

Winter 2024 Enrichment Class Descriptions

Lego Brick Building

Mondays for K - 4th Grade

This class is for kids who love Legos, but also for those who want to expand on their problem solving skills and Lego creativeness . While building will be a big core part of this class, we will also introduce students to many STEM concepts that not only further strengthens their learning but also encourages creativity and to think outside the box. We will be implementing engineering projects such as building your own catapult and balloon car while also introducing kids to binary code through legos! A couple of other projects students will get to enjoy include building your own planter, creating your own maze and even making a volcano that erupts. If your child loves building legos, loves problem solving and loves having fun, this class is for them.

Soccer with SoccerStars

Tuesdays for K - 2nd Grade and 3rd - 5th Grade

[Soccer Stars](#) is the leading educational youth soccer program provider in the country—and we're excited to offer weekly after school enrichment programming for Saklan K-5 students! Our Super Soccer Stars curriculum is non-competitive and designed by soccer and early childhood development experts. Using the soccer ball as our vehicle, professionally trained coaches teach the FUNdamentals of soccer, promoting teamwork, developing social skills, and building self-confidence in every child. Our unique and highly structured program uses imagery and games to make learning fun and relatable, helping kids develop life and soccer skills while having a blast!

Classes are 50 minutes and will be held on Tuesdays for our K-2nd graders and our 3rd-5th graders. Because our class curriculum is based on the age and stage of development, we have broken our students into two groups to maintain our low child-to-coach ratio to ensure each child feels confident in their own abilities.

The Intuitive Writing Project

Wednesdays for 3rd - 5th Grade

The Intuitive Writing Project's after-school enrichment program focuses on finding joy and confidence through writing. Students will learn about the various components of writing stories, and will work on developing their own unique voice through testing out a variety of genres. This process will involve playful writing prompts as well as self-reflection. Each session involves instruction on the art of storytelling along with an inspirational reading, a writing prompt, and

time to share and receive feedback. We follow the Amherst Writing Method, a methodology rooted in the belief that everyone is a writer, and that all feedback must be positive.

The Intuitive Writing Project is a unique hybrid of creative writing class and personal development program. As young people write their stories and assert their voice, they discover who they are, who they want to become, and how to find their own answers. To ensure that each student gets personalized attention and mentoring, TIWP will only accept a maximum of 10 students/session.

BasketBall

Wednesdays for K - 3rd Grade

TAP Basketball Academy provides a safe, fun, and inclusive space while prioritizing progressive skill development for beginner to intermediate players. Our program, led by a former professional basketball player with a background in athletic performance and teaching, emphasizes fundamental skills, teamwork, technique improvement, leadership and confidence building while fostering a love for the game. Through personalized attention and a creative atmosphere, players experience growth in their overall basketball IQ, skill set, and game!

ECE Soccer:

Thursdays for PS - PK

For ECE Soccer, students will learn the first basics and fundamentals of soccer. They will practice their fine motor skills as well as learn how to work collaboratively with other students. They will practice dribbling the ball, learning how to kick as well as know how to listen to directions and follow along as the teacher does. Students will also learn how to warm up and exercise before playing any game of soccer. This class is meant to be fun and allows kids to get introduced to sports while getting that valuable outdoor experience.

Chess

Thursdays for 1st - 5th Grade

This class is for students who are interested or know how to play the game of chess. For this class, we will focus on learning various strategies and defense mechanisms as well as focus on how to play with good sportsmanship and learn the importance chess has on developing our problem solving skills. We will also be playing various chess mini games that will make this class much more engaging. This class will have a lot more chess games played and will be focused on having fun, while making us better chess players.