the floor. Dress Code: Loose fitting clothing and (sneakers are required.) No skirts without leggings please.

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Guitar Group Lesson @ F3:30

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **3/7**

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Mad Science

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Wed** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **8/20**

Course Description

Dust off those lab coats and put on your goggles. It is time for Science....Mad Science! Students will learn Science through fun, hands-on classes filled with exciting experiments and interactive demonstrations. Each week children will cover a different science topic and take projects so they continue to have fun at home.

Teacher Description

Mad Science of Houston has over 25 instructors on staff. All instructors go through DPS FAST Background checks. They all have paid experience working with children, have outgoing personalities and are specially trained to make science fun and educational.

Martial Arts

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Thur** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **8/20**

Course Description

The main focus of this Martial Arts Class is to teach children discipline, respect, perseverance, focus on self-esteem and positive mental attitude through a mix of Martial Arts in a non-striking self-defense system. Instructor Bruno Ortega will teach the children on how to focus on positive mental and physical skills they will carry with them through in their daily life at school and at home! As your child learn's to succeed, you'll see a new kind of discipline emerge which will positively affect all areas of his or her life. Your child will have an increased awareness of respect for others, and most importantly, for him/herself.

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Musical Theater

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Tues** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **10/15**

Course Description

This class will incorporate acting, dancing and singing, culminating with a final performance at the end of the semester.

Teacher Description

HITS has been a theatre in the Heights for over 25 years. HITS has been helping students achieve life skills through stage skills, addressing the need for a quality performing arts education while providing a nurturing and affirming environment for young people to learn and grow as performers and individuals. HITS Theatre is a nonprofit organization with two major goals for children in the arts: education and performance. However, a HITS education involves much more than learning to sing, dance and act. It helps transform students into disciplined team players, creative thinkers, and confident communicators. While many of our alumni have gone on to careers in the performing arts, many more have used the life skills and confidence they developed at HITS to become successful in other careers, including medicine, law and business.

Outdoor Sports

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **5/15**

Course Description

In this class a variety of outdoor sports such as Fun Flag Football, Softball/Baseball, Soccer and Basketball will be taught.

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Robo Engineers

Grade Level **1-5** Day **Thur** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **10/15**

Course Description

This STEM class is a mixed bag that combines Robotics, Engineering and Physical Science. Students will build a spaghetti bridge and test for stability, build straw rockets and balsa gliders to test speed and distance. They will also build the tower of power out of index cards to learn about the design process and build a human skeleton out of noodles to learn about bones. These and other modular units used in this very creative class will encourage problem solving and an understanding of various scientific principles. This hands on class for 1st through 5th graders will be above all FUN!!

Teacher Description

Our lead robotics instructor is a computer engineer. He conducts various workshops and clinics for our instructors in the latest and most innovative practices in STEM robotics. Our teachers have extensive experience in working with children and teens.

Sculpture & Clay

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **3:30-4:30** Min/Max **5/10**

Course Description

Sculpture and Clay - Students will gain experience working with basic three-dimensional materials, such as clay and wood, paper, metals, and fiber. Upon completion of this course, students should be able to effectively manipulate multiple materials and create interesting and unique solutions to the inherent variations of sculpture and pottery. This class is designed to cultivate the students' creative instinct, fine motor skills, visual artistry and creating something from idea to finished state.

Teacher Description

City ArtWorks engages trained art instructors to teach their Clay Pottery class. The hands-on lessons are structured to achieve a creative goal in a fun environment. City ArtWorks is a nonprofit arts education organization based in Houston since 1982. Their programs serve approximately 50 elementary and middle schools in five school districts in the greater Houston area.

Spanish for Life 1: 2nd-5th

Grade Level **2-5** Day **Mon** Time **4:35-5:35** Min/Max **6/15**

Course Description

This course is for Beginners students. Our program is based on the Texas Spanish program. We will cover a wide range of vocabulary and we will teach the students how to study it. We will gradually take your child to a conversational stage practicing the perfect pronunciation from day one. Your child will learn to communicate in the Spanish language through dialogues, readings, listening, writings, rhymes, games, songs, stories and more. Español for Life 1 is so much fun your child will really enjoy learning the language.

Teacher Description

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Spanish for Life I: K-1

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Violin (Private) @ F4:40

Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **4:40-5:10** Min/Max **1/1**

Course Description

In a weekly 30 minute music lesson, students will receive one-on-one instruction in fundamental instrument techniques, notes reading and start to interpret the pieces with their own ideas and understandings. In addition to traditional one-on-one and group instrumental lessons, our curriculum includes music theory, ear training, sight-reading, technique, and music history.

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Violin (Private) @ W3:30Grade Level **K-5** Day **Wed** Time **3:30-4:00** Min/Max **1/1****Course Description**

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Violin Group Lesson @ F3:30Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **3:30-4:00** Min/Max **3/7****Course Description**

In a weekly 30 minute music lesson, students will receive group instruction in fundamental instrument techniques, notes reading and start to interpret the pieces with their own ideas and understandings. In addition to traditional one-on-one and group instrumental lessons, our curriculum includes music theory, ear training, sight-reading, technique, and music history.

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Violin(Private) @ F4:05Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **4:05-4:35** Min/Max **1/1****Course Description**

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Violin(Private) @ F5:15Grade Level **K-5** Day **Fri** Time **5:15-5:45** Min/Max **1/1****Course Description**

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Wired Words (30 sessions Sept-May)

Grade Level **3-5**

Day **Thur**

Time **3:30-4:30**

Min/Max **15/18**

Course Description

These young writers will come together in a writing club to write stories, essays, poems, and plays with daily exercises that teach literary techniques, extend vocabulary, and encourage creative expression. Students will write, edit, and revise original writing that is shared through various avenues for digital expression that can include blogs, public service announcements, video poems, interviews, presentations on a topic, and storytelling. Students will learn the importance of writing for an audience and the best way to use various online web platforms. The instructor will help students translate their stories, essays, films, and poetry into digital form. No prior experience with technology is necessary.

Teacher Description

WITS has a Mission: To engage children in the pleasure and power of reading and writing. Their Vision is to revolutionize the way reading and writing are taught, nurturing the growth of the imagination and awakening students to the adventures of language. Visit WITS website for more information: <http://wits-houston.org>

Yoga for Kids

Grade Level **K-5**

Day **Mon**

Time **3:30-4:30**

Min/Max **5/15**

Course Description

Yoga for children is full of very fun lessons integrating a mix of yoga poses (Asanas), games and improvisation where the goals are:

- to have a positive effect on the academic achievement, general health, personal attributes, and relationships of students.
- that each class is accompanied by other elements such as music and games.
- to learn techniques for self-health, relaxation, and inner fulfillment. Yoga at an early age encourages self-esteem and body awareness.
- to enhance flexibility, strength and coordination. In addition, their concentration and sense of calmness and breath awareness improves.
- to use improvisation, animal adaptations, story telling and visualizations for a more fun and dynamic lesson.
- to think of our self as a facilitator rather than a teacher.
- to have fun, feel good and remember to enjoy the moment.

Teacher Description

Mini Star's focus is on developing skills directed toward the sport/fitness class they are engaging in. The challenge and excitement of playing games keeps the learning fun. As they are having fun, the students are introduced to the rules of the sport/fitness class they are engaged in.