



2023-24 Semester 1

August – January

Home Works! Class Descriptions

Beginning Writers: (K-1) Mrs. Hill

What is a Writer? What do writers do? In this class, young students will learn to see themselves as authors! Each week they will listen to a great children's author and learn about the steps to writing and illustrating their own writing. They will each build a writing resource binder, practice writing and illustrating at their individual level, and when ready, share their finished writing with others.

Book Cooks! (K-2) Mr.s Bosworth

Welcome to Book Cooks! This is a fun filled class which includes reading, writing, cooking and other surprises! Students in this K-2 class will engage in weekly book studies and learn about story elements, work on reading skills, and "cook/create" snacks and write recipes connected to the story. *(Please let Mrs. Bosworth know if there are any food allergies if registering for this class.*)*

Bookworms: (Primary 1-2) Mrs. Hill

Rhyming, phonics, phonemic awareness, decoding, and fluency, Oh My! There are so many parts to reading. Does it sometimes feel like mastering all of these parts can be challenging and it may seem like everyone is learning to read faster than you? This class is designed for our younger students who may be a bit behind in reading. In this class we will focus on all of the parts that must come together in order to read smoothly and comprehend what we are reading. We will practice and learn some new strategies in a supportive and fun environment.

Box is Locked Fall Edition: (2-3) or (4-6) Mrs.Hill

Here we go again! Do you like math challenges? Do you like solving mysteries? In this class, students will work together to solve math clues to find the answer and open the mystery box. What will be inside? This class will focus on developing skills in multi digit addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division. (A few challenges may have a holiday theme).

Business Entrepreneurship (6-8) Mrs. Probert

In this course, students will discover concepts of entrepreneurship and free market innovation. This will be a project-based class where students will have the opportunity to be an innovator- bringing an idea, product, or service through the business development process. Each student will work through planning, and development and then pitch their idea to investors; think Homework's very own Shark Tank. We will learn about business modeling through student-led research, real-life shark tank examples, and case studies. Throughout the course, students will be building on their business case or product idea, creating, and sharing business tools and ideas with one another. They will learn about the power of telling a story in business and life. We will cover concepts like market analysis, developing a marketing plan, pricing strategy, financial terminology, working on spreadsheets, and much more. Students will end the course in a simulation where they get to function as both an innovator seeking investment, and a "shark" or investor making an investment in their classmates' innovations.

Bulldog Laboratory (3-5) Mrs. Probert

Let's learn about the scientific process with a semester full of experiments! Students will get hands-on experience with Chemistry, Physics, and Biology through weekly lab-based experiments. We will dig deep into the scientific method and develop our own experiments over the course of the semester. We will become citizen scientists in our own schools and community and get comfortable with our identity as scientists and leaders.

Clay Construction (6-10) Ms. Zeman

Challenge yourself and be creative by building, firing, and glazing your own clay sculpture! Beginner and advanced students will let their creativity and individuality shine as they use the traditional hand-building techniques of pinching, coiling, and slab construction. Students will learn the elements of art, the physical properties of clay, and how scientific principles apply to working with it safely and successfully.

Crime Stoppers! (6-10) Mrs. Dryden

This class is for Murder mystery lovers, True Crime podcast listeners, and slightly dark, and curious investigator types. Investigations will include reading, writing, collaborative problem solving.

Español Divertido (Fun Spanish) (K-3) Senora

Solar

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Hola! Come have fun learning Spanish in an active class where we will learn basic vocabulary and easy conversational skills, while participating in different activities, such as playing games, singing songs, creating art, and much more!

Español para Todos (Spanish for Everyone) (8-10) Senora

Solar

Ready to start (or continue) learning a second language?

Whether you are just starting or are ready for a more challenging class, here you will be able to learn conversational Spanish, grammar, and vocabulary to use in real situations. We will begin by filling some knowledge gaps and continue learning proper grammar and vocabulary to practice speaking and writing in a fun and relaxed atmosphere.

Everyday Exercise (K-5) Mrs. Woller

In Everyday Exercise, kids will be engaged in fun fitness activities to help build strength and stamina. Kids will enjoy cardio conditioning, strength training, endurance exercises, circuit workouts, wellness discussions, games, and more!

The Game of Life: (K-5) Mrs. Paz

The participants complete tasks such as sewing, leather working, take home bake recipes, no bake foods, learn personal money management, and many more hands-on activities. Along with instructor-led, hands-on activities that are created to be a just-right challenge for each participant's needs.

It's Elemental! (5-8) Ms. Solar

In this class you will be able to learn about the different Elements of the Periodic Table while thinking like a scientist: why are the elements grouped that way? We will learn about how atoms are everywhere, and explore a few different elements to learn how they are useful to us, while creating three dimensional representations of atoms and building a visual representation of some of the information we learn to share with others.

Kennel Club(7-10) Mrs. Dryden

Students will work to actively build a strong HW! Community by learning to lead their peers in Community Circle, serving others less fortunate through Community Service Projects, and engaging students with Spirit Days, recess activities, and other fun ideas they come up with.

Let's Talk About Tech (7-10) Mrs. Probert

In this course, we will be exploring the ever-evolving role technology plays in the lives of us as learners, employees, and citizens. Can an AI search engine really do your homework for you? What does the world of social media mean for our connection to each other and our view of ourselves? With so much information at our fingertips, how do we decide what is real, and what to do with it? Students will get an opportunity to try our new tools, research new technology, share current events in the tech world, and explore their own thoughts on complicated issues. Our goal is to get comfortable with innovation and explore how we use these powers for good in our lives and in the world.

Little Learners! (K-1) Mrs. Dryden

This is a cross-curricular class that will introduce students to what it's like to learn and work inside and outside a classroom with other little learners. We will do cross curricular partner learning, group discussions, group problem solving, and hands-on projects revolving around nature. We will also learn some old school recess type games to get gross motor skill practice.

Mai Oui! Beg French (4-6) Mrs. Dryden

Let's learn French! This is a romance language like Spanish! As a baby French language learner, students will learn the alphabet, family members, numbers, colors and basic conversational phrases through the use of games, songs, videos, and lots of practice. There will be some writing-notecards, worksheets, etc. expected.

Math Magic! (3-5) Mrs. Bosworth

Let's look at math in a new way! In this 3-5 math class, students will learn some tips and tricks to make math fun, practical and even magical! We will use various activities to learn and practice math skills including reviewing addition, subtraction, multiplication, number sense and geometric concepts. With a magic wand, a little magic dust and a whole lot of fun, students will turn into mathematicians in no time!

MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU! (6-10) Mrs. Bosworth

Who says physics can't be fun! In this 6-10 science class, students will focus on basic physical science concepts. We will look at forces, the electromagnetic spectrum, and maybe throw in a bit of Star Wars connections just for fun! Hang on to your lightsabers and pencils as we learn more about basic physics!

National Monument Road Trip: (2-3)(4-6) Mrs. Hill

How many national monuments are there in the United States? Why do we have them? Let's chart a course and take a virtual road trip to a few of our National Monuments. Along the way, we will learn about the geography and history of each monument and mark them on our map. If we have time, we may even stop by a few National Landmarks. I wonder what the difference between Monuments and Landmarks is?

Nature Study (2-3) Mrs. Dryden

In this STEAM class students will use outdoor exploration and wonder walks to explore various nature concepts. All learning styles will benefit from Nature Studies. And there are the important socio-emotional lessons and benefits of being a part of nature. Students should expect to do some outside walking and journaling in each class session.

Owl about Owls (K-3) Ms. Zeman

Owls. Are they really as mysterious as they've seemed to many peoples or has scientific study explained their secrets? Learn interesting facts about owls and their behavior while doing art about owls! We'll also explore various art media while discovering about owls.

Pet Shop (K-1) Mrs. Probert

Filled with adorable friends to snuggle with, cool critters to observe, and more supplies and pet snacks than you can imagine, a pet store is a magical place to visit! In this course, you will have a chance to imagine what it would be like to open a pet shop of your very own! There is so much to do as a young business owner; you will take on the role of entrepreneur, accountant, graphic designer, architect, customer, sales clerk, contractor, and more. Students will explore STEM and business, stretching their imaginations and entrepreneurial spirit.

Pokemon Ecosystems (2-3) or (4-5) Ms. Shelp

'In Pokémon Ecosystems we will learn all about the ecosystems Pokémon live in. We will also learn about the regional adaptations Pokémon have developed to survive in the different environments they can be found in! Why is Ponyta green and purple in Galar?! Why did it's type change?! Let's start our ecosystem trainer journey and find out!"

Process Art (K-2) Ms. Zeman

Young children will discover the creative process of art making. The emphasis is on discovery, choice, self-direction, the exploration of materials, and the enjoyment of the process of creating, not the end product. Many art materials will be offered for students to use creatively and confidently to make their own unique designs.

Queremos Español! (We want Spanish!) (4-7) Senora Solar

Learn Spanish in a fun and interesting way! In this class you will learn and practice Spanish, which means you will learn about the language and also to communicate with others, while using a variety of activities that involve all the senses!

SEL (K-2 & 3-5) Ms. Shelp

Students in this class will talk about feelings, what they are, and how to work through them when they feel really big. We will learn about empathy and talk about our differences and how they make us all beautiful. We will learn about making friends, being a friend, and how to work through conflict with friends.

Scientific Illustration (4-6) Ms. Zeman

Find out what scientific illustration is, its purpose, and how anyone can learn to do it! You will observe, record, and sketch or paint to communicate important information about any scientific subject, experiment, and specimen.

Strength Training (6-10) Mrs. Woller

Come build strength, endurance, and health in a training class designed especially for you! Learn safe and proper exercise techniques using your own body weight, light free weights, and resistance bands in a circuit style program. Strength training has so many benefits! It can help: build muscle strength, increase muscle endurance, increase performance in other sports, protect from other sports-related injuries, strengthen bones, support healthy blood pressure and cholesterol levels, maintain a healthy weight, improve confidence, improve mood, and hopefully lead to a lifetime of healthy living. Let's do this!

Technology Wizards (K-4) and (4-10) Mrs. Paz

Giving students the confidence, skills and knowledge to succeed in the digital world. Students will learn how to log into school computers, log into their school email, use google docs, even make a spreadsheet. Students will continue to practice typing using the correct finger positions.

Wild Readers: (Intermediate 3+) Mrs. Hill

Does reading and understanding what you just read sometimes seem challenging? Do you wish you could read a bit smoother? This class is designed for intermediate to middle school aged students who would like to improve their reading skills. In this class, we will focus on improving fluency and learning decoding strategies at each student's own pace in a fun and supportive environment.

Wolves and Whales, Rosanne Parry Author Study: (4-6) or (7-10) Mrs. Hill

Ever wonder what it's like to be a wolf or an orca in the Pacific Northwest? Author Rosanne Parry has! How and where do they live? Do they have families? In this class, we will read two fantastic books, follow a real wolf's journey across the Northwest, research and learn about our local wolves and the orcas that live off Washington's coast.

Yearbook and Newsletter (7-10) Mrs. Paz

In this course, you will gain, develop, and master skills in one or multiple areas of the yearbook creation process. Whether you're interested in page design or photography, newsletter, or any other skill required to create a memorable yearbook and newsletter, you'll be able to come to class every day and learn by doing. Outside of developing these individual skills, we're also working towards a single, shared goal: to create the most memorable yearbook Homeworks! has ever seen.

Yoga and Mindfulness (K-5) or (6-10) Mrs. Woller

Come stretch, breathe, and relax in this fun-filled yoga class! Students will learn several yoga poses to build strength, flexibility, balance, and endurance, learn breathing techniques and awareness for stress and anxiety reduction, practice mindfulness to learn to be in the present, and learn ways to focus on calming their minds to move towards relaxation. Yoga benefits are far and wide. Let's practice yoga and reap the many rewards!



MEET OUR STAFF!

Principal:

Mrs. Hudson - Carla has been an administrator in the Cheney School District for 6 years. Before coming to Home Works! she was principal of Betz Elementary. Her favorite activity at Betz was being visible in the hallways and engaging with the students on a daily basis.

Before coming to the Cheney School District, Carla was the K-12 Principal in the Wilbur-Creston School District for 6 years. This was an exceptionally busy assignment as she oversaw everything from beginning elementary students through graduating seniors, including all the sports and activities.

Carla loves interacting with children, parents and staff and finds joy in the little things in life. She states that she feels at home already and looks forward to getting to know everyone in the Home Works! Community.

Carla lives in Spokane with her husband Roger and two Brittany Spaniels. Their two sons live in NYC and are both recently engaged to two wonderful girls.

Office Support Staff:

Mrs. Aamodt -

Mrs. Sweitzer – Caryn is our office manager for our Options Learning Programs. She is happy to help you with any questions that might arise during your year of learning at Home Works!, Three Springs High School and WIN. She enjoys working with families and seeing their students grow in learning.

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Certificated Teachers:

Mrs. Bosworth – Angie is a certificated teacher who enjoys teaching all subjects. She has homeschooled her own children and is passionate about supporting homeschooled families.

Mrs. Dryden –

Mrs. Hill – Evi is a certificated teacher with over 20 years of teaching experience in a variety of grades and programs. She enjoys multiage teaching and supporting our homeschooling families.

Enrichment Facilitators:

Mrs. Probert - Jenni Pfeifer-Probert is excited to be joining the Home Works! Team! and will be leading a Business Innovation learning experience. She has a BS in Finance and has worked in corporate finance, business development, as well as operations management. She is a fellow Homeworks! parent; her son Asher Probert has been a Bulldog since 2021.

Mrs. Paz - Cheryl Paz is a returning CBI to Home Works! this year. Although she is new to our program, she is not new to teaching or working with children of all ages. Cheryl works as a nanny for multiple children in addition to volunteering countless hours to Spokane County 4 H programs. Her passion to work with children and animals is abundant. She has one son who is very active in school programs and in various activities. She keeps them both busy between sports, cooking, sewing and of course showing animals of all kind! She looks forward to sharing her animal knowledge as well as her crafty cooking skills with you this year!

Ms. Shelp - I'm Bekka! I have been homeschooling my daughter for the last 4 years and have been working with kids for over 22 years. Building emotional intelligence and skills to work through big feelings has always been a really important family goal. As has spending lots of time outside and learning from all that the world has to teach us. I'm excited to be offering classes at Homeworks this semester!

Mrs. Solar - Lucy Solar was born in Cuernavaca, Mexico and came to the United States in 1994. She taught Spanish and English in Mexico to children and adults. Lucy graduated from Carroll University with degrees in Elementary Education and Middle School Science. Lucy moved to Cheney with her husband and 3 children because she liked the area and the school system. Her youngest child is an 8th Grader at Homeworks!

Mrs. Woller - Heather has taught a variety of classes at Home Works! over the past years and is also a homeschooling parent. She enjoys supporting students and families in homeschooling as well as sharing her many passions with students. She received her Bachelor of Science degree from EWU and is a Certified Aerobics and Yoga instructor. She worked at Cat Tales Zoological Park for nearly 2 years and for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife as a fisheries biologist for almost 10 years.

Ms. Zeman - Allison teaches a variety of fine art classes and has a B.A. degree in Apparel, Textiles, and Design, including a B.S. in Physical Geography and has been a Scientific Illustrator. She creates an environment for students to take risks and reach new heights as artists. She is also a former Home Works! parent.

