



Afterschool Enrichment (ASE) Program
Sponsored by Stevens PTA

CLASS CATALOG

SPRING 2024

April 15 – June 10, 2024*

*There will be no classes on May 27, 2024

- **REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY and will OPEN MARCH 29 – APRIL 6th** with email confirmations sent April 8th.
- **Classes** typically meet **2:35 - 3:30pm** at Stevens - with noted exceptions.

Stevens PTA is committed to making after-school enrichment available to every student with financial support.

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



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 read the information in this packet carefully and we hope to see your students 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/guardian 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 and understand expectations.**

ENROLLMENT | CLASS DATES & TIME

- **Registration will run from Friday, March 29 – Friday, April 5th** with confirmation emails **communicated by April 8th**.
- **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 April 5th 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.
 - 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.
- If a class does not enroll sufficiently, it may be canceled.
- Please provide an e-mail address that you check regularly!!– the program and its instructors need it to communicate with you.
- ASE class times are **2:35 - 3:30PM** 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 Monday, May 27, 2024 due to Memorial Day Holiday.

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 Pay What You Can 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. **Please note the pickup time is 3:30PM** 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 programs@stevenspta.org 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 programs@stevenspta.org. A mobile phone number will also be provided at time of enrollment confirmation for emergency contact.

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, 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 need volunteers on hand to support help classroom management and organized dismissal/pickup. If you can commit to support a class regularly, indicate on your registration or email programs@stevenspta.org if you are interested! A sign up for each class will be sent to enrolled families to volunteer for class days.

SPRING – COURSE DESCRIPTION

Monday Classes (Classes meet 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 6/10) *No class 5/27

M1 Enchanted Art with Willow (Gr 3-5) \$240

Griffins, dragons, & unicorns, oh my! Draw, design, and paint fantastic beasts, hybrid creatures, and fantasy art with professional artist, storyteller, and illustrator, Willow Heath. Vote as a class on which magical creatures you'll draw. This class will balance step-by-step tutorials, artistic skill building, and creative prompts. Instructed by artist, illustrator, and storyteller Willow Heath.

<https://www.willowheath.com/> *Note that this class reduced the max enrollment from previous class sessions.

M2 Chess: Beginner-Intermediate (Gr K-2) \$216

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. Join this exciting chess adventure, where beginners thrive and budding talents take their first steps toward a lifetime of chess enjoyment.

<https://seattlechessschool.org> (Min/Max Enrollment: 12/16)

M3 Chess: Intermediate-Advanced (Gr 2-5) \$216

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. Don't miss this chance to deepen your student's chess knowledge, refine their strategies, and enjoy the thrill of competitive play. <https://seattlechessschool.org/> Min/Max Enrollment: 12/16 **Volunteer needed for this class.**

Tuesday Classes (Classes meet 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28, 6/4)

- T1 Little Coders: Intro to Robotics (Gr 1-2 *K-see note) \$210**
Looking for a hands-on STEM course your Little Coder will love? In this course, students will have a blast while learning about robots and how they work. Through visual programming, students will learn computational thinking and basic programming concepts such as: pseudo-coding, code structure, variables, and loops. Students will participate in fun and engaging activities to practice problem-solving and creative thinking. They will complete interactive projects and code their robots to perform tasks like turning the robot's lights on and off, playing music, moving, and detecting sound. More info: <https://www.codingwithkids.com> (Min/Max Enrollment: 12/16)
Volunteer needed for this class.
**For your Kindergartner to get the most out of this class, they should have some experience with previous SCRATCH coding and some level of basic reading skills as the class can go rather quickly. Please email programs@stevenspta.org to discuss if your K student is interested in this class.*
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- T2 SING IT LIKE YOU MEAN IT with Mr. Key! (Gr 3-5) \$240**
A confidence and skill-building class for students who love singing and want to strengthen and grow their vocal skills. We will explore healthy vocal practices through fun songs and exercises that focus on posture, breath, pitch-matching, ear-training, and blending with other voices. We will explore the many ways we can learn songs, including call-and-response, reading basic music notation, understanding rhythm patterns, simple two-part harmony, and intelligent listening. This class will be useful to students who want to pursue choir or theater in middle school. It will also serve those who just want to sing for the pure fun and joy of it. No previous experience or training is required. (Min/Max Enrollment: 8/12)
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- T3 FUNdamentals in STEM with LEGO* (Gr 2-3) \$168**
***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. www.play-well.org (Min/Max Enrollment: 12/16) ***Volunteer needed for this class.**

Thursday Classes (Classes meet 4/18, 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 5/30, 6/6)

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

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Th2 MINECRAFT MODDING (Gr 3-5)

\$200

Calling all Minecrafters! Join us in this course to build Minecraft mods (modifications) while learning coding. With a drag-and-drop coding environment, students learn coding concepts, such as Variables, Conditionals, and Loops. They apply the concepts to personalize the game with custom world maps, new items, chat commands, and mini-games! It will be an exciting journey of coding and creativity! More info: <https://www.codingwithkids.com> ***Volunteer needed for this class.**

****SPECIAL NOTE: This class requires the use of Minecraft Education on SPS issued laptops. Use of the application is strictly allowed for this ASE class ONLY and students will sign an agreement that will be provided to their teacher and Mr. Donovan. If we are notified by their teacher that a student has violated this agreement during school hours, that student will be removed from the ASE class, no refunds, no exceptions.***

SPRING REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY!!

Use this QR code to register or go www.stevenspta.org/enrichment and register your student. Please submit one registration per student.



REGISTRATION WILL BE CLOSED APRIL 6TH. For any classes over the maximum enrollment, consideration of prior ASE attendance of requested class and a lottery system will be used.

ENROLLMENT CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL on APRIL 8th
Remaining spots in classes will be available for registration until filled.

****If you need assistance in completing registration online,** please email programs@stevenspta.org or contact **Alexis White**, Stevens' Instructional Assistant, at school.**