

2023-24 Student Enrollment and Course Descriptions



Kindergarten:

- must enroll in at least 2 classes
- May enroll up to 14 FTE hours/.50 FTE per WA State OSPI ALE guidelines
 - HomeLink does not offer a full time Kindergarten program

1st - 9th Grade:

- must enroll in at least 2 classes
- may enroll a maximum 27.75 FTE hours (full time)

Additional information:

- All classes are year long with in class attendance required
- Classes are electives, offered to enrich, not replace core subject instruction
- Classes offered at the 9th grade level are not credit bearing

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WRITTEN STUDENT LEARNING PLAN:

Per District Policy, parents and/or guardians must participate in the development of their child's WSLP. Parents and students are required to meet with a certificated teacher/advisor to create the WSLP prior to attending the first day of classes.

Masterpiece Makers Tuesday K - 2nd 9:30 - 10:30	<p>Do you love art? Find your inner artist through two dimensional and three dimensional art projects. Each Masterpiece Maker will use a variety of art techniques and media to create unique pieces of art. We will use master artists as our inspiration. Everyone can be an artist! Come join us for a time of imagination and creativity and be prepared to get messy!</p>
Art Around the World Tuesday 3rd - 5th 10:35 - 11:35	<p>Do you love to paint, draw, and explore different art techniques? In this class, each artist will travel around the world and through time to create unique pieces of art. We will use a variety of art techniques and media to create unique pieces of art. During our time together, you will study the art styles of master artists, ethnic groups and world cultures. Some projects will span multiple weeks. Come dressed to mess and create your own masterpieces!</p>
Super Science Tuesday K - 2nd 12:15 - 1:15	<p>Come be a super science explorer! This class will focus on introducing students to a wide array of science topics. We will explore life science, volcanoes, magnets and forms of energy and simple machines, just to name a few! Expect hands-on experiences in the classroom and lots of experiments as well as practice reading and writing nonfiction. A fully integrated science and language and experience!</p>
Mysteries of Nature Tuesday 3rd - 5th 1:15 - 2:15	<p>Nature is full of mystery, from our amazing human body to wild weather to our Earth itself! In this class we will explore the systems of the human body, the wild and wacky weather phenomenon and natural disasters of our planet, and the mystery of the inner workings of Earth through exploring rocks and minerals. Expect hands-on experiences in the classroom, projects, and lots of experiments as well as practice reading and writing nonfiction. Come and explore the many mysteries of nature!</p>
The Magical World of Theater Wednesday K - 5th 9:30 - 11:30	<p>Calling all actors and actresses! In this class we will explore numerous elements of the theater production world, beyond just acting and singing. We will have fun honing our theatrical skills through drama games and activities, but also learn about costume design, set construction and other behind the scenes theater skills. Students will have the opportunity to choose a role, whether on the stage, or behind the scenes, that is just right for them, and will work collaboratively with their peers to put on productions! Emphasis will be on creativity, collaboration, communication skills and building self-confidence. Looking forward to seeing you on the stage!</p>

Tinker Time: Around the World Thursday K - 4th 9:30-11:30	<p>Calling all engineers and builders! This STEM and ELA class will focus on making in all sorts of ways about different places around the world. We will learn about the seven continents through reading and writing and we will build about them using materials including legos, recyclables, tech tools, and many others! Each week we will have a different challenge that requires us to use creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration to solve a real world or imaginary problem. Classes will focus on using the engineering process to do both directed and open ended challenges where you build independently or cooperatively. Homework will be building and making, and can be done with a variety of home tools including legos, other types of blocks, art materials, Minecraft, etc. If you love to build and make, this is the class for you!</p>
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Amazing Readers & Writers Thursday K - 2nd 12:15 - 1:15	<p>Are you ready for an adventure in reading and writing? In this class, we will read amazing books and look at how authors organize different types of fiction and nonfiction and all the techniques that go into making a good piece of writing. Along the way, you'll get to create books of your own. During class we'll practice different forms of writing and workshop our writing. The Author's Chair and sharing will be a big part of our class. Come and dive into the fun world of being an author and illustrator!</p>
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Wild About Writing Thursday 3rd - 5th 1:15 - 2:15	<p>Welcome to the wild and many faceted world of writing! Writing is done for so many purposes and in so many forms. In this class, we will practice our writing skills in many different ways including story writing, poetry, nonfiction writing, comic books, and oh so much more! Each week, we will focus on skills to make our writing better through looking at books, different samples, and fun activities. Author's chair and opportunities to share work and receive feedback will be a focus of the class. Not only will we write, but we will explore some different ways to make books and publish writing. Come ready to make your own library of self-published works!</p>
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Mission to the Moon: A New Mission Friday 4th - 9th 9:00 - 10:40	<p>3-2-1 blast off on an all-new mission with all-new objectives! NASA is working on landing on the moon once again with the Artemis mission. This all-new challenge will be taking us back to the moon. In this class you will become an Artemis astronaut and prepare for launch. Using experiments, robotics, and research, you will be heading to the moon. Following mission objectives set by NASA educators, we will engineer and explore our way to the moon! As a class, we will decide if we want to enter into the regional competition.</p>
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Adventurers Field Trip Class Friday K - 9th 10:45 - 12:00	<p>Calling all adventurers! This K-9 class will be full of exploration. Each month we will have a theme and a field trip that supports our learning. A list of field trips for the first semester will be released at the start of the school year. We will be meeting at HomeLink two Fridays each month, and adventuring out into the world at least one Friday a month. Field trip days may extend beyond hours on the schedule. We will explore our monthly theme in class prior to the field trip as well as at home through research, projects, and writing. Then, we will get to have a hands-on, out of the classroom experience. Each child will be expected to respond in writing about adventures, and do activities from the monthly menu related to the field trip. There will be a fee each semester to participate in this class.</p>
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Mixed Media Art Tuesday 5th - 6th 9:30 - 10:30 7th - 9th 10:35 - 11:35	<p>This process-oriented class emphasizes making independent choices, expressing themselves through their creativity, and progressively building upon their art-making knowledge and skills. We explore a variety of mediums with a constantly rotating menu of fun projects on tap, ranging from illustration, painting, printmaking, fiber arts, sculpture, & upcycle, to home decor + fashion trends! These classes are usually intimate and laid back - our team of instructors are skilled at getting to know individual students to strike the best balance between challenging & fun, helping to work through frustrations & self-criticism. Students will grow in their understanding of techniques, art vocabulary, composition, proportion, scale, perspective, color theory, light & form. Oh! And they'll make some cool stuff too!</p>
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Chinese Language, History and Culture Tuesday 5th - 9th 12:15 - 2:15	<p><u>你好未来的汉语学生！Hello future Chinese language students!</u></p> <p>Chinese is considered one of the top 5 hardest languages in the world. Is that true? Technically yes, but the reality is Chinese is a language of pictures. Pictures can be understood and translated. In this class we will begin this journey of making the Chinese language comprehensible and usable. In this class we will begin with an introduction to Chinese language, conversational Chinese, reading and writing. This class will also cover the history and culture of the culture and traditions of China, and other Chinese influenced countries. The aim is to enrich our language learning with the multiplicitous history behind the language and the people who have used it. The goal is to break up the language and history/cultural learning, in order to not overwhelm students with language learning. This class will have homework, and it is recommended to begin with any preferred language learning app in order to create some background knowledge before the class starts.</p>
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Mythology and Drama Wednesday 5th - 9th 9:30 - 11:30	<p>From the Odyssey to Beowulf to Kabuki theater, drama is based on our most sacred stories. Kids will be learning about mythology and acting out famous dramas as well as creating their own plays based on historically acclaimed dramas all across the world. In this class we will collaborate, create and explore the stories that cultures from all around the world hold dear. Expect students' horizons to be extended, as well as receiving fulfilling opportunities to explore new and exciting roles and work with others.</p>
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<p>Playing through History</p> <p>Wednesday 5th - 9th 12:15 - 2:15</p>	<p>Do you love to play games? Are you good at making things and engineering? This STEM/History class is for you! We will explore a variety of the world's favorite games and toys and how they played a part in history. We will explore how they're played and build models of our own games/toys. Literature and some writing will be integrated into this classroom experience. We will build with a variety of materials including legos, recyclables, tech tools (robots and coding), and many others! We will have different challenges that require us to use creativity, critical thinking, and collaboration to solve a real world or imaginary problem using the engineering and design process. Students will present their work in a variety of formats including writing, art, video, and orally. Homework will be building and making, and can be done with a variety of home tools including legos, other types of blocks, Minecraft, other building materials, etc. If you love games, building, history, and technology, this class is for you!</p>
<p>Modern Homesteading</p> <p>Thursday 6th - 9th 9:30 - 11:30</p>	<p>Come all future farmers! Modern homesteading is Agricultural science with a twist! Not everyone lives on acreage, but we can all learn how to grow things and make the most of our spaces to help save resources and make the most of what we have. This class will cover practical skills like knot tying to making your own water filters, to even planting your own vegetables for home. This class incorporates a STEM element as well as multiple chances to experience hands-on learning and tour various farm locations. Students will learn first aid for animals as well as people, the ins and outs of local foraging. This is a great class for the curious kiddos that love to get their hands dirty and engage in problem solving. We will make, create and explore the vivid world around us in order to become better stewards of our own environments and learn how to get the most from it.</p>
<p>5th - 9th To HS and Beyond</p> <p>Thursday 12:15 - 2:15</p>	<p>Who am I? What can I become? How will I become that? These are questions many of us ask throughout our lives – starting at an early age and, often, continuing through adulthood. In this class, these are questions we urge students to consider frequently and help them explore. In “To HS and Beyond,” students will work to create their own individual plans to accommodate their interests or postsecondary goals on what they expect to do in their futures. The postsecondary aspirations may include pathways for application to four-year colleges or universities, two-year community or technical colleges, apprenticeship programs, industry standard certificate programs, military training, or on-the-job training. We will be researching these different career paths, meeting professionals in their fields, touring programs that are through universities or apprenticeships. We will also be learning how to present ourselves during an interview, how to write a resume, scholarship applications as well as college application essays. This is an opportunity to sharpen key skills that can help open doors to careers, schools or jobs, as well as meet and interact with professionals, asking them the questions and expanding horizons.</p>