

Beach School After-School Enrichment Program Fall Semester 2009-2010

Registration Wednesday, August 26th to Friday, September 4th
(First Come, First Served!)

Classes Held Monday, September 14th through Thursday, January 21st
(No Classes School Holidays, Minimum Days or Conference Week)

The After-School Enrichment (ASE) program at Beach Elementary School offers fun classes that build kids' confidence and encourage their creativity and self-expression. Our teachers are professionals with in-depth experience teaching children. Sponsored by the Beach Parent Organization (BPO), this program is separate from Schoolmates and regular daily classes. *This year, BPO is pleased to offer ASE classes to all Beach students (including Havens kindergartners) and Havens early reader first and second graders.*

Registration

- BPO must receive completed registration forms and checks made payable to "BPO" for tuition and materials fees by Friday, September 4th. *Incomplete registration forms and forms with insufficient payment will not be processed until complete.*
- Forms should be returned to the ASE box in the Beach School office, or by mailing them to Beach Elementary School, Attn. ASE, 100 Lake Ave., Piedmont, CA 94611.
- Financial assistance scholarships are available. Please contact Beach Principal Julie Valdez for more information. Donations to the scholarship fund are welcome and should be made by separate check payable to "BPO".
- *There will be no refunds after the first class.*

Enrollment and Confirmation

- Students will be enrolled on a first come, first served basis.
- Classes with enrollment below the specified minimum may be cancelled.
- Class lists will be posted outside the Beach school office on Thursday, September 10th.
- *If you do not receive notice otherwise, your child is enrolled in the class requested.*

Class Information

- Each class meets once weekly from September 14th through January 21st (*except* Mad Science ends December 17th). Any cancelled class will be made-up the week of January 25th.

- *No classes will be held during school holidays, minimum days or conference week. See page 2 for class meeting dates.*
- **All classes meet from 3:00/3:10 pm (when all students arrive) until 4:30 pm except:**
 - **Mad Science ends at 4:10;**
 - **Homework Club meets 3:15-4:15; and**
 - **One of the Movin' and Groovin' Animation classes meets 1:00-2:30.**
- Students should report to their class meeting rooms just before class time.
- All students dismissed from school *prior to 2:55 p.m.* must be supervised while on the Beach campus until their ASE classes begin. Schoolmates is available to provide this service, but students must sign-up with Schoolmates separately.
- After class, students will be released according to the instructions on the ASE registration form.
- If for any reason your child was at school but will NOT attend his/her ASE class, please notify Teresa Stricker at (510) 653-6562.

Snacks

- Snacks are *not* provided in ASE classes except *Chefs Around the World* and *Literature Brought to Life*. If your child needs a snack for a class that does not provide one, please pack it.
- *Note for students attending Schoolmates:* If your child attends an ASE class that begins between 3:00 and 3:15 pm, please keep in mind that Schoolmates will *not* provide your child with a snack before or after ASE.

Questions

Contact Teresa Stricker at (510) 653-6562 or stricker_teresa@yahoo.com.

PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE BEACH SCHOOL OFFICE ABOUT ASE.

Thank you!

Beach After-School Enrichment Class Schedule Fall Semester 2009-2010

Location	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Multi-Purpose Room				Mad Science (Grades K-3) 3:00/3:10-4:10 pm
Auditorium		Adventures (Grades 2-5) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm	Digital Filmmaking (Grades 3-5) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm	Literature Brought To Life (Grades K-1) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm
Art Studio	Stop-Motion Commotion Animation (Grades 2-3) 3:00-4:30 pm		Art Exploration (Grades K-3) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm	
Kitchen		Chefs Around The World (Grades K-2) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm		Chefs Around The World (Grades 3-5) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm
Library	Movin' & Groovin' Animation ● AM K 1-2:30 pm ● Grades K-1 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm			
Other	Homework Club (Grades 4-5) 3:15-4:15 pm <i>Room 10</i>	Sewing, Knitting and Fabrication (Grades K-3) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm <i>Book Room</i>		Computer Adventures (Grades 4-5) 3:00/3:10-4:30 pm <i>Computer Room</i>

Classes held Monday, September 14th through Thursday, January 21st

Monday Classes: 13 classes

All classes begin 9/14 and end 1/11.
No classes 10/12, 11/2, 11/23, 12/21, 12/28
and 1/18.

Tuesday Classes: 14 classes

All classes begin 9/15 and end 1/19.
No classes 10/13, 11/3, 11/24, 12/22 and
12/29.

Wednesday Classes: 10 classes

All classes begin 9/16 and end 1/20.
No classes 9/23, 10/21, 11/4, 11/11, 11/25,
12/2, 12/23, 12/30 and 1/13.

Thursday Classes: Number of classes
varies by course.**

All classes begin 9/17 and end 1/21
(except *Mad Science* ends 12/17).
No classes 11/5, 11/26, 12/24 and 12/31.

****Additional Class Meeting Information
for Each Thursday Class:**

- *Mad Science* (12 classes): No January classes.
- *Literature Brought to Life* (14 classes): No class 10/1.
- *Chefs Around the World* for grades 3-5 (14 classes): No class 10/15.
- *Computer Adventures* (15 classes)

Adventures

Grades: 2-5

Day: Tuesday

Location: Auditorium

Tuition: \$260 (14 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 18 students

Adventures are mystery-stories brought to life through storytelling, acting, music, themed environments, special effects and guided search hunts for clues.

Participants will have the impression that it is up to them to solve the mystery. Each adventure concludes with the triumphant discovery of a prize or solution to a problem. A fusion of entertainment and education, this activity encourages children to use imagination to solve problems and inspires them to create their own stories.

PLEASE NOTE: This class is exciting and can seem realistic. If your child is easily frightened it might not be a good fit.

Maimome Attia, a graduate of USC film school, tells stories using a variety of methods and media. He works as an ADVENTURE "teacher" at the Head Royce, Prospect Sierra and Windrush after-school programs. He also makes low-budget, independent, short films and writes/performs one-man comedy acts for parties, cafes and bistros.

Art Exploration

Grades: K-3

Day: Wednesday

Location: Art Room

Tuition: \$185 (10 classes)

Materials Fee: \$25

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

Join a Junior Center of Art and Science instructor for a class offering students the unique opportunity to explore art using materials and techniques not part of the

art curriculum provided during the school day. Hands-on access to acrylics, clay, papier mache, oil pastels, printmaking and more will foster students' flexible thinking, artistic development and self-confidence. An emphasis on building art skills through age-appropriate lessons and exposure to high quality materials is at the core of each lesson.

Junior Center of Art and Science is an independent, nonprofit organization founded in 1954 and dedicated to serving the children of the East Bay through classes, workshops, exhibits and events. These programs are designed to encourage children's active wonder and creative responses through artistic and scientific exploration of their natural urban environment. The faculty are professionals with decades of experience working with children in visual arts.

Chefs Around the World

(Two class levels offered)

Grades: K-2

Day: Tuesday

Location: Kitchen

Tuition: \$260 (14 classes)

Materials Fee: \$35

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 8 students

Grades: 3-5

Day: Thursday

Location: Kitchen

Tuition: \$260 (14 classes)

Materials Fee: \$35

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 8 students

Note: No class 10/15

This class focuses on building your confidence in the kitchen and teaching you to appreciate home cooked meals that you can prepare. As a group, you will cook and bake a variety of cuisines from around the world. You will learn what children eat in France, Italy, Peru and other countries.

At the end of each class you will sample your creation and maybe have a little extra to take home and share.

***Ellen Doran** graduated from the French Culinary Institute in New York City and has worked with Tom Colicchio (Top Chef judge) at Gramercy Tavern and the River Café in New York. She also worked as a pastry chef at Moose's in San Francisco. For the last decade, she has taught cooking classes for children and adults. Additionally, she works as a private chef for several Piedmont families.*

Computer Adventures

Grades: 4-5

Day: Thursday

Location: Computer Room

Tuition: \$280 (15 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

This class offers you the opportunity to explore in depth multi-media and web 2.0 tools. We'll delve into Garageband to create our own music and podcasts. We'll use Printshop to design CD case covers and other items. And we'll even experiment with new software! You will see your work published on the Internet! Become an expert in skills you can apply to future classroom projects. It's all part of Computer Adventures this fall. If you enjoyed the class last year, you can continue your adventure and learn different skills this year.

***Stephanie Griffin**, a credentialed teacher, has been Beach School's technology coordinator for more than a decade. A Rawlings Inspirational Teacher, she enjoys exploring new technologies and has been an advocate for using technology to support learning.*

Digital Filmmaking

Grades: 3-5

Day: Wednesday

Location: Auditorium

Tuition: \$195 (10 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 9 students

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

This class offers a fun, hands-on, immersive introduction to digital filmmaking. You will work in small groups to make a film, experiencing all aspects of production. Under the guidance of professional filmmakers, you will pitch, plan, shoot, edit, screen, score and even learn to copyright your movies. Please bring a memory stick on the last day of class if you wish to take home a copy of your work.

***Freshi Films** is an innovative educational company that delivers unique academic and enrichment programs in filmmaking, video game design and other media.*

Homework Club

Grades: 4-5

Day: Monday

Location: Room 10

Tuition: \$130 (13 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

Note: This class meets 3:15 – 4:15 pm

The club provides a quiet environment for *homework only* and will be supervised by Beach teachers Heidi Sawicki and Ellen Garrett.

Literature Brought To Life

Grades: K-1

Day: Thursday

Location: Auditorium

Tuition: \$260 (14 classes)

Materials Fee: \$10

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

Note: No class 10/1

Have you ever wanted to act the part in any of the stories that you read? This is your chance to bring some of your favorite books to life through drama. Together we will read books such as *Koala Lou*, *The Relatives Came* and *The Day the Teacher Went Bananas*. Then, we will bring each book to life by acting out the story. We will show off our creative interpretations of the stories when we put on a performance at the end of the semester for our parents and friends.

Heidi Sawicki, a Beach fourth grade teacher, has studied dance and movement all of her life. Trained as a dancer, Ms. Sawicki performed modern dance professionally in Minneapolis and New York City and continues to study dance in the East Bay. She currently includes creative dance and drama in her classroom curriculum.

Mad Science

Grades: K-3

Day: Thursday

Location: Multi-Purpose Room

Tuition: \$200 (12 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 11 students

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

Note: This class ends at 4:10 pm, and does not meet in January.

Come join Mad Science of Mt. Diablo and do a whole lot of learning that seems like a whole lot of play. You will have fun with hands-on experiments, learning how to explore, question and test your theories.

This fall, Mad Science presents Engineering Mania and the Extraordinary Earth! As a "junior engineer," use triangles and trusses to build bridges and explore skyscrapers, experience centripetal force and gravity, and investigate air pressure. Later in the semester, explore our amazing planet! See how plants turn sunshine and water into nutrients, and learn about the role plants play in the air we breathe. Discover the importance of weather and how it affects us. Investigate the power of magnets. Uncover how rocks and gems are formed, and peek beneath the earth's crust. Find out how fossils are made.

Mad Science of Mt. Diablo aims to spark the imagination and curiosity of children through fun, hands-on science programs that instill a clear understanding of what science is really about and how it affects the world around them.

Movin' & Groovin' Animation

(Two class times offered)

After-Lunch Class (1:00-2:30 pm)

Grade: *Morning Kindergartners Only*

Day: Monday

Location: Library

Tuition: \$250 (13 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 9 students

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

After-School Class (3:00/3:10-4:30 pm)

Grades: K-1

Day: Monday

Location: Library

Tuition: \$250 (13 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 9 students

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

Join Freshi Films for animation classes designed for little ones! Using action figures and legos, kids learn how to make

a character come to life and move. Together they create and shoot a short film with lots of action and plenty of giggles. Students should bring a memory stick on the last day of class if they wish to take home a copy of their work.

PLEASE NOTE: The 1:00 p.m. after-lunch class is available to *morning kindergartners only*. We are offering the identical class at 3:00 p.m. to *all* kindergartners and first graders. Morning kindergartners may enroll in either class, but not both classes.

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Sewing, Knitting and Fabrication

Grades: K-3

Day: Tuesday

Location: Book Room (near the library)

Tuition: \$260 (14 classes)

Materials Fee: \$30

Minimum enrollment: 8 students

Maximum enrollment: 12 students

Students will learn basic sewing including different stitches, buttons, sequence and the use of patterns. They will learn how to alter clothing using fabric paints/markers and applications, and will learn knitting and purling. Younger students who may not have the fine motor skills to knit with needles will learn to finger knit instead. Participants will make several projects to take home and use!

Selena Wilson has been sewing since she was a child. She has worked at Beach Schoolmates since August 2004, where she first started teaching knitting and sewing. These projects were so popular among students that she began teaching the after-school sewing and knitting class in 2005.

Stop-Motion Commotion Animation

Grades: 2-3

Day: Monday

Location: Art Room

Tuition: \$250 (13 classes)

Materials Fee: --

Minimum enrollment: 9 students

Maximum enrollment: 15 students

Freshi Films' Stop-Motion Animation is a hands-on, immersive experience that gives kids a chance to create an animated film. Using paper cut outs, legos and action figures, kids create characters and a story that they then bring to life. Together they imagine, plan, shoot and edit their own films. Although similar to the Movin' and Groovin' Animation classes offered to younger students, this class provides a more in-depth animation experience geared for second and third graders. Students should bring a memory stick on the last day of class if they wish to take home a copy of their work.

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