



# MEADOWS AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

LEARNING, ENRICHMENT, AND ACTIVITIES PROGRAM



Course Catalog  
Fall 2023-24  
August 14 - November 3



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the 2023-24 LEAP Catalog! This program strives to reinforce The Meadows School Core Values of Scholarship, Character, Community, Inclusion, and Discovery. This catalog provides a tailored enrichment portfolio of after-school offerings for students in grades 6-8. Now in its second year, LEAP is poised to take exciting strides forward! This Fall, Middle School students are invited to experience enriching and engaging after-school programs both on campus and online. We are pleased to build upon our flagship Speech & Debate program with multiple offerings during the week. You can also participate in our competitive Robotics Program by registering for FIRST LEGO League (FLL)!

New this Fall is the Filmmaker's Creative Course. This online offering will meet virtually twice a week and explore the Creative Course created by ZeduPlus. This is a safe environment to learn about the world of content creation, filmmaking, graphic design, and photography. The goal of this course is "to empower kids to shift from being passive media consumers to becoming creators of their own unique ideas and take action to make their dreams a reality."

For those I have not met yet, my name is Jeremy Wells and I am the Manager of Auxiliary Programs. I look forward to getting to know everyone and sharing in an excellent after-school experience! We know that our 6-8 grade students have a wide variety of options available to them after school, that is why we strive to offer the highest quality learning, enrichment, and activities programs possible.

Below are some important dates and details about how to register. If you have any LEAP related questions or concerns, please reach out via email at [support@themeadowsschool.org](mailto:support@themeadowsschool.org).

### Important dates for the LEAP Fall Trimester:

- Registration opens: Monday, July 24 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Registration closes: Friday, August 4 @ 6:00 p.m.
- Fall session: Monday, August 14 - Friday, November 3

LEAP registration takes place within the myMeadows Parent Portal. Please use your existing account, along with VC Pay, to complete registration. Please note, registration for a course is not complete until payment is received.

I look forward to seeing you and your child(ren) in Meadows LEAP!

Sincerely,  
Jeremy Wells  
Manager of Auxiliary Programs

# LEAP Course Descriptions

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**Chess for All Skill Levels**  
**Instructor:** Ryan Phillips  
**Location:** Middle School  
**Day:** Monday

**Grades:** 6 - 8  
**Tuition:** \$250 per trimester  
**Time:** 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Welcome to the journey of the 64 squares! This course will teach students tactical motifs such as back rank checkmates, double attacks, deflections, and much more. Taught by USCF expert Ryan Phillips, students will develop pattern recognition skills, learn opening principles, and be able to evaluate their decision-making process. This course is perfect for players new to chess and also for players looking to take their game to the next level.

**Debate for All Skill Levels**  
**Instructors:** Dana Randall & Malcolm Gordon  
**Location:** Middle School  
**Day(s):** Monday & Wednesday

**Grades:** 6 - 8  
**Tuition:** \$250 per trimester for each day selected  
**Time:** 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
**Students may register for one or both days**

In the flagship debate program students will learn to think critically about all sides of a discussion in addition to getting the opportunity to develop public speaking skills and confidence. Whether looking to grow your skill to compete with the co-curricular debate team at TMS someday, or looking to sample debate for the first time, all are encouraged to register!

**FIRST LEGO League**  
**Instructor:** Dawn Trujillo  
**Location:** Middle School  
**Day:** Tuesday

**Grade:** 6  
**Tuition:** \$300 per trimester for each day selected  
(**\$250/course, \$50/competition**)  
**Time:** 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

FIRST® LEGO® League introduces science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to children through fun, exciting hands-on learning. Participants gain real-world problem solving experience through a guided, global robotics program, helping today's students and teachers build a better future together. FLL uses a team form to inspire youth to experiment and grow their critical thinking, coding, and design skills through hands-on STEM learning and robotics. Participants for FLL must understand they are part of the team and that they must enroll in both fall and winter trimesters and are required to go to 2 weekend competitions in the winter, mid-December and mid-January. This program is designed to learn and build the foundations for being in a competitive environment that leads into TMS middle and upper school robotics programs with the goal of growing players who are interested in robotics & STEM. This competitive league can enroll a maximum of 10 students. Priority registration goes for those returning to the Robotics Team.

**Filmmaker's Creative Course**  
**Instructor:** Eric Toma  
**Location:** Online  
**Day(s):** Tuesday & Thursday

**Grades:** 6 - 8  
**Tuition:** \$500 per trimester  
**Time:** 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.  
**Students are registered for both days**

This course teaches the basics of film production, graphic design, and photography in a safe and easily accessible online environment. These courses are for students interested in creating their own content, filmmaking, becoming a designer or photographer. Each module is designed to be project-based, allowing students to learn by doing and applying their learnings instantly. By the end of the trimester, every student will have a portfolio featuring projects they completed. The full description is available on [ZeduPlus.org](https://ZeduPlus.org).

Each module is designed to be project-based, allowing students to learn by doing and applying their learnings instantly. Project-based assignments will help students solidify the new concepts they learn. This is a first time offering at TMS and our first online enrichment experience! If you have questions about the course please contact the Manager of Auxiliary Programs, Jeremy Wells.

# LEAP Faculty Contact Information

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