

CHALLENGE CLASS

INFORMATION



Winter 2018

Abraham Lincoln Elementary School
Oak Park, Illinois

All classes are held during the lunch hour

December, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This booklet contains information about **Challenge Classes 2018**. Many of the classes offered are not only challenge classes, but are enrichment and exploratory as well. Classes are offered during the lunch hour at no charge to grades K-5 (there may be a small material fee). Please note that some classes are for more than one grade level.

In the rear of the booklet are enrollment sheets. **Use only one sheet per child.** Each child may select a first choice option and a second choice option. Because there is a limited enrollment for each class, student selection is based upon a random drawing. Students who are selected must be committed to attending all sessions. Each registered student will receive a class assignment during the week of January 8th. If a child is unable to be assigned to a class, he or she will be notified in person.

All forms must be returned by Friday, December 22nd (no exceptions). Classes will begin the week of January 15th and continue for 10 sessions.

All necessary information will be included on the slip your child receives regarding their assigned class. The room location, materials, and/or material fees will be included as well as a list of all dates the class will run.

We are looking forward to a successful program. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Paula Hughes
Assistant Principal

CHALLENGE CLASSES

A WEEK-AT-A-GLANCE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p><i>Etiquette and Chivalry</i> Grades: K-1 Mr. Childress</p> <p><i>Math Games</i> Grades: 1-2 Mrs. Ashford</p> <p><i>Classically Cool</i> Grades: 3-5 Ms. Bartell</p>	<p><i>Bookmaking</i> Grades: 1 Ms. Makowski</p>	<p><i>Crafty Kids</i> Grades: K-1 Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Weber</p>	<p><i>Fun and Games</i> Grades: K Mrs. Ciosek</p> <p><i>Knock Out Knitting</i> Grades: 4-5 Mrs. Smith</p> <p><i>Scrabble</i> Grades: 2-3 Ms. Clark and Ms. Meilinger</p> <p><i>Guitar</i> Grades: 3-5 Mr. Tangorra</p>	<p><i>Yoga for Kids</i> Grades: 3-5 Mrs. Meisinger</p>

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Fun and Games

Grades: K

Thursdays: Mrs. Ciosek

Enrollment: 15



This class will include playing classic board games and craft making (play dough, science crafts, etc.) This class will provide opportunities to have good old fashioned fun, while promoting social skills, sharing and turn taking.

There will be a \$5.00 material fee.

Etiquette and Chivalry

Grades: K-1 (boys only)

Mondays: Mr. Childress

Enrollment: 15



This class is designed to introduce tools for age appropriate manners and citizenship development. Students will be shown the necessary set of skills toward becoming respectful, responsible, and safe. Students will learn to identify and demonstrate manners of productive citizens, so they may move forward as involved members of their school and community.

Boys will be expected to wear ties and collared shirts on Monday's. Ties can be provided if necessary.

At the end of the program, parents will be invited for a luncheon with their student, to experience what they've learned.



Crafty Kids

Grades: K-1

Wednesdays: Mrs. Barker and Mrs. Weber

Enrollment: 28

Kids will explore multiple mediums to create art pieces based on popular children's books.

There will be a \$10.00 material fee.

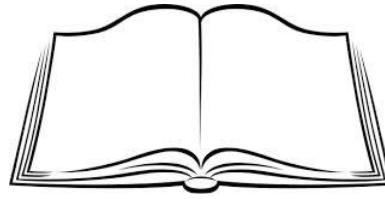


Bookmaking

Grades: 1

Tuesdays: Ms. Makowski

Enrollment: 18



Students will learn a variety of bookmaking techniques from accordion books to rubber band bamboo books. Students will have the chance to explore different ways to make, bind and decorate books.

The final two classes students will use one book from the class to publish a story, comic or art book.

There will be a \$10.00 material fee.

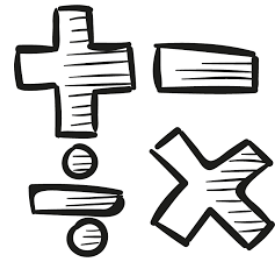
Math Games

Grades: 1-2

Mondays: Mrs. Ashford

Enrollment: 15

In this class, students will play games to reinforce basic math skills.

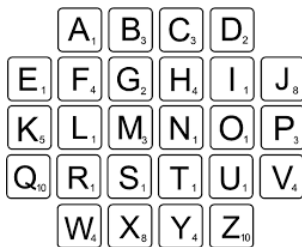


Scrabble

Grades: 2-3

Thursdays: Ms. Clark and Ms. Meilinger

Enrollment: 14



In this class students will build on their vocabulary by learning how to play Scrabble. Students will be taught how to play the game using the whiteboard, and then they will play Scrabble in teams.

This class is a great way to build on reading, writing and spelling skills.

Yoga for Kids

Grades: 3-5

Fridays: Mrs. Meisinger

Enrollment: 20



Come unwind during the lunch hour with yoga. We'll learn the poses, stretch, move, and have some fun while we are at it. Yoga Mat required.

Guitar

Grades: 3-5

Fridays: Mr. Tangorra

Enrollment: 20

We will be learning and practicing the basics of guitar playing, including chords, progressions, guitar tablature, and popular guitar riffs. No experience is necessary.



Each student must have a guitar to bring to class.

Classically Cool

Grades: 3-5

Fridays: Ms. Bartell

Enrollment: 25



We will be learning about some of the best music ever written through movement, art, movies, and by listening, of course! When we learn about music, we are able to enjoy it so much more! We will discuss music from a variety of composers and we may even have a live performance!

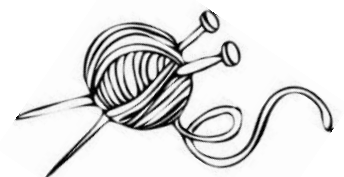
Please bring \$5 so that we are able to use a variety of learning tools.

Knock Out Knitting

Grades: 4-5

Tuesdays: Mrs. Smith

Enrollment: 15



Learn to arm knit, spool knot and needle knit wonderful creations.

The cost for materials is \$20. This fee includes 2 skeins of yarn (1 super bulky, 1 worsted), a spool knitting kit, and a set of #7 needles. Alternately, parents can choose to send their child with these materials.

Challenge Classes 2018 Sign-up Sheet

Name _____

Homeroom Teacher _____

First Choice Class _____

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