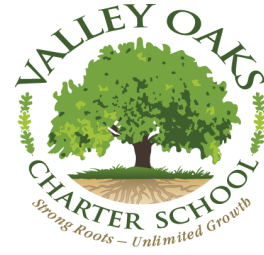


VOCS Tehachapi
Enrichment Session 2 Descriptions
November 6, 13, 20, December 4, 11, 2009-10



K-4th Grade Workshops

Holiday Music and Rhythm (continued): Grades K-3

DATE & TIME: Friday, 8:00-9:00 **PLACE:** Classroom F **TEACHER:** Hayes

There's nothing like music to get you ready for the holidays! We will continue having fun with rhythm instruments and holiday songs. Our focus will be on memorizing words, melodies, & movements for our performance at the **Holiday Program** on the evening of **December 15th**. (New students are welcome!)

Math Games: Grades 3-4

DATE & TIME: Friday, 8:00-9:00 **PLACE:** Classroom D **TEACHER:** McKendrick

Who says math isn't fun? All 3rd and 4th grade students are encouraged to come join the fun as we participate in learning all sorts of math games to aide us in the practice of our math standards. Students will be learning games that will reinforce common skills necessary for their appropriate grade levels. As always, parents are encouraged to stay and participate in the games to familiarize themselves with the most effective ways to teach certain math skills.

Holiday Hand Bells: (continued-closed to new enrollment): Grades 3-4

DATE & TIME: Friday, 9:10-10:10 **PLACE:** Classroom F **TEACHER:** Hayes

Here's a fun way to learn the fundamentals of music! Come join a hand bell choir! Students will learn to recognize musical notes and play their "note" at the appropriate time in the song. Basic theory of music will be incorporated into each class. This is a 10 week class (2 enrichment periods) with a performance at the **Holiday Program** on **December 15th**. Please plan on your student attending the performance and all classes, as they will be a necessary part of the choir. (Limit 16 students)

Maps & Migration: Grades 3-4

DATE & TIME: Friday, 10:20-11:20 **PLACE:** Classroom G **TEACHER:** White

Come and learn about whales, hummingbirds, and butterflies as they migrate to far off places. We will look at maps, habitats, and each animal's unique characteristics. A project will be due at the last class, December 11.

Wild Things! Reading & Writing Through Literature: Grades K-1

DATE & TIME: Friday, 9:10-10:10 **PLACE:** Classroom B/C **TEACHER:** Dragomanovich

All kindergarten and first grade students are encouraged to come join the fun as we learn about characters/setting/plot by exploring the book, Where the Wild Things Are. Each week we will focus on a different component of the story as we create our very own wild things and their jungle home, beginning with characters. First grade students have the option of attending either this class which will cover more basic concepts, or the 1st-2nd class which will be more in-depth and will include more writing. As always, parents are encouraged to stay and participate to familiarize themselves with the most effective ways to teach language arts through literature.

What is a Community?: Grades K-1

DATE & TIME: Friday, 10:20-11:20 **PLACE:** Classroom D **TEACHER:** McKendrick

All Kindergarten and 1st grade students are encouraged to come join the fun as we participate in learning about our community and its helpers. We will incorporate the social studies text and state standards as we learn about different communities, families and how we can help benefit our own community. As always, parents are encouraged to stay and participate to familiarize them selves with the most effective ways to teach.

Wild Things! Reading & Writing Through Literature: Grades 1-2

DATE & TIME: Friday, 10:20-11:20 **PLACE:** Classroom B/C **TEACHER:** Dragomanovich

All first and second grade students are encouraged to come join the fun as we learn about characters/setting/plot by exploring the book, Where the Wild Things Are. Each week we will focus on a different component of the story as we create our very own wild things and their jungle home, beginning with characters. First grade students have the option of attending either this class, which will be more in-depth and will include more writing, or the K-1st class. As always, parents are encouraged to stay and participate to familiarize themselves with the most effective ways to teach language arts through literature.

What is a Community?: Grades 1-2

DATE & TIME: Friday, 9:10-10:10

PLACE: Classroom D

TEACHER: McKendrick

All 1st and 2nd grade students are encouraged to come join the fun as we participate in learning about our community, its government and its helpers. We will incorporate the social studies text and state standards as we learn about different communities, families and how we can help benefit our own community. As always, parents are encouraged to stay and participate to familiarize them selves with the curriculum and standards.

Young Beginning Piano Class: (continued-closed to new enrollment) *Ages 7-9*

DATE & TIME: Friday, 12:50-1:30

PLACE: Classroom F

TEACHER: Hayes

This introductory class is intended for young beginning level students, ages 7-9. We will cover note-reading, technique, and beginning theory. Piano class will continue for 2 workshop periods - a total of 10 weeks. Students should have a piano or keyboard at home and be willing to spend 20 minutes/day practicing assignments.

4th-8th Workshops

Keyboarding: Grades 5-6

DATE & TIME: Friday, 8:00-9:00

PLACE: Classroom E

TEACHER: Rosander

This class is designed for students at all keyboarding levels. In this course students will be learning proper finger placement on the home row keys, touch typing, accuracy, and speed. Attendance and keyboarding practice at home are required. (Limit 20 students)

Spanish: Grades 4-8

DATE & TIME: Friday, 8:00-9:00

PLACE: Classroom F

TEACHER: McFarland

Educational goal: Basic conversational Spanish skills taught in a multi-sensory format. This class will run with each workshop period. Parents are always welcome to attend.

Word: Grades 7-8

DATE & TIME: Friday, 10:20-11:20

PLACE: Classroom E

TEACHER: Rosander

This workshop is for students who have completed the Session 1 Keyboarding class, or for students able to demonstrate keyboarding skills using proper finger placement on the home row. We will be using the program Microsoft Word to create documents with a focus on basic formatting, MLA format, columns, tables, and graphics. Weekly homework and attendance are required. Note: WORD is a prerequisite for Research Paper that will be offered in Session 3 & 4. (Limit 20 students)

Microscopic Investigations Part 2: Gr. 6 & 7 (students have taken Part 1 this year or last year)

DATE & TIME: Friday, 11:40-12:40

PLACE: Classroom G

TEACHER: Prestage

Enrollment Requirement: 6th & 7th graders who have taken Microscopes Part 1.

This class is a continuation of the Microscopes Part 1. Students will study and look at examples of osmosis; they will learn about specific protozoa, mold, fungi, algae, Daphnia, & blood circulation. Some of the activities will include preparation of wet-mount slides, growing some specimens of mold, & creating a "portable aquarium". Attendance for all 5 classes and completion of outside assignments are requirements for this class.

Maps & Migration: Grades 5-6

DATE & TIME: Friday, 9:10-10:10

PLACE: Classroom E

TEACHER: White

Come and learn about whales, hummingbirds, and butterflies as they migrate to far off places. We will look at maps, habitats, and each animal's unique characteristics. A project will be due at the last class, December 11.

Art & Drawing: Grades 4th-6th

DATE & TIME: Friday, 11:40-12:40

PLACE: Classroom D

TEACHER: Smith

Students will look at beautiful illustrations in children's books to gain inspiration for drawing with the right side of the brain. They will draw with a variety of mediums.

Streams to the River, Streams to the Sea: Grades 7-8 (students studying US history)

DATE & TIME: Friday, 11:40-12:40

PLACE: Classroom E

TEACHER: Rosander

Come join this fun enrichment duo. This class is for students in 7th or 8th grades who are currently studying US History. In the first hour, we will be reading the book *Streams to the River, River to the Sea* with discussions, activities, and group projects. Students will then join Mrs. Smith's class to explore the Lewis and Clark expedition by creating a variety of art projects. It is necessary for the students to attend this literature class in conjunction with the Lewis and Clark class. There will be a \$2.00 class fee and books are provided. Weekly attendance and homework are required. (Limited class size)

Oral Language: Gr. 4-8

DATE & TIME: Friday, 10:20-11:20, 11:40-12:40 **PLACE:** Classroom F **TEACHER:** Grissom

We are combining both divisions in order to have additional time and get more feedback from each other! New students are welcome and returning students should have a piece to perform. We're gearing up for the December competition in Bakersfield and our annual Tehachapi Oral Language Open House at the end of November. Weekly participation is required and students are expected to practice daily at home. Note: returning students with scheduling conflicts are encouraged to continue in Oral Language and advise Mrs. Grissom of your scheduling conflict.

Engineering: Gr.8 (1st priority), Gr. 7 (2nd priority)

DATE & TIME: Friday, 8:00-10:10 **PLACE:** Classroom G **TEACHER:** Prestage/Garone

Calling all students interested in using his/her creative problem-solving abilities. Students will be challenged to "think outside the box" in tackling everyday problems, emphasizing engineering principles to solve these problems and use the scientific method in these labs. Careers in engineering will also be explored. Attendance at all 5 classes and outside work is required-this is part of the problem-solving assignment.

***Teacher's Assistants for K-1st and 1st-2nd Workshops: Grades 6-8**

Sixth, Seventh & Eighth grade students are invited to sign up to assist the teachers during the K-1st and 1st-2nd grade classes being held from 9:10-10:10 am. Students will learn to help younger students with learning activities while helping to set up materials, interact with the students, and aiding in the clean up. Students also have the option of signing up for a second hour for the 10:20-11:20 am classes which will cover the same material. IMPORTANT- students who sign up to be a teacher's assistant must be committed to helping during the entire class each week for the entire enrichment period.

Lewis and Clark Art and Study: Grades 7-8

DATE & TIME: Friday, 12:50-3:00 **PLACE:** Classroom G **TEACHER:** Smith

Thomas Jefferson had a vision of exploring the vast unknown wilderness west of the Mississippi River and expanding the boundaries of the United States. He commissioned Meriwether Lewis to lead an expedition in search of a river passage to the Pacific Ocean. Students will appeal to Lewis and Clark to join the Corps of Discovery through a letter writing assignment requesting to become the chosen artists to depict the scenery, tribes, and animals encountered on the trip. Students will have the opportunity to explore the rugged beauty of the west through video, artists' renderings, books, and research. Students need to attend "Streams to the River" prior to history / art class. (Limited class size)

Drama: (continued) Grades 4-8

DATE & TIME: Friday, 12:50-2:30 **PLACE:** Classroom B/C **TEACHER:** Downs /Salyers

In this session students will have the opportunity to learn many different ways to communicate through the use of pantomime and voice techniques. Students will also learn the fundamentals of stage acting through fun games and exercises with the goal of doing a play at the Holiday Program on December 15th.

All Ages

Introduction to Chess: (continued)

DATE & TIME: Friday, 12:50-1:50 **PLACE:** Classroom D **TEACHER:** Moore

Come one, come all, from raw beginners to seasoned players! This is for all ages K - 12 and parents are welcome too! Learn this amazing game played by royalty for centuries. It's been proven to help with math ability as well. Listen to the class instruction or just have fun playing if you already know how. We will go over basic rules, strategies, tournament rules, etc., but mostly we'll have lots of fun!

Family Fun Fitness: Parent Only or Parent with Student

DATE & TIME: Friday, 12:50-1:50 **PLACE:** Classroom E **TEACHER:** Dragomanovich/Rosander

Attention All Over-Worked Homeschoolers! Do you start to drag by lunchtime? Is your energy gone? No time or money for a gym membership? Well, bring the whole family and join us for a fun hour of family fitness activities that will get your heart pumping and your body moving. This class is open to ALL parents or parent with students. This is the perfect opportunity to get that P.E hour covered, have fun, and feel fit as a family. We will be doing easy activities using videos, exercise equipment, hikes, yoga, kickboxing, and sports drills. Give yourself a treat to help you make it through the school day and come work out with us!

Tehachapi Humane Society/VOCS Teen Club: 6th-12th

DATE & TIME: Friday, 2:00-3:00 **PLACE:** Classroom E **TEACHER:** White

Do you love animals? Want to learn how to make a difference in the lives of local animals? This enrichment session will be the starting point for a new VOCS club focusing on local animal welfare, volunteering opportunities with the Tehachapi Humane Society and learning about ways to help make Tehachapi a better place to live.