

2nd-3rd grade homeschool co-op class ideas

These class descriptions are from many years of my homeschool enrichment co-op in Texas. They are not full lesson plans; just ideas for you to consider!

The basic class kit for this grade level is crayons, safety scissors, pencil, and glue sticks.

Look for other ideas on my website at nickitruedell.com.

Hank the Cowdog (2-3)

Students! Get ready to laugh out loud as you listen to a reading of *Hank the Cowdog* & hear about his investigations as “head of Ranch Security”. Parents – Hank usually teaches a good life lesson, too.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Let's Go Wild (2-3)

Using the new *Let's Go Wild* curriculum from *Project Wild* we will explore nature through literature, math, science, music, & crafts. This class will include a field trip to the Johnson Branch State Park at Lake Ray Roberts.

Fee: \$4

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: light

Animal Hour (2-3)

Do you love animals? Can you do a good chicken impression? Would you do a trick for a doggie biscuit? With “paws on” activities, we will explore a different animal each week. We will discuss why animals are important & how they are blessings to our world & lives.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Famous Indian Tribes (2-3)

In this class we will study tribes from the Northwest coast across the plains all the way to the Eastern Woodland Indians. While learning about tribal customs, we will be eating Indian foods, making a book, & doing crafts.

Fee: \$6

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, 1 Paper towel roll

Homework: light

Spelling Bee (2-3)

Join this class to practice spelling words & have an old-fashioned good time. Each student must write legibly on one worksheet during class & be ready to participate in a spelling bee with the other students. The last one standing at the end of each class will earn a prize! A list of 12 words will be sent home each week for students to practice.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Pencils, Folder

Homework:light, 1 list per week

22. Swimming Creatures (2-3)

Continued study of God's swimming creatures. We will do science experiments along with adding facts, journal, books, & make clay creatures for our ocean boxes.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, 12 extra glue sticks

Homework: light

23. Dance for the Lord (2-3)

And their children dance. Job 21:11 Join us as we learn how to praise God by dancing to praise & worship music. *It's time to dance. Ecclesiastes 3:4*

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Workout clothes

25. Appreciating Fine Arts (2-3)

Fine arts appreciation using *Apprentice Arts Volume One*. You don't have to be an artist or musician to appreciate the arts and gain a "sophisticated & thorough understanding with purposeful & fun-filled lessons".

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, Smock or old shirt

Homework: none

26. Cub Scouts (2-5)

Cub Scouting is where boys learn about being a good citizen, how to respect others, & having goodwill toward your community. They will participate in fun outdoor activities from games, flag ceremonies, attend field trips, & much more. Join us in the adventure of Scouting!

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, Scout uniform & handbook

Homework: light

27. Tae Kwon Do (2-3)

Students will learn beginning Tae Kwon Do including punching, kicking, & blocking.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: none

History Pockets: Ancient Civilizations (2nd-3rd)

Bring history alive as students explore the fascinating past by making the interactive projects in History Pockets. Students store the projects in easy-to-make construction paper pockets that are wonderful portfolios for assessment and display.

Fee: \$6.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:None

Soccer (2nd-3rd)

We will learn/review the basics of soccer and enjoy lots of outdoor exercise. (Bottled water will be provided this semester).

Fee: \$1.00

Supplies: Athletic shoes, shin guards

Homework:none

25. Yeah 4-H (2nd-3rd)

We will explore many of the projects available through 4-H using the 4-H curriculum.

Fee: \$5.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:none

26. Exploring Creation Through Zoology 2: Swimming Creatures of the 5th Day (2nd-3rd)

Zoology 2 is an introduction to the incredible world of swimming animals. We will complete a lap book. We will be doing activities and projects that will make each lesson come alive. I will also be trying to schedule a trip to the Dallas Aquarium.

Fee: \$10.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit.

Homework:none

27. Sarah, Plain and Tall (2nd-3rd)

We will be reading the novel, Sarah, Plain and Tall aloud as a class. We will complete a variety of activities related to both the novel and pioneer life. A copy of the book is optional. Students must be able write sentences independently.

Fee: \$2.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:none

28. Lewis & Clark: Their Journey of Discoveries (2nd-3rd)

The Lewis & Clark Expedition was a milestone in American History – a brave, bold adventure that paved the way for the fledgling nation’s stretch from sea to shining sea and yielded vital contributions to the natural sciences. This history class will include fun doses of geography,

botany, earth science and good ole American creativity as we retrace the route of the Corps of Discovery, prepare a plant identification book, study the lunar cycle, explore bird dances and make a buffalo mask. All crafts will be age appropriate. Weather, time and interest allowing, we may also plan a Saturday field trip to explore animal tracks. If we have homework it will be very light – perhaps one topic/student to research and share in class.

Fee: \$4.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:light

My American Journey...From Colonies to Country with George Washington by Deborah Hedstrom-Page (2nd-3rd)

Using their own copy of this wonderful book, students will be learning all about George Washington. The book is a delightful journey documenting the birth of our nation. Each week we will read aloud from the book and write as well. Some weeks we will watch a short video about our first President and some weeks we will allow the students to have a brief show and tell. BOOK will be on display during SIGN UPS!

Fee: \$5.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, (THEY WILL RECEIVE A COPY OF THE BOOK AS A PART OF THEIR CLASS FEE- HOWEVER- I WILL not be able to carry them for the kids each week, so they must bring the book. If they do not bring it, they can still attend- it will just be harder for them to follow along while we read.)

Homework:light - possible research type

Searching For Treasure (2nd-3rd)

Study in Proverbs, learning through lesson, song, game and craft.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:none

American Girl – Meet Josefina (2nd-3rd)

Meet Josefina an American Girl from 1824. We will learn about life in early New Mexico with reading, crafts, and cooking. We will also learn about Josefina's world with map activities. We will plan a field trip to the American Girl Store and Bistro at the Galleria Mall in Dallas on March 21st, which is the off week for this semester. The field trip is optional.

Fee: \$8.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:none

Jesus! The One and Only! (2nd-3rd)

This is a children's Bible study of Jesus' life by Beth Moore. This class will help children understand the life of Jesus and what it means to them. Children will have opportunities to use their Bibles. There will be a video segment during each class. The material covered is: God's plan, Jesus' birth, His baptism, the Sermon on the Mount, calming the storm, and the transfiguration. We will play games, read stories of Jesus, learn Bible verses, work on Bible skills, and learn facts about the culture of Jesus' time.

Fee: \$6.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, Bible, 3-ring binder

Homework:light

Across America (2nd-3rd)

Travel across the United States with stories, learning about the different regions of our great country. Crafts, games and other activities will enhance our trip across America.

Fee: \$8.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework:none

The Human Body: God's Amazing Design (2nd-3rd)

We will study the body's systems using various activities and resources, and each student will end up with a life-size model of their own body that they've made themselves!

Fee: \$5.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit (very important each week!)

Homework: none

Reader's Theater (2nd-3rd)

Reader's Theater is a fun way to turn literature into a script. We will read out loud and complete activities to support the text. We will perform at Night of Enrichment.

Fee: \$2.00

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, a black shirt for Night of EC

Homework: very light

PAINT BY MATH (2nd-3rd)

We will be painting pictures by math; half math, half painting. Goal: work on math problems and have fun painting.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Water color set

PRIMA LATINA (2nd-6th)

Prima Latina is a preparatory Latin course created for elementary students. It mixes English Grammar and beginning Latin in a simple, repetitive format. We will introduce conjugations, declensions, and derivatives as well as Latin vocabulary and the 7 parts of speech. We will also memorize Latin prayers to aid in the process. (Moms, don't be intimidated! We make it pretty simple. It just sounds impressive!)
Class Goal: Over 2 semesters, we will learn 7 parts of speech, multiple Latin prayers, Latin vocabulary, numbers, etc.

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic Kit Homework: Moderate

MESSIANIC DANCE (2nd-12th)

We will dance to praise music, exercising our minds, bodies and souls. Come learn Messianic dance routines that allow us to worship God through dance. Absolutely NO dance skills are required. Anyone can do this. Class Goal: We will learn multiple dance routines, practice co-ordination, and praise God all at the same time.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Shoes that you can move and spin in.

THANKGIVING LAPBOOK (2nd-3rd)

Students will learn about the first Thanksgiving and make a lap book about celebrating and giving thanks for all things. We will practice cutting, coloring and handwriting. Class Goal: Students will demonstrate an understanding of the hardships the Pilgrims encountered on the Mayflower.

Fee: \$3

Supplies: Basic Kit

BALL GAMES AUSSIE STYLE (2nd–3rd)

Children will learn about Australian sports/ball games with a focus on sportsmanship, teamwork and basic ball skills. Class Goal: Children should gain confidence as they gain more skills with the ball.

Fee: \$0

GRAMMAR GAMES (2nd–3rd)

This class is a fun and simple setting for learning sentence structure, parts of speech, and punctuation. Students will identify and use the important parts of sentences with simplest methods, such as games and hands-on activities. They will create notebooks to keep track of what they

learn. Students in this class must be able to read on approximately a 2nd grade level (example: Frog and Toad). Very basic reading and writing will take place in class with assistance from the teacher. Class Goal: Students should be able to recognize and use the basics of sentence structure such as parts of speech, capital letters, and simple punctuation.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Kit

MAGIC SCHOOL BUS SCIENCE (2nd–3rd)

We will be exploring science using the Magic School Bus video series. Each week we will do an activity or experiment that will reinforce what we saw in the video. We will learn about physical science, earth science, biology and more. Class Goal: Motivate children's interest in science while having fun.

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic Kit

PROKOFIEV & PICASSO (2nd–6th)

We will explore classical music while busy with our hands with different art mediums. Anything from water colors to playdough as long as it keeps us busy so we can stay focused on listening. Some weeks we will focus on the life of the composer and other weeks our focus will be more on the music the composer created. Occasionally we will even pull out the Beethoven's Wig CD and have fun with the silly lyrics that have been paired with the great classics. Each week will look a little different, but it is sure to include music and art and fun. Come prepared to listen while you play

and play while you learn. Class Goal: We will gain a basic knowledge of famous composers and their works, and foster a love of music.

Fee: \$4

Supplies: Basic Kit

THE UNITED STATES (2nd–6th)

Each one of the 50 United States are unique and amazing! Come and explore them all as we learn about 5 different states each week. Class Goal: Have a general knowledge of the different states, their locations and some fun facts.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

HAND SEWING (2nd–3rd)

We will learn basic sewing skills while making several small projects. Class Goal: 1) Sew on a button 2) Basic sewing skills.

Fee: \$5

LEARN TO LEARN WITH LEGOS (2ND-3RD)

We will be using the “Learn to Learn” core set from Lego Education to practice skills across five learning areas: science, language arts, mathematics, social studies, and design & engineering. Working through the teacher-developed activities will promote communication, problem solving, and critical thinking. Each student will receive their own 72-piece set which includes two minifigures and elements that will allow us to create models with movement. At the end of the semester, each student will be able to bring their set home.

Fee: \$7

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

SUPERBOOK BIBLE STORIES

Superbook teaches children moral truths and life lessons through Bible-based adventures of two children and their robot friend. The familiar and the futuristic interact with ancient people, places, and events to create personal breakthroughs as the children witness God’s interaction with man.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

THEATRE

Students will learn proper stage presence and how to use their voices and expressions to tell a story. Students will have minor homework of memorizing lines each week (about 1-2 sentences a week). They will participate in making props and lifting up and encouraging each other to succeed. At the end of the semester, students will put on a play at the Evening of Enrichment for their families and

friends to enjoy. Teacher's Note: If a child says, "I do not want to be in the play," they will still be involved backstage, but will not be given a speaking part in the play. It is THEIR choice to participate as a speaking part, NOT the parents. I will not force a child that is shy to speak because their parents ask me to. Everyone has a comfort zone and I encourage all children to find theirs and perfect it. That's what makes this class such a success to the children.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light

THE CINNAMON BEAR

Come join Judy & Jimmy and the Cinnamon Bear on their adventures as they search for the Silver Star. Each week we will listen to the old radio show "The Cinnamon Bear," and work on crafts to create a mobile of various characters of the story. This story will prepare everyone for Christmas.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

AMERICAN FOLK (ON STAGE)

We'll sample America's rich heritage of folklore (Appalachian home remedies, anyone?), tall tales (Davy Crockett, Johnny Appleseed, Pecos Bill and John Henry) and camp songs (Buffalo Gal, Billy Boy, When I First Came to this Land); craft a book; and memorize a classic or two (Casey at the Bat!) for on-stage performance at Evening of Enrichment.

Fee: \$6

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light (some memory work for Evening of Enrichment)

LITTLE GARDENERS

It's so important for our little ones to learn where our produce comes from and the work it takes to grow it. We will learn how to care for plants from the planting to the harvest. We will be doing lots of hands-on activities and even plant our own seeds to watch throughout the semester.

Fee: \$2

Supplies: Basic Class Kit; Primary Journal creative story tablet

EDIBLE ART

Do you love art? Love playing with your food? We will enjoy both! Join us to create art you can eat.

Fee: \$20

Supplies: Basic Kit

SCIENCE DETECTIVES

We will learn several skills used by forensic investigators. We will use critical thinking, deductive reasoning, observation, and comparative analysis while learning about fingerprints, code breaking, mystery substance investigation and many other fun experiments.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

SHOW & TELL

Each week students will bring an item from home to show the class. They will take turns telling about their items.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

SIMPLY DRAWING

Step-by-step DVD drawing lessons designed to give children confidence in drawing, regardless of any previous experience. Children will learn to sketch, shade, and blend to create different animals, people, and scenes. I will purchase the sketch pads needed. Each child will need a drawing pencil, eraser, and colored pencils.

Fee: \$6

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, drawing pencils, colored pencils, eraser

MUSIC APPRECIATION FOR THE YOUNG LISTENER

We will be introducing the great composers, and becoming familiar with some of their most noted works using a variety of resources created specifically with the young listener in mind. Utilizing audio stories, reading biographical books, coloring portraits of composers, and of course listening to the great music will be just a few of the ways we explore how composers have contributed to the world around us.

Expect a musical instrument petting zoo, as well as guest speakers demonstrating their instruments. It's sure to be a fun semester, with variety to keep it interesting.

Fee: \$4

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

WATERCOLOR PAINTING

Explore the world of watercolor painting as you experiment with quality paints, brushes, watercolor papers, and many different watercolor techniques (blending and mixing of colors, transparency, washes, layering, wet-on-wet/dry, and dry brush).

Paint landscapes, seascapes, flowers, animals, and other subject matter that inspires you. No artistic background is necessary, but serious students only, please.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, Paint Shirt

CONSIDERING GOD'S CREATION

In this class, we will learn about God's creation. We will make a notebook and do fun activities. We will learn about rocks & minerals, the plant kingdom, insects, fish, birds, and mammals.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

LATCH HOOK RUG MAKING

Students should be able to master the basic technique of latch hook rug making. They should also gain knowledge in use of rugs and hone skills on following instructions for a project.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Latch Hook tool kit - 12x12 size

CURSIVE

Let's practice cursive and work on our letter formation! We will also work on reading cursive letters.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

SCRIPTURE MEMORY

We will learn and memorize scripture by listening to the "Seeds Family Worship: Seeds of Courage" CD.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

RUN, JUMP, PLAY

Come get the wiggles out in this class. We will devote time to old favorite activities (jump rope, tag, etc.), as well as free play. You'll be free to shake out the sillies in this class.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

MAGIC TREEHOUSE (2nd-3rd)

We will be reading the first three Magic Tree House books: Dinosaurs Before Dark, Knight at Dawn, and Mummies in the Morning and preparing a related craft.

Students will be assigned some reading at home. Class Goal: Improving reading skills and comprehension while getting a feel of the time periods involved.

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic kit

DRAW WRITE NOW (2nd–3rd)

In Draw Write Now, students will write and illustrate their own books with a barn yard theme. Class Goal: Students will learn drawing techniques and improve their writing skills.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Kit

LIBERTY'S KIDS (2nd-3rd)

We will be watching the Liberty's Kids videos and talking a bit about the American Revolution. A class to learn some basic information regarding the foundation of our country, in a fun story. Each week we will watch two episodes and have a bit of discussion about them and answer some questions. Class Goal: We will work through half of the 40 Liberty's Kids episodes and have a basic knowledge of the American Revolution and some of the key points during it.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

TAE KWON DO (2nd–3rd)

We will learn beginning Tae Kwon Do skills including kicks, punches, and blocks. Then we will work on putting those moves together. Class Goal: To learn beginning self defense skills and self-control.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Athletic clothes

Homework: Light

LEARNING BY SONG (2nd-3rd)

In Learning by Song, students will learn how to sing to recite all books of the Old and New Testament. We will also learn the names of all 50 US States and the Presidents in order. Class Goal: Students will be able to remember the names of all 50 states and Presidents in order, and recite all the books of the Bible.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

LITTLE BUILDERS (2nd–3rd)

Let's build! In this class, we will have fun with STEM concepts by building towers, bridges, buildings, tunnels, and more. We'll also read books, explore tools, and experiment. Class Goal: Enjoy experimenting with science, technology, engineering, and math!

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

SCOOTER-RAMA (2nd–6th)

Learn basic scooter safety. Have fun riding scooters with friends. If you need to borrow a scooter, we can arrange it. Class Goal: How to be safe and have fun on a scooter

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Scooter & helmet, closed toed shoes

“PLAY BALL!” (2nd–3rd)

Students will be playing team “ball” games such as kickball, dodge ball, soccer, and baseball. Games will be played out- side unless weather prevents such activity.

Class Goal: Have fun playing “ball” games with friends. Get some fun exercise.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

THE HUMAN BODY AND BODY SYSTEMS (2nd–3rd)

In this class, we will cover many of our body parts: brain, lungs, heart, trachea, stomach, pancreas, liver, gallbladder, small and large intestines, kidneys, and more. We will learn where each part is located and its function in our body. We will learn about the functions of our body systems such as digestive system, nervous, system, urinary system, and respiratory system. Each week the students will be engaged in fun activities and do hands-on projects. For the students that are interested, they may give a short presentation over a body system during the evening of enrichment. Class Goal: Each child should be able to name and locate the main organs of the human body and describe its function by the end of the 10-week program.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Kit w/ colored pencils

LITTLE HOUSE IN THE BIG WOODS (2nd–6th)

Little House in the Big Woods is a treasure trove of pioneer living stories! Each week in class, we will read one or two chapters of the book, and then do activities from the story. The fun will include cooking and tasting foods, re-creating projects from the story, and learning about the history and geography of Laura’s life and the eastward movement. Class Goal: The goal of this class is to learn about American pioneer life through the stories of Laura Ingalls Wilder and hands-on activities.

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic Kit

ESTHER-ORDINARY FAITH: A KIDS’ MUSICAL (2nd–12th) – 2-hour Class

Esther-Ordinary Faith: A Kids’ Musical for Such a Time as This Written and Created by Kathie Hill. In the musical, a fictional scribe, Zerox, details Esther becoming queen through God’s intervention in Haman’s plot and Mordecai’s appointment as the king’s adviser. As Zerox tells the story, he experiences the

testimony of Esther and develops his own faith in God and His grace. All this is done through songs and witty dialogue between these characters and the residents of Susa. The musical will require 9 speaking parts, 8 solos, and 2 directors. The first day of class will be auditions for speaking parts, solos, and directors. Class Goal: The musical will help students understand the sovereignty of God and the confidence we can have in trusting Him with the greatest of problems by displaying our own Esther-Ordinary Faith!

Fee: \$20

Supplies: Basic kit Homework: Moderate

RUN, RUN, RUN

Children will play running games, relays and ball games. Class Goal: Children should learn teamwork and sportsmanship while improving gross motor skills and fitness.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic kit, running footwear

SCRIPTURE ART (2nd–3rd)

The kids will be taking scripture and drawing art around it. They will either be using crayons, colored pencils, or paint to complete their own masterpiece. Class Goal: Improve fine motor skills and help learn scripture while creating keepsakes.

Fee: \$2

Supplies: Basic kit w/ colored pencils

Soccer

We will learn/review the basics of soccer and enjoy lots of outdoor exercise. (Bottled water will be provided).

Fee: \$1.00

Supplies: Athletic shoes, shin guards

Homework: none

My Father's Dragon (2-3)

A unit study using the Newberry Honor book "My Father's Dragon" by Ruth Stiles Gannett. We will read a chapter each week in class. We will use our imaginations and learn some reasoning skills, map and just have fun.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

"Faith Keepers" (2-6)

Faith Keepers is a class for girls only. It is designed to introduce girls to dozens of practical skills in many different areas such as homemaking, crafts, Biblical girlhood, nature, recreation, etc. and for the girls to master many of these and earn badges to show their mastery. Between 4-6 new skills will be taught each semester by me or other EC moms who have knowledge of specific skill and can volunteer one

to two EC days to teach their skill. Skills will be chosen from the “Keepers at Home” Handbook, available online at KeepersoftheFaith.com. This will be an ongoing group, and those families that choose may order badges or pins for their daughter to display her mastered skills. Examples of skills include candlemaking, cross stitch, crochet, hygiene, etiquette, letter writing, rubber stamping, etc. There are literally dozens of skills for us to choose from each semester. Girls may also work on specific skills at home on their own, separate from the ones taught at EC. These include Bible memory, Bible reading, journaling, Church work, etc. I Timothy 4:12 – “Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity”. The Faith Keepers motto: “Lord help me to have a patience diligence and a teachable spirit as I work to master different crafts and skills which will enable me to share your love with others and to someday be a proper keeper of my home.”

Fee: \$25

Supplies: Keepers at Home Handbook(\$15.95), 3 ring binder, pen/pencil

Homework: Light

Classical Music Stories (2-3)

We will explore the exciting world of Classical Music through ten different composers from around the world. While listening to the music, we will learn about the instruments of the orchestra, make crafts and learn about the history at the time the pieces were composed.

Fee: \$4

Supplies: Basic Class Kit & Listening Ears

Educational Games (2-3)

Let’s have fun while learning. We will get a chance to play all our favorite games with our friends while we learn at the same time.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: None

Sports, Sports, Sports (2-3)

Sports, sports, sports: This will be a fun filled hour of kick ball, soccer, baseball and about any other sport the students would like to play.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Comfortable shoes

State of Mind (2-3)

Come explore different states in the US with us! We will learn the facts about one state each week, including state capital, tree, bird, etc. Geography and unique feature of the state will also be taught. There will be a fun activity to wrap each class.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Biology Basics (2-3)

Your child will be introduced to the wonderful world of biology! We will study life, cells, plants, butterflies, and frogs. Each week will consist of reading about a biology concept and then doing an experiment.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Make a Zoo & Puppets Too! (2-3)

We will make a zoo of stuffed felt animals and sock puppets while learning basic sewing skills. For students from last semester who want to take this class we will have some new projects.

Fee: \$7

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Skittles (2-3)

Skittles is a fun, simple method for taking the fear and frustration out of learning math. We will use everything from fingers and feet to Skittles and sweet treats to learn and review place value, rounding, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division and simple geometry. We will play games in teams and as individuals, too.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Notebook

Community Field Trips (2-3)

Let's go on a field trip! We will learn about our community as we visit the following locations: police station, fire station, hospital, veterinary clinic, bakery, post office, auto garage and more.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: None

Art Smorgasbord (2-3)

We will experiment with different media, i.e. watercolor, pastels, conte, charcoal, etc. We will create artwork to display in our homes to uplift our families and share our talent. The older class will learn about famous artists' pieces and copy their style.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic

Signing Time (2-3)

Come join us for Signing Time! Each week we will watch a DVD from the popular Signing Time sign language series and then practice using our newly learned signs.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic

Music and More (2-3)

This class will introduce the student to basic musical terms such as note names, values, dynamics, clefs, and more. Children will complete a worksheet during each class and then we will use our hands to clap some rhythms for practice. For the second half of class, there will be some fun Christian songs with options to practice using our voices. Homework, which is optional, will consist of practicing rhythm at home or reviewing note names.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic

Scientific Method (2-3)

We will spend the semester honing our thinking skills as we learn about the Scientific Method. Each week we will use an in-class experiment to apply the various steps of the Method. We will learn many science concepts as we move toward our primary goal of discovering how to think critically “like a scientist.” By the 5th week, students will be encouraged, but not required, to begin a science fair project at home. A how-to packet will be sent home with a list of sources for helping the parent with this project. Each student’s Science Fair Project will be displayed at the Night of Enrichment. All Science Fair Projects will be done independently of class. This is a chance for you and your student to “do some science.” If you would like to use this opportunity to encourage other students in your home to do a Science Fair Project, we will be glad to display all projects at Night of Enrichment.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Moderate/Heavy (depending on how much parents want to do)

Talent Show (2-6)

We will use our class time to plan, organize, and practice our gifts or talents for the Evening of Enrichment. Students may work together or alone on a skit, play a duet on the piano, sing, dance, play their instrument, tell jokes, do magic, etc. We will work together to help each other practice our talents.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: None

Homework: Practicing talent at home

Celebrating Advent (2-6)

In this class, we will discuss the season of Advent with its focus on the birth of Christ while making a felt Advent banner and ornaments. This banner continues through to Epiphany.

Fee: \$10 (this includes book and supplies)

Supplies: None

Homework: Light (a few questions about family traditions and any craft not finished in class)

Kingdom Karaoke (2-6)

Do you have some favorite Christian songs you love to sing? Here is your chance to sing to the music of many popular Christian artists. We have 54 songs to choose from. Come join the fun!

Fee: \$5

Supplies: None, except the desire to sing!

Homework: None

Animal Safari (2-3)

This class is all about animals and their habitats. We will take a look at a different animal each week. We will learn about their characteristics, their diets, their habitats, and any other interesting information about the animal. We will then make a replica of the animal using modeling clay, which we will display along with their habitats on Evening of Enrichment.

Fee: \$12

Supplies: None

Homework: None

Puppets (2-3)

Let's start learning about puppetry! Puppetry is the art of learning the basic techniques of operating a puppet and how to present a puppet show. We will learn the five basic techniques of puppetry and practicing exercises to help your technique. We will put on a puppet show.

Fee: \$10 (for the puppet)

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light - practicing at home

Christians Around the World (2-6)

This will be a study of what the Bible says about persecution, as well as 5 countries where people are being persecuted for their faith today. This study will encourage learning scripture, staying alert, standing firm in the faith of the gospel of Jesus, and how to prepare to stand firm in the faith. Based on a Voice of the Martyrs study designed for young children.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

NIFTY FIFTIES (2nd-6th)

The incredible decade of the fifties brought us Hula Hoops, Disneyland, Rock and Roll, and so much more that helped shape the world we live in today. We are going to learn about a variety of things that started in the 50s. We will also be making

props and practicing our performance for the Evening of Enrichment including dancing, skits, and lots of fun!

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light

MUSIC APPRECIATION FOR THE YOUNG LISTENER

We will be introducing the great composers and becoming familiar with some of their most noted works using a variety of resources created specifically with the young listener in mind. Utilizing audio stories, reading biographical books, coloring pictures of composers and instruments, and of course listening to the great music will be just a few of the ways we explore how composers have contributed to the world around us. We will also spend time focused on the orchestra itself, highlighting an instrument some weeks and studying instrument families and how they make up the orchestra. It's sure to be a fun semester with variety to keep it interesting.

Fee: \$4

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

SIMPLY DRAWING

New step-by-step drawing lessons designed to give children confidence in drawing, regardless of any previous experience. Children will use precut shapes and household objects to help with drawing. I will purchase sketch pads, colored pencils, and construction paper that is needed. Each child will need drawing pencil, eraser, and scissors.

Fee: \$6

Supplies: Basic Class Kit; pencil, eraser, scissors

INTRODUCTION TO ASL

For this class we will be trying our hands at American Sign Language. We will cover the basics through games and review each week. Students will learn finger spelling and simple vocabulary. We will also cover any specific words requested by students.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

HAND SEWING

This class will work on basic sewing skills while making several small projects including puppets and pillows.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

A CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE

In this class, we will take a trip to New York City with a cricket as our companion...in our minds of course. This will be a very laid-back class. Expect a story hour environment as we read and explore the novel “A Cricket in Times Square.” We will spread out a quilt and pretend it’s our magic carpet as our imaginations take us to Times Square. Some weeks we will do an applicable project as well. Some weeks we will simply relax with a good book and a snack. All weeks we will have fun. Reading will take place during class as a read aloud, so no homework should be involved unless we have a snow day. The teacher will do the reading, so no reading is required by the students.

Fee: \$3

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

AUTHOR AND ILLUSTRATOR

In this handwriting/drawing class, students will make two storybooks using the “Draw Write Now” course. Students will make a book about life on the farm, and a book about kids and critters. Their books will be displayed at the Evening of Enrichment.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

LEARN TO DRAW

Every child can learn to draw beautiful pictures when the instructions are given in small steps. Starting with basic people, we will draw real and make-believe people, animals, and places. Students will learn how easy it is to create detailed art and create exciting pictures and scenes.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit; pencils, colored pencils, blank sketchbook

Where in the World is Felix? (2-3)

We begin this geography class reading the story of a rabbit named “Felix” that gets lost in the airport and ends up traveling all over the world. Through his travel letters we will learn in a fun way about each country he visits. Each child will create a travel journal to write and draw important facts about each country as well as map his travels. We will design our own postcards, mail letters to relatives, create flags, draw and write about the place we would like to visit the most and even eat some orange rabbit food. After we study each of the countries that Felix visited, we will have a party to welcome him home on the last day of class!

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: none

Beginning Public Speaking with Show & Tell (2-3)

We will learn basic public speaking skills by bringing items for show and tell. Your child can learn stage presence and grow in confidence at this young age.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: light

Character First (2-3)

We will be learning a new character trait each week using examples from nature, animals and stories from history. We will learn the definition, a poem and practical applications of character traits. We will also do a craft pertaining to the trait we are Learning.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Crafty Creations (2-3)

Come ready to use your creative muscles as we create different crafts for the upcoming holidays. You can use them for gifts for your family and friends or use them to decorate your room or home! Whatever you decide let's have fun doing it!

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Will have an added list at the time of sign ups

Homework: None

Pyramids! (2-3)

Join me on a journey back in time, where kids can actively experience the wonders of an ancient society that in many ways was more modern than today's.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Sunday on a Friday (2-3)

Starting off with music, we will be studying Old & New Testaments in a fun way. Some content covered: Joshua, Rahab, Jericho, Jesus Stills the Storm, Transfiguration, Lazarus & Rich Man, Lepers, Zacchaeus, & more. This will be a fast-paced class with music, crafts, work sheets, stories, games, & skills. Each week will feature a different "take home" sheet to share with family.

Fee: \$2

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: none

Fun with Spanish (2-3)

This will be a fun introduction to Spanish with games, songs, crafts, etc.

Fee: \$15

Supplies: Basic Class Kit,

Homework: light

Exotic Animals (2-3)

We will use books, video and art to study some of the most uncommon and amazing creatures God created.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, Pan/cake watercolors

Homework: none

Creative Genius (2-3)

Let's learn about basic art principles such as lines, shapes, colors, texture, and space. Once we learn about these principles, we will use what we have learned to create some masterpieces! We will be working with various mediums: paint, pencil, mosaic, etc.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit, colored pencils

Homework: None

Speech for Beginners (2-3)

This class is for both the timid speaker and the avid speaker. We will use low-stress speaking activities to ease the timid child into speaking before the class. We will also work with our avid speakers on proper presentation (eye contact, standing still, and hand gestures). We will use such activities as introducing a friend, describing how to make something, and telling about an imaginary friend. Speaking before a group is a skill to be learned and then practiced and practiced.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Character with Animals (2-3)

Using the Christian Character Animal series, we will learn about a different animal every week and the character trait they represent. At the completion of the class, students will have a book of their completed work.

Fee: \$3

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Ancient Civilizations A (2-3)

Come join us as we travel through ancient civilizations, making history come to life, while learning about Mesopotamia, Egypt, Greece, Rome, and the Aztec world. With

engaging portfolio projects, we will learn historical background facts, maps, and timelines using arts and craft projects, reading, and writing connections, all from a Christian perspective. Our portfolios will include engaging fun formats such as minibooks and 3-D paper projects.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

God's Appointed Times (2-3)

God gave the Biblical holidays to His people to teach them about Him and about their relationship. We will learn about the nine holidays, the histories, traditional observances, and so much more. Come discover the rich heritage that belongs to all Jews & Christians.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light

Classics Brought to Life (2-3)

We all love our classic stories like "Peter Rabbit," "Winnie the Pooh," and "Curious George." Well let's take an adventure and use the technology of 2014 to bring them to life. We will not only read and learn about our favorite characters, we will bring them to life through apps and games.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Cursive Success (2-3)

Good handwriting is one of the foundational skills of language development. It is also a skill that regularly goes on public display and is one of the first observable measures of school success. Cursive Success places emphasis on writing words so that fluency and speed improve. Activity pages throughout the book provide review and practice opportunities, reinforcing important language arts skills. By using a simple, continuous, vertical stroke, cursive is easy to learn because it is similar to the printed letters children have already learned.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light

Board Games (2-3)

We will play board games each week. Apples to Apples, Scrabble, Buzzword, WhooNu, Cranium, etc. You may bring a favorite game to enjoy.

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Minecraft (2-6)

In this class, students will play Minecraft. I will also give some assignments to be done mostly at home. Possible assignments will be: build something that you are studying at home and be ready to share it with the class. Examples would be: the Statue of Liberty, a village from the Middle Ages, Noah's Ark. "I am not a Minecraft expert" would be a great understatement. I expect the students to learn from each other and from research they do on their own. My role will mostly be as a facilitator. We will use creative, survival, and peaceful (no zombies).

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Laptop to bring to class (no iPads, tablets, etc), Minecraft software and account.

Homework: Moderate

LITTLE BUILDERS (2nd–3rd)

Let's build! In this class, we will have fun with STEM concepts by building towers, bridges, buildings, tunnels, and more. We'll also read books, explore tools, and experiment. Class Goal: Enjoy experimenting with science, technology, engineering, and math!

Fee: \$0

Supplies: Basic Kit

Mission Geography: Exploring the 7 continents with Felix (2-3)

Join Felix as he travels the globe to explore the 7 continents. How are they different? How are they similar? Which continent has 46 countries? Which continent is its own country? We will explore this amazing world that God made through the eyes of Felix the rabbit. By the end of the semester you will be able to locate, identify and draw the 7 continents on your own.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: Light

Art-opia (2-3)

Come learn how to draw exciting animals and other fun scenes. We'll use different mediums as well as learn some basic drawing skills.

Supplies: Crayons, colored pencils, paint smock/shirt

Homework: None

The different habitats of the Animal Kingdom (2-3)

The class will enjoy learning about animals and their habitats. We will build and create a habitat for the animal(s) we are learning about that week. Also, there will be an ant farm in class and we will observe them working in their 'habitat'. We will have caterpillars in class and watch as they change. Our grand finale will be releasing our young butterflies into their new habitat.

Fee: \$10

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Children's Choir (2-6)

Do you like to sing and perform? We will learn several songs and perform them on the Evening of Enrichment.

Fee: \$0

Supplies:

Homework: Light

Genesis for Kids-Science Experiments on Creation (2-3)

We will be exploring our world and beyond through science experiments in the order of the 7 days of Creation. There will be fun and fascinating experiments which teach interesting key science concepts which point to God's design and purpose in Creation. We will also be learning about doing science safely and what tools are needed in our "toolbox" when performing science experiments.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Frizzle Sizzle-Explore with the Magic School Bus (2-3)

Each week will engage in hands-on learning from experiments to activities. Each activity relates to one of The Magic School Bus television episodes or books which we will read or watch the first half of class.

Fee: \$7

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Chemistry Basics (2-3)

Each week will read about a basic chemistry concept and do a lab. The topics covered will be atoms, molecules, mixtures, acids and bases, molecular chains, and food and taste.

Fee: \$5

Supplies: Basic Class Kit

Homework: None

Discovering Great Artists (2-3)

We will explore great artists in terms of biographical information as well as defining their style (i.e. impressionist, abstract, etc). Then we will spend the remainder of our class time in hands on exploration creating our own works utilizing aspects of the artist's style in our projects. This will include drawing, painting (tempura and watercolors) and any other medium we develop interest in

through our studies. The main source for this class will be “Discovering Great Artists” by MaryAnn F. Kohl.

Fee: \$8

Supplies: Glue sticks, scissors, pencils

Homework: None