Project Term

2027

ES Catalog 4-5

PROJECT TERM 2027

Project Term is a four-week term (for grades 4-12) that begins May 12, 2026, and ends June 5, 2026. Project Term is a valuable opportunity for Black River students and faculty, alike. It provides hands on, experiential learning to each student, while adhering to Black River's academic requirements. Before viewing the course selections, please be aware of our project term policy and mark important dates on your calendar.

The priority registration deadline is **Monday, November 30, 2026** by 4:00 p.m. Students who register by this date will have ***priority registration*** over students who turn in their registration form after this date. The final deadline to register is Friday, December 19, 2025. Any student not registered by December 19 will be assigned to classes with available space.

TIME SLOTS FOR PROJECT TERM CLASSES

The four time slots are as follows:

8:00 – 11:00 from May 18 – May 28 (Block A)
11:40 – 2:40 from May 18 – May 28 (Block B)
8:00 – 11:00 from June 1– June 11 (Block C)
11:40 – 2:40 from June 1 – June 11 (Block D)

Keep in mind that some classes and trips require more than one block. This is denoted in the first column before each class description.

PROJECT TERM OPEN HOUSE
THURSDAY, JUNE 10, 2027
6:30 – 8:00 P.M.

Each year, we have a night to showcase our students' projects and display the fruits of their labor during the four-week term. ***Attendance is required for all students registered in a Project Term course***. Please keep this date in mind as students who do not participate at the Project Term open house may lose credit for the course, at the discretion of the Dean of Students and teacher of the course.

HOW TO BE SUCCESSFUL AT PROJECT TERM REGISTRATION

1. During scheduling, course choices will be prioritized first by application date and second by grade seniority. Turn your registration in by **Monday, November 30, 2026** to receive priority scheduling.
2. Fill out the **entire** schedule request. Do not repeat any classes.
3. Sign up for a variety of different kinds of courses. Students should not sign up for a course they have already taken unless approved by the teacher.
   Students may be limited to one physical education class per two week term, depending on course availability.
4. Treat your teachers and classmates with respect during the year and act responsibly in the classroom. Students who behave responsibly and respectfully will be given first priority in off-campus courses and courses taught by guest teachers. ***Students who have been on behavior contracts during the year will not be considered for off-campus trips.***
5. Be flexible. Many faculty members have listed several course possibilities for one time slot in order to provide a variety of choices. Be aware that due to a lack of interest, some courses will not run.
6. Make sure you sign up for a second, third, and fourth choice for each block in case your first choice isn't available. If you don't, please be advised that Mrs. Wise will pick your classes for you after all other students have been scheduled.

PROJECT TERM POLICIES

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. All students must attend Project Term. Project Term is part of our school year and the attendance policy does not change from the regular school year. Unexcused absences will be regarded as truancy. Students who miss more than two days of a Project Term course may fail the course at the discretion of the teacher.
2. The dates for Project Term are May 18, 2027 to June 11, 2027. The school day for on-campus courses will be from 8:00-2:40 p.m. The elementary and main offices close at 3:30 p.m. during Project Term.
3. Students are expected to participate 100%. Every class has an academic component and students are required to meet all guidelines established by the teacher.
4. Parents are responsible for transportation to and/or from their project during this term. Keep this in mind if registering for an independent study project.

FEES

While most projects do not have fees, some may include one. Projects that involve incidental personal expenses such as travel, food and accommodations or those where students keep the projects they create may have a fee. Fees are due by ***Monday, March 15, 2027***. Keep in mind that off campus trips may have different deadlines and deposit requirements.

There may be some opportunities for students to acquire financial assistance. Students requesting financial aid must fill out a financial aid form by ***Tuesday, March 3, 2027***. Scholarship request forms are available on the school's website or from Mrs. Wise. Students will receive written notification of scholarship awards by ***Monday, March 9, 2027.***

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Individuals who would like to sponsor the personal expenses of a Black River student during Project Term are encouraged to contribute to the Project Term Student Support Fund. Faculty members cannot be responsible for raising money.

PROJECT TERM AND GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Project Term is an integral part of the BRPS curriculum. Students in grades 9-12 need to pass three years (1.20 credits) of Project Term in order to graduate.

Seniors who have successfully completed three years of Project Term have completed their Project Term requirement for graduation. ***Seniors who have received either a grade of "incomplete" or "F" must make up the credit in order to graduate.*** They must make up this course by taking a project term class during their senior year.

A failing grade in a project term class for students in grades 6-8, in combination with other failing grades, may result in that student being retained in their current grade level.

Since many Project Term classes involve hands-on activities and a greater responsibility for the individual student, it is important that for the safety of all the students in the classroom, discipline problems are dealt with swiftly and effectively. Students who have a number of discipline related referrals may be withheld from Project Term classes. The Dean of Students will notify the applicable students in writing and will assign the student alternate projects to complete and submit for review.

INDEPENDENT STUDY

Students are encouraged to participate in Black River courses. However, MS/HS students may elect to do an independent study with approval if they seek an opportunity that the school is unable to offer. There is an informational meeting during HS CAP Flex on **Tuesday, November 17 and Thursday, November 19** where students will receive an **Interest Application. S**tudents who missed the meeting must see Mr. Wimbush for the application. The interest application is due by **Friday, December 4, 2026** to the office or directly to Mr. Wimbush.

Once the project is approved, a more formal proposal will be due on **Monday, March 5, 2027**. Students who are interested in pursuing an independent study during project term should read the course description in the catalog and see Mr. Wimbush with any questions.

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR THIS YEAR:
1) Absolutely no students will be accepted into Independent Study if they will not be at the Open House in-person
2) Students in Independent Study can do a maximum of 2 blocks.

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DATES AND DEADLINES AT A GLANCE

Priority Registration Deadline	**Monday, November 30, 2026**
Last Chance to Register	**Friday, December 18, 2026**
Scholarship Requests Due	**Tuesday, March 3, 2027**
Project Term Fees Due	**Monday, March 15, 2027**
Project Term Begins	**Tuesday, May 18, 2027**
Project Term Open House	**Thursday, June 10, 2027**
Last Day of School	**Friday, June 11, 2027**

The entire 2027 Project Term Catalog for grades 4-12 can be found on the website at:

https://www.blackriverpublicschool.org/academics/project-term

ELEMENTARY PROJECT TERM COURSES

STUDENTS MUST PICK ONE COURSE FOR EACH BLOCK (A, B, C, & D)

A Block **Grade: ES** ***BOARDGAMES*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Sliva, Kristin
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you like to play boardgames? Would you like to create your own? If so, this class would interest you! We will play games daily and create our own. This class involves a lot of writing, so be prepared to create your own rules and instructions!

A Block **Grade: ES** ***CROCHETING 101*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Schreiber, Christy
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you love warm sweaters, beanie hats, and stuffies? Well this may be the class for you! Crocheting is a skill that can be used in so many ways to make lots of different
fun projects. Scarves, blankets, toys, and socks; many crafts can be stitched in our class. We will learn the basic stitches of crocheting, make a 4" by 4" square that will be put together into a quilt, and each student will make a final project of their choice. Join us while we all learn a new skill!

A Block **Grade: ES** ***FARM-TASTIC LEARNING*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Carly
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Cows, pigs, vegetables, chickens, and so much more! Do you love animals? Do you want to see where your food comes from? This is the class for you! We will visit some farms, and the farmers market. Animals will even come into the classroom. See what farmers go through on a daily basis.

A Block **Grade: ES** ***FRIENDSHIP BRACELET MAKING*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Gaffney, Sarah
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Learn to make a variety of macrame Friendship Bracelets that you can trade with friends or wear yourself. Whether you are a beginner artisan or have already been making bracelets on your own, you will learn a handful of knots and cool designs while creating fun and personalized bracelet/string jewelry creations. You will have the opportunity to bring your own projects to work on or start new projects in class and be a part of a service learning project called the Pulsera Project.

A Block **Grade: ES** ***HIKING ADVENTURES*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Brooke
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Come hike, smell the flowers, feel the dirt and sand, and learn about nature in the great outdoors. Experience the outdoor wonders of West Michigan as we explore the lakes, dunes, forests, and trails. Learn about hiking and outdoor safety skills. Each student will need to bring appropriate shoes for hiking, dress for the weather, and a water bottle.

A Block **Grade: ES** ***IT'S A MUSICAL!*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Andrews, Rachel
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Calling all future Black River Theatre Company members! If you love acting, singing, dancing or performing in general, sign up to be a part of this Broadway Musical revue. Throughout this class, you will work together to prepare a performance of songs from Broadway musicals. We will perform for family and friends on the last day of the course.

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A Block **Grade: ES** ***PIN PALS*** **Fee: $60.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Jesse
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Step up to the lane with Pin Pals! In this fun and active course, students head to Lucky Strike each day to learn and improve their bowling skills. Beyond knocking down pins, students will track their personal performance, analyze game statistics, and practice strategy. Whether you are a beginner looking to pick up a new hobby or an experienced bowler aiming to perfect your hook, Pin Pals offers a friendly, supportive environment to stay active and build lasting skills. As a bonus, participation includes unlimited bowling for the duration of the course as well as throughout the summer!

A Block **Grade: ES** ***YOUNG THESPIANS*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Gina
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
This class is for students who love the theater- not the cinema, but the stage! The lights, the applause... making the script come to life. The comedy, the tragedy, the DRAMA!!! Only take this class if you would like to BE IN A PLAY! You will help read, adapt, and perform a script together with your classmates. You will help create the set, props, programs, etc. We will also take some walking field trips to visit experts in the field and glean some advice from local actors and directors. Who knows? Maybe you'll be a star one day!!!

B Block **Grade: ES** ***ADVANCED STRING ART*** **Fee: $20.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Brooke
Special Requirements: ***Students will need their own hammer and needle nose pliers.***
Explore the world of geometric design and creativity through the craft of string art! Students will learn how to create intricate patterns using nails, string, and wooden boards. This is an advanced course for those looking to add more detail and difficulty to their creations.

B Block **Grade: ES** ***ART AROUND HOLLAND!*** **Fee: $15.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Jesse
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Step outside the traditional studio and discover Holland's vibrant open-air gallery! In Art Around Holland, students will take to the sidewalks to explore nearly 100 public art installations—from historical bronze sculptures and kinetic art to colorful downtown murals and campus exhibits. Combining outdoor activity with creative expression, students will walk to various art sites each day armed with sketchbooks and drawing materials to practice observational sketching, shading, line work, and perspective drawing right in front of the art. Along the way, students will analyze how public art shapes our community and culture while building their own field guides and art portfolios. Note: This course involves significant daily walking (comfortable walking shoes and a water bottle are required!). A small materials fee provides each student with a sketchbook and a personal set of drawing pencils/pens.

B Block **Grade: ES** ***BEGINNING SAILING*** **Fee: $125.00**

Teacher: Rowe, Karen
Special Requirements: ***Students need to supply their own life jackets and should come to class prepared to sail every day.***
Do you enjoy the beauty of the lake and the feeling of wind rushing against your face? Then Beginning Sailing is the class for you! You will learn the basic skills of sailing, including how to rig and de-rig a sailboat, tack into the wind, and tie sailors' knots. These skills will prepare you to sail an Optimist sailboat on Lake Macatawa. Please come to class prepared to go out on the water each day.

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B Block **Grade: ES** ***BOOKS ALIVE!*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Carly
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you love to read? Can you envision books in your head? Then this is the project term class for you. You get to pick a book to read. Then when you finish that book, make it come to life how you imagined it. But how will you make a project for it? If you love games then make a book themed board game. If you love art, make a sculpture of a character. If you can read it and imagine it? You will do it!

B Block **Grade: ES** ***COLLEGE RIVALRIES: WHAT COLLEGE WILL YOU CHOOSE?*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Schreiber, Christy
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Are you ready to explore the exciting world of college, careers, and school spirit? In this class, Upper El. students will become college explorers as we discover colleges and universities across the United States, learn about exciting career possibilities, and start imagining what our futures could look like! Get ready for some friendly competition as we dive into the world of college sports and rivalries! We'll explore famous college teams, mascots, traditions, colors, and rivalries while discovering what makes each college unique. Will you cheer for the Wolverines or the Spartans or even the Buckeyes? You'll have plenty of chances to pick your favorites, show your school spirit, and defend your college choices! But there's more to college than sports! We'll visit colleges in person or virtually, learn about different careers, and meet people who are doing some of the jobs you might dream of having someday. We'll discover which colleges offer programs and classes that can help you reach your goals and turn your dreams into reality. Most importantly, we'll learn more about ourselves, our interests, our strengths, and the many possibilities waiting for us. Whether you dream of becoming a doctor, teacher, coach, engineer, artist, or something you haven't even imagined yet, this class will help you explore the possibilities. So, get ready to pick your team, explore new campuses, discover exciting careers, and answer the big question: WHAT COLLEGE WILL YOU CHOOSE? Your future is waiting, and the competition is on!

B Block **Grade: ES** ***CRAFTING AND NEEDLEWORK*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Sliva, Kristin
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you like to create crafts? Have you ever wanted to learn how to sew or create your own pillow? If so, this class is for you! We will be creating many different items, from bead animals to bracelets to pincushions. You will research and write about your own craft for your final project!

B Block **Grade: ES** ***PRINTMAKING!*** **Fee: $75.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Gina
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Join Ms. Gina and local artist (and River Rat parent) Becky Pomp in a creative, hands-on art class learning to carve and create your own block prints! We will spend time sketching our original designs, transferring them to special rubber blocks, and carving them out to make stamps. Then we'll use these original stamps to make prints, cards, bandannas and tote bags to keep! This course utilizes sharp carving tools and is intended for careful, conscientious, upper elementary students only.

B Block **Grade: ES** ***THE ART OF PATTERNS & PAPER*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Nieves Rangel, Maricruz
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Get creative with drawing, paper folding, and hands-on art projects! Explore Zentangle-inspired patterns, learn how to make decorative paper stars, and try other crafts inspired by art and traditions from different countries.

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Experiment with new techniques, express your creativity, and bring your imagination and willingness to try something new!

C Block **Grade: ES** ***A TASTE OF CULTURE*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Carly
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Is there a culture that has always sparked your interest? Do you like experiencing new food? We will become cultural chefs and try our hand at making some new foods. You will discover the food, holidays, and much more information of several cultures in our world. Then study a culture of your choosing and put together a project for a Cultural Festival.

C Block **Grade: ES** ***BIKE AND BOOK*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Jesse
Special Requirements: ***Student-provided bicycle in good working condition***
Pedal into your next great story! Bike and Book combines the freedom of outdoor adventure with the joy of immersive reading. Each day, we will strap on our helmets, hop on our bikes, and ride out to explore local parks, scenic trails, and cool nearby spots. Once we arrive, students will have dedicated time to unwind with a good book, run around and burn off energy, and enjoy the outdoors with friends. Students will track their journeys and reading milestones in a personal travelogue, culminating in an illustrated map project of our community adventures. Grab your bike, grab a book, and let's roll! (Note: Participants must bring a bicycle in good working condition, a helmet, and personal reading material. Bikes can be stored on school racks at your own risk.)

C Block **Grade: ES** ***BOOK AND BREAKFAST CLUB*** **Fee: $15.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Brooke
Special Requirements: ***Students will need money for multiple breakfast outings.***
Welcome to the Book and Breakfast Club - the perfect class for book lovers and breakfast enthusiasts! In this fun and cozy class, you'll dive into exciting stories, share your thoughts in a book club, and learn to make tasty breakfast dishes along the way. From pancakes to parfaits, you'll master simple recipes while enjoying great books and good company. Plus, we'll even take a couple of trips to local book and breakfast spots! Join us for a delightful mix of reading and delicious treats!

C Block **Grade: ES** ***CLIMBING ROCKS!*** **Fee: $145.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Gina
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Are you an adventurous learner? Do you love to climb? In this class, we will visit Scrapyard Climbing Collective for an immersive learning experience. We will practice free climbing, auto belays, and top-rope climbing. We will play games and grow stronger each day.
There will also be opportunities to explore nature and research about rocks. Each day, we will reflect and journal about our learning. Sign-up for this class if you are excited to experience the art of rock climbing!

C Block **Grade: ES** ***HARRY POTTER*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Sliva, Kristin
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you enjoy Harry Potter? Would you like to listen to the audio book every day and complete activities relating to it? Make your own wand? Make your own potions? For this class, we will read the Sorcerer's Stone and complete a project where you design your own Harry Potter themed store. This class involves reading and writing to accomplish our goals, but we have many fun crafts as well!

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C Block **Grade: ES** ***SCRAPBOOKING: MAKE YOUR OWN PHOTO JOURNAL*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Schreiber, Christy
Special Requirements: ***Students will need to bring in pictures (about 80) and a blank scrapbook with at least 20 pages.***
What makes scrapbooking so fun? The photos? The memories? This course allows students to take life-long memories and put them into one place, their scrapbook! We will spend time working with color schemes, shapes and textures to create pages that are not only colorful, but also aesthetically pleasing. We will also look at various ways to lay out pages to make them flow well and emphasize one particular theme. If you are ready to use your imagination to develop a fun and creative scrapbook for your pictures, then this is the class for you! Students will need their own pictures (about 80), a scrapbook, and a creative mind.

C Block **Grade: ES** ***SPANISH CLUB*** **Fee: $15.00**

Teacher: Nieves Rangel, Maricruz
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Explore the diverse heritages and cultures from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America through food, art, dance, games, movies, visits to local community businesses, and more.

C Block **Grade: ES** ***YOUNG AUTHORS: WRITTEN AND ILLUSTRATED BY... ME!*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Hamilton, John
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you have a story in your mind that you keep coming back to again and again? Does your creative mind feel like it is overflowing with story ideas? Let's set them free! In this class, you will get to explore just the kinds of books you love and create a story of your own featuring your own original characters and adventures. How fun is that?! We'll look to the books you love for inspiration, and then you'll set off on your own writing adventure and bring your own awesome story to life on pages of your very own published book!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***BEGINNING SAILING*** **Fee: $125.00**

Teacher: Rowe, Karen
Special Requirements: ***Students need to supply their own life jackets and should come to class prepared to sail every day.***
Do you enjoy the beauty of the lake and the feeling of wind rushing against your face? Then Beginning Sailing is the class for you! You will learn the basic skills of sailing, including how to rig and de-rig a sailboat, tack into the wind, and tie sailors' knots. These skills will prepare you to sail an Optimist sailboat on Lake Macatawa. Please come to class prepared to go out on the water each day.

D Block **Grade: ES** ***BOOK TO FILM*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Sliva, Kristin
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Do you LOVE to read? Have you ever wanted to see the movie adaptation of a book? In this class, we will read many books, both together and on your own. Then, we will watch short clips and even full-length movies relating to the book. We will analyze the difference and write about which one we prefer. This class involves so much reading and writing, so if you enjoy those, this is for you!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***FROLF*** **Fee: $30.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Jesse
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Grab a disc and hit the fairways! In this course, students will discover the growing sport of Frisbee Golf (Disc Golf) while spending time outdoors and exploring dynamic local courses. Students will learn core throwing

techniques—including backhand drives, forehand approaches, and putting mechanics—alongside strategy, flight physics, and course etiquette. Beyond active gameplay on the course, students will dive into course architecture as they evaluate terrain, balance hole difficulty, and analyze design principles. For their culminating project, students will design their own custom disc golf course map and construct an accompanying scorecard complete with hole descriptions and par values. Whether you are a total beginner or an experienced player, come build your skills, explore local parks, and design the ultimate course layout!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***HANDS-ON PASTA MAKING*** **Fee: $20.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Gina & Carrie Ames
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Spaghetti, ravioli, farfalle, orecchiette! Is there anything more delicious than fresh pasta? Learn how to make it yourself, from scratch! In this class, you will learn how to make a different kind of pasta each day. Best of all, you will get to eat the delicious noodles you prepare! This class is great for complete beginners or students with experience in the kitchen.

D Block **Grade: ES** ***I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Schreiber, Christy
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Are you ready for the coolest class ever? Join me for a learning adventure all about your favorite frozen treat! In this class, you'll get to make real ice cream, invent your own flavor, design logos and packaging, and even run your own pretend ice cream stand. We'll explore the history and science behind ice cream, discover frozen desserts from around the world, and create posters and commercials to show off your brand. The grand finale? Our Great Ice Cream Expo, where you'll present your creation to the class! This class is sweet, smart, and packed with creativity and fun—don't miss your chance to sign up before it melts away!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***OUTDOOR ARTS AND CRAFTS*** **Fee: $20.00**

Teacher: Donoghue, Liz
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
You don't need an art supply store to make art. All your materials are right outside your door! Whether you are camping in the woods, going for a hike, or walking in your backyard, you can discover ways to explore, play, and create art! In this class, learn how to be a natural artist by learning about land art, using natural materials to create, and learn how to immerse yourself in nature. Be prepared to be outside often and have fun creating art in the great outdoors!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***STUDIO GHIBLI*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Davenport, Brooke
Special Requirements: ***Students will need money for one food outing.***
Step into the magical worlds of Studio Ghibli! In this captivating course, students will explore iconic animated films like "My Neighbor Totoro", "Kiki's Delivery Service", and "Spirited Away" to discover the art of storytelling, world-building, and animation. Together, we will analyze film themes, such as environmental appreciation, courage, and friendship, create inspired art and creative writing projects, and explore Japanese culture and folklore. Join us for a journey full of imagination, creativity, and film magic!

D Block **Grade: ES** ***SWEET SCIENCE OF BOXING*** **Fee: $100.00**

Teacher: Johnson, Carly
Special Requirements: ***Water bottle and Tennis Shoes***
Ever wanted to try a new sport? Come get fit and strong while learning the sweet science of boxing. This class is not intended to develop fighters but is intended to develop boxers.

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D Block **Grade: ES** ***THE TWEEN'S GAMBIT*** **Fee: $0.00**

Teacher: Lozano, Sarah
Special Requirements: ***N/A***
Pawn, bishops, and rooks - oh my! Whether you are a chess aficionado, or have never held a chess piece before, this course is for you! Two players, 32 pieces, 64 squares and a mind-boggling number of moves (no, really - look it up!), this game has been studied and played around the world for hundreds of years. We will take two weeks to learn, practice, play and understand the game of kings. New players are highly encouraged - we will be starting at the basics and learning along the way.