

Academic Booster Club

“LET’S LEARN”

Summer Program July 1st - July 28th
9:15 – 10:30 am
10:30 – 11:45 am

About Let’s Learn

The program is offered to children entering grades one through seven as of September 2010.

The emphasis is on activities that are fun and educationally challenging. No tests or grades are given. All of our instructors are certified teachers.

Class size is generally limited to sixteen students. Courses this year will be held at the middle school. Two periods are held daily, the first from 9:15 to 10:30 and the second from 10:30 to 11:45. Students are escorted from class to class. Classes will run from July 1st through July 28th. There will be no classes on July 5th.

Registration Information

How to Register

All registration must be done by mail, postmarked no later than May 15th.

Children may register for one or two classes.

Class rosters will be filled as registrations are received. Given the limited class sizes and the popularity of the program, the first choices of applicants cannot always be satisfied.

Acceptable alternate choices should be indicated. In case of low enrollment, a class may be canceled.

Notification of course assignments will be made by the beginning of June. A late fee of \$10 will be charged on all applications received after May 15th.

General Information

Parents are responsible for transporting students to and from school. Attire is casual and comfortable. The general rules of student conduct that apply to the Nutley school system apply here.

ABC Membership

Join us! The Academic Booster Club works to foster a love of learning in Nutley’s school-age children, sponsoring programs like Let’s Learn, science and history fairs, and scholarships for Nutley High graduates. Annual membership is \$10. Send a check to ABC, PO Box 592, Nutley, NJ 07110.

If your child is in the Extended Day program they can attend Let’s Learn too. Children will be walked between programs.

Due to our location this summer, this popular class, **KIDS in the KITCHEN**, won’t be running. Next year we will be cooking up something special again!

Grades 1 – 2

Math-a-Mania

Play new games and get involved in exciting activities guaranteed to bring out the math-aniac in you. You’ll have so much fun you might just forget that you’re also exercising your math skills.

Instructor: Ms. DiGiacomo

Grades 1 – 3

Crafty Kids

Explore! Invent! Create! If you enjoy hands-on projects, you’d better bring your imagination to this exciting, creative class. Clay sculpture, popsicle boxes, and more. Instructor: Mrs. Rella

Jr. Math Games

Math is a blast when you make a game of it – and you can count on that! We’ll measure up, tell time, and do some critical thinking in this mathmagical course. It all adds up to fun times infinity. Instructor: Mr. McMullen

Animals in Literature

Calling all animal lovers! We’ll hunt through all of children’s literature to find animals we can read about, sing about, and draw. You’ll even create your own animal book. Instructor: Mrs. Kahn

Benvenuti in Italia!

What do the Italian flag and a Margherita pizza have in common? In which city might you take a boat to school? Come join us as we embark on our viaggio through Italy, and learn the answers to these and other fascinating questions about Italy’s culture, cuisine, and countryside. Instructor: Mrs. Sarachelli

Nutty for Nature

Love animals? Wild about the great outdoors? Do you thrill to the idea of experiments? If so, you’ll adore this hands-on course that explores the secret life of animals and plants through a variety of awesome activities and nature walks. By the time we’re done, you’ll have a greater appreciation for the natural world all around you. Instructor: Mrs. Mitchell

Drama Workshop 1

Ever dream of being on stage, standing in the spotlight and taking a curtain call to thunderous applause? Well this is your chance. Learn voice projection, movement, mime, improvisation, and character development. You’re going out there a kid in a Let’s Learn summer course. But you’re coming back a star. Instructor: Ms. Shaffer.

Meet the Artists

Imagine an eye in the middle of your face. Think about painting while lying on your back or spinning pottery in a Pueblo village. You’ll do all of it – and more – in this multi-sensory art appreciation class. Meet Picasso, Michelangelo, Monet, and others as you explore great art periods and create unique artworks of your own. Instructor: Ms. Quigley

Surprising Science

Think you can balance ten nails on one? Ever captured a cloud in a bottle? Can you make a rocket out of a balloon? If you’re up to these challenges – and many more – come join us for this hands-on class of science discovery. Instructor: Ms. LaTorre

Grades 2 – 3

Writers’ Express 1

This train is headed on a trip through your imagination. We’ll be making stops in Picture Book Place, Short Story Junction, Poetry Valley, Mystery Gulch, and Cartoon Canyon. Tickets, please, tickets. Instructor: Mrs. Congelsi

Dinosaur Detectives

Wonder what the dinosaurs were really like? Get ready to find out as we learn all about the giant creatures that once roamed the earth. Just like the dino detectives known as paleontologists, we’ll be doing hands-on work to create erupting volcanoes, lifelike fossils, and dinosaur crafts, and conducting an exciting prehistoric experiment. Instructor: Mrs. Ritacco

Grades 3 – 6

A Summer With Harry Potter

Welcome to Hogwart’s. And as a first year, you’ll meet some of Harry’s more colorful friends and enemies from his first two years here. You’ll also be expected to whip up magic potions, design wizard games, and create spells, plays, adventures, poems, and prose. But do keep your wands at the ready. He-who-must-not-be-named is around every corner. Instructor: Mrs. Burns

Grades 4 – 7

Writers’ Express 2

We’re headed to the Land of Creativity, where we’ll explore writing of all kinds. At journey’s end, you’ll be the author and write your own story. Instructor: Mrs. Congelsi

Computer Multimedia Creations

Paint, draw, design, and create multimedia presentations with the world’s most magical art studio: the computer. You’ll use multimedia software – including Appleworks – and your imagination, to create amazing works of computer art. Instructor: Ms. Peters

The Art of Drawing

Do you love to draw? Would you like to learn to draw your favorite cartoon characters or create a realistic picture? Improve your artistic ability by learning perspective and other techniques to enhance your talent. Come to this class where we will explore all these things with pencil, charcoal, markers and other media. Drawing is a wonderful way to express yourself, have fun, and relax. Instructor: Mrs. Nakashian

The Game of Life: Math Edition

Think you’ll never use math in “real life”? Think again. In this illuminating class you’ll get a job with a salary, pay bills, learn the secrets of real estate by creating your own street, plan a summer vacation for your family, design your dream room, and maybe even become a famous artist – all through the magic of math. Instructor: Ms. Ferraro

Cooking 2

Learn how to cook with a real chef and discover how to present your dishes with flair. You’ll have flavorful fun as you learn about time management, safety, and careful food preparation (and hone math skills in the process). A variety of exciting recipes will be covered, so bring your appetite. Instructor: Mr. Huggins

Create Your Own Comic Book

Calling all writers, artists, and comic book fans! In this terrific class you’ll discover how to create a story outline, invent a main character with his or her own character traits and powers, and learn all about plot details, climactic events, and satisfying resolutions. You’ll find out how to include descriptive language and dialogue as well as your own artwork in a one-of-a-kind comic book that you create. Instructor: Ms. Pappalardo

Canvas Creations

Want to decorate your bedroom? You’ll be amazed to discover how many cool things you can make out of plastic canvas (plastic sheets with holes that can be worked just like counted cross-stitch – only much more easily). Students create bookmarks, ornaments, jewelry boxes, picture frames, and more. And they’ll be improving their understanding of grids, patterns, and geometric figures – without even realizing it! Instructor: Mrs. Collins

CSI (Children’s Science Investigations)

In this intriguing science class, you’ll conduct water and weather experiments, work with Punnet squares to unravel the secrets of gene science, get a handle on motion, and find out how criminal investigators use DNA. Instructor: Ms. Jousett

Drama Workshop 2

To be or not to be? That is not the question. The question is: Can’t you hear the audience calling you back? It’s time to put on the face paint and pull on your costume. You’re going to feel the spotlight on your face. Encore! Encore! Join the others and refine your stage skills. Instructor: Ms. Shaffer

Bringing History to Life

Ever dream of going back in time? That’s just what you’ll do in this hands-on class that blends history and moviemaking. Reenact a historical event, draft a script, create a costume, videotape and narrate your film, and use iMovie to turn it into a TeacherTube video. Instructor: Mr. Dwyer

NEW CLASSES FOR GRADES 4-7!

Prints Charming-Use a wide variety of fun and fascinating printmaking techniques to create original works of art, as well as images that can be re-created several times over. Experience the surprise of the pulled print as you amaze your friends and family (and yourself) with eye-popping creations. Instructor: Ms. Branca

Art in Advertising- Find out what it’s like to have a career in art and design. Classes will be split into two competing advertising agencies and assigned projects like a cereal box design, movie poster, CD cover, and more. You’ll learn how to use creative thinking and the elements of art to create some great designs. Instructor: Mr. Behrens

The “Let’s Learn” Newsletter - Extra! Extra! Read all about it! Students will learn about different parts of the newspaper, including editorials, classifieds, advertisements, travel, and local news. Students will write articles, conduct interviews, and express their opinions on important issues as they create a newspaper for “Let’s Learn” families. Instructor: Ms. Okeefe

Fitness Fun- You’ll build strength, speed, agility and flexibility through a series of fun, fast-paced games using an array of fitness equipment, including fitness balls, hula hoops, balance beams, cones, jump ropes, and more. Each workout, which ends with a lesson in healthy (and happy) eating, will leave you giggling and glowing with good health. No equipment needed, but bring a water bottle. Instructor: Ms. Luria

*Questions? 973-661-0618 or go to www.nutleyabc.org
You may print additional registration forms from our website.*

2010 Registration

Child’s Name
Address
Home Phone
Parent’s Name
Email Address
Work/Cell Phone

Classes may not run due to low enrollment or may be filled early. Please include an alternate choice.

First Child
Grade in 9/10 First Choice Alternative

Second Child
Grade in 9/10 First Choice Alternative

check if your child is in Extended Day

I have selected to enroll:
One child for one course. \$90.00
One child for two courses. \$180.00
Two children for one course \$180.00
Two children for two courses \$360.00
Please make checks payable to: Academic Booster Club
MAIL registration form and payment to:
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