

**BROWNELL TALBOT**

**ENRICHMENT**

**PROGRAM**



Explore BT's after school offerings for Early Years through grade 8 students.



**2020-2021**

# Enrichment Program

The end of the school day doesn't mean an end to learning. BT offers a variety of activities to our students in Early Years through Grade 8. The goal of the Enrichment Program is to offer students a fun environment to explore and expand their interests and provide parents a convenient program upon which they can rely.

*Students' selections of activities will be assigned on a first come, first served basis as the number of participants may be limited or have a minimum requirement.*

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## **BTYSO - Brownell Talbot Youth Sports Organization (EY - Grade 6)**

Brownell Talbot Youth Sports Organization (BTYSO) is a school-run organization that provides recreational opportunities for preschool - grade 6 students to participate in organized team sports. BTYSO provides opportunities in soccer, basketball, volleyball, and flag football. We depend on parent volunteers to organize and coach the teams. BTYSO goals include:

- Creating an opportunity to learn to play team sports in a way that builds skill, confidence, and good sportsmanship.
- Providing an opportunity for the development of every player regardless of ability while having fun, whether playing recreational or competitive-level sports.
- Building good sportsmanship and positive attitudes in players, coaches, and parents.
- Providing coach-training opportunities and encouraging coaches to learn coaching skills and techniques appropriate for each level of play.

BTYSO programs are focused on three important principles: fun, personal development, and skill development. The organization allows every player the opportunity to learn the game while having fun!

Bob Williams is the BTYSO director and can be reached via email at [robert.williams@brownell.edu](mailto:robert.williams@brownell.edu) or phone at 402.556.3772 (ext. 1104). Register at [brownell.edu/BTYSO](http://brownell.edu/BTYSO).

### **FALL SPORTS (August - October)**

- Mighty Kickers Soccer (boys and girls on same team): ages 3 to 4
- Soccer (boys and girls): kindergarten - grade 2
  - Kindergarten teams are coed
  - Grades 1 and 2 play together on boys only and girls only teams
- Flag Football (boys): kindergarten - grade 6
- Volleyball (girls): grades 3-6

### **WINTER SPORTS (November - February)**

- Boys and Girls Basketball: ages 3 to 4
- Basketball (boys and girls): kindergarten - grade 6

### **SPRING SPORTS (March - May)**

- Mighty Kickers Soccer (boys and girls): ages 3 to 4 (must be 4 at start of season)
- Soccer (boys and girls): kindergarten - grade 4
- Soccer (boys and girls): grades 5-6

**BTYSO Coordinator:** Bob Williams

**Location:** Lower School Roberts Gym, school practice field

**Dates:** TBD Coaches are volunteer parents

**Cost:** Varies according to season and number of athletes. Visit [brownell.edu/BTYSO](http://brownell.edu/BTYSO) to register. Registration for the Fall season closes on July 19 (flag football) and July 26 (volleyball and soccer). Winter basketball registration will open in October 2020. Spring soccer registration will open in February 2021.

### **Swim Team (Kindergarten - Grade 12)**

BT swim practice groups fit the needs of swimmers of all ages and ability levels. Please keep in mind that age ranges are not absolute. Sometimes an older swimmer who is new to the sport may have to start with a group that is predominantly younger. Occasionally a very advanced younger swimmer may be moved into a group of older athletes. These group descriptions are provided to give you a sense of our team's structure and the progression your child is likely to follow as he/she moves through our program.

### **Swashbucklers (Kindergarten - Grade 2)**

This group is composed of the youngest competitive swimmers in the BT swim program. The main emphasis of this group is teaching the basic fundamentals of the competitive strokes. This consists of kicking, drilling, and the development of the skills necessary for competitive swimming. Preschool and junior kindergarten students who qualify may participate in this group. Swashbucklers is not a learn to swim program. It is a competitive swim team. Students interested in Swashbucklers must be able to swim the length of Theisen Pool (25 meters) on their own.

**Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

\*It is recommended that swimmers in this group attend 2 or more practices per week

**Time:** 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

### **Marooners (Kindergarten - Grade 2)**

All swimmers within this group must be able to successfully swim each of the four competitive strokes in a legal manner as deemed by USA Swimming, Inc. rules. Marooners will focus on sharpening competitive strokes through drills and kicking. Starts, turns, and mental skills for training for the next level will also be emphasized.

**Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

\*It is recommended that swimmers in this group attend 2 or more practices per week

**Time:** 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

### ***Buccaneers (Grades 3 and 4)***

This group is the level in which swimmers move from primary stroke and technique instruction to more emphasis on training. Drill work and kicking will continue to make up a large portion of this group; however, swimming sets will be added. At this level, goal setting will be introduced, and swimmers will be expected to be more accountable for their progress in swimming. Consistent practice attendance is necessary for continued improvement and advancement to the next group.

**Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

\*It is recommended that swimmers in this group attend 3 or more practices per week

**Time:** 3:15 pm - 4:15 pm

### ***Raiders (Grades 5 and up)***

The Raiders take on a much more rigorous training load than the Buccaneers while continuing to build on the skills acquired at the Buccaneers level. Practice times are longer in conjunction with higher yardage requirements. Besides the increase in physical demands, the swimmers will be expected to understand interval training and will learn how to train at different levels and speeds. There will also be a greater emphasis on race strategies.

**Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays

**Times:** 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm MTWTh, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm Fridays, Saturday as announced

**Instructor:** Coach Jimmy Parmenter and Coach Jeff Nelson

**Location:** Theisen Pool

#### **Sessions:**

- FALL: August 31, 2020 through December 31, 2020
- WINTER: January 1, 2021 through Friday, March 26, 2021
- SPRING: March 29, 2021 through May 21, 2021
- SUMMER: June 1, 2021 through July 23, 2021

**Cost:** Annual registration fee: \$125

The \$125 annual registration fee is required for each swimmer and includes individual athlete USA Swimming membership. This fee is due upon first joining and every September thereafter.

- FALL: \$400 (4 months)
- WINTER: \$300 (3 months)
- SPRING: \$200 (2 months)
- SUMMER: \$200 (2 months)

## **BT Swim School**

Brownell Talbot is excited to join forces with FLswimming, Inc. to offer swim lessons for children ages 6 months to 12 years old! During each 30-minute class, swimmers will focus on water safety, development of swim skills, and proper technique in a positive, supportive atmosphere. Additional information regarding age groups and registration can be found [here](#).

## ***America's Battle of The Books (Grades 3 and 4)***

The aim of *America's Battle of the Books* to:

- Support students in their love and discovery for reading by introducing them to quality literature.
- Offer books that build on historical values and the dignity of life.
- Develop friendships between students based on socialization, competition and mutual respect.

Students read books and come together in groups to test their knowledge based on what they have read.

**Instructor:** Tami Petrulis, fourth grade teacher

**Days:** Mondays

**Dates:** September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 19, 26; November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; December 7

**Location:** fourth grade classroom

**Time:** 3:20 pm - 4:20 pm

**Cost:** \$120, includes cost of books

**Number of students required:** 10

## **Chess Club (Grades 2-8)**

Students interested in learning how to play chess or improving their skill through competitive practice, are invited to participate in the BT Chess Club. Learn rules and moves, basic strategy and openings, and tournament etiquette.

At the time of publication for our enrichment program BT is advertising to hire a chess instructor for the 2020-2021 school year. Families can sign up to reserve a spot for the upcoming school year.

**Instructor:** TBD

**Days:** TBD

**Dates:** The meeting dates for Chess Club will be determined later in the summer.

**Time:** TBD

**Location:** TBD

**Cost:** \$175

**Number of students required:** no minimum

## **Girls on the Run (Girls in Grades 3-6)**

Over a period of 8 weeks, girls in third through sixth grade can participate in an after-school program like no other. Designed to allow every girl to recognize her inner strength, the Girls on the Run curriculum inspires girls to define their lives on their own terms. Throughout the season, the girls make new friends, build their confidence and celebrate all that makes them unique.

The Girls on the Run lessons encourage positive emotional, social, mental and physical development. Participants explore and discuss their own beliefs around experiences and challenges girls face at this age. They also develop important strategies and skills to help them navigate life experiences. We start with helping the girls get a better understanding of who they are and what's important to them. Then, we look at the importance of teamwork and healthy relationships. And, finally, the girls explore how they can positively connect with and shape the world.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Girls on the Run has modified curriculum versions and program options to accommodate potential calendar changes and scheduling disruptions. The curriculum has been adapted to deliver programming for various schedules while maintaining the program's social and emotional learning goals.

**Instructor:** Katie Tessin and Natalie Simms

**Days:** Tuesdays and Thursdays

**Dates:** September 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29; October 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29

**Time:** 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

**Cost:** \$30 payment to Brownell Talbot

\$90 additional payment to the Girls on the Run program. Starting on August 1 families will be required to register their child and pay the registration fee on the Girls on the Run website.

**Number of students required:** 8

There is a maximum of 20 students allowed to enroll in the program.

## **Serenading Raiders Choir (Grades 3 and 4)**

As Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once penned, “music is the universal language of mankind.” At Brownell Talbot, we would agree. Serenading Raiders Choir sings in the Omaha community during the holiday season and in the spring. Grades 3 and 4 practice and perform together as they gain confidence and performing skills.

**Instructor:** Christy Gibson, Lower School music teacher

**Days:** Tuesdays

**Dates:** Fall: October 27; November 3, 10, 17; December 1, 8;  
Spring: January, 12, 19, 26; February 2, 9, 16, 23; March 2, 16, 23, 30;  
April 6, 13, 20, 27

**Time:** 3:20 pm - 4:15 pm

**Location:** Lower School Music Room

**Cost:** \$150 for the year

**Number of students required:** 12

## **Gaming Club (Grades 5-8)**

The purpose of the Brownell Talbot Gaming Club is to practice effective social skills, logical reasoning, abstract thinking, and have fun while enhancing a positive community. Board games, card games, role-playing games, and video games of various shapes and sizes give students opportunities to explore problem-solving in engaging ways. This club not only encourages beneficial competition but also teaches an effective way to maintain a balance between work and play in a way that still stimulates brain growth.

**Instructor:** Andy Koehler

**Days:** Mondays

**Dates:** Fall Session: September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 19, 26;  
November: 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; December 7; Spring Session: January 25;  
February 1, 8, 22; March 1, 15, 22, 29; April 12, 19, 26; May 3, 10

**Time:** 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm

**Location:** James Middle and Upper School Library

**Cost:** \$75 per session

## Enrichment Program Calendar

Enrichment Program	Instructor	Grade level	Cost	M	T	W	Th	F
Swim Team	Jimmy Parmenter	K-12	See Enrichment Brochure	K-4, 5-12	K-4, 5-12	K-4, 5-12	K-4, 5-12	5-8 AM
Chess Club	TBD	2-8	\$175	Day of week TBD				
Girls on the Run	Katie Tessin & Natalie Simms	3-6	\$120		x		x	
<i>America's Battle of the Books</i>	Tami Petrulis	3-4	\$100	x				
Serenading Raiders Choir	Christy Gibson	3-4	\$150		x			
Gaming Club	Andy Koehler	5-8	\$75	x				

# ENRICHMENT OFFERED IN SPRING 2021

Additional enrichment opportunities will be offered to students during the spring semester and open for registration later in the school year.

## **Rose Theater Production (Grades 3-6)**

Brownell Talbot will partner again with The Rose Theater to put on a production featuring BT students in grades 3-6. Anticipated start date for rehearsals is March 2021. The performance is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, April 29, 2021. The play production selection will be announced at a later date.

All rehearsals will be held at Brownell Talbot with the final performance in Swanson Auditorium. Rehearsals will be from 3:45 pm to 5:30 pm, Monday through Thursday. Students who are seeking lead roles must be able to attend rehearsal each day. Students seeking smaller roles must generally attend two days per week. Please anticipate that all cast members will need to be present during the final week leading up to the performance. We recognize that many students are involved in other BT enrichment activities, and we will work hard to make rehearsals work. However, we cannot do this with outside activities. Once the cast list is identified, we will send a detailed rehearsal schedule.

The fee to participate is \$160 per student. **Students must audition and, depending on the number of auditions, we may not be able to cast everyone interested.** The director from The Rose Theater will select the cast. Mr. Tobey will be supporting the production. Also there will be opportunities for students to be on the tech crew for the production.

The dates to audition will be announced in January 2020. Registration will open for this program in January 2019. Tech crew information will be scheduled and announced at a later time. Students wishing to be on tech crew should anticipate a twice a week commitment.

**Instructor:** Rose Theater and Blake Tobey

**Days:** Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays

**Dates:** TBD

**Time:** 3:45 pm - 5:30 pm

**Location:** Swanson Auditorium

**Cost:** \$160 per student

## **Brownell Talbot Book Club (Grades 1 & 2)**

The aim of the first and second grade book club is to:

- Support students in their love and discovery for reading by introducing them to quality literature.
- Provide an opportunity to read and discuss assigned books with peers.
- Allow students a space to demonstrate their knowledge of books read and discussed by participating in comprehension game shows and/or creating hands on activities such as puppet characters, storybook dioramas, etc.

**Instructor:** TBD

**Days:** TBD

**Dates:** TBD; The program will start in January 2021 and end in March 2021.

**Time:** 3:20 pm - 4:20 pm

**Location:** TBD

**Cost:** \$120

**Number of students required:** 10

## **Creative Movement and Dance (Grades EY-4)**

Creative Movement is a dance class that explores self-expression and improvisation, while also discovering a dancer's vocabulary. Both fine and large motor skills are developed through independent exercises, as well as team building opportunities. Helps enhance focus, coordination, rhythm, and a love for the arts.

Musical Theatre is dance class inspired by the bright lights of a Broadway stage. Students will learn performance skills through character study and expressive jazz dance. Builds agility, confidence, social skills, and musicality.

**Instructor:** Jessie Schnack

**Sessions:** Early Years: mid-January 2021 through February 2021;  
Kindergarten - grade 4: mid-March 2021 through April 2021

**Days:** TBD

**Dates:** TBD

**Time:** Early Years: 3:20 pm - 4:05 pm; Kindergarten - grade 4: 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm

**Location:** Early Years: TBD; Kindergarten - grade 4: Lower School  
Roberts Gymnasium

**Cost:** \$75 per session

## **Introduction to Robotics (Grade 3 and 4)**

Students are introduced to robotics using the WeDo 2.0 ReadyGo classroom pack. WeDo 2.0 contains everything needed to ignite students' desire to learn while enhancing their skills in science, engineering, technology, and coding. The approach to learning is founded on a "4C" framework through which students are free to experiment and explore as they gain new knowledge. Using a four-phased process, students are encouraged to collaborate as they work through open-ended tasks and extension ideas, facilitated and guided at all times by the teacher.

The four phases are:

- **Connect:** The topic or task is introduced, allowing students to ask clarifying questions and build on their existing knowledge.
- **Construct:** Every task includes a building activity to promote experimentation with collaboration and construct artifacts that can be recalled later.
- **Contemplate:** Students consider what has been learned and share insights with each other.
- **Continue:** Every task ends with a new task that builds on what has just been learned, keeping students motivated and curious.

**Instructor:** Kristi Schmidt-Herrera

**Days:** TBD

**Dates:** TBD

**Time:** 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

**Location:** Lower School Art Room

**Cost:** \$75

## **Running Club (Boys and Girls in Grades 2-4)**

Spend the afternoon running with classmates through Memorial Park and the BT campus. This enrichment program promotes healthy habits and increased physical activity. Students need to bring running wear, gym shoes, a water bottle, and a healthy snack.

**Instructors:** Katie Tessin and Kristi Schmidt-Herrera

**Days:** Mondays and Thursdays beginning in April 2021

**Dates:** TBD

**Time:** 3:20 pm - 4:20 pm

**Location:** Memorial Park and Campus

**Cost:** \$50 per season

**Number of students required:** 7

## **Stock Market Game (Grades 4, 5, and 6)**

Sponsored By The Nebraska Council of Economic Education (NCEE)

The Stock Market Game program transports students into real world investing while learning academic concepts that relate to their core curriculum. Students buy into the entire process through active involvement. Students work in teams practicing leadership, organization, negotiation, and cooperation.

**Instructor:** Cassie Grant, fourth grade teacher

**Days:** Mondays

**Dates:** January 25; February 1, 8, 22; March 1, 15, 22, 29; April 12, 19

**Time:** 3:45 pm - 4:45 pm

**Location:** fourth grade classroom

**Cost:** \$75

**Number of students required per session:** 6

**Maximum number of students allowed:** 20

## **Storybook STEM (Grades 1-2)**

Do you think you can build a house that can withstand the Big Bad Wolf's huff and puff? Ever wondered what would happen to Goldilocks if she had made her own chair? Using well known fairy tales and picture books, students will create STEM-based projects while exploring literary elements and text features.

**Instructor:** Karin Rohrig, third grade teacher

**Days:** Tuesdays

**Dates:** TBD; The program will start in March 2021 and end in May 2021.

**Time:** 3:20 pm - 4:15 pm

**Location:** Mrs. Rohrig's third grade classroom

**Cost:** \$100

**Number of students required per session:** 6

**Maximum number of students allowed:** 14



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