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Course Code:

Instructor Name:

Class Coordinator:

Age Level:

Materials Fee:

Instructor Fee:

Class Min/Max:

Course Description:

Supplies to be provided by family:

Homework:

Duration of class:

Brief Instructor Bio:

Course Title: Early Learners

Course Code: 1EL, 2EL, 3EL

Instructor Name: Early Learners team

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: 3-K5 (must be potty trained)

Materials Fee: \$10 each hour attended 1EL & 2EL; \$5 3EL

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Min/Max:

Course Description: Kids have a blast learning the basics, exploring ideas, crafting, playing and making friends. Be prepared to go outside every week. We do have a snack time, so make sure we know about any special dietary needs your little one has. This class is offered 1st-3rd hours, but it only appears on the description once.

Supplies to be provided by family:

Homework: None

Duration of class: year

Brief Instructor Bio: Professional Moms! If you love little ones and would like to help, please ask Amanda King for more information.

Course Title: Pre-School

Course Code: 1PS, 2PS (age 1-3 years), 3PSNU(all ages)

Instructor Name: Tosha Estermyer and team

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: 1-3yrs

Materials Fee: 1PS & 2PS are \$7 ea. for craft and snack supplies. 3PSNU is strictly child care=\$0.

Instructor Fee:0

Class Min/Max:

Course Description: Preschool will do activities the first two hours including a snack. Please alert us to any dietary issues. Third hour is child care only, no planned activities.

Supplies to be provided by family: diapers, wipes, bottle/sippy cup, any other baby care items

Homework: none

Duration of class: year

Brief Instructor Bio: Professional Moms! If you love little ones and would like to help, please ask Amanda King for more information.

Course Title: Choir

Course Code: 1CR

Instructor Name: Valerie Gross

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School, Middle School

Materials Fee: \$12 for: Music

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Mini/Maximum: 4-100

Course Description: Come sing hymns, classical, and folk music with us. Singing in parts is encouraged.

Supplies to be provided by family: Pencil, water bottle

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Valerie Gross has sung with over 12 different choirs. The first choir she was in was a homeschool choir before homeschooling was widely recognized. She's been teaching music since her graduation from Wheaton College with a piano performance degree.

Course Title: Flag Football

Course Code: 1FF

Instructor Name: Riley Melody

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School, Upper Elementary

Materials Fee: \$3 for football, flags as needed

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Mini/Maximum: 6-20

Course Description: We will learn fundamental skills and rules of football, but will spend most of our time playing games.

Supplies to be provided by family: Tennis shoes recommended when weather appropriate, **HOWEVER, please note that this class will be held outdoors in most weather conditions, so please be prepared and dress accordingly (jacket, boots, hat, gloves, and yes, even snow pants!)**

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Riley Melody enjoys playing flag football, and has played for several years, including at Adventurers. Riley has led this class during the Winter 2019 and Fall 2019 semesters.

Course Title: Knit Start

Course Code: 1KN

Instructor Name: Hillary Jesse

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: 8-12, younger with permission

Materials Fee: \$20 **for:** Yarn (natural fibers & blends), needles, other knitting tools & notions.

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Min/Max: 3-6

Course Description: Learn the basics of knitting with fingers, a knitting spool (tower), a knitting fork (lucet) or single-pointed straight needles. Everybody will learn enough to make *something* to bring home.

Please be aware that I will use primarily woolen yarn or wool blends in this class. I can look for alpaca or cotton for somebody with allergies, so please let me know when you sign up if your student is allergic.

Supplies to be provided by family: A zippered bag or small backpack for your student's project & tools.

Homework:

Duration of class:

Brief Instructor Bio: I learned how to knit from the homeschoolers down the street and have taught my own kids the basics. I love using natural fibers and tools, and I took a Waldorf how-to-teach-handwork class several years ago that provided a great teaching progression and project ideas.

Knitting is a fun way to keep fidgety hands busy as well as a good way to relax by requiring focus on something tangible. It even helps me sit patiently nearby while my children work through just one more math problem.

Course Title: Medieval Guilds: Hands on History

Course Code: 1MG

Instructor Name: Melissa Lawrence

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: High School, Middle School, Upper Elementary

Materials Fee: \$40 **for:** Fabric for tunics and trim, leather for pouches, shield blanks for heraldry, materials to make padded swords, calligraphy and painting supplies, mini catapults and trebuchets, embroidery materials and fabric, and food ingredients for our end of semester class feast.

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-12

Course Description: Welcome to hands-on medieval history as we learn about the arts and sciences of the medieval guilds of western Europe!

Projects planned include:

- designing your heraldic coat of arms and painting it on a shield
 - making a leather pouch
 - sewing a simple tabard to wear
 - making and using boffer swords
 - learning to use calligraphy pens and different hands (scripts) while designing a scroll of your favorite verse or poem
 - learning embroidery stitches to embellish your tabard
 - building small models of siege weapons
 - viewing examples of stained glass and designing your own rose window
 - bake bread and learn about food and feasts
 - learning about manners and chivalry, with a visit from "modern" real life knights who will demonstrate sword fighting
- *The semester will culminate with a class feast!*

Topics and projects will be guided by student interest and course time available. We won't be able to do all planned projects, but we'll do as many as possible!

High school students are welcome to take on leadership roles as guild masters, working with me to help facilitate the class. (I will email/call/meet with guild masters in order to prepare them for the week's projects. This will be according to their interests and won't be every week!)

Supplies to be provided by family: notebook and pencil

Homework: Less than an hour a week of handouts or recommended reading to prepare for the next week's class. It's possible students may want to bring projects home to work on during the week, depending on the level of detail they want to do. (There should be plenty of time in class, and there will be free time/project time built into the schedule.)

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: My name is Melissa Lawrence, and this is our family's second semester at Adventurers. I've been fascinated by the middle ages since I could read, and I began participating in medieval reenactments through the Society for Creative Anachronism when I was in high school. My bachelor's degree (after many twists and turns) is in history, with an emphasis in medieval history. Our family attends medieval events throughout the year, including week long camping events. I hope you'll enjoy learning more about the arts and sciences of the middle ages with me!

Course Title: Self Defense

Course Code: 1SD

Instructor Name: Misty Zaugg

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School, Upper Elementary, Adult

Materials Fee: \$10 for folders, copies, pads and board breaking supplies

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Mini/Maximum: 3-14

Course Description: This class will focus on a combination of mental and physical skills. First, learning how to recognize and avoid dangerous people, behaviors and situations. Second, learning basic karate skills including stances, blocks, strikes, kicks and getting out of grabs and chokes. The class will teach basic moves to new students and a new set of techniques to continuing students.

We will spend part of each class discussing situations and strategies to stay safe and the rest of the class practicing techniques safely on each other and on foam striking pads so each student can get a feel for what it is like to defend themselves.

The goal of the class is for the students to be confident that they can recognize danger soon enough to avoid it, but they will also have the basic skills to physically defend themselves if necessary.

The self-defense techniques will be taught from the Yellow Belt Curriculum of American Kenpo Karate.

Supplies to be provided by family: Students in clothes that make it easy to move

Homework: Practice techniques at home

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Misty Zaugg is a 4th degree black belt in American Kenpo Karate and has been teaching karate and self-defense for over 30 years. She enjoys helping students feel more confident in their ability to recognize dangers, avoid them, and fight back if necessary.

Course Title: Dinosaur Science

Course Code: 1DN

Instructor Name: Laura Cachia

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: UP/LE

Materials Fee: \$25 for: copies, projects, prizes

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-10

Course Description: Travel back in time to discover the world of dinosaurs. Through activities, worksheets, crafts, and more, our class will explore different dinosaurs, habitats, and the science of it all. Kids will finish the semester with a self-written book on dinosaurs, fossils, and weekly prizes for completing homework worksheets.

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: weekly worksheet

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: If the number of "dinosaurs" living in your home is any indicator, I'm an expert! All plastic, of course! :) Seeing little minds learn and explore through hands on exercises and activities all while having a blast is something I thoroughly enjoy, and can't wait to share with your child!

Course Title: Elementary Drama

Course Code: 1EDR

Instructor Name: Diana Toole

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary

Materials Fee: \$10 for: props, copies, possibly costume materials

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Mini/Maximum: 3-15

Course Description: Young children gain so much from participating in theater! It builds socialization skills, public speaking skills, big picture thinking, and confidence in themselves, just to name a few. And they get to have fun without even realizing they are developing! And the results are always fun (if not perfect)! If you would like to see your child develop some good skills, then this is the class for your child! Even if they are painfully shy, they are welcome to participate. There is a place for everyone in theater! Students will act, create characters, create costumes, come up with props and set, learn improvisation skills, and so much more! This semester, I am hoping to be able to perform a version of the book: Rotten Stinkin' Grapes by Margie Palatini.

Supplies to be provided by family: possibly small items for props

Homework: Line memorization and perhaps some item gathering.

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I have taught classes for homeschool organizations for over 15 years. The classes I taught were eclectic in subject matter (from Biology to theater to creative writing to forensic science). I "retired" from teaching in 2015 to focus on my son's needs. Now, I come back to Adventurers as a parent! And I am really excited to teach again! I believe in a hands-on, student-driven classroom. Please don't hesitate to contact me with concerns or ideas!

Course Title: GF Cooking and Baking

Course Code: 1CO

Instructor Name: Lynn Murphy

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: 6-12 years old

Materials Fee: \$35 for: groceries, paper products related to recipes

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-8

Course Description: Welcome to the Basics of Gluten Free Baking/Cooking Class! There will be some classes that include eggs, dairy and or peanut butter but, NO GLUTEN.

A few good options.....

Chicken n dumpling soup and strawberry n cream cheese filled French toast rolled (not on the same day ;) How about some antipasto skewers???.....And cake in a cup??? Sounds tasty doesn't it?!?!)

Come chef with me and have some fun too!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Happily married for 38 yrs with 2 married daughters and their families which include five busy grandchildren and many assorted fur babies.

I'm familiar with the Gluten Free diet because our family has a strong history of Celiac Disease.

Course Title: Kids in Motion

Course Code: 1KM

Instructor Name: Christina Ban

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary

Materials Fee: \$3

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Minimum/Maximum: 6-20

Course Description: Kids In Motion is a fast paced energizing "gym class" that will keep you moving the whole hour. Through exciting and very active games, we learn how to be our best either individually or as a team, all the while having respect for one another in our words and actions. If it's a fun and energetic class you're looking for, check out Kids in Motion!

*Middle School aged kids are welcome to take the class and participate, but they will be in a leadership role working with the teacher to help facilitate the class.

Supplies to be provided by family: Water Bottle and Tennis Shoes

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Christina Ban, our Administrator, started teaching at Adventurers with Kids in Motion.

Course Title: Sculpting

Course Code: 1SCP

Instructor Name: Breanna Broderick

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$10 for: sculpting materials

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-12

Course Description: Creating sculpture in a variety of media from air dry clay to papier mache.

Supplies to be provided by family: old clothes that will repel mess and newspaper, if you have old ones to donate

Homework: none

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I've enjoyed 3-dimensional arts for a long time and look forward to sharing this class with you!

2nd Hour

Course Title: Broadway/Theater Dance

Course Code: 2BD

Instructor Name: Megan Johnson

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: 13+, younger with instructor permission

Materials Fee: \$5 for music and possibly costume pieces for Showcase

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 2-10

Course Description: Dance is a beautiful and powerful way to express emotion and tell a story, through countless different styles and genres. In this class we will be learning Theatre Jazz, the general style of dance seen in many musicals and Broadway shows. We'll learn bits of choreography from several shows and explore many different kinds of steps, from classic, to swing and jazzy, to gymnastic, to more interpretive and dramatic. As we go we'll also be learning performance skills like using dynamics and facial expressions to tell a story, fitting the movements to the music, and even a bit of getting into character with the songs! Previous dance experience is recommended for this class as we will be moving fairly fast, picking up from the difficulty level we were at last semester and learning some more challenging steps.

Supplies to be provided by family: Come prepared to dance hard! Wear or bring and change into shoes safe for dancing in- tennis shoes, athletic shoes, well-fitting converse, jazz or ballet shoes with sturdy soles, etc.- and dance-appropriate and modest clothing that you can move around in, like sweatpants/stretchy jeans/modest leggings, a t-shirt or sweatshirt. Please avoid low necklines, stiff/tight clothes that restrict motion, or skirts without leggings/shorts underneath.

Homework: Practice the choreography taught in class, for at least 10 minutes a day. Music and videos will be emailed out each week so students have it to rehearse to.

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I'm Megan Johnson, an Adventurers alumna, the third of nine siblings, and a lover of all kinds of storytelling- from art to writing to stage performances. I'm currently in my fourth year of ballet and lyrical dance classes and my second year of pointe, and I've also taught a year of English Country Dancing here at Adventurers. I love sharing the joy of dance and helping others discover it too!

Course Title: Forensics

Course Code: 2FO

Instructor Name: Diana Toole

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: High School/Middle School

Materials Fee: \$10 for: copies, hands-on activities materials

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 3-15

Course Description: Students will experience through class activities the various tasks involved in solving crime in this day and age. This is mainly a class participation class with some "lecture" and discussion involved.

Examples of activities are fingerprinting, plaster casting, evidence collection, blood typing, and photographing evidence (just to name a few).

This is a great class for inquisitive minds who like to solve problems through deductive reasoning.

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework Occasionally there will be a little bit of prep time spend outside of class, but it will be rare.

Duration of class: Two Semesters

Brief Instructor Bio: I have taught classes for homeschool organizations for over 15 years. The classes I taught were eclectic in subject matter (from Biology to theater to creative writing to forensic science). I "retired" from teaching in

2015 to focus on my son's needs. Now, I come back to Adventurers as a parent! And I am really excited to teach again! I believe in a hands-on, student-driven classroom. Please don't hesitate to contact me with concerns or ideas!

Course Title: Realistic Drawing

Course Code: 2RD

Instructor: Melissa Lees

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School, 13+, Adult

Materials Fee: \$25 drawing supplies for new students/ \$15 for returning. New students will get a starter set of pencils, paper, and other supplies.

Returning students will get advanced items, refills on Tombow Mono Zero, paper, and more charcoal pencils, etc.

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Min/Max: 2-6 (not counting any adults who audit)

Course Description: This class will explore techniques used in realism with graphite, charcoal, and carbon.

Supplies to be provided by family:New Students: None,Return students: basic charcoal pencil set, kneaded eraser, and Tombow Mono Zero

Homework: more like home-fun. Some work outside of class, low pressure. You'll get out of the class as much as you put into it, but won't be pressured to put in more that you feel like doing.

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I love drawing. I've won State and County competitions over the years. I've really enjoyed seeing what these students can do over the last couple of semesters.

Course Title: Voice Acting

Course Code: 2VC

Instructor Name: Autumn Barnier and Amanda King

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School, Middle School

Materials Fee: \$15 for: Copies, supplies

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-16

Course Description: Learn the art of voice acting through improv, games and other activities. This class will be fun and interactive! We plan on adding a good balance of improv into the mix as well as the voice acting exercises.

Supplies to be provided by family: Pencils and paper

Homework: It will be encouraged to practice at home and there could be a possibility of light assignments.

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Autumn Barnier and Amanda King were minding their own business when someone sent them a link to a website "to help encourage someone to teach Voice Acting." Apparently, it was a little TOO encouraging and then we taught the voice acting class this last semester and decided we would love to do it again.

Course Title: Handicrafts

Course Code: 2HC

Instructor Name: Erica Horton

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary

Materials Fee: \$10

Instructor Fee:\$0

Class Min/Max:4-12

Course Description: Are you crafty? We will make wearable, messy, up-cycled, holiday and fun crafts. we will use reusable materials to make something that you will want to display.

So if this sounds fun then come on let's create something great!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: try a fun craft we learned in class

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Miss Erica. I have a daughter in high school at Adventurers. This is our first year and we love it! I look forward to crafting some great and amazing things this semester.

Course Title: Origami

Course Code: 2OR

Instructor Name: Laura Gross

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$2

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-8

Course Description: Learn the Japanese art of folding paper to make interesting shapes and designs!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: Practice your favorite projects!

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Laura Gross has just stepped forward to teach this class. More details forthcoming!

Course Title: Putty, Play dough, Slime and Ooze!

Course Code: 2ES

Instructor Name: Roxanne Hillman

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary

Materials Fee: \$20 for: Slime making materials: glue, glitter, cornstarch etc. as well as cleanup materials and items to keep our creations in.

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-10

Course Description: Join us for 12 weeks of slimy fun. We will make our own play doh, glitter slime, silly putty and more.

Supplies to be provided by family: None

Homework: None

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I am a momma of 3 awesome kiddos (a 5th grader, a 2nd grader and a preschooler) from Gregory, Mi. This will be our FIFTH year homeschooling and our SECOND year at Adventurers.

Course Title: Step by Step Drawing

Course Code: 2DRG

Instructor Name: Dani Smith

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$0

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4+

Course Description: Learn to drawing lots of different things one step at a time!

Supplies to be provided by family: paper and pencil

Homework: Practice drawing at home

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio:

Course Title: Watercolor Painting

Course Code: 3WP

Instructor Name: Cara Schramm

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$7

Instructor Fee:\$0

Class Min/Max: 4-8

Course Description: Learn how watercolor paints react with water and different substances on thick paper to make beautiful watercolor art!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: might need to work on a project at home if it's not done during class

Duration of class: one semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Cara Schramm has just volunteered to teach this class! More details forthcoming!

3rd Hour

Course Title: DIY Textiles

Course Code: 3TX

Instructor Name: Breanna Broderick

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: LE and up (through adult)

Materials Fee: \$5 for: fiber products and tools for working

Instructor Fee:\$0

Class Min/Max:3-12

Course Description: We will be exploring textiles through felting, dying, spinning, weaving, knitting, crocheting, and more.

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: My fascination with yarn began young and continues to this day.

Course Title: Stage Combat

Course Code: 3SC

Instructor Name: Timothy Johnson

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, 13+, younger with permission

Materials Fee: \$25 new/\$15 returning for: equipment repair, as needed, wooden bokken for new students

Instructor Fee: \$5

Class Min/Max: 2-10

Course Description: Learn the skills necessary for choreographed fight scenes on stage.

Supplies to be provided by family: Loose fitting clothes, Shoes/Boots with good grip (i.e. not open toed anything).

Students may also wish to purchase personal practice weapon(s).

Homework: The more you practice, the better you will be.

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I am an Adventurers alumnus, and have studied stage combat under Mr. Frey and various others for almost all of the 5 years I have been at Adventurers.

Course Title: Swing Dancing

Course Code: 3SW

Instructor's Name Eli Schramm

Class Coordinator:Barnier

Age Level: HS/MS/Adult

Materials Fee: \$0

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4+

Course Description: No prior dancing experience is needed to learn swing dancing! We'll combine peppy oldies music, a great workout, and good, clean fun while we're having a swingin' time. There are many styles of swing dancing, and we'll practice a mish mash of moves so you can find your favorites. We'll start with very basic steps, which are easy to master. Then we'll move on to fun moves like the pretzel, the window, around the world, the Titanic, and the 3 hop. It's going to be a blast!

Supplies to be provided by family:Comfortable clothes for moving around

Homework: None, practice if desired

Duration of class: One Semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Eli has been attending Adventurers since he was in early elementary (minus a brief break for a family transition). He's been swing dancing for two years, and has enthusiastically taught numerous friends to swing dance.

Course Title: Elementary Baking

Course Code: 3EBK

Instructor Name: Melissa Lawrence

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Middle School, Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary (ages 8-14, younger with permission)

Materials Fee: \$25 for: cooking supplies

Instructor Fee:\$0

Class Min/Max: 4-8

Course Description: Learn to bake tasty food, from chocolate chip cookies to wheat bread to scones, as guided by student interest. I have been baking since I was little and enjoy spending time in the kitchen with my kids and making delicious food!

Supplies to be provided by family: to be determined

Homework: Recipes and information for the next week's class will be emailed out the week before. Students need to please read before class.

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Melissa Lawrence is looking forward to teaching this delicious class!

Course Title: Elementary Octoball

Course Code: 3EOB

Instructor Name: Christian Jaskulski

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary with permission

Materials Fee: \$2

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-15

Course Description: Join your friends for an hour of fun playing octoball! Learn fair play and sportsmanship as we follow Christ's teachings in every aspect of our lives, including recreation time. Looking forward to a great semester!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Christian Jaskulski is a big fan of drama and choir, but he also enjoys playing octoball when the occasion calls for it.

Course Title: Lego Club

Course Code: 3LC

Instructor Name: Laura Cachia

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$25 for: idea book, lots of Legos

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-10

Course Description: A Lego lover's dream! Twelve weeks of building, creating, and exploring all the possibilities of Legos. Each week will feature a new theme. At the end of the semester, each student will have an idea book, and lots of Legos to take home.

Supplies to be provided by family: A Lego enthusiast!

Homework: no

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Mama to a 4 year old and 4 month old that like to keep me on my toes. We live in Brownstown and when we aren't creating with Legos, we are neck deep in Superhero mayhem!

Course Title: Magic School Bus Science

Course Code: 3ES

Instructor Name: Erica Horton

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$10 for: science experiment supplies

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-12

Course Description: Miss Frizzle is a friend of mine and she would love for the kids of Adventurers to have a BLAST learning Science like her class does.

We will learn by watching videos about Magic School Bus, doing fun experiments, reading Magic School Bus books, and maybe a field trip.

There is so much to learn about our wonderful earth home, so are you ready to Take Chances, Make Mistakes and Get Messy? Let's go!

Supplies to be provided by family: None

Homework: try a fun experiment we learned in class

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Miss Erica.

I am a mom of an adventurer high school student. We are new this year and we love it!

I love Science and this class will be so much fun.

I am looking forward to learning with you.

Course Title: Skits

Course Code: 3SK

Instructor Name: Yuliya Rodzianko

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: MS/LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$0

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 6-10

Course Description: Students will be preparing, rehearsing and acting out various skits throughout the semester. Students will work on discovering the power of developing critical skills in a safe, fun filled atmosphere. The class will allow them to become a better listener, communicator, and will improve social skills. Students will explore their individual creativity and build a positive self-image.

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Mother of 3 children who has been homeschooling for 4 years.

Course Title: Soap Carving

Course Code: 3SP

Instructor Name: Liz Gross

Class Coordinator: King

Age Level: LE/UP

Materials Fee: \$10

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-8

Course Description: Learn how to carve soap into different shapes using popsicle stick tools. This is a great beginner step for whittling wood!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: possibly work on carvings between classes

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Liz Gross is one of our amazing high school students!

4th hour

Course Title: Drama-Sound of Music

Course Code: 4 DR & 5DR

Instructor Name: Valerie Gross

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School/Middle School, Younger with instructor permission. We will put a chorus of interested people together to sing a couple of the songs at the end of the play. If you are a singing parent and would like to join this chorus, please speak to me. Attending the class will not be necessary.

Materials Fee: \$45 per semester (one fee both hours): Royalties, script rental, props, costumes, sets, etc.

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 15-100

Course Description: Come enjoy The Sound of Music! We've worked hard the first semester to do our memorizing. Now we'll run the play as many times as possible second semester before our performances May 1st and 2nd. In our January rehearsals we'll work on sets, props and costumes, in addition to singing and dancing intensives. Feel free to join if you want to sing in the chorus or help with sets, props and costumes.

This class is one hour first semester, two hours second semester. **Students having major roles are required to attend both hours second semester.**

Note: there will be several meetings in January to review parts and work on sets. If you plan to have a large role, you will need to attend these meetings.

Supplies to be provided by family: Enthusiasm, hard work, and a professional attitude toward working together with other members of the cast.

Homework: Each student will pick up his script and an entrance survey at sign-up. Please plan on spending a few minutes with Mrs. Gross finding your singing range at sign-up if you intend to sing in the play. Auditions will be held the first day of class. If you had a role in last year's play, you may audition if you would like to try to improve your score from your final examination at the end of last year. Otherwise, your scores from last year's performance may count as your entry audition. Plan on spending time each week memorizing your assigned lines during first semester. The larger your role, the more time you will need to spend.

Duration of class: Two Semesters

Brief Instructor Bio: Valerie Gross had a lot of fun directing last year's Drama production Around the World in 80 Days. It

was a hoot working with the students and parents toward an excellent performance! Because of her life-long interest in singing, she is eager to try directing this classic. Come, join the party!

Course Title: Photography- "Snap Happy"

Course Code: 4PH

Instructor Name: Tiffany Hines

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School, Middle School

Materials Fee: \$35 for print work for Showcase at the end of the semester

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Mini/Maximum: 3-8

Course Description: In this class, we will learn how to get happy with your snaps! You will learn how to identify and find the best light, basic principles of composition, and some basic tips on photo editing. We will learn about basic camera functions such as aperture, shutter speed, exposure, and composition, and learn how to apply them to capture any scene! There will be significant emphasis on practical application and homework will involve taking photos and uploading them to our Google Classroom page. Our Final Project will showcase the various things we learn throughout the semester and be printed for the student to keep. Note: students will need a camera with adjustable focus in order to participate fully. A nice point and shoot camera with the ability to use manual functions such as aperture priority, shutter speed adjustment could work, but students will not get as much from the class without regular access to a DSLR camera and at least one lens.

Supplies to be provided by family: A camera, preferably a digital single lens reflex camera.

Homework: taking pictures and uploading them to the Google classroom

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Tiffany Hines is a professional photographer, and is excited to share her knowledge to improve your snapshots!

Course Title: Sibling Club 4th 5th and 6th hour

Course Code: 4SCL, 5SCL, 6SCL

Instructor Name: A Team volunteers

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: Upper Elementary, Lower Elementary

Materials Fee: \$3 for any hour, \$5 for more than 1 hour

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 4-12

Course Description: Do your older students stay in the evening? Would you like something for your elementary students to do? We'll watch movies, play games, and generally hang out together. There may be a craft every now and then.

Supplies to be provided by family: a snack, if desired. Please let us know of any allergies so we can let other families know, too.

Homework: um, no

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: The A Team is a group of overenthusiastic volunteers.

Course Title: Virtual Reality Club

Course Code: 4VR

Instructor Name: Suzette Petty

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School, 13+

Materials Fee: \$0

Instructor Fee: 0

Class Min/Max: 3-6

Course Description: Come experience Virtual Reality! We have a Playstation VR that people can take turns playing during class. Talk with other students about the different virtual reality options that are available. Relax and enjoy the hour with other students who are interested in virtual reality!

Supplies to be provided by family: None

Homework: None

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I have taught a variety of classes in the 6 years we've been at Adventurers. I love learning about new things!

5th Hour

Course Title: 5th hour Drama-Sound of Music

Course Code: 4 DR & 5DR

Instructor Name: Valerie Gross

Class Coordinator: Barnier

Age Level: High School/Middle School, Younger with instructor permission. We will put a chorus of interested people together to sing a couple of the songs at the end of the play. If you are a singing parent and would like to join this chorus, please speak to me. Attending the class will not be necessary.

Materials Fee: \$45 per semester (one fee for both hours) for: Royalties, script rental, props, costumes, sets, etc.

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 15-100

Course Description: Come enjoy The Sound of Music! We've worked hard the first semester to do our memorizing. Now we'll run the play as many times as possible second semester before our performances May 1st and 2nd. In our January rehearsals we'll work on sets, props and costumes, in addition to singing and dancing intensives. Feel free to join if you want to sing in the chorus or help with sets, props and costumes.

Supplies to be provided by family: Enthusiasm, hard work, and a professional attitude toward working together with other members of the cast.

Homework: Each student will pick up his script and an entrance survey at sign-up. Please plan on spending a few minutes with Mrs. Gross finding your singing range at sign-up if you intend to sing in the play. Auditions will be held the first day of class. If you had a role in last year's play, you may audition if you would like to try to improve your score from your final examination at the end of last year. Otherwise, your scores from last year's performance may count as your entry audition. Plan on spending time each week memorizing your assigned lines during first semester. The larger your role, the more time you will need to spend.

Duration of class: Two Semesters

Brief Instructor Bio: Valerie Gross had a lot of fun directing last year's Drama production Around the World in 80 Days. It was a hoot working with the students and parents toward an excellent performance! Because of her life-long interest in singing, she is eager to try directing this classic. Come, join the party!

Course Title: Origami

Course Code: 5OR

Instructor Name: Holly Gallardo

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School

Materials Fee: \$15 for: square paper

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Min/Max: 3-15

Course Description: Learn how to fold paper to make interesting shapes, like animals, plants, and even some origami designs that move!

Supplies to be provided by family: none

Homework: none

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: This will be my 7th year at Adventurers. I have enjoyed instructing a variety of classes.

6th Hour

Course Title: Cartoon/Manga Drawing

Course Code: 6MD

Instructor Name: Megan Johnson

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School

Materials Fee: \$5 for returning students, \$15 for new students **for:** Purchasing sketchbooks, pencils, and other drawing supplies

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Mini/Maximum: 2-8

Course Description: Learn how to design, draw, and pose characters using the basics of the Manga art style. This class will pick up where last semester left off, further perfecting the design of an original character and moving on to more detailed poses and consistent design. We will explore all kinds of drawing aspects from shading, composition, and perspective to realistic clothing, unique expressions, and some creative design exercises. Though the style and concepts taught are based on Manga, students are encouraged to use and develop their own unique drawing style! New students are more than welcome, but be aware that we will probably only do a brief review of basic proportions/people before moving into more advanced work.

Supplies to be provided by family: Access to internet for specified references/tutorials, if we need to complete a project outside of class, and a mobile device (phone/laptop/iPad/etc.) if possible for pulling up provided references in class.

Homework: I may ask students to complete specific projects that we started in class or to practice a new concept on their own time, and students are always encouraged to draw as much as they want at home. Practice makes perfect- the more you use your drawing skills on your own, the sooner you'll be able to try more complicated projects.

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: I'm Megan Johnson, an Adventurers alumna, the third of nine siblings, and a lover of all kinds of storytelling- from art to writing to stage performances. I've been drawing for as long as I can remember. I'm always trying new techniques, searching for interesting subjects, and staring at other peoples' amazing artwork. I love sharing and further exploring what I've learned by teaching it to fellow artists!

Course Title: Folk Dancing

Course Code: 6FD

Instructor Name: Carissa Parunak

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School, Middle School with instructor permission

Materials Fee: \$0.00

Instructor Fee: \$0.00

Class Min/Max: 8-24

Course Description: An upbeat, energetic social dancing class! There will be some more familiar styles, like square dancing and English country dancing, and some more foreign styles like Gaelic folk dancing (Ceilidh), Greek dancing, Serbian dancing, and more!

Supplies to be provided by family: comfortable shoes and modest clothes for dancing.

Homework: No official homework, but if you want to practice the dances at home you are welcome to!

Duration of class: One semester

Brief Instructor Bio: Carissa is a professional dance instructor for His Feet Dance, a Christian dance school with locations in Ann Arbor and Brighton, and she has been folk dancing for almost 5 years now. She was a student last semester in the folk class at Adventurer's, and she's excited to have the opportunity to now teach it!

Course Title: Yearbook

Course Code: 6YB

Instructor Name: Holly Gallardo

Class Coordinator: Petty

Age Level: High School

Materials Fee: \$0

Instructor Fee: \$0

Class Mini/Maximum: 1-10

Course Description: We will work together to create the yearbook. You will need a laptop or Chromebook to work on pages during the class hour. If you have a nice camera that you want to bring and take pictures with, that's great. You are not required to have a camera though. No new students for winter semester!

Supplies to be provided by family: Laptop or Chromebook, camera (optional)

Homework: possibly work on pages at home if not completed during class time.

Duration of class: Yearlong

Brief Instructor Bio: This will be my 7th year at Adventurers. I have enjoyed instructing a variety of classes. This will be my second year working on the yearbook. I really enjoyed the process and look forward to working on it again this year!
