

2024-25 Student Enrollment and Course Descriptions



Enrollment Guidelines

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
- Students must enroll in their designated grade band. All exceptions will need to be approved by the Director.

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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.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

<p style="text-align: center;">K-2</p> <p>Thematic Fun</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Wednesday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9:30-11:30</p>	<p>Thematic Fun-Dive into Science, Social Studies, and ELA! (K-2)</p> <p>Dive into a lifetime love of learning through exploration, play, and discovery! Students will explore a monthly theme by engaging in hands-on activities that incorporate reading, writing, math, social studies, science, and art. Learning will take place in centers, in whole class activities such as circle and calendar time, as well as through work in early reading and writing skills. This class will encourage positive peer interactions, self-management skills, and building community in the classroom. Weekly homework will come in the form of a menu of choices and activities centered around the class content.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">K-4</p> <p>Creation Station</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">12:00 - 2:00</p>	<p>Creation Station-Deep Sea Voyages and Island Exploration (K-4)</p> <p>Attention engineers and builders! This STEM and ELA class will focus on making in all sorts of ways about the oceans and seas, while also exploring amazing island habitats worldwide. Animals, sea creatures, underwater volcanoes...yes, please! Tropical rainforests, isolated islands, and icy habitats...for sure! We will learn about these different places through reading and writing and we will learn 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 or to create a project. 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 as well as ELA work on the class content. If you love to build and make, this is the class for you!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">K-5</p> <p>Artistic Adventures</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Tuesday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">9:30-11:30</p>	<p>Artistic Adventures (K-5)</p> <p>Calling all artists! In this class, each artist will travel through time to create pieces of art. We will use various art techniques and media to create unique art pieces. During our time together, you will study the art styles of master artists, ethnic groups, and world cultures. Some projects will span multiple weeks. Homework each week will be a menu of choices related to the art principles and artists studied in class. Come join us for a time of imagination and creativity and be prepared to get messy!</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">K-9</p> <p>Adventurers*</p> <p>*Field Trip class fee</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday</p> <p style="text-align: center;">10:45-11:45</p>	<p>Adventurers (K-9)</p> <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>
<p style="text-align: center;">3-5</p>	<p>Oh the Places We'll Go!-Earth and Space Explorers (3-5)</p>

<p>Oh the Places We'll Go!- Earth and Space Explorers</p> <p>Wednesday 12:00 - 2:00</p>	<p>Calling all travelers and astronomers! A world of adventure awaits! This class will explore the United States by visiting our National Parks and learning about their history, their geography, and some amazing landforms. Science will be integrated as we travel through the parks. Then we will blast off into space to explore the different elements of the galaxy as well as the planets. We will use this content to hone our reading and writing skills, with a focus on nonfiction reading and expository writing. Expect hands-on experiences in the classroom, projects, and experiments. Homework for the class includes some reading, writing, and research as well as projects on occasion. It's going to be a wild ride!</p>
<p>3-5 Math Fun and Games</p> <p>Friday 9:30-10:30 Asynchronous Once Monthly</p>	<p>Math Fun and Games (3-5)</p> <p>Come and explore math in a fun, hands-on way! This class will support Common Core Standards for grades 3, 4, and 5 using games, explorations, and real-life applications. This class is meant to supplement the use of an everyday math curriculum at home. Focus units will be place value, measurement, data and graphing, geometry, fractions, and decimals. In addition, each week we will do some fact work in subtraction, multiplication, and division in a fun hands-on way. Each week, there will be an hour of homework supporting the math skills covered in class. Fine tune your math skills with friends!</p>
<p>4-9 Makers Lab Small Business Edition</p> <p>Thursday 12:00 - 2:00</p>	<p>Makers Lab-Small Business Edition (4-9)</p> <p>Calling all future business owners....In this makers class, we will be exploring and practicing the engineering process by creating a variety of different products. Products will range from types of food to helpful inventions to toys or things you can wear, just to name a few! Work will be done both individually and in partners or small groups. The goal will be to plan, create, share, and revise different products. You will have the opportunity to create marketing plans, and advertising videos, and bring your products to our very own HomeLink market. Literature and writing will be integrated into this classroom experience. We will use a variety of materials including recyclables, tech tools (robot, We Video, and coding), and many others to do our building! Challenges will be both open-ended and directed. Homework will be building and making, and can be done with a variety of home tools. If you are a future business leader, inventor, or creative, this is the class for you!</p>
<p>4-9 Fun with Theater</p> <p>Wednesday 9:30-11:30</p>	<p>Fun With Theater (3-9)</p> <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.</p>
<p>6-9 Artistic Alchemy</p> <p>Tuesday 9:30 - 11:30</p>	<p>Artistic Alchemy (6-9)</p> <p>Calling all young artists and adventurers! Join us on a magical journey through the world of art, where you'll discover the secrets of the masters and unleash your creativity like never before. In this fun and interactive class, you'll get to step into the shoes of famous artists and recreate their most famous masterpieces.</p>

	<p>Each week, we'll dive into a different masterpiece, from the swirling stars of Van Gogh to the bold shapes of Picasso. With the help of our expert guides, you'll learn cool tricks and techniques to make your masterpiece look just like the original. But that's not all! You'll also uncover the fascinating stories behind each masterpiece and learn how art can tell us about history, culture, and the world around us.</p> <p>So, if you're ready to paint, draw, and create your way through history, join us for an adventure you'll never forget!</p>
<p>6-9 Literary Voyagers</p> <p>Tuesday</p> <p>12:00 - 2:00</p>	<p>Literary Voyagers (6-9)</p> <p>Unlock the full potential of your reading abilities in this engaging and practical course. Designed to enhance reading comprehension, critical thinking, and analytical skills, this course offers a comprehensive approach to reading in various contexts.</p> <p>Using interactive lessons and activities, students will learn strategies to improve their reading speed, accuracy, and understanding. They will explore different types of texts, including fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and academic articles, and develop strategies for approaching each type effectively.</p> <p>Topics include active reading techniques, vocabulary expansion, annotation strategies, and how to identify main ideas and supporting details. Students will also learn how to evaluate the credibility of sources and recognize bias in texts.</p> <p>Whether you're a student looking to improve your academic reading skills or a professional book lover seeking to enhance your comprehension of complex materials, this course will equip you with the tools you need to become a more confident and efficient reader.</p>
<p>6-9 Whimsical Words</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>9:30 - 11:30</p>	<p>Whimsical Words (6-9)</p> <p>Ignite your creativity and develop your writing skills in this immersive workshop designed for aspiring writers of all levels. Whether you're interested in fiction, poetry, or creative non-fiction, this course will provide you with the tools and techniques to express yourself with confidence and flair.</p> <p>Through various writing exercises, prompts, and peer critiques, you will explore different genres and styles of writing, discovering your unique voice along the way. You will learn how to develop compelling characters, create vivid settings, and craft engaging plots that will captivate your readers.</p> <p>In addition to honing your writing skills, you will also learn valuable editing and revision techniques to polish your work to perfection. By the end of the course, you will have completed several writing projects and gained the skills and confidence to continue your creative writing journey independently.</p>
<p>6-9 Rhetoric Revolution: Mastering the art of Persuasive dialogue 2.0</p> <p>Wednesday</p> <p>12:00 - 2:00</p>	<p>Rhetoric Revolution: Mastering the art of Persuasive dialogue 2.0 (6-9)</p> <p>Discover the power of persuasion in this dynamic course that explores the art of effective communication through writing and debate. Students will learn how to craft compelling arguments, analyze persuasive techniques, and engage in respectful and constructive debate.</p> <p>Through a series of interactive lectures, writing assignments, and debate exercises, students will develop their skills in persuasive writing and public speaking. They will study various rhetorical devices and strategies used to influence an audience, such as ethos, pathos, and logos and learn how to apply these techniques in their own writing and speaking.</p> <p>Topics include the principles of argumentation, the role of audience analysis in persuasion, the ethics of persuasion, and the use of evidence to support arguments. By the end of the course, students will have honed their ability to persuade others through written and oral</p>

	communication, equipping them with valuable skills for academic, professional, and personal success.
6-9 Time Detectives Thursday 12:00 - 2:00	Time Detectives (6-9) Embark on a captivating journey through time and space to explore the ancient civilizations that shaped our world. This course offers a comprehensive survey of the great civilizations of the past, spanning the globe from the rivers of Mesopotamia to the shores of Mesoamerica. Students will delve into the rich histories of ancient cultures such as the Egyptians, Greeks, Romans, Maya, and more. Through a combination of lectures, readings, discussions, and multimedia presentations, students will gain a deep understanding of the key developments and enduring legacies of these civilizations. Topics include the rise of early civilizations, the development of writing systems, the construction of monumental architecture, the formation of empires, and the interactions between different ancient cultures. By studying the past, students will not only gain insights into the complexities of ancient societies but also develop a broader understanding of the human experience and the forces that have shaped our world.