



Mini Scholars Course Descriptions

Week 1: June 25 - 29

Building STEAM (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Inspiring future innovators, this enrichment class promotes design thinking using both sides of the brain. When you combine these five areas (science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics) great things happen. Students will engage in a number of team-building activities.

Duct Tape Creations (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Fashion design comes in many shapes and colors. To create beautiful, functional items from patterned duct tape is a whole different art form. Join us for a week of fun and creativity.

Swimming & Field Games (AM)

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Vets in Training: "Pre-Vet Techs" (PM)

Teacher: Danielle Mason

By embracing the human-animal bond through interaction and education, the HousePaws Vets in Training Program provides hands-on, experience-based veterinary education to each student. The "Pre-Vet Techs" course for our Mini Scholars will include an investigation of animals, Owl Pellet Dissection, a Wellness Exam, and Animal Nutrition. And, of course, there will be ample face-to-face time with our animal friends!

Imagination Station (PM)

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Week 2: July 9 - 13

Elementary Coding with Robotics (AM)

Teacher: TBA

This course provides a fun and active exploration of computer science that nurtures children's natural affinity for technology to help empower their imaginations and creativity. Students will learn coding basics while creating fully functional games and animations! This class is suitable for all levels of readers and reinforces reading comprehension, while also developing media and digital literacy skills. Whether just an exciting week of learning to use computers more productively or the first step towards a future career path, students will have a great time!

Kids in the Kitchen (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Come experience the joy of cooking! Mini Scholars will learn kitchen techniques as they cook and bake delicious food over the course of the week. When children learn to read and cook from recipes, they are using mathematics skills such as measuring and fractions, as well as collaborating as part of a team.

Fiber Arts with the Handwork Day Camp (PM)

Teacher: Handwork Staff

Picture your child in the care of energetic and imaginative counselors exploring the world of needle-arts. At Handwork Day Camp, you'll find campers sharing stories and laughs while working on a wide array of unique projects. Our goal is to teach useful skills such as hand-sewing, embroidery, knitting, weaving, needle-felting and much more! Campers are always free to express themselves and are enveloped in creativity and fun. Whether refining skills or learning brand new ones, our camp is sure to delight. Join the fun with Summer 2018's fresh new curriculum and different projects every week! No previous experience necessary, but our trained staff will work on advancing skills too!

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Week 3: July 16 - 20

Destination Disney (AM)

Teacher: Merrie Romea

Each day will focus on a favorite Disney movie. The students will learn about different cultural aspects featured in the films including history of the time period, language, and food. The students will also make a craft and participate in a physical activity.

Engineering Lab: Backyard Projects (AM)

Teacher: TBA

This class will explore various engineering projects using commonly found materials. A mixture of indoor and outdoor exploration will be at the core of this program. The fun never ends in this class, as students will challenge themselves individually and as part of a team. We might just get a little messy.

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Storybook Art (PM)

Teacher: Pauline Williams

Storybook Art will explore the connection between storytelling and visual art, noticing how illustration enhances an author's writing and can even tell a story on its own. Together we will read books that demonstrate a variety of artistic techniques, and then indulge in our own use of materials to create art that reflects various storybook art techniques.

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Readers' Theatre Week (AM)

Teacher: Merrie Romea

Do you love storybooks, making crafts and acting? Then the Readers' Theatre Week is right for you! Join us as we immerse ourselves in a number of different stories - both new and classics - over the course of the week. Students will pick characters, create props and costumes, then put on a show each day!

Art and Archeology: Ancient Americas (PM)

Teacher: Pauline Williams

In a new flavor on a old favorite, Art and Archaeology will focus on cultures of the Ancient Americas. Mini Scholars will discover something new about ancient people and cultures through read alouds, participating in mini digs, and doing fun activities and projects based on the art from long ago.

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Week 5: July 30 - August 3

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Lakes and Waterways (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Explore the ecology of lakes and waterways. Take a scientific view of the many organisms that live in lakes and waterways, as well as examine the ways in which humans interact with them.

Japanese Art (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Spend the week exploring artistic techniques prevalent in Japan, such as origami, calligraphy, block printing, and ink painting. This course will explore how to work in these various media, as well as examine their relevance to Japanese society.

Karate with National Karate Institute/Moorestown (PM)

Teacher: Master Kim and staff

This 5-day class will introduce the basics in the martial arts discipline. In partnership with the National Karate Institute/ Moorestown, this class emphasizes their philosophy of humility, concentration, integrity, indomitable spirit, perseverance, respect, obedience, and self-control. Come build your character and strength in this safe and meaningful class.

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Week 6: August 6 - 10

Animals Along the Amazon (AM)

Teacher: TBA

Come explore the animals that live along the Amazon River! Using literature as our guide, we will examine a wide variety of species and habitats which comprise this unique ecosystem. Open your eyes to one of the most vibrant and mysterious places on earth.

Mosaic Art (AM)

Teacher: TBA

This week will be dedicated to the exploration of mosaics. Students will look at examples of mosaics from professional artists, and endeavor to create their own work through a variety of materials. Bring your creativity with you to this course.

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Exploring Digital Photography (PM)

Teacher: TBA

This hands-on course will support students as they learn digital photography. From framing and taking a picture to curating a portfolio, students will learn this beautiful medium. Students will examine how to compose portraits, as well as how to best capture pictures in the environment.

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