

SLA 2015 Course Descriptions

Course Name: Drama! Drama! Drama!

Instructor: Lori Johnson

Description: Are you a “Ham?” Do you have a flair for the dramatic? Come have fun learning how to perform fun acting techniques like Pantomime, Improvisation, and finally performing in a Reader’s Theater Performance. All Grade levels welcome.

Target Age: All

Max: 12

Course Name: It’s a World of Weather

Instructor: Chris Bishop

Description: This year we will be covering important topics that affect us regularly when it comes to weather. Some of the topics include global warming, how to prepare for when the weather turns bad, and basic weather terms. Two different local Meteorologists will come to teach and share their experience and knowledge of the subject. There will be a activity planned each day including a scavenger hunt one day. A more detail list of class activities will be emailed when the time draws closer to summer learning adventure. If you have taken this class last summer you are more than welcome to take it again.

Target Age: All

Max: 15

Course Name: The Million Dollar Project

Instructor: Kyle Morey

Course Description: Have you ever wished you had a million dollars!? What would you do if someone told you they were going to give you one million dollars!? Well today is your lucky day! You are going to get the chance to spend one million dollars on everything from cars and houses to college and dream vacations! To do this you will have to follow the guidelines of your inheritance, keep an expense sheet, and write checks for all of your purchases! Sign up today and start spending!

Target Age: All

Max: 15

Course Name: Kids in the Kitchen

Instructor: Alison Stern

Course Description: Are you interested in preparing food that is both nutritious and delicious? Kids in the Kitchen is the place for you! We will use a variety of cooking methods to prepare meals in a safe, yet exciting environment. Be sure to bring your appetite as you will get to eat everything that you prepare! Come join the fun- it is sure to be a sweet treat! (Note the use of hot kitchen appliances and knife use)

Target Age: 5th -7th Grade

Max: 15

Course Name: The Greatest Show on Earth

Instructor: Chris Ward

Course Description: It continues to be the greatest show on earth! The circus is coming to our town at the Summer Learning Adventure! Would you enjoy being a clown? Would juggling be top on your list of activities? Would you like to tumble? The circus was one of the few forms of entertainment that traveled the world, brought happiness to all, created thrills, and survived the test of time. We will be studying the history of the circus and actually learn several acts to perform the last day of the adventure. Chris Ward performed in Gamma Phi Circus at Illinois State University for four years and is excited about sharing her love for this adventure. We won't have fire eating or real tigers, but we plan to have some sizzling summer enriching excitement!

Age Level: All

Max: 15

Course Name: Fun with Weaving

Instructor: Sarah Degarmo

Course Description: Discover the many possibilities of the art and craft of weaving. Explore the different types of weaving to create a work of art. You will learn new ways on how to weave on a loom or to make a basket. You will be inspired by Native American blankets, baskets, and textiles. Please join me on the adventure of creating and weaving a basket or textile.

Age Level: All

Max: 15

Course Name: Scrapbooking 101

Instructor: Misti Olson

Course Description: Do you have a lot of pictures just laying around? Ever been caught without a birthday card for you best friend? Come make an album for them and learn how to make cards for any occasion that are sure to impress them. In this class you will learn how to use your math measuring skills to create amazing photo albums and cards that you can show at the fair, give as a gift or keep it for yourself.

Think you know what Cricuts and Spatulas are, come see how they can be used for art. You will use stamps, inks and stickers, tape runners, glue sticks, glitter and more. In this class scissors are optional and the sky is the limit!

Age Level: All

Max: 15

Course Name: Be a Scientist

Instructor: Nikki Pierce

Course Description: What do you wonder about? Let's find out! We will conduct a different science experiment each day while exploring chemistry, energy, the environment and much more! You will learn how to conduct these same experiments in your science lab at home. We will hear from scientists and people who use science and technology in their everyday jobs. Science is all around us! (In Science Room)

Age Level: All

Max: 12

Course Name: The Wonderful World of Hogwarts

Instructor: Courtney Meyer

Course Description: Do you enjoy Harry Potter? Does Hogwarts sound like a fun and magical place? Spend the week in a magical classroom with me! Before coming to the first class, you need to read the first Harry Potter book: Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone. We are going to spend some time each day reading from the first book as well as separating into houses, making wands and writing spells, taking a potions class, searching on a scavenger hunt, and playing Quidditch! You will have a chance to win points for your house each day and the house with the most points at the end of the week will win the house cup!

Age Level: 4th – 7th Grade

Max: 15

Course Name: Ancient Arts

Instructor: Jill DePauw

Course Description: Egypt, Greece, Rome, China and the Middle Ages have given us many wonderful ideas and inventions that we use every day! In this class we'll make crafts from the past and learn about the amazing people who helped shape our world. Please join me on an adventure exploring the ancient arts!

**If you took this class last summer there will be some new activities added.

Age Level: Students entering 3rd – 5th grades

Max: 12 students

Course Name: Creative Competition

Instructor: Tom Ferguson

Course Description: Getting bored of the same old basketball, volleyball, soccer, tennis, baseball, and football routine?? Then take some time this summer to learn some new sports you don't get see on TV or play gym class...

'Creative Competition' will open your eyes to some different kinds of sports like croquet, bag-toss, bocce ball, Frisbee golf, and many others. Each day will introduce new kinds of competition as we learn about where these unique sports came from and how to play them.

Age Level: ALL

Max: 14