Duchesne Academy

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...where the heart meets the mind.

Summer Academics and Enrichment • Coed Grades PK4 - 12

2023 Course Catalog
2023 Summer Session Dates

Session 1: June 26-June 30
Session 2: July 10-14
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If you have any specific questions please email Sarah Baker, Extended Programs Director, at sarah.baker@duchesne.org.
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Registration Worksheet

Student Name:_______________________________________
Session Number:_____________________________________
Dates:_______________________________________________

Please use this worksheet to decide what classes your child will take during a session before you register online. Before submitting your registration to us, double check that there are no gaps in your child’s schedule and that no classes overlap. If you enter a class in one column, you should not enter a class in the other column that would conflict. For example, if a student will register for the three-hour class, do not enter a class in the left-hand column after lunch. Please remember to register your child for Extended Morning or Extended Afternoon (shown on this sheet) if your child will need to arrive early or be picked up late. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at (713)468-8211 ext. 3200 or at sarah.baker@duchesne.org.

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# Session Charts

## Session 1: June 26-30, 2023

**Girls Camp (PK4-K): Flying into Summer**

**Boys Camp (PK4-K): Zooming Through Summer**

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**Girls Camp (PK4-K): Frozen in July**

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• Soccer 360 (1st-4th)  
• STEAM Challenge: The Learning Lab (1st-3rd)  
• Stretch, Move, DANCE (1st-4th) |
| 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. | • Prep for Kindergarten: Camp Kindergarten (K)  
• Prep for 1st Grade: First Grade is Out of This World (1st)  
• Prep for 2nd Grade: Globe Trotters (2nd)  
• 1 Week WITS (1st-6th)  
• 2 Week WITS: Week 1 of 2 (1st-8th) |
| 10 – 11:30 a.m. | • Soccer 360 (5th)  
• Best of P.E. (1st-4th)  
• Drawing & Painting (1st-3rd)  
• Enigmatology (2nd-4th)  
• Lego Robotics (4th)  
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• Cheerleading (1st-4th)  
• Crafty Creations (1st-4th)  
• Jr. Design Boss Academy (3rd-4th)  
• Sewing with Mrs. Olmos (1st-4th)  
• STEAM Challenge: Destination Innovation (4th)  
• Summer Olympics (1st-4th)  
• Watercolor (3rd-4th) |
| 1:30 – 3 p.m.   | • A-Z Woodworking, Level 2 (1st-4th)  
• Bowl-O-Rama (2nd-4th)  
• Chess Success (2nd-4th)  
• Dodgeball (1st-4th)  
• Fort Building (1st-4th)  
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• Chess Success (5th-8th)  
• Dodgeball (5th)  
• Lego Masters (5th)  
• Girls Self Defense (5th)  
• Read Between the Lines (5th-8th)  
• Sculpture (5th) |
### Session 3: July 17-21

**Girls Camp (PK4-K):** Pink Palooza  
**Boys Camp (PK4-K):** Super Hero Training Camp

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**3 – 5 p.m. Extended Afternoon**
Girls Camp

This weekly program is for girls entering PK4 through Kindergarten. The 3 theme-based weeks will include integrated curriculum. Experience an enjoyable, fun-filled, nurturing atmosphere with arts and crafts, games, story time, music, sports, and FUN Fridays! Choose from full-day or half-day options. All students enrolled in Duchesne Academy's Heart of the Summer must be completely potty-trained.

Full Day (8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) – $415
Half Day (8:30 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.) – $300

Session 1: Flying Into Summer!
Let's fly, flutter, and float! This week, we will explore all things that fly, such as butterflies, bees, birds, insects, and magical fairies! We will learn and play about these flying creatures through games, art, stories, and crafts!

Instructors: Susan Knizner and Tina Ori

Session 2: Frozen In July
Polar Bears, Snowmen, Penguins... Oh My! Join us for a cool week of Frozen in July! The girls will experience everything frozen, from crafts to games to food. It will be a “CHILL” week, so bundle up (not really because it will be HOT) for some frosty fun.

Instructors: Jen O’Hair, Tina Ori, and Alexis Simon

Session 3: Pink Palooza
Calling all girls who love pink! We will explore all things pink through picture books, songs, arts and crafts, games, and more pink fun. Pigs, flamingos, pretty in pink tutus, cotton candy, baking pink cupcakes and Pink Panther are some of our pinkalicious activities. This is every girl's dream! Sign up and don't miss this perfectly Pink Palooza!

Instructors: Susan Knizner, Tina Nguyen, and Jen O’Hair
Boys Camp

This weekly program is for boys entering PK4 through Kindergarten. The 3 theme-based weeks will include integrated curriculum. Experience an enjoyable, fun-filled, nurturing atmosphere with arts and crafts, games, story time, music, sports, and FUN Fridays! Choose from full-day or half-day options. All students enrolled in Duchesne Academy’s Heart of the Summer must be completely potty-trained.

Full Day (8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) – $415
Half Day (8:30 a.m.– 11:30 a.m.) – $300

Session 1: Zooming Through Summer
Rev your engines and shift into gear as we crash into a summer class full of transportation fun! Whether it vrooms, beeps, choo choos, or screeches, we’ll explore it with crafts, read-alouds, and activities. You won’t find any traffic here. Sign up to zoom into summer now!

Instructors: Catie Calderhead and Melanie Rhode

Session 2: Wild, Wild West
Wanted: Cowboy Campers ready to join us for a western themed summer camp! This isn’t our first rodeo, so we’ll have grand plans for cowboy crafts, read-alouds, and activities galore. Saddle up and sign up for a rootin’ tootin’ time!

Instructors: Catie Calderhead and Melanie Rhode

Session 3: Super Hero Training Camp
Calling all SUPER HEROES! Get here in a flash for a week of excitement with your favorite heroes. You will discover your own Super Power. Little Boys are just superheroes in disguise. As Superman said, “There is a SUPER HERO in all of us! We just need the courage to put the cape on.” Fly in and sign up for an adventurous week!

Instructors: Catie Calderhead and Alexis Simon
Prep For Kindergarten (Co-ed)

This fun week will refresh your son's or daughter's PK4 skills and help make a successful transition to kindergarten. The class is offered 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Monday – Friday.

Session 1: Planting Our Kinder “Garden”
Make a beeline for kindergarten this summer! During this “thyme,” we will be planting the seeds to grow our pre-reading, writing, and math skills. This class will give you “peas” of mind when it’s time to move up to kindergarten.

Instructor: Sarah Michael
Session: LS 1 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)
Price: $275

Session 2: Camp Kindergarten
Follow us to the camping grounds where your incoming kindergartner will be practicing their pre-reading, writing, and math skills under the stars. There will be ‘smore fun than you can imagine!

Instructor: Sarah Michael
Session: LS 2 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)
Price: $275

Session 3: Swimming Into Kindergarten
We are diving into kindergarten this summer! Put on your snorkel to jump in and explore our pre-reading, writing, and math skills. This class is a great way to get your feet wet for the upcoming school year.

Instructor: Sarah Michael
Session: LS 3 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)
Price: $275
Get a head start on first grade while experiencing an exciting week refreshing reading, writing and math skills. The class will be held 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Monday – Friday.

**Session 1: “Sea” You in First Grade**
We’re headed under the sea this week to learn about reading, writing, and math skills used in first grade. Come join our fun-filled sea life experience of first grade learning!

Instructor: Kathleen Martin  
Session: LS 1 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $275

**Session 2: First Grade Is Out of this World**
This week’s theme takes us out of this world as we strengthen reading, writing, and math skills used in first grade. We will use space themed objects such as planets, stars, the sun and the moon to enhance our learning.

Instructor: Kathleen Martin  
Session: LS 2 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $275

**Session 3: Wild About First Grade**
We’re headed to the jungle this week to learn about reading, writing, and math skills used in first grade. Come join our fun-filled safari of first grade learning!

Instructor: Kathleen Martin  
Session: LS 3 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $275
Prep For Second Grade (Co-ed)

Get ready for second grade by strengthening reading comprehension, writing and math skills and having fun at the same time! The class will be held 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., Monday – Friday.

Session 2: Globe Trotters
Ready, set, explore! This week we will sharpen our reading, writing, and math skills while exploring the globe. First, we will examine maps and landforms. Then we will “travel” to a different country each day, making discoveries through reading and writing. Finally, we will make a piece of art that represents each country we explore. At the end of the week, Globe Trotters will bring home a folder filled with their work.

Instructor: Elizabeth Romero
Session: LS 1 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)
Price: $275

Session 3: Have Fun with Nature
This week we will use nature as a source for learning. Through reading, writing, and art, we will explore habitats, describe animals and insects, and explain the water cycle. Students will also practice math facts. Everyone will come home with folders filled with the week’s discoveries.

Instructor: Elizabeth Romero
Session: LS 2 (8:30 – 11:30 a.m.)
Price: $275
Summer 2023 Course Descriptions

**A-Z Woodworking, Level 1**
Learn to SAFELY use real hand tools in this amazing hands-on class! This is a class for beginners. No experience necessary! Hammering, shaping, painting, sawing, making holes, smoothing, and gluing--while making several small projects to take home! (No kits are used.)

Instructor: Linda Engelland  
Ages: Entering 1st-2nd Grades  
Sessions: LS 1 (12-1:30 p.m); LS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $180

**A-Z Woodworking, Level 2**
Learn to SAFELY use real hand tools in this amazing hands-on class! This is a class for children who have taken Level 1 OR are beginners entering 3rd-5th grades. Hammering, shaping, painting, sawing, making holes, smoothing, and gluing--while making several small Level 2 projects to take home! (No kits are used.)

Instructor: Linda Engelland  
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades who have taken Level 1 OR who are beginners entering 3rd-5th grades  
Sessions: LS/MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m); LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $180

**A-Z Woodworking, Advanced**
Learn to SAFELY use real hand tools in this amazing hands-on class! This is a class for children who have taken level 2. Hammering, shaping, painting, sawing, making holes, smoothing, and gluing--while making an Advanced Level project to take home! (No kits are used.)

Instructor: Linda Engelland  
Ages: Entering 1st-6th Grades who have taken Level 2  
Sessions: LS/MS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.); LS/MS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $180

**Acming Algebra**
Acing Algebra is designed to introduce the foundations of algebraic concepts typically taught in the first semester of school. We'll build confidence covering fractions, decimals, and integers, while teaching linear relationships and functions using slope intercept form and solving for variables. Strong study skills strategies will be reinforced while taking different learning modalities into consideration to help students prepare to ace their Algebra class with confidence!

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff  
Ages: Entering 7th-8th Grades  
Session: MS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $200

**American Girl: Christmas in June**
It's a winter wonderland in the middle of the summer! Participants will engage in crafts, games, and other fun activities with a Christmas theme. There will be plenty of goodies to take home and enjoy in December, for both children and dolls. Make sure to bring your favorite doll to maximize the fun!

Instructor: Katie Turner  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 1 (10-11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $185

**American Girl Playdate**
Worrying about a rushed and busy summer with little time left for good old-fashioned unstructured play? Heart of the Summer has your child and her (or his) 18 inch bestie covered! Each day of this class the room will convert into a doll wonderland with fun playsets and accessories to bring your child’s imagination to life! We’ll also share some doll care tips along the way. Be sure to bring your doll to share in the fun!

Instructor: Katie Turner  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 1 (12-1:30 p.m.)  
Price: $185

**Basketball**
This dynamic and energetic camp emphasizes fun while learning the basics of passing, shooting, dribbling, defending and teamwork. With creative planning and fun activities, Just Play Sports takes an already exciting sport and makes it even more incredibly fun for participants. In this camp, kids will use the appropriate-sized balls and baskets to give them the best chance to be successful.

Instructor: Just Play Sports staff  
Ages: Entering 1st-6th Grades  
Session: LS/MS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.)  
Price: $165

**Best of P.E.**
Are you missing your PE games already? We have just what you are looking for! Come and have fun playing your PE favorites with scooters, dodgeballs, parachutes, and more.

Instructor: Duchesne P.E. Department  
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades  
Session: LS/MS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $150
Bible Adventure
Get ready, set, let’s go! Join us as we travel back in time to learn about some of the most memorable stories and people of the Bible. Through these stories your children will learn about God’s love and strengthen their relationship through prayer.

Instructor: Maria Castleberry  
Ages: Entering 2nd-4th Grades  
Session: LS 1 (8:30-10 a.m.)  
Price: $160

Bowl-O-Rama
We will ride the Duchesne bus to Bowlero each day and will have the opportunity to learn the basics of bowling. Beginners will be provided with special lanes for practicing proper technique. Tuition includes lanes and shoe rental.

Instructor: Helen Dora  
Ages: Entering 2nd-5th Grades  
Session: LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $210

Brown’s Gymnastics
Come beat the heat with the most exciting gymnastics camp in Houston! Campers will work in the areas of floor tumbling, including balance beam, mini trampoline, back and front hand springs, among other gymnastic tricks. Camp offers a mix of health, fitness and well-being information along with lots of fun. We set three goals for the boys and girls: 1) Learn to work hard for what you want; 2) Learn to control yourself both physically and mentally; 3) Have FUN, because after all, it’s CAMP!

Instructor: Olga and Mark Weathers, Brown’s Gymnastics staff  
Ages: Entering PK4-5th Grades  
Sessions: LS/MS 1, 2, 3 (12—3:00 p.m.)  
Price: $275

Cheerleading
Hey! Hey! What do you say? Go team go! This class will be a fun way to learn cheers, chants, motions and more. Join us as we practice supporting our team as mini cheerleaders.

Instructor: Meg Pool and Cheer Assistant  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.)  
Price: $150

Chess Success
Our Chess Success Camps are exciting camps filled with chess FUNdamentals! Your child will learn the names of pieces and other chess terminology, game winning strategies, positive sportsmanship, and be able to participate in an end of camp tournament.

Instructor: Coach Cliff Campbell from K.I.N.G. Chess League  
Ages: Entering 2nd-8th Grades  
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (12-1:30 p.m.); LS/MS 2 & 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $145

Circus Stars by Mad About Hoops
Calling all circus stars! In this fun class, your student will be introduced to a variety of circus inspired games and activities like hula hooping, juggling, plate spinning, balloon twisting, arts/crafts, circus stories and more! Students will learn circus style hula hoop tricks and work on stretches to become flexible and limber just like real circus stars. Students will explore circus skills that improve their balance, hand eye coordination and confidence in a fun and safe environment.

Instructor: Mad About Hoops staff  
Ages: Entering 1st-3rd Grades  
Session: LS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $175

Clay
Students will learn how to create three dimensional pieces and use their creativity to paint and decorate their final product.

Instructor: Eva Vig  
Ages: Entering 1st-3rd Grades  
Sessions: LS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $195

Crafting with Mrs. Dora
This week will be full of creative, FUN! We will focus on making games to share, give, and keep. We will also make other crafts to bring joy to ourselves and others. Come craft with Mrs. Dora!

Instructor: Helen Dora  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $175
Crafty Creations
The sky is the limit on what we will use to create! We will work with a variety of materials to create one-of-a-kind items. So, if you like arts and crafts, this is a class for you!

Instructor: Helen Dora
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades
Sessions: LS 1 (10-11:30 a.m.); LS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.);
LS 3 (8:30-10 a.m.)
Price: $185

Cricut Masters
Would you like to learn how to customize your things? Come learn how to use the Cricut machine and software to create personalized logos, names, and designs to put on your water bottles, lunch kits and even clothing. You will learn how to use the design space as well as learning to transfer vinyl to plastic, wood, and clothing. We will also use the machine to make personalized stationary cards!

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 5th-6th Grades
Session: MS 3 (10-11:30 a.m)
Price: $220

Dodgeball
Come learn how to Dodge, Duck, Dip, Dive, & Dodge some more in our week of action and fun! Dodgeball is a great opportunity to learn about teamwork, competition, strategy, as well as focus on techniques like throwing, blocking, dodging, and catching. Come have fun learning all there is to know about dodgeball and all the fun variations that come with this game.

Instructor: Duchesne P.E. Department
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $150

Dodgeball Camp
Dodgeball Camp is the ultimate week of fun! Kids will participate in a variety of fun and safe dodgeball games. They will practice their lateral movements, speed, and agility as well as hand-eye coordination all in an exciting, energetic environment. Don't miss this action-packed camp!

Instructor: Just Play Sports
Ages: Entering 3rd-6th Grades
Session: LS/MS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $165

Drawing and Painting
Students will be taught to create and paint with different mediums. We will be learning how to draw in perspective by using pencils, pen and ink, watercolors, and acrylic paints. Our final masterpieces will be three-dimensional pictures on paper or canvas.

Instructor: Eva Vig
Ages: Entering 1st-3rd Grades
Sessions: LS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.); LS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $195

Enigmatology
Do you like to problem solve? Come be an enigmatologist and discover creative ways to develop your memory skills, as well as an ability to plan, test ideas and solve problems. We will spend the week solving puzzles as well as creating our own mathematical, word and logic-oriented puzzles.

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 2nd-4th Grades
Session: LS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $200

Faith In Action
Faith in Action is a course that highlights community service and our Sacred Heart Goal 3: Schools of the Sacred Heart commit themselves to educate to a social awareness which impels to action. Little hands can accomplish big deeds! Working in conjunction with St Laurence Social Concerns, Mamie George Senior Citizen Center, Lunches of Love and various other organizations enable our students to become a small, but mighty group that are the hands and feet of Jesus and helping our community in many ways. Making Homeless Hope bags, letters to Veterans and nursing homes, collecting donations for Mamie George senior citizen discount store, and collecting toiletries for the needy are just a few examples of what a difference a week can make!

Instructor: Dianna Thompson
Ages: Entering 4th-7th Grades
Session: LS/MS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $140

Field Hockey
Join our Varsity Field Hockey Coach to learn and develop basic field hockey skills. We will cover passing, hitting, receiving, shooting and more through fun games and competition. Whether you are a field hockey veteran or complete beginner, this is a great way to fine tune your skills.

Instructor: Jennifer Bower, Duchesne P.E. Department
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 3 (8:30-10 am)
Price: $150
**Fitness Ninja**

Kids love it because they get to run, jump, kick, spin and basically be kids! Parents love it because their kids get to burn off energy and exercise while having fun, and as a bonus learn tenets such as self-discipline, confidence, and respect. During FITNESS NINJA your Ninja will learn Martial Arts, obstacle course, Bo staff and much more.

Instructor: Master Bruce Alamdari  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $180

**Girls Self-Defense Class**

Our Self-Defense class teaches girls discipline, offers a fun activity, and helps teach them confidence. Children who learn self-defense skills are better aware of their surroundings and are trained in how to defend themselves against attackers, both adults, and children their age. It helps them deal with common bully situations without becoming bullies themselves.

Instructor: Master Bruce Alamdari  
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades  
Session: LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $180

**Foodie Fun**

Join us as we explore baking and how to prepare different desserts. Students will get hands-on experience with planning and preparation for baking. This will be a fun, interactive way to learn about a variety of flavors and try new things.

Instructor: Alexis Simon  
Ages: Entering 2nd-5th Grades  
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (8:30-10 a.m.): LS/MS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $190

**Hula Hoop Stars by Mad About Hoops**

Calling all hula hoop stars!! Students in this program will learn lots of impressive hula hoop tricks all while improving balance, coordination and stamina. Students will challenge themselves each day with hula hoop skills to build their confidence and fun hula hoop games to keep them engaged. We will close out an awesome week in camp with an LED dance party and a show stopping performance from a professional hula hoop performer! Fitness has never been so fun!

Instructor: Mad About Hoops staff  
Ages: Entering 2nd-5th Grades  
Session: LS/MS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.)  
Price: $175

**Fort Building**

Create with the heart, build with the mind. This week, let’s use our imaginations to design, build and create 3-D environments. We will construct caves, forts, tents, crawl spaces... you name it, we’ll build it. Activities will be designed to enhance teamwork, creative expression, and problem solving. Big or small there’s a fort for all!

Instructor: Kathleen Martin  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Sessions: LS 2 and LS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)  
Price: $150

**Intensive Phonics**

Phonics is the knowledge of the regular relationships found in English; it is the practical application of the alphabetic principle. This course will help your scholar build automaticity in matching graphemes to phonemes through systematic, explicit instruction through segmentation, blending and manipulation of sounds. We learn important spelling rules that will help your scholar become a stronger reader and speller through fun creative activities and practices. Ms. Cepeda is Language Enrichment trained through Neuhaus Education Center.

Instructor: Karina Cepeda  
Ages: Entering 1st-2nd Grades  
Session: LS 1 (8:30-10 a.m.)  
Price: $180

**Get Set to Be a Vet**

Discover the important work that veterinarians do through hands-on investigations! Check up on a favorite stuffed animal with a stethoscope, syringe, and other handy vet tools. Examine X RAY S and see if you can spot the broken bone! Each camper takes home a PET FIRST AID kit. Learn about feeding and caring for your pet and other animals. Practice training commands and learn safety rules while taking your dog for a walk. We will dissect an owl pellet and end the week with a certificate ceremony and a visit from a therapy DOG! Be the best VET you can be!

Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli  
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades  
Session: LS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)  
Price: $225

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Jewelry Making
Get your glam on! Join us for a week of fun and creative jewelry making, including earrings, bracelets, anklets, rings, and necklaces. We will spend the week designing and carrying out our ideas to wear our amazing creations. We will even look at ways we can start your own unique brand of fashionable jewelry!

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 2nd-5th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (12:1-30 p.m.); LS/MS 3 (8:30-10 a.m.)
Price: $190

Jumpstart Math
Jumpstart Math is designed to reinforce and build a strong math foundation for 5th and 6th graders. We will demystify decimals, formulas, fractions, and whole numbers and take a leap into basic geometry and statistics, too. Never fear graphing on coordinate planes or skipping a beat on your order of operations. You will have fun exploring math skills through games, group work, and exciting team challenges. Classes will be split based on grade level and include progress reports.

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff
Ages: Entering 5th-6th Grades
Session: MS 3 (12:1-30 p.m.)
Price: $200

Junior Design Boss Academy™
Junior Design Boss Academy™ is more than just a coding class. While we do teach web design, our program focuses on the elements that make websites, apps, and businesses appealing—graphic design! Businesses need graphic design to establish their brand’s very own identity. From the famous cursive lettering of Coca-Cola, to the lowercase font style of Amazon—brands use typography, color palettes, and visual cues to set them apart from their competitors. This is why graphic design is so important to both small businesses and large corporations!

Our program guides young designers to be creative while teaching them modern design techniques that will help them cognitively (creativity, critical thinking, memory, etc.) and artistically. Over the duration of each program, your Jr. Design Boss will learn how to create logos, design websites, create their very own brand, and more! The “Boss” part of our program stems from our company name (B.O.S.S. Web + Graphic Design) but it also gives students the courage to be entrepreneurs by providing a much-needed service in the business community.

Art and design are here to stay, and learning graphic design can be the first step to a long career in design, entrepreneurship, or both!

Instructor: B.O.S.S. Web + Graphic Design- Alethea Muhammad

Kickball Camp
Come join us for an exciting time of America’s favorite playground game! Players will spend the week playing kickball and having a blast. In addition to the traditional kickball game, participants will also play a variety of kickball games such as One-Base Kickball, Cherrybomb Kickball and Boomer Ball.

Instructor: Just Play Sports
Ages: Entering 3rd-6th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (12:1-30 p.m.); LS/MS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $165

Lego Masters
Put your Lego skills to the test and join us for a week of fun, competitive Lego challenges. During the week you will learn to work on creating self-portraits, balloon-powered cars, houses on stilts and famous landmarks. Join us for a fun week of teamwork while we get our Lego skills on!

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 3rd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $170

Lego Robotics
Using the EV3 robot and the Lego® Mindstorm® software, students will program their robot to successfully navigate a challenge course. The challenge course is from the 2022-2023 FIRST® Lego® League competition season. Students will explore movement programs (forwards, backwards, and turns), as well as an introduction to sensors and motors.

Instructor: Julie Sirianni
Ages: Entering 4th-8th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.); LS/MS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $170

Lego Your Imagination
Come feed your imagination and turn your ideas into reality. During this week, we will build engineer-designed projects such as bridges, mazes, and cars. This will be an excellent way to discover and learn about the basic engineering fundamentals!

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 1st-3rd Grades
Sessions: LS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.); LS 3 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $170
Mastering Mindfulness
Mindfulness means paying attention to what is happening right now with kindness, curiosity, and appreciation. In this class we will develop the students' abilities to be mindful through meditation, breath-work, awareness activities, and thoughtful reflection. Students will learn strategies for refocusing in class, communicating better with friends, developing empathy, practicing gratitude, and quieting the mind. We will complete mindfulness crafts structured around how to handle worries, the power of positive thinking, showing love and kindness to others, as well as appreciating yourself. This class should help your children feel peaceful, share feelings, and improve self-esteem.

Instructor: Julie McConn, Zen Kidz Yoga
Ages: Entering 2nd-6th Grades
Session: LS/MS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $175

Math-O-Rama
Brush up on math skills and strategies! We will review important concepts, such as time, place value, money, and fractions. We will also play math games to help students strengthen their math skills. Go back to school as a math whiz kid!

Instructor: Karina Cepeda
Ages: Entering 2nd-3rd Grades
Session: LS 2 (8:30-10 a.m.)
Price: $140

Multiplication Masters
Mastering your multiplication facts and having lots of fun is the goal of this class! Using games, activities and songs, students will gain an understanding of the concept of multiplication and its many applications. Rapid calculation tricks will be learned. Go back to school a master of multiplication!

Instructor: Meg Pool
Ages: Entering 3rd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 3 (12 - 1:30 p.m.)
Price: $140

Papier Mâché
Want to get ooey and gooey in art class? Explore materials and techniques to create a one-of-a-kind piece of art! Using recycled materials, newspaper, paint, and flour + water paste, sculpt a papier mache masterpiece.

Instructor: Eva Vig
Ages: Entering 3rd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $185

Race to Space Adventure Camp
Launch your summer in our amazing SPACE themed camp! Imaginations soar as campers learn about flight with paper planes, gliders, rockets, heli-balls and hand-copters. Be prepared to participate in engineering and team building challenges, guide a rover over rough terrain on MARS, eat astronaut food and construct your own 3-D Space themed puzzles! This camp is going to be out of this world!

Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades
Session: LS 1 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $225

Read Between the Lines
Learn to read “between the lines” for deeper meaning and understanding through a curriculum that emphasizes core writing, grammar and reading comprehension skills, and practice with classical literature. In addition, the instructor will attack thorny grammar rules while helping students create clear and memorable essays. Students will come away with a better appreciation of reading, understanding of literary analysis and an enlightened approach to powerfully engage in the wider world through written language. Students are required to bring a laptop. Books will be provided:
5th & 6th grade book: A Wrinkle in Time by Madeleine L'Engle
7th & 8th grade book: Secret Soldiers by Keely Hutton

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff
Ages: Entering 5th-8th Grades
Session: MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $295

Reel-y Cool Storytelling and Video Design
Students will use story building techniques and learn how to edit videos to tell an engaging story from start to finish. History teacher and action oriented video instructor Aaron will inspire students to reel out their video storytelling while taking tips from the past and a look to the future. Students will learn to work collaboratively on a team as they build their 5 minute story and rate the best reels among their peers!

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff
Ages: Entering 6th-8th Grades
Session: MS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $250
Sculpture
The art of sculpture helps students to learn how to create three dimensional objects. Students will use their observation skills to study something such as their favorite animals, flowers or person and use their creativity to sculpt what they see.

Instructor: Eva Vig
Ages: Entering 3rd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $195

Sewing Class with Mrs. Olmos
Students will learn to make many different items: aprons, bags, stuffed animals, pajamas, pillows, vests. They will learn to sew by hand and on sewing machines. Before sewing our project, we will learn to pin our patterns on fabric and cut out the project. All patterns, fabrics, supplies and sewing machines are provided.

Instructor: Martha Olmos
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (10-11:30 a.m.); LS/MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.); LS/MS 3 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $160

Slam Dunk Public Speaking and Creative Expression
Discover your voice, refine your communication skills, and express your creativity in Slam Dunk Public Speaking and Creative Expression! The fear of public speaking is common in children and adults. Instructors aim to alleviate fears and arm students with helpful tools and techniques to bring into the classroom while preparing for life’s next communication challenge or opportunity. The students will deepen their knowledge of figurative language and writing techniques while learning to express themselves verbally in a clear, authentic, lively, and ear-catching way! Instructors will teach students the foundations of delivering a solid speech while engaging the audience. They will help students come out of their shell using creative arts like slam poetry and songwriting while delivering persuasive, entertaining, informative and demonstrative speeches. Audience participation will be just as important and fun as sharing the stage in class.

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff
Ages: Entering 5th-8th Grades
Session: MS 1 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $250

Soccer 360
Summer soccer class is for young athletes who want to stay active and improve their skills during the summer months. Led by experienced and energetic coaches, each class focuses on a specific aspect of soccer, such as dribbling, passing, and shooting, and includes drills and games to help kids develop their technique and coordination in a fun environment.

Instructor: Mira Mupier, Duchesne P.E. Department
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 & 2 (8:30-10 a.m.)
Price: $150

SpaLaLa
Oh, la la! A day at the spa! Students will be pampered with facials, skin care, pedicures, and manicures. Special attention will be paid to hygiene. No sharing hair accessories. Sorry, moms aren’t allowed at this exclusive spa!

Instructor: Kathleen Martin
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades
Session: LS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $175

Sports of All Sorts
There are over 50+ sport games in the world. This class will explore and play a variety of games like tchoukball, wall ball, gaga ball, 4 square, and many more! Come ready to learn a new and unique set of sport games this summer.

Instructor: Duchesne P.E. Department
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 & 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $150

Spy Science
Experiment with the science behind everything SPY! A super-popular theme! Students learn the science behind everything SPY in a clever mix of chemistry, physics and biology. Their activities include making footprint molds and matching the tread, dusting for fingerprints and writing in invisible ink. They build spy periscopes and intruder alarms; they mix their own invisible ink and create and crack secret codes. They combine plenty of lab experiments with a bit of detective discovery. This is a perfect fit for super spies and scientists alike! All creations/projects go home on FRIDAY.

Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades
Session: LS 1 (1:30-3 p.m.)
Price: $225
STEAM Challenge: Destination Innovation
Students will compete in small groups to complete timed activities related to the elements of STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art and Math). These challenges will require students to engage both the creative side of the brain, as well as the engineering mind. Can you create the strongest bridge, the safest capsule for a zipline, the longest launch on a catapult? Thinking outside of the box is required for success!

Instructor: Julie Sirianni
Ages: Entering 4th-6th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.); LS/MS 3 (8:30-10 a.m.)
Price: $170

STEAM Challenge: The Learning Lab
Students will work in small groups to discover topics related to the elements of STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Art and Math). These activities will require students to engage both the creative side of the brain, as well as the engineering mind. Can you pick up the most food with your bird beak invention, launch an item with your catapult, piece together a puzzle upside down? Creativity and ingenuity will be rewarded over perfection and professionalism!

Instructor: Julie Sirianni
Ages: Entering 1st-3rd Grades
Sessions: LS 2 (8:30-10 a.m.); LS 3 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $170

Stretch, Move, DANCE!
This energetic class provides activities that focus on strength, flexibility, and dance. Through a combination of stretches and creative movements, students will develop an awareness of their body and essential core strength. Students will learn choreography for different styles of dance such as ballet and jazz. Moving to beautiful & upbeat music will develop a wonderful sense of musicality and rhythm. Learning choreography is also a fun way to keep the mind sharp and the body happy!

Instructor: Meg Pool
Ages: Entering 1st-4th Grades
Sessions: LS 2 & 3 (8:30 – 10 a.m.)
Price: $150

Study Skills Strategies for Hybrid Learning Success
Creative instructors will help students enhance their study skills in this new environment. Curriculum covers organization, time management, goal setting, note taking, advance test prep and reading comprehension while understanding their most effective learning modalities. Students leave with actionable takeaways to help them adapt as they mature through their academic career. The fundamentals of this signature study skills course will serve students well with their personal life goals as well as academics, and focuses on helping students become independent critical thinkers, highly resourceful with technology, and masters of advanced preparation. Course fee includes materials and a student workbook.

Instructor: Houston Tutorial Association staff
Ages: Entering 5th-8th Grades
Session: MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $295

Summer Olympics
Welcome to the Heart of Summer Olympic Games! We will put your athletic abilities and teamwork skills to the test. Explore games such as lacrosse, basketball, volleyball, badminton, relay events and more. Let's see who takes home the gold!

Instructor: Duchesne P.E. Department
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $150

Taekwondo
Taekwondo is a total learning activity. Lessons are tailored to your child's age and skill level. Your child begins by practicing, kicking, blocking, striking, and punching. These fundamental skills increase your child's physical coordination, flexibility, and balance. Taekwondo develops your child's athletic abilities and self-awareness, and improves the child's capabilities in self-defense.

Instructor: Master Bruce Alamdari
Ages: Entering 1st-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 1 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $180
Taste of Geography
A great way to learn about other cultures is through food! In this class we will go on a taste testing adventure around the world by exploring the cuisine of a different country each day. Students will have the opportunity to create and eat one food dish from each nation we investigate while also learning about the geography, language, traditions, and games found in these regions.

Instructor: Julie McConn
Ages: Entering 2nd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $175

Typing and Internet Safety
Becoming more proficient at typing is a life skill. This course will guarantee you will be able to type at a faster pace than you do today. This course will also cover internet safety to help students become safe users of the internet. Internet safety will differ depending on the grade level.

Instructor: Alethea Muhammad
Ages: Entering 2nd-6th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $140

Watercolor
Students will learn about how to use watercolor paints and how to use water with the paint to create light or dark colors. We will create dimension by using lightness and darkness of colors while painting landscapes, flowers, plants, and pictures of animals. Through soft and delicate paint strokes, students will paint a subject of their choosing for their creation.

Instructor: Eva Vig
Ages: Entering 3rd-5th Grades
Session: LS/MS 2 (12-1:30 p.m.)
Price: $195

Young Leaders
This class will focus on developing leadership skills for the elementary student. Through exciting hands-on team exercises, students will learn the characteristics of a great leader, the difference between a leader and a boss, when and how to contribute their ideas, as well as practice in leading team exercises. Team exercises are active, engaging, and center around problem solving tasks such as creating marble runs, group structure building, and escape the room-style puzzles. The ability to work collaboratively, problem solve, and think critically with others is a highly sought-after skill for the 21st century work place.

Instructor: Maria Castleberry
Ages: Entering 2nd-4th Grades
Session: LS 1 (10-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $170
The WITS Writers Workshop at Duchesne Academy

WITS - One Week

For nearly 40 years, Writers in the Schools (WITS) has worked together with educators and professional writers to teach students the craft of writing. The WITS Writers Workshop at Duchesne Heart of the Summer is designed to get students excited about writing from a crafting perspective. Writers Workshop follows classic writing workshop guidelines to provide constructive feedback to a writer in a small group setting. This model is based on the idea that we are not always the best readers of our own work, and we benefit from hearing how others experience it. The goal is not to tell others how to write their essays/poems/stories, but rather to take the work on its own terms, describing the piece and offering constructive criticism based on what we perceive to be the writer’s intentions. The workshop will focus on the writing process and address key objectives in language arts, including original voice, inventive word choice, sentence fluency, and clear organization. By writing and reading daily, we’ll discuss what makes writing succeed, and we’ll use these multi-genre prompts to help us put our own thoughts down on the blank page.

Students enroll in an exciting and fun 1-week, 15-hour workshop session taught by a professional writer from the WITS roster. For younger students (1st-4th), we will explore the nuts and bolts of writing, and through prompt-based exercises, help young students develop their own voice, have fun with vocabulary, and allow them to use their imaginations. For older students (5th-6th), we will use the college creative writing workshop as a model to help students peer review each other’s work in a supportive environment. We will spend a lot of time learning the tools of strong revision. Students will develop their writer instinct, gain confidence, and improve public speaking skills, all while having fun with strategic multi-genre writing projects.

At the end of the 1-week session, students will perform finished pieces for you and your family in a virtual celebration event, and they’ll leave with a portfolio of their own work. Our instructors will also keep you posted on all the fun we’re having by sharing a classroom blog with you.

Register your students by the grade level they will enter in Fall 2023. Students will be grouped according to age once registration closes. WITS and Duchesne Heart of the Summer will create class groupings considering students’ age and grade level. For example, we may combine 3rd – 5th grades into one room, but we would not create a class of 2nd-6th grades in one room. *If your child is registering with a friend in the same grade level and they would like to be in the same class, email extendedprograms@duchesne.org at the time of registration to make this request.

Ages: Entering 1st-6th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 1 (8:30–11:30 a.m.)
Price: $235

Ages: Entering 1st-6th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 2 (8:30–11:30 a.m.)
Price: $235
WITS - Two Weeks

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Students enroll in a dynamic, exciting 2-week, 30-hour workshop session taught by a professional writer from the WITS roster. For younger students (1st-4th), we will explore the nuts and bolts of writing, and through prompt-based exercises, help young students develop their own voice, have fun with vocabulary, and allow them to use their imaginations. For older students (5th-8th), we will use the college creative writing workshop as a model to help students peer review each other’s work in a supportive environment. We will spend a lot of time learning the tools of strong revision. Students will develop their writer instinct, gain confidence, and improve public speaking skills, all while having fun with strategic multi-genre writing projects.

At the end of the 2-week session, students will perform finished pieces for you and your family in a virtual celebration event, and they’ll leave with a finished broadside piece, a portfolio of their own work, and our instructors will also keep you posted on all the fun we’re having by sharing a classroom blog with you.

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Ages: Entering 1st-8th Grades
Sessions: LS/MS 2-3 (8:30-11:30 a.m.)
Price: $470
SAT/ACT Preparation (Credit Course)
College admissions testing can be intimidating, but it doesn’t have to be! This course will provide an overview of the SAT and ACT, helpful hints for taking each exam, and practice with questions from the different sections of the tests. Focus will be on test strategies and development of cross-conceptual skills to aid in thinking and application. Students will develop in their test-taking skills and will be ready to approach either exam with confidence.

Instructor: Alaina Scorsone
Ages: Entering 10th-12th Grades
Dates: July 10th - 21st (9 a.m.-1 p.m.)
Price: $750

Yearbook (Credit Course)
Interested in using your love of writing and photography to contribute to the Duchesne community? Be on the L’Esprit yearbook staff and capture school memories. Using Adobe InDesign and Photoshop, you will learn about photo composition, journalism, and design elements of print mediums. Summer students will finalize the 2023 book and work on theme and cover design for the 2024 book, as well as plan for 2024 coverage, and capture summer events.

Instructor: Jill Hess
Ages: Entering 9th-12th Grades
Dates: June 5th - 16th (9 a.m.-1 p.m.)
Price: $750