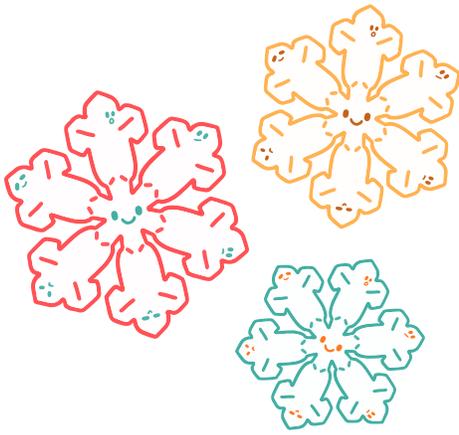


Winter & Spring 2026

Early Childhood
Youth Enrichment
Adult & Family
Senior Scene

**CHATFIELD
COMMUNITY ENRICHMENT**



REGISTER NOW!!

Online (preferred):

www.chatfieldschools.com > Community Education Page
Click on the Community Education Registration Link

or
Scan the QR code



Mail:

Send the registration form below to
Community Education, 11555 Hillside Dr. SE
Chatfield, MN 55923

General Information

- Registrations are accepted in the order received.
- Please fill out one registration per person.
- You will receive a notice if the class is full - your fee will be returned.
- If you cancel after the deadline, your fee will not be refunded.
- No news is good news! You will not receive a notice unless there is a change or class is canceled.
- Financial Assistance is available - contact lklevan@chatfieldschools.com.



COMMUNITY EDUCATION REGISTRATION

Name _____ Phone _____

Registration for adult

Registration for child

Grade _____ Teacher _____

Email Address _____

Address _____

City & Zip _____

Class/Activity:

1. _____ Fee _____

2. _____ Fee _____

3. _____ Fee _____

For LIFE LONG LEARNING LECTURES you must register with the Center for the Arts.

(Make checks payable to Chatfield Community Education)

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QUESTIONS? CONTACT US

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*The Community Education Office is located in the Elementary School
11555 Hillside Dr. Chatfield, MN 55923.*

COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL

Barb Schroeder, Brad Bentley, Brian Baum, Jeremiah Halloran, Jill Harstad, Julie Sogla, Mark Johnsrud, and Pam Bluhm

The advisory council provides ideas, feedback and direction for the Community Education programs. The members serve as eyes and ears in the community. You are invited to join the advisory council. We welcome your input! **Interested? Contact lklevan@chatfieldschools.com.**

Remaining meetings during the 2025-26 School Year

Wednesdays, Feb. 3 /Apr. 15 6-7 p.m. in the Elementary Library



Monica Erickson, Director
(507)867-3480
monica@selco.info
314 Main St. S.
Chatfield, MN 55923



CHATFIELD CENTER
FOR THE ARTS

405 Main St. S.
Chatfield, MN 55923
(507)884-7676
director@chatfieldcfa.com

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Early Childhood Family Education For Families with children birth-5 (not in Kindergarten)

ECFE CLASSES

All classes held in the ECFE Room – Use Preschool Entrance

ECFE classes are for parent and child to attend together. During class, parents and children can explore, create, and spend time together without distractions and interruption. Circle time includes music, stories, and more. ECFE recognizes that parents are their child's first and most important teachers. ECFE offers support, education, and resources to parents. ECFE works to strengthen families. ECFE promotes & encourages parent-child time. Our classes are a NO Cellphone Zone. We appreciate your cooperation.

Use the chart on the next page to determine your family fee.

WINTER WONDERLAND (Family Fee: \$40 / Reduced - \$20 / Free - \$0)

Escape the winter blues with ECFE. Parent-Child playtime, projects, music, and more will keep you and your little one(s) engaged. Parents will have the opportunity to meet with the parent facilitator and other parents while the children have fun with our Early Childhood Educators!

1. Thursdays, Jan. 15, 22, Feb 5 & 12 5:30-7:00 p.m.
2. Fridays, Jan. 16, 23, Feb. 6 & 13 8:00-9:30 a.m.
3. Fridays, Jan. 16, 23, Feb. 6 & 13 10:00-11:30 a.m.

DIY FUN (Family Fee: \$10 / Reduced or Free - \$0)

Thursday, February 26 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Enjoy an evening of play. All activities will be DIY, using items from home or a craft store. Discover inexpensive fun that you can replicate at home

MAGICAL MARCH MADNESS (Family Fee: \$30 / Reduced - \$15 / Free - \$0)

Let's create our own March Madness with all things magical, like Unicorns & Fairies. There will be fun magical experiences, and possibly some creative basketball! Classes will include circle time, parent-child play, and parent group time.

1. Thursdays, March 12, 19, & 26 5:30-7:00 p.m.
2. Fridays, Mar. 13, 20, & 27 8:00-9:30 a.m.
3. Fridays, March 13, 20, & 27 10:00-11:30 a.m.

LET'S GET GROWING (Family Fee: \$10 / Reduced or Free - \$0)

Get ready to get your hands dirty! Have fun as we dig in and plant, explore different ways to measure & weigh, and learn about how things grow – including us!

1. Thursday, April 16 5:30-7:00 p.m.
2. Friday, April 17 8:00-9:30 a.m.
3. Friday, April 17 10:00-11:30 a.m.

SPRING INTO FUN WITH ECFE (Family Fee: \$30 / Reduced - \$15 / Free - \$0)

This session is all about Spring!

1. Thursdays, April 30, May 7 & 14 5:30-7:00 p.m.
2. Fridays, May 1, 8, & 15 8:00-9:30 a.m.
3. Fridays, May 1, 8, & 15 10:00-11:30 a.m.



Scan QR Code to Register for Classes:



Household Size of One (1)

Frequency of Income	Free Eligibility \$	Reduced Price Eligibility \$
Weekly	0-392	393-557
Bi-Weekly	0-783	784-1,114
2x per month	0-848	849-1,207
Monthly	0-1,696	1,697-2,413
Yearly	0-20,345	20,346-28,953

Household Size of Two (2)

Frequency of Income	Free Eligibility \$	Reduced Price Eligibility \$
Weekly	0-529	530-753
Bi-Weekly	0-1,058	1,059-1,505
2x per month	0-1,146	1,147-1,631
Monthly	0-2,292	2,293-3,261
Yearly	0-27,495	27,496-39,128

Household Size of Three (3)

Frequency of Income	Free Eligibility \$	Reduced Price Eligibility \$
Weekly	0-667	668-949
Bi-Weekly	0-1,333	1,334-1,897
2x per month	0-1,444	1,445-2,055
Monthly	0-2,888	2,889-4,109
Yearly	0-34,645	34,646-49,303

Household Size of Four (4)

Frequency of Income	Free Eligibility \$	Reduced Price Eligibility \$
Weekly	0-804	805-1,144
Bi-Weekly	0-1,608	1,609-2,288
2x per month	0-1,742	1,743-2,479
Monthly	0-3,483	3,484-4,957
Yearly	0-41,795	41,796-59,478

Household Size of Five (5)

Frequency of Income	Free Eligibility \$	Reduced Price Eligibility \$
Weekly	0-942	943-1,340
Bi-Weekly	0-1,883	1,884-2,679
2x per month	0-2,040	2,041-2,903
Monthly	0-4,079	4,080-5,805
Yearly	0-48,945	48,946-69,653

“POP” CELEBRATING THE POWER OF PLAY

Sat., April 11th 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Elementary School Preschool Wing

Free (Please RSVP in Advance)



POP into PLAY-VILLE to celebrate the Power of Play. Stroll down Literacy Lane and enjoy playing with letters, shapes, and stories. Stop into Conversation Gardens to plant the seeds to grow vocabulary (It’s all about TALKING!) Don’t miss the Super Sound Café, Orchestra Hall, and Counter Canyon. Be sure to POP into Playville EmPorium to experience a plethora of opportunities to Play and Pretend! And of course, there is Central Park where you and your little one can crawl, climb, bounce, and roll. Watch out for the area that is Under Construction—you may have to Pitch-In! **RSVP to lklevan@chatfieldschools.com. Indicate names of all attending, include ages for children**

Early Childhood Continued . . .

Chatfield EARLY CHILDHOOD SCREENING

Friday, Jan. 30th, 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Elementary School

Early Childhood Screening is required in MN before a child enters Kindergarten. Children may be screened after age 3. The ideal age for screening is 3 ½-4 years. The years between birth and Kindergarten are a time of rapid growth and learning. Early Childhood Screening helps identify any possible health or developmental concerns. It is a way to identify concerns at an early stage so your child can get help before starting school.

Early Childhood Screening is a FREE service. During screening, the following areas will be assessed:

- * Vision and Hearing
- * Height, Weight, and Growth
- * Immunization and Health Status
- * Thinking, Language, and Communication Skills
- * Social and Emotional Development

You will be given the results of the screening and have the opportunity to discuss the results and ask any questions you may have. Early Childhood Screening typically takes about an hour to an hour and a half. Children need to be accompanied by a parent. To register your child for early childhood screening, go to:

<https://www.chatfieldschools.com/community-ed/early-childhood/early-childhood-screening> or scan the QR Code.



Questions? Contact Brooke Boelter at bboelter@chatfieldschools.com.

EARLY CHILDHOOD CENSUS

(Children age 0-4)

If you have a child, infant to age 4, who is not yet on our early childhood census, please email the following information to lklevan@chatfieldschools.com.

Child's name

Child's date of birth

Parent(s) Names

Address and Phone Number

If you receive the ECFE newsletter & information, your child is already on the census. If your child is in preschool, we have the census information.



Minnesota's Help Me Grow has many resources about the development of young children for parents and professionals. These resources include information on developmental milestones, YouTube videos, caregiver strategies to support development, screening and evaluation, and how to talk about developmental concerns.

SUNSHINE & ROSES CANVAS PAINTING : Sunny Sunshine
For children 3 & older (with an adult) \$25/child
Tues., Apr. 28th 5:00-6:00 p.m. Elementary Art Room



Scan QR Code to Register



Adult & child will work together to create a beautiful acrylic painting of “Sunny Sunshine”. Your child may get paint on his/her clothing. Be sure they dress appropriately! An adult may work with one or two children. Register each child separately.

OPEN GYM FOR PRE-K **in the Elementary Gym**
Sundays, Jan. 11-Mar. 15 (Dates may change due to gym availability)
1:00 -2:00 p.m. \$16 for the season (Parent’s must accompany child)

The gym will be available for you and your little ones to run, play catch, discover basketball & more. Come for the exercise, for basketball practice, or just for the FUN!!! Balls will be provided. Bring tennis shoes – no outside shoes on the gym floor. You may bring your own balls. (No riding toys.)

FREE INDOOR PLAY AREA

Dino Depot is a free indoor play area at Calvary Baptist Church in Chatfield for young children and their parents/caregivers. It is open Thursdays from 9-11am Beginning November 6th

OPEN NOVEMBER THROUGH FEBRUARY

Like us on Facebook for more info and updates

HALL-RIDING AT THE ELEMENTARY
For Toddlers & Preschoolers
Wednesdays, January 7-March 25
5:00-6:30 p.m.

No fee – but must register in advance using online registration or email lklevan@chatfieldschools.com

Parents may bring toddlers & preschoolers with riding toys to “ride the Halls” of the elementary. Must stay on the circular path (no entering the red, blue, or green wings). May also ride in the cafeteria, when it is available. Older siblings may attend – but must walk. No bicycles. Make sure that parents carry the riding toy into the school – wheels must be clean.

CHATFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Storytime

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 10:30 a.m.

Lower Level of the Library

YOUTH ENRICHMENT

AFTER HOURS WITH MS. JEANETTE

Instructor: Jeanette Kappers / Elementary Art Room / Fee: \$12 / Register one week in advance.

After Hours with Ms. Jeanette is about having an opportunity to be creative. Ms. Jeanette does not use “cookie cutter” projects. She encourages kids to make the projects truly their own. It’s all about the process ... And having FUN! Each month focuses on projects related to a specific theme.

January – Snowy Fun	2 nd & 3 rd Grade – Jan. 15	/	1 st Grade – Jan. 22
February – Valentine Fun	2 nd & 3 rd Grade – Feb. 5	/	1 st Grade – Feb. 12
March – St. Patty’s Day Fun	2 nd & 3 rd Grade – Mar. 5	/	1 st Grade – Mar. 12
April – Springtime Fun	2 nd & 3 rd Grade – April 9	/	1 st Grade – April 16

Grades 2 & 3 – 3:00-4:30 p.m. / Grade 1 – 3:00-4:00 p.m.

KINDERGARTEN AFTER HOURS – SPRING TIME FUN

Join Ms. Jeanette for crafts and activities that celebrate the arrival of SPRING!

Thursday, April 23rd 3:00-4:00 p.m. (Space is limited to 15)

Elementary Art Room

PAINTING CLASSES With Sunshine & Roses Traveling Art Studio

Classes are held in the 4-6th Multi-Purpose Room

No painting experience necessary. Yes! Everyone can do this – even if they cannot draw a stick figure or do not have any Art experience. Everyone’s canvas creation will look different as they add their own twist. All supplies will be provided.

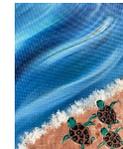
Tue., Jan. 27

MN Land of 10,000 Snowflakes	3-4 p.m.	\$25 reg. fee
Hootie the Owl	4-5 p.m.	\$25 reg. fee



Tues., Mar. 24

Turtles	3-4 p.m.	\$25 reg. fee
Zebby the Zebra	4-5 p.m.	\$25 reg. fee



ART CLUB! (With Ruth Mikos, Elementary Art Teacher)

Elementary Art Room / 3:00-4:30 p.m. / \$90 for 8 weeks / Register one week in advance.

Time to get messy and explore your creativity and imagination! Art Club will include weekly guided art projects that encourage self expression and creativity while building confidence and self-esteem. Students will work on both individual and group projects and celebrate their accomplishments with an art show on the last session.

Grades 2 nd -4 th	Mondays, Feb. 2-March 30 (No Art Club on March 23)
Grades 5 th -6 th	Wednesdays, Feb. 4-March 25

CHILD AND BABYSITTING SAFETY (CABS) for 4th Grade & Older

\$50 Fee

The Child and Babysitting Safety (CABS) program from the American Safety and Health Institute provides everything you need to know for safe and successful babysitting. The YouTube “vlogger” style presentation of the video brings a youthful and high-energy spirit to the program content along with handouts, demonstrations, and additional resources. At the end of class, the students will receive their certification card along with instructions to access a digital copy of the Child and Babysitting Safety (CABS) Student book. From getting started with your business, to collaborating with parents and children, to key safety, caregiving, and first aid tips, CABS will help set you up for babysitting success. Students must be present for the entire class and complete achievement of the core learning objectives to receive certification valid for two years. Students attend this class independently and should come prepared with a notebook and pen. Students are welcome to bring water and a snack.

Instructor: Lori Hameister, Little Bit of Guidance Early Childhood Trainer

Date/Time: Friday, January 9th / 9 am -12 noon (No school day)

Location: Elementary Art Room

HOME ALONE! For 2nd Grade and Older

\$30 Fee

Is your child ready for the independence of being home alone? Parents need to be sure their children have the skills and maturity to handle the responsibility safely. Whether it is for an hour after school or several hours a day during the summer, being trusted to be home alone can be a positive experience for a child who is mature and well prepared. This class for children will address several topics relating to being “Home Alone” including age guidelines, safe habits, house rules, after school routines, phone calls and door knocks, dog emergencies, personal safety, handling the unexpected, gun safety, severe weather, fire safety, intruders, and first aid tips. Students attend this class independently and should come prepared with a notebook and pen. Parents are encouraged to review the take home information and discuss it with their child. Students are welcome to bring water and a snack.

Instructor: Lori Hameister, Little Bit of Guidance Early Childhood Trainer

Date/Time: Friday, January 9th / 12:30-2:30 pm (No school day)

Location: Elementary Art Room

STORY THEATER FOR GRADES 3-6

With LuAnn Klevan

In Story Theater, participants read children’s stories in character! Each reader has a role, and uses simple costuming to bring the character to life. Students will rehearse for 4 weeks. Stories will be presented to Valleyland classes (grades preK-2nd grade).

Rehearsals: Mondays, Jan. 26, Feb. 2, 9, 16, 23 /3:00-3:45 p.m./ Library

Presentation: Monday, Mar. 2nd 3:30 p.m. (meet at 3:00 p.m.) 1st-3rd MPR

Fee: \$5

Register by Jan.16 Parts must be determined, so no late registrations accepted.

UKULELE LESSONS (3rd -6th Grade)

Instructor: Tanya Nelson Location: Mrs. Nelson’s K Classroom 8 weeks for \$80 Register 1 week in advance.

Intermediate Lessons – Mostly Thursdays, January 29 – March 26th (Lessons held on Wednesdays, the weeks of 2/11 and the week of 3/4). No uke lessons the week of February 26th.

During this class we will build on students’ prior ukulele experience. We will have fun learning new chords and music in a uke jam session! Must have own Ukulele.

Beginner Lessons for those with minimal experience or new to the Ukulele

Tuesdays, beginning Jan. 27- Mar. 24 (No uke lessons the week of February 24th)

Beginners will gain knowledge of the parts of the uke, how to hold a ukulele and several beginner strum patterns. They will leave this eight week series of small group lessons learning the most commonly used chords and a packet of beginner songs! There will be several ukuleles available to use for the beginner class.

Youth Enrichment Continued

CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH YOUTH ENRICHMENT LEAGUE With Instructor from Youth Enrichment League



ROBOTICS: Nature 'Bots for Grades 1-5 Tues., Jan. 27-Mar. 3 **\$78 Fee** **STEM ROOM**

Help nature and our environment by studying them more closely. We'll build a frog 'bot and discuss metamorphosis, then build a bumble bee and discuss the importance of pollination. We'll study nature while learning computer coding and engineering skills. Sign up today!

BRICKTOPIA RACERS for Grades 1-5 Wed., Jan. 28-Mar. 4 **\$72 Fee** **STEM ROOM**

Join Bricktopia Racers to build Formula 1 racers, land yachts, and more with LEGO® bricks. Explore engineering and problem-solving in a innovative and adventurous way. Start creating with Bricktopia today! LEGO® is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this site or program.

BRICKTOPIA SMASH N' REEL for Grades 1-5 Wed., Mar. 18-Apr. 22 **\$72 Fee** **STEM ROOM**

Hulk smash...and so do you, but with a hammer built with LEGO® bricks. We'll also build a hill climbing race-car, a fishing rod, and more. We'll use these projects to explore engineering concepts. Sign up today to smash...and learn! LEGO® is a trademark of the LEGO Group of companies which does not sponsor, authorize or endorse this site or program.

GRANDMASTERS OF CHESS (Grades 1-5) **\$82 Fee for each session** **Library**

Winter Session: Mondays, Jan 26-Mar. 2 Spring Session: : Mondays, Mar. 16-Apr. 20

New and returning students are invited! Chess class follows four basic components. TEACH IT! Students are taught different chess concepts and coached to implement those concepts into their chess games. PRACTICE IT! ... students practice positions set by the coach to improve their understanding of the concept. PUZZLE IT!... Students are given chess puzzles and work with the coach's guidance to solve them. PLAY IT! ... Each class ends with the students playing chess. Coaches often feature in-class tournaments during this session. Class fee includes ChessKid.com membership for the session (a \$49 annual value).

A LITTLE SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES
Register one week in advance, unless otherwise noted

VALENTINE COOKIE DECORATING with Melissa Delane (The Handmade Chickpea)

An Adult/Child Activity (Children in 3rd grade & older are invited to attend with an adult)

Join Melissa for a fun Valentine themed cookie decorating class where you and your child will unleash your creativity and decorate delicious cookies! Melissa will guide you through various techniques to make your cookies look like edible works of art. You'll have a blast learning new decorating tricks and enjoying tasty treats. Includes 5 cookies to decorate, a guided tutorial and recipes for the cookies and royal icing. Adults may attend without children. The fee is the same.



Tuesday, February 10th

6:30-7:30 p.m.

Elementary Art Room

\$50 for Adult & Child (includes 5 Cookies)

Register by February 3rd

Something for All Ages continued

CLASSES OFFERED THROUGH YENNIE MARTIAL ARTS STUDIO

All classes are held at the studio, 215 S. Main St.

Each class has a fee payable to Yennie Martial Arts - due the first day of class.

YOUTH KARATE **Winter Session: Thurs., March 5-26** **Spring Session: Thurs., May 7-28**
\$5 Registration fee payable to Community Education by one week in advance. / \$40 due first night of class
4 week introductory program designed for 3-12 year olds. Please wear comfortable clothing and be ready to have a lot of fun learning karate with a skilled black belt. All participants will receive a t-shirt.
Time for each age group: 3-8 Year -- 4:45pm-5:30pm 9-12 Year -- 6:15-7:00 p.m

TEEN/ADULT KARATE **Winter Session: Thurs., March 5-26** **Spring Session: Thurs., May 7-28**
\$5 Registration fee payable to Community Education by one week in advance. / \$40 due first night of class
4 week introductory program designed for 13 yrs-older Please wear comfortable clothing and be ready to have a lot of fun learning karate with a skilled black belt. All participants will receive a t-shirt. 7:30-8:15 p.m.

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE CLASS **Wed. & Fri - Mar. 25 & 27** **6:00-8:30pm**
\$5 Registration Fee payable to Community Education by one week in advance / \$30 due first night of class
An introductory class designed for **Females 13 yrs-older**. Please wear comfortable clothing. This is an introductory class for women taught by a female instructor! It is so important to equip yourself with the right tools and awareness to either avoid situations or to defend! Knowledge is our best defense! Learn techniques that work for you!

EASY LOOM KNITTING: The Prayer Shawl Project (Age 12 to Adult)

Tuesday, Apr. 28 6-7:30 pm Fee: \$25/\$42 if you would like CE to purchase your loom for you

Join the "Love is a Hug" Project and learn the meditative, simple technique of loom knitting to create beautiful prayer shawls for donation. Whether you are a total beginner or an experienced crafter, you will find this method relaxing and rewarding. In this hands-on workshop, you will master the basic skills needed to create a full-sized prayer shawl. This is an incredible way to turn just 90 minutes of your time into a meaningful gift of comfort and warmth for someone in need. "Love is a Hug" Project has already donated nearly 300 shawls, and your participation helps us continue our mission!

REQUIRED SUPPLIES: Please bring the following low-cost supplies to class. You can find these items at stores like Hobby Lobby, Walmart or Amazon: – **When you register you will receive info on yarn & loom**
Loom: One round knitting loom and a hook (Approximate cost: \$17) View option at Amazon
Yarn: One skein of medium-weight yarn (Approximate cost: \$10) – 220 yards in a color of your choice

THE ART OF BRAIDING with Kaiya Walker (7th Grade - Adult)

Sat., Mar. 21 9-10:30 a.m. Elem. Art Room \$15 for participant (model is free!)

Learn the techniques for creative braiding. Kaiya will start with the basic braid and move onto the French, Dutch, and Dragon braid. Bring a child or friend to be your model. If you do not have a model, there will be manikins to use.

OPEN GYM in the Elementary Gym

The gym will be available for practicing your basketball skills, playing a little 1-on-1, 3-on-3, or a full court game (if space is available.) Come for the exercise, for basketball practice, or just for the FUN!!!
Bring tennis shoes – no outside shoes on the gym floor. / You may bring your own basketball.

Sundays, Jan. 11-Mar. 15 (Dates may change due to gym availability)

Grades PreK-1st – 1:00 -2:00 p.m. \$16 for the season (Parent's must accompany child)

Grades 2 - 6 2:15-3:45 p.m. \$18 for the season

Grades 7-Adult 4:00-5:30 p.m. \$18 for the season

Adult Enrichment

INSTANT PIANO FOR HOPELESSLY BUSY PEOPLE – Ages 13 & Older

Online class with Craig Coffman Monday, Feb. 9th 6:30-9:30 p.m. Fee: \$60

In just a few hours, learn enough secrets of the trade to give you years of musical enjoyment. Learn to play piano the way professionals do—using chords. The chord method is LOTS of fun and dramatically easier to learn than reading notes. Fee includes the online book, online recorded follow up lessons, a recording of the class and also an optional live periodic question and answer session. Class is held online using Zoom and is partly hands on instruction and partly lecture demonstration.

INSTANT GUITAR FOR HOPELESSLY BUSY PEOPLE – Ages 13 & Older

Online class with Craig Coffman Tuesday, Feb. 10th 6:30-9:00 p.m. Fee: \$60

In just a few hours learn enough about playing the guitar to give you years of musical enjoyment. This crash course will teach you some basic chords and get you playing along with your favorite songs right away. Fee includes the online book, online recorded follow up lessons, a recording of the class and also an optional live periodic question and answer session. Class is held online using Zoom and is partly hands on instruction and partly lecture/demonstration. (Under Adult on Registration Site)

LINE DANCE FITNESS with Nora Gathje

New Reg. is open until Jan. 21

Wednesdays, Beginning January 7 -May 27 6:15-7:45 p.m. H.S MP Gym (Use door 4)

Line dancing offers a unique and enjoyable approach to enhancing physical activity, fostering new connections, boosting stamina and cardiovascular fitness, and ultimately embracing the joy of dancing! Come dressed in comfortable workout clothes and sneakers. No prior dance expertise is required—only a zest for movement and enjoyment!

\$5 Registration Fee Purchase Punch Card from instructor -- 11 sessions/ \$50 (renew as needed)



THE MARKETS TODAY with Maggie Schoepski, Financial Advisor for Edward Jones

Wednesday, Feb. 11 6:30-7:30 p.m. High School LINC – Use entrance 8

"Many people want to gain a greater understanding of markets but don't know where to start. We'll have an open discussion that addresses your basic or more advanced questions about the fundamentals of investing in Markets in 2026 and beyond.

RESOURCES FOR RETIREMENT with Maggie Schoepski, Financial Advisor for Edward Jones

Wednesday, April 22 6:30-7:30 p.m. High School LINC

This seminar explores the complicated navigation of retirement funds, Social Security and Medicare. We will discuss what to look for, what to plan for, how to manage your resources, and how to take the fear out of this subject so you can live life to the fullest in retirement"

“THE ANXIOUS GENERATION” – A Summary & Discussion with Jessica McCleod

(It is not necessary to read the book prior to the class)

A must-read for all parents: the generation-defining investigation into the collapse of youth mental health in the era of smartphones, social media, and big tech—and a plan for a healthier, freer childhood.

Early Childhood Focus – Birth through 2nd Grade Wednesday, Apr. 15th 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Come for a summary of the best-selling book “The Anxious Generation.” Learn about the impact of social media on childhood development and recommendations for parents regarding technology limits, play, and other developmental concerns.

Adolescent/Teenage focus – 2nd - 12th Grade Wednesday, Apr. 22nd 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Learn about the impact of social media on adolescent/teenage mental health as described in the best-selling book “The Anxious Generation.” Take home specific action items to implement in your classroom or parenting from author Jonathan Haidt. Reading is not required prior to attending the class.

Scan the QR Code to learn more about the book here:



The Senior Scene

Opportunities designed for senior citizens (But ALL adults are welcome!)

The majority of the classes & activities are in the Chatfield Art Center Studio – located on the second floor. Enter through Door 4 (across from the park). An elevator is located at the end of the hall – to the right.

SENIOR SCENE OPEN HOUSE

Wednesday, January 7th 1-2 pm – Center for the Arts Studio

Stop by for afternoon goodies and check out what is coming up for the Senior Scene. You will have an opportunity to sign up for classes on site. You are invited to stay for Game Day!

GAME DAYS (No Registration Required)

Wednesdays, Jan. 7-Apr. 29 2-4 pm Center for the Arts Studio

Enjoy an afternoon of games and conversations. Board games and cards will be available to use. Connect with others who share your love of games, laugh, play, and maybe meet some new friends.



LET'S TALK (No Registration Required)

Free 10:30-11:30 Center for the Arts Studio

Join other friends, new and old, for a cup of coffee (hot chocolate or tea) and a conversation. Find others who share your interests. Learn about one another. Monthly topics will be provided to jump start the conversations.

Thur., Jan. 8th -- Trivia from the past

Thur., Feb. 12th – Movies! The Oscars will be on soon. Talk about nominees – current & past. Check out movies to watch at home.

Thur., Mar. 12th – Pick a Table Topic: Farming (past or present) or Gardening

Thur., Apr. 9th – Spring: What do you enjoy the most?

CARD MAKING Friday, Mar. 6th 10:30-11:30 am Center for the Arts Studio

Free - Register in advance by email – lklevan@chatfieldschools.com or call 867-4521 x. 5022.

Enjoy a creative morning. Try your hand at making two beautiful spring greeting cards. Kits will be available. Additional cards will be available to color.

NETWORK WITH THE NEWS (Topics based on current events.)

Tuesdays, Jan. 27 & March 31 10:30-11:30 am Center for the Arts Studio

(Register for one or both by calling 867-4521 x. 5022)

Join Maggie Schoepski, from Edward Jones, for a morning treat, coffee, and discussion about what is happening in the world. How does the latest news impact social security, Medicare, travel, retirement, etc.

Senior Scene Continued

CANVAS AND COFFEE

Wed., Apr. 1st 10:30-11:30 am Center for the Arts Studio

Free - Register in advance by email – lklevan@chatfieldschools.com or call 867-4521 x. 5022. Try your hand at canvas painting with acrylic markers and paint. Canvas with floral outlines will be provided. It will be a time to create, relax, and enjoy a different experience.



STORY THEATER (For Adults who love reading to children!)

Initial Meeting is Tuesday, Feb. 17, 3:15 p.m., in the Elementary School Library

Practices continue for 6 Tuesdays

What is Story Theater? Adults (who love to read children's stories) present stories to children in character. Each reader takes on the role of a character or narrator. Simple costumes are worn – such as hats, ties, aprons, etc. The story is presented sitting on stool or standing in place. In other words, it's all about reading, not acting! Stories will be presented to students in grades prek-3. Feel free to attend one or two times to see if it is a good fit for you! Please register in advance by calling 867-4521 x. 5022 or emailing lklevan@chatfieldschools.com

55 & ALIVE FOR SENIORS (55 & Older) with Driver Improvement Associates. **Fee: \$28**

This class will provide safe driving tips and help you refresh your driving techniques and give you confidence to drive in today's complex traffic. Upon completion, persons 55 & older are eligible for a vehicle insurance premium reduction of 10%. Reduction is good for 3 years. This is a beginner & refresher course.

Options: (Registration is due one week in advance)

- 1) **Wed., Apr. 15 5-9 pm High School – Entrance #8**
- 2) **Wed., Apr. 29 12-4 pm Center for the Arts – Studio (2nd floor)**

Register Online: www.chatfieldschools.com > Community Education Page > ClickCommunity Education Registration Link.

Register by Mail: Send reg. form (on pg 2) to Community Education, 11555 Hillside Dr. SE, Chatfield MN 55923

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Classroom Grandparent for Preschool
After School Enrichment Assistant (for grades 1-3)
Senior Scene Greeter for Selected Activities
Community Education Advisory Council Member
Call LuAnn at 507-867-4521 x. 5022 for more information!**

To receive updates & additions to the Senior Scene, submit your email or address to lklevan@chatfieldschools.com or call (507)867-45221 x. 5022



Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center,
in collaboration with Age Friendly Fillmore County
Presents:
BRAIN HEALTH, AGING AND DEMENTIA RESEARCH

A three part series for those interested in learning more. You are invited to our team from the Mayo Clinic Alzheimer's Disease Research Center to learn about brain health, memory loss, and current research. There will be plenty of time for conversation and questions. The following events and topics will be discussed. Please attend the events that work best for you.



Sessions meet on Tuesdays, 2-4 p.m. in the Chatfield Center for the Arts Studio Room

FREE

Register in advance by calling (507)867-4521 x. 5022 or email lklevan@chatfieldschools.com

Session 1 (Mar. 10): Building a Better Brain *Featuring Angela Lunde, MA*

- Understanding memory as we age
- Reducing dementia risk
- Everyday strategies for optimizing memory

Session 2 (Mar. 17): When Does Forgetfulness Signal Dementia *Featuring Ryan Coburn, MD*

- Understanding normal aging
- Memory concerns - when to see your doctor & the value of early diagnosis
- Genetics, managing the disease, and new treatments

Session 3: Demystifying Aging & Dementia Research *Featuring Liz Boots, PhD, LP)*

- Overview of the types of research that are conducted at Mayo Clinic
- Understand what it means to participate in a research study
- What to consider when thinking about research



Check out the Lifetime Learning Lectures & other classes available through the Chatfield Center of the Arts. Go to www.chatfieldarts.org or stop by during business hours, T-F, 10a-4p., at Chatfield Center for the Arts, 405 Main Street (Business Entrance on 4th Street)

Say Yes to Yoga! Sponsored by Chatfield Center for the Arts. All levels welcome!

Instructor: Jennifer Dundore

A limited number of mats and blocks are available. However, participants are encouraged to bring your own. Tuesday and Thursday Morning, 9:00 am to 10:00 am / Wednesday Evening, 6:30 pm. to 7:30 pm Fee: Single class purchases are \$10, a block of 10 classes is \$80, and a block of 20 classes is \$120. To purchase online visit: www.chatfieldarts.org

SAVE THE DATE

Senior Scene Open House - Wed., Jan. 7th
“POP” ... The Power of Play - Sat., April 11th

2026-27 Preschool Registration for new students opens March 23rd.

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