

Afterschool Enrichment (ASE)Program

Sponsored by Stevens PTA

# Winter 2024

## January 22 – March 29\*

\*There will be no classes on February 19 - 24

- REGISTRATION IS OPEN FROM JANUARY 3 12<sup>th</sup> with email confirmations sent January 15<sup>th</sup>.
- **NEW END TIME!** Classes typically meet <u>2:35 3:30pm</u> at Stevens with noted exceptions.

Stevens PTA is committed to making afterschool enrichment available to every student with financial support.



Stevens PTA Programs www.stevenspta.org/enrichment programs@stevenspta.org

Return the completed attached form in this packet or register online





## **PROGRAM NOTES**

The Stevens After-school Enrichment (ASE) Program is a PTA-Stevens School partnership supporting fun and enriching activities for the students at Stevens. Please note that the **Winter Session runs January 22<sup>th</sup> – March 29<sup>th</sup>** (except where noted). Please read the information in this packet carefully and we hope to see your student after school!

#### **ENRICHMENT PROGRAM PROVIDERS**

Classes are arranged by the Stevens PTA with private vendors with established enrollment and classroom behavior requirements. Class instructors are employed by the private vendor, trained for offered content and enrichment and have gone through SPS mandated background checks. Instructors are not classroom or certificated teachers and the ASE program is not supported with services by Seattle Public Schools. The ASE Program is managed and supported by Stevens parent volunteers.

#### STUDENT CONDUCT & EXPECTATIONS

Students are expected to maintain the same behavioral standards that they would have during the formal school day. If an instructor determines this is not the case, the following steps will be taken:

- At the first incident, the instructor/ASE Coordinator will contact parents/guardians with an incident report regarding student behavior. Students will be expected to return to class with the form signed by a parent/guardian. The student will be given one trial class to improve.
- If the disruptive behavior continues, the student will be removed from the class and/or a parental presence will be required for attendance.
- The program is unable to issue a refund if a student is removed from a class due to a behavior issue. Please discuss enrollment with your child to be sure they want to attend.

## **ENROLLMENT | CLASS DATES & TIME**

- Registration will run from Wednesday, January 3rd -12<sup>th</sup> with confirmation emails communicated by January 15th.
- Enrollment is not guaranteed. This is NOT a first come, first serve registration. We follow an open enrollment period to ensure all families and their students have an opportunity to discuss and sign up for classes. Any classes with availability after January 12<sup>th</sup> will be open until filled.
  - Families are welcome to register for multiple classes, however financial aid is limited to one class per student per session.
  - A limited number of seats are held for financial aid students in each class until the end of the initial week of registration.
  - o If a class is over-enrolled, preference may be given to students who have not previously attended ASE classes and/or a random lottery will be used to meet capacity requirements.
  - Please include any notes for order of preference and additional information to consider for your student about their enrollment.
- You will be notified by EMAIL if your student is enrolled in the class and payment will be requested via check or cash (to be returned to school) or online via PayPal/credit card.

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- If a class does not enroll sufficiently, it may be canceled.
- <u>Please provide an e-mail address that you check regularly!!</u>— the program and its instructors need it to communicate with you.
- **Note the new class end-time!** ASE class times are <u>2:35 3:30PM</u> at Stevens unless otherwise noted and pick up will be at the rear north-end doors closest to Kids Club.
- There will be NO classes February 19-24th.

## PAYMENT | REFUNDS | SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID

- Once your student has been CONFIRMED by email, please remit payment (checks made to Stevens PTA or cash) and return to front office or pay via online link in your confirmation email.
- If you withdraw from a class, you will receive a refund based on the following schedule:
  - Before the first day of class: full refund.
  - After the first class but before the second class: 75% refund minus \$8 administrative fee.
  - After the second class: no refund.
- Stevens PTA's ASE Program is offering a <u>Pay What You Can</u> option. Only one reduced-fee class request per student per session. The PTA's ability to grant aid is based on scholarship donations received, PTA budgeted support and by the generosity of vendors and instructors who offer scholarships in their classes.

#### PICKUP AND TRANSPORTATION

- Students will need to be picked up by a parent/guardian, authorized person or released to Kids Club, if they attend. <u>Please note the updated pickup time is 3:30PM</u> unless otherwise noted. Pickup is located at the north end rear doors closest to Kids Club.
- No District transportation is available for after-school enrichment activities.

#### **PARENT-GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Parents are responsible for collecting their children promptly from afternoon classes unless they are dismissed to Kids Club. There will be no supervision for children after their class ends. If prompt pickup becomes an issue, your student may be removed from the class without refund for remaining classes.
- Unfortunately, we are not available to provide bus transportation for students participating.
- If you are able, please email <a href="mailto:programs@stevenspta.org">programs@stevenspta.org</a> if your student will miss a class due to an appointment or preference that day.
- Please note that the Stevens front office phone is not monitored by ASE. Stevens school staff may or may not be available 2:30-3:30p for calls. If you need to get a hold of your student in the ASE program, please reach out directly to <a href="mailto:programs@stevenspta.org">programs@stevenspta.org</a>. A mobile phone number will also be provided at time of enrollment confirmation for emergency contact.

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#### **SNACK AND CLOTHING**

- A nut-free snack (usually a granola bar and/or fruit leather) will be provided to each student
  attending the classes. Students may be bored of these snacks so please pack an extra snack for
  your student if they prefer something else.
- Please list any food allergies or dietary needs that your children may have.
- Please send your children clothing and shoes appropriate for their classes.

### INCLEMENT WEATHER/SCHOOL CLOSURE/CLASS CANCELLATION

Afternoon classes will be canceled if SPS announces an early end to the school day for weather or another concern. There are no refunds when a single session of a class is canceled because the District has altered that day's schedule through an early end or closure. If a class does not enroll sufficiently, it may be canceled. You will be notified, and your fees refunded. If a class meeting is canceled by the instructor, every effort will be made to reschedule the class or a pro-rated refund will be offered.

#### **VOLUNTEER IN AN ENRICHMENT CLASS AND RECEIVE A CLASS FEE DISCOUNT!**

Ensuring a smoothly run process is key to building a successful enrichment program at Stevens. Some of our ASE classes particularly those with larger than 12 students could use an extra hand to support cleanup (art is messy!) or help classrooms run smoothly. If you can commit to support a class regularly, email programs@stevenspta.org if you are interested!

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## WINTER – COURSE DESCRIPTION

## **Monday Classes**

## M1 Ocean Art with Willow (Gr 3-5)

\$225

Learn how to draw and paint ocean scenes and sea life both real and imagined. Draw a whale, paint an ocean sunset, sketch a seahorse, and imagine hybrid sea creatures. Be challenged and inspired to create ocean art while learning painting and drawing techniques. Students will vote as a class on which ocean creatures they will learn to draw. Instructed by artist, illustrator, and storyteller Willow Heath. <a href="https://www.willowheath.com/">https://www.willowheath.com/</a>

## M2 Chess: Beginner-Intermediate (Gr K-3)

\$245

Embark on a captivating chess journey designed for brand new beginners and those eager to develop their tactical skills. This class combines a focus on fundamental chess principles with opportunities for students to delve into basic chess openings, laying the foundation for a solid chess repertoire.

Guiding this exciting learning experience is our instructor, Michael Adams, a renowned game designer responsible for creating numerous board games, including the popular Cranium Hullabaloo. Michael's unique background as a former kindergarten teacher infuses the class with a warm and gentle teaching style, making him a beloved figure among students. His expertise lies in working with our youngest learners, ensuring a fantastic introduction to chess that resonates throughout their lives.

Throughout the sessions, Michael not only imparts the essential basics of chess but also provides a space for students to practice and apply their knowledge. His approach fosters a love for the game while nurturing a strong foundation in chess strategy.

Join this exciting chess adventure, where beginners thrive and budding talents take their first steps toward a lifetime of chess enjoyment. <a href="https://seattlechessschool.org/">https://seattlechessschool.org/</a>

### M3 Chess: Intermediate-Advanced (Gr 2-5)

\$245

Elevate your chess skills to the next level! Designed for students already familiar with the fundamentals of chess, this course provides an engaging and competitive environment for those seeking to advance their game. Led by the highly skilled instructor William Schill FM, a profoundly gifted chess player with extensive experience, students will join a community of developing players.

Throughout the program, participants will have the opportunity to enhance their strategic thinking by exploring historically significant chess games. Weekly sessions involve fun and competitive gameplay, with children vying for a spot on the Chess Leaderboard. This dynamic atmosphere encourages students to implement observed strategies in their own matches.

In addition to honing their skills, students are encouraged to practice regularly and can take part in selected chess tournaments held throughout the school year. William Schill FM draws inspiration from a rich pool of Master games, ensuring a comprehensive and enlightening learning experience for all participants. Don't miss this chance to deepen your chess knowledge, refine your strategies, and enjoy the thrill of competitive play. https://seattlechessschool.org/

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## **Tuesday Classes**

## T1 SCRATCH: GAME DEVELOPMENT (Gr 3-5)

\$225

Get ready to learn how to code and express your creativity! Using Scratch, a fun drag-and-drop coding tool, you will build exciting projects like games, animations, and interactive stories. If you're just starting out, you'll code your games with basic concepts, such as loops and variables. Returning students will move on to more interesting concepts like using special conditions and functions. Advanced students will explore advanced topics like game physics! So get ready to have a blast! More info: <a href="https://www.codingwithkids.com">https://www.codingwithkids.com</a> \*Students will be using their SPS issued laptops.

## **Thursday Classes**

## Th1 Adventures in STEM with LEGO Materials (Gr K-2)

\$190

\*Class End Time 3:45PM, \*NOTE THIS CLASS RUNS 70 minutes!

Let your imagination run wild with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects and use special pieces to create your own unique designs! Projects are rotated seasonally to ensure that both new and returning students can explore the endless creative possibilities of the LEGO® building system. <a href="https://www.play-well.org">www.play-well.org</a>

## Th2 LITTLE CODERS: INTRO TO GAME DEVELOPMENT (Gr 1-2)

\$225

This class offers young children the perfect opportunity to develop their computational thinking skills and have a blast with their friends! The course is tailored for early readers and takes into consideration their cognitive abilities and attention span. Beginners learn essential coding concepts, such as Loops and Conditions. Returning students encounter new challenges. Projects include games, stories, and even animated characters. More Info: <a href="https://www.codingwithkids.com/">https://www.codingwithkids.com/</a> \*Students will be using their SPS issued iPads.

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## **REGISTRATION** Return this form to your student's teacher or at the Stevens front office between 1/3-1/12/24 OR use the QR Code to register online or go to <a href="https://www.stevenspta.org/enrichment">www.stevenspta.org/enrichment</a>



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