



## Art

**PREART      Preschool Art      Grades -1 - 1      Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 0**  
 Aimee Guzman      (815) 280-8566      aimee.guzman@gmail.com      Class Size: min 4, max 12

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Each week's art projects will revolve around a new theme and story. We will use many different colors, shapes, textures, and media. Each project will have a theme letter, color, and number to reinforce learning. Homework packets are optional. (For ages 4-6.)

**ELMART      Elementary Art      Grades 1 - 4      Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0**  
 Gail Yanik      (815) 262-3351      gailyanik@aol.com      Class Size: min 5, max 15

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Through the use of many different materials, children will create projects throughout the year. An assortment of mediums such as pencils, watercolors, tempera and acrylic paints, colored pencils, clay, and inks will be introduced in drawing, printing, sculpting, and other creative designs. Different styles of art as well as famous artists will be introduced as they relate to particular activities. Even if your child has taken this class before, new and different projects will be made. All materials will be supplied by the teacher.

## Bible

**8MARKS      8 Marks of Christian Maturity (Fall 2011)      Grades 9 - 12      Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 1**  
 Dr. Bill Cullen      bcullen@mtolivelutheran.com      Class Size: min 5, max 20

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Participants will assess their faith and its expression through Search Institute's biblical lens of 8 marks/indicators of faith maturity. They will also begin to identify the next step God is inviting them to take as they strive to grow in relationship to each mark.

**GUIDE      Guidelines for Christian Living & Witness (Spring)      Grades 9 - 12      Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0**  
 Dr. Bill Cullen      bcullen@mtolivelutheran.com      Class Size: min 5, max 20

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Participants will explore 23 Biblically based guidelines for our daily Christian living and the witness we give to all those we encounter -- those with whom we live, those with whom we work, those with whom we play. The study is meant to be not only instructional, but also challenging and highly inspirational and motivational.

**ISSUES      Issues Facing Christians Today      Grades 9 - 12      Class Fee \$85.00 Homework Hrs 4**  
 Dave Spooner      (815) 979-9665      spoonerman@comcast.net      Class Size: min 5, max 25

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We are living in complex times with many issues facing Christians today. In order to be effective in influencing and shaping the future for the cause of Christ we must understand the contextual, global, social, and personal ideologies, thoughts, and worldviews on contemporary issues from the foundation and context of our Christian faith. In so doing, the students will be well prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks to give the reason for the hope that we have. Parental attendance is encouraged throughout the semester for maximum effectiveness for at home discussions on topics related to the class.

Note: This worldview class was formerly titled, "Understanding the Times." This class is highly recommended for all high school students.

**BIBLE      Pastoral Letters      Grades 9 - 12      Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 3**  
 Dave Spooner      (815) 979-9665      spoonerman@comcast.net      Class Size: min 5, max 25

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This class will cover the "Pastoral Letters" of 1st and 2nd Timothy, Titus and Philemon. We will progress through each book verse by verse for an in depth study of Paul's instructions to those he was mentoring in the faith and ministry. This class will focus on Christian living, doctrine and leadership and will be especially helpful for those considering church ministry as a calling.

## Bible

**BWE**      **Becoming Women of Excellence**      **Grades 8 - 12**      Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 2  
Gretchen Spooner      (815) 721-1989      soar13@comcast.net      Class Size: min 5, max 25

What does it mean to be a woman of excellence in today's day and age? Today's young women are faced with challenges like none before. In this class we will be tackling issues girls are facing on a daily basis. My prayer is that our daughters will learn the skills it takes to develop a healthy self-image and that they will come away with the tools needed to keep a lifelong intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. Some of the topics that will be discussed will include modesty, relationships with parents, Sabbath rest, devotions, beauty, character, grace, mercy, and much more.

**PROVERBS**      **The Wisdom of Proverbs**      **Grades 7 - 12**      Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2  
Bob Glogowski      (815) 543-9427      cglogowski@yahoo.com      Class Size: min 5, max 20

The choices adolescence make are largely influenced by parents, peers and media. Proverbs instructs us on knowing and then doing the right thing in almost every circumstance. The goal of this class is for the student to: 1) learn to discover the treasures of Proverbs on their own, 2) to know and apply Proverbs in their daily life, 3) to seek wisdom from Proverbs all of their life.

**STGBIB**      **12 Stages of the Bible**      **Grades 2 - 6**      Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 1  
Yvonne Brandon      ybrandon@juno.com      Class Size: min 5, max 20

Have you ever wondered how Jonah, Jacob, Jeroboam, and John all fit together in the Bible? These questions and more will be answered as we learn the structure of the Bible through songs, stories, lapbooks, and games. Using songs that my husband and I wrote and recorded, we will learn key lists from the Bible, such as the days of Creation, sons of Jacob, kings of Israel and Judah, judges, prophets, and the disciples. We will work on lapbooks in class and play fun games to reinforce what we're learning. Homework will involve practicing the songs. CD, songbook, and lapbook supplies will be provided.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: scissors, glue sticks, pens, colored pencils, and regular pencils are a must.

**PSBIBLE**      **God Made the World & Me, Too!**      **Grades -1 - 2**      Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Vicki Walker      (815) 520-3102      momwalker07@aol.com      Class Size: min 5, max 18

This is a fun and unique Bible-based class for 4-7 year olds! The lessons are different each year so, alumni are welcome! Each week consists of a lesson/story, a craft, and often a game or snack. My hope is to teach the children character building values and show them love.

## Career and Business

**PREPSUC**      **Prep For Success: The Best is Yet To Come**      **Grades 11 - 12**      Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0

Liz Bockman      (815) 793-1742      bockman718@dnacom.com      Class Size: min 10, max 20

This 12 week class will challenge students to think critically about their life choices, and their power to influence, create change, and be a successful leader in their personal and professional life after high school. Four main ideas explored are: Reviewing post secondary education choices and process, Career exploration, Money management, and Relationships. In class coursework will include completing a culminating personal portfolio and a mock interview.

## Chess

**CHESS**      **Knights of the King Chess Club**      **Grades 0 - 12**      Class Fee \$25.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Janet Newby      (815) 238-7166      photo24@comcast.net      Class Size: min 4, max 24

The chess club is open to all ages and abilities. If you do not know how to play but would like to learn, join us. This class is an opportunity to play the game with other "Chessparadoes." Lessons are incorporated through the year; with an emphasis on opening, middle, and end game basic principles. Homework is optional. There are several opportunities for players K through 12th grade to participate in local citywide scholastic chess tournaments throughout the year. If you decide to play in a tournament, the cost is \$12-\$18 per tournament. The State Tournament is usually held in March and offers a very competitive opportunity for those in K-8th grade to challenge themselves and participate as a team on a statewide tournament. All tournaments are optional. All boards and pieces are provided for class each week.

## Composition

**NUTSBOLT Nuts and Bolts Writing for High School Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 5  
**Students**

Carol Burke

wiburke10@aol.com

Class Size: min 5, max 18

Pre-Requisites: fundamental knowledge of grammar and spelling; ability to write a well constructed paragraph.

Students in this class will learn basic (and not so basic) principles of good writing that can be applied to any type of writing projects. Specific instruction will include writing paragraphs and essays, organizing and writing research papers, using a seven sentence outline, condensing work, introducing and concluding topics, writing essay exam answers (THINK ACT/SAT), writing business and college application letters, producing a resume, and many other topics.

Required book: Jensen's Format Writing, Revised. ISBN 1886061297. The best price I found was Half.com (ebay) for \$12.97. Also available at Homeschoolingsupply.com, CBD, Amazon.com and others.

Recommended books/supplies: MLA style guide. There is a great one available online for the cost of your paper and ink: owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01.

1-2 inch binder with college ruled and blank computer/printer paper, black pens, #2 pencils, red pen or pencil for correcting, availability of a computer with Microsoft Word (preferable), thesaurus, dictionary. Don't buy any of those materials if you don't have them-we will share or work around another word processing program or lack of computer.

**EIW Excellence in Writing Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$130.00 Homework Hrs 4  
 John Menken (779) 537-2008 englishdocs2@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 6, max 18

This two-semester course gives junior high students and early high school students intermediate-level preparation in composition. Students learn to write paragraphs, reports, essays, and basic research papers using the MLA method. Students also learn techniques to dress up their writings, thereby making them interesting, mature compositions. Excellence in Writing adds the "Wow! factor" to students' papers.

A good understanding of basic grammar is a prerequisite for this course. Excellence in Writing follows the Hands-On English with Linking Blocks grammar course and precedes upper-level courses that require writing.

Student text is U.S. History-Based Writing Lessons, Volume 1 (code HBW-S) available for \$25 from www.excellenceinwriting.com or 800-856-5815.

\$130.00/semester is payable in lump sum or in monthly installments as follows:

\$34 / month September to December (total of \$136)

\$28 / month January to May (total of \$140)

A \$10.00 late fee applies to monthly tuitions received after the 10th of the month or the first class week of the month, whichever comes first.

**PLGC Pre-Lit Grammar and Composition Grades 7 - 9** Class Fee \$88.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 Kristi Meck kmeck@charter.net Class Size: min 8, max 15

Students will do an intensive study of grammar. We will cover the eight parts of speech and study phrases and clauses in more depth. We will proceed from writing paragraphs to writing longer compositions. Students will begin a new composition each week and revise a returned composition. (GREAT FOUNDATION FOR LITERATURE CLASSES) A 4-7 page research paper will be required. Students will read three novels per semester from a recommended reading list as an introduction to literature.

Required materials/texts: Basic Skills in English and Writing About Literature (borrow from Mrs. Meck included in class fee); A Beka Grammar and Composition III 2001 4th edition (teacher's key #71773 and student workbook #71765); a good dictionary; thesaurus or synonym finder; 2-inch binder with dividers.

## Computer

**COMPUTER Introduction to Computer Programming** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 4

Steve Brandon sbrandon@rockvalleybiblechurch.org Class Size: min 3, max 12

This class offers an introduction to computer programming, using Visual Basic as the tool. Foundational to all computer use is a fundamental understanding of how computers work. Programming is the best way to learn how data is stored, manipulated and used to achieve the end results desired. Those who grasp computer programming will be best equipped to do any computer work.

We will write programs that use all of the basic Windows controls: forms, buttons, text boxes, labels, radio buttons, check boxes, menus, etc. We will also learn the basics of programming using standard programming techniques: variables, arrays, if/then/else statements, for/next statements, do/loop statements, functions, subroutines, etc. We will work with the standard data types: boolean, string, integer, double. We will do more fun stuff like this. As we will use Microsoft's Visual Basic Express Edition (which is a free download from microsoft.com), Mac computers are acceptable only if they run Windows.

Required text: Microsoft Visual Basic 2008 Express Programming for the Absolute Beginner (No Experience Required), by Jerry Lee Ford, ISBN 978-1598639001 (\$20 on Amazon)

Pre-requisite: completion of Algebra

Homework will require reading the textbook and writing programs. Time will vary from student to student.

## Etiquette

**ETIQU2 In Search of Character: Part 2 (Spring 2012)** **Grades 3 - 12** Class Fee \$63.00 Homework Hrs 0

Liz Bockman (815) 793-1742 bockman718@dnacom.com Class Size: min 10, max 20

(Formally known as Advanced Etiquette). This is a 12-week class for those students who would like to have the confidence of navigating other social opportunities beyond everyday social situations. The course will cover the history of etiquette, the social skills for fine dining and entertaining, communicating electronically, art of letter writing, special occasions such as weddings and funerals, tea and business etiquette. The semester fee includes all supplies.

**ETIQU1 In Search of Character: Part 1 (Fall 2011)** **Grades 3 - 12** Class Fee \$63.00 Homework Hrs 0

Liz Bockman (815) 793-1742 bockman718@dnacom.com Class Size: min 10, max 20

(Formally known as Everyday Etiquette.) This 12 week fun and interactive program introduces, teaches and reinforces the building blocks of character, the benefits of respectful behavior, and leadership skills. Students will learn the social skills needed to use at home and in all social settings from the dinner table to the classroom, public places and parties, and how to be a friend and a come again guest. Students will finish the program feeling confident and comfortable interacting successfully with adults, peers and themselves. Because social is one dimension of wellness, this course can be used as a health-related credit. The cost covers all the supplies. No homework.

**BIGMNRS Big Manners for Little People** **Grades 0 - 3** Class Fee \$40.00 Homework Hrs 0

Chris Harris watchhhseekhf@yahoo.com Class Size: min 4, max 12

We will work talk about and practice manners with simple projects and activities along with listening skills and "beginner public speaking" which we call show and tell. All children will have several opportunities to bring their new favorite item and tell us all about it. Suggested ages K-3rd grade (see instructor for other ages).

## Foreign Language

**CHINESE Beginning Chinese** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0

Tracy Cannell (815) 298-2621 cannellx8@aol.com Class Size: min 0, max 0

Tracy Cannell is teaching Beginning Chinese, one evening a week (Thursdays from 6-8 p.m.), through Rock Valley College. Cost is \$88. Contact Mrs. Cannell for more information.

## Foreign Language

**FRENCH2 French 2** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Nancy Detig (815) 901-4281 nancydetig@yahoo.com Class Size: min 5, max 25

Please see description for French I. We will use the same text: French I for Christian Schools, Bob Jones University Press. ISBN 0-89084-560-3. Tapes will be sent home for listening practice which is very important!

Prerequisite: French I.

**SPAN3 Spanish 3** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$82.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 Blanche Houston svteach@aol.com Class Size: min 1, max 25

In Spanish 3 more attention will be devoted to reading and writing than in Spanish 1 and 2. The goals are to improve conversational skills about a greater variety of topics, review verb tenses already studied, and add the future and conditional tenses and the present subjunctive. Grades will be based on homework, class participation, and oral and written quizzes. They will begin reading very short stories and short passages from the Bible and answer questions to check comprehension of those readings.

**SPAN4/5 Spanish 4/5** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$82.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 Blanche Houston svteach@aol.com Class Size: min 1, max 25

In Spanish 4 (for grades 9-12), the students will learn more vocabulary about a greater variety of topics, they will be reading and discussing more advanced material. They will read short stories of well-known authors from Spanish-speaking countries. They will also continue readings and discussing longer passages from the Bible. This class will continue practicing the tenses they have already studied and add the imperfect subjunctive and the present perfect and past perfect tenses. Grades will be based on class discussion, homework and test grades.

In Spanish 5 (grades 10-12), students will continue practicing the verb tenses and other points of grammar that they have learned in Spanish 1-4. With practice, they will gain more fluency in speaking and will also improve their skills of listening, reading and writing by reading more of the well-known authors of Spanish-speaking countries and commenting on the content of the reading and style of the author. They will also read and discuss longer passages from the Bible. This class will meet with Spanish 4. Some of their homework assignments will be more extensive or advanced than those of Spanish 4, and they may be given some leadership roles during class. This will be extra practice for the Spanish 5 student and a good example for the other students.

**SPAN2 Spanish II** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$85.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Linda Fraser (815) 978-1261 lindaf@beachwatch.net Class Size: min 5, max 25

Spanish II is a continuation of Spanish I. Most colleges require 2 years of foreign language study at the secondary level as part of their criteria for admission. The four language arts are again emphasized, and proficiency is gained in the various components of language study (reading, writing, listening and speaking). Vocabulary and conversational skills are increased, and grammar study is expanded to include additional regular and irregular verbs in the present, preterite (past), and imperfect tenses. Additional adjectives, prepositions, adverbs and other forms of speech are introduced. We will also continue to learn about Spanish-speaking cultures.

Grading is again based on homework, participation, attitude, attendance, tests, and brief oral presentations.

We will continue to use the textbook, Nuestros Amigos, which we began in Spanish I. These texts will again be loaned to the students for the year, so there will be no cost involved for the text. I am currently in the process of selecting a CD series for students to purchase at a reasonable cost for their listening exercises, and I plan to make a decision on them by early this summer, so they may be purchased before class begins in the fall.

**FRENCH1 French 1** **Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 Nancy Detig (815) 901-4281 nancydetig@yahoo.com Class Size: min 5, max 25

Emphasis will be placed on the acquisition of useful vocabulary, plus present and past tense verbs. Students will be introduced to French culture, and several methods of instruction will be utilized, incorporating the Christian faith as well as addressing various learning styles. We will practice speaking, listening, reading, and writing through traditional written and oral exercises, games, and songs. Of course, we will sample some excellent French cuisine! Tapes will be sent home weekly for listening and speaking practice. The text will be French 1 for Christian Schools, Bob Jones University Press. ISBN 0-89084-560-3.

## Foreign Language

**LATIN2 Latin 2** **Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$85.00 Homework Hrs 3

Jan Kooistra (815) 871-0046 kooistra54@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 5, max 20

Latin was the language of the Roman Empire and the foundation for all Romance languages. About one third of the words in modern English are borrowed from Latin at various stages of our history. The study of Latin makes the acquisition of other Romance languages much easier and has been proven to aid in verbal performance on college entrance exams.

Students should have a good working knowledge of English grammar, including parts of speech and word usage. The student should plan on spending 30-45 minutes daily outside of class on homework. Homework will include grammar exercises, vocabulary drill, and translation.

Text: Oxford Latin Course, Part II (Second Edition, ISBN 0195212053) Balme, Maurice and James Morwood. Oxford University Press, 1996.

**SPAN1 Spanish I** **Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$85.00 Homework Hrs 2

Linda Fraser (815) 978-1261 lindaf@beachwatch.net Class Size: min 5, max 25

In Spanish I, students are introduced to the Spanish alphabet and pronunciation. The four language arts (listening, speaking, reading, and writing) are addressed, with particular emphasis on speaking and listening. Other course goals include basic vocabulary acquisition and basic conversational skills. Students learn to conjugate verbs in the present tense, and are introduced to the preterite (past) tense. Grading is based on homework, participation, attitude, attendance, tests and brief oral presentations.

We will use the text, *Nuestros Amigos*, published by Harcourt Brace Jovanovich. I have the texts on hand, and I will loan them to students for the year. I will also be selecting CDs for listening exercises to be done at home. These will be purchased by the family for a reasonable cost.

**LATIN1 Latin 1** **Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$85.00 Homework Hrs 3

Jan Kooistra (815) 871-0046 kooistra54@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 6, max 20

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Students should have a good working knowledge of English grammar, including parts of speech and word usage. The student should plan on spending 30-45 minutes daily outside of class on homework. Homework will include grammar exercises, vocabulary drill, and translation.

Text: Oxford Latin Course, Part I (Second Edition, ISBN 0195212037). Balme, Maurice and James Morwood. Oxford University Press, 1996.

**FRENCH3 French 3** **Grades 10 - 12** Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 5

Nancy Detig (815) 901-4281 nancydetig@yahoo.com Class Size: min 3, max 25

More grammar, vocabulary, songs, culture, reading, games, and food (all in francais, bien sur!) The text will be French 2 for Christian Schools, Bob Jones University Press.

## Geography

**WGEO World Geography (2012-2013) Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 5  
TBA TBA Class Size: min 10, max 20

WORLD GEOGRAPHY WILL NOT BE OFFERED FOR THE 2011-2012 SCHOOL YEAR. WE DO PLAN TO OFFER THIS CLASS THE FOLLOWING YEAR, 2012-2013.

Geography is the study of both the physical and human features of the earth and analyzing the patterns and relationships of each. In the process, these areas of geographic study are linked to other subjects including science, history, economics, and sociology. The required text divides the earth into 10 regions emphasizing physical and cultural geography as well as current events. One of the most rewarding subjects I have taught my children is the subject of geography. One definition is: the world and all that is in it. While you can't learn everything in one year, I hope this class will be an introduction that will inspire students to a life-long interest in the study of God's creation and ALL of His people. Homework will consist of weekly reading, study questions, reports, and map work. There will be a quiz each week and some class lab work. The course includes participation in the Project Fair in the spring.

Required Text: World Geography by Glencoe/National Geographic Society, 8th edition, ISBN#0078606993; contact last year's students for used textbooks or purchase used, online.

**WHERE? Where in the World? Geography Grades 4 - 6** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 4  
Stephanie Burley (815) 298-7139 [ssburley@netzero.net](mailto:ssburley@netzero.net) Class Size: min 6, max 15

"Where in the World?" is going to be an overview of world geography. This class is challenging and fun. We will get familiar with using atlases, globes, and geographical terms. We will cover all seven continents in terms of culture (language, food, religions, and customs), climate, major land formations and bodies of water. There will also be an emphasis on the Western Hemisphere and US for the first semester. The second semester will be focused on the Eastern Hemisphere. The students will be responsible for a lap book each semester for a country of their choice that further expands these topics. Songs and games will be used to facilitate learning. Bring 1 1/2" - 3 ring binder, and colored pencils. Recommend Grades: 4th-6th, exceptions made with teacher approval. Class fee \$75 per semester (includes atlas and all copy fees).

**ARNDWRD Around the World (Our United States) Grades 1 - 3** Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Melodi Knight (815) 871-7396 [knindr2@comcast.net](mailto:knindr2@comcast.net) Class Size: min 8, max 15

Come along with us and learn about our great, big world God made!

This year, we will learn about the United States. We will learn all the states and capitals, along with some fun, interesting facts about each state. We will also learn some general world geography information. There will be minimal homework and we will provide the handouts. This class is on a 3-year rotation, so for those of you who have put your children in our class before, this year will be totally different from the past two years.

Required supplies: pencils, colored pencils, scissors, and glue sticks for classwork, plus two 2-pocket folders for turning their homework in, along with a 1" 3-ring binder to keep ALL their work in.

Please make checks payable to Stacey Wartgow. Co-taught with Stacey Wartgow.

## Government

**ECON Economics (Fall 2011) Grades 11 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5  
Sherri Cultra [s\\_cultra@yahoo.com](mailto:s_cultra@yahoo.com) Class Size: min 5, max 25

ECONOMICS taught in Fall 2011 by Sherri Cultra.

This class investigates how basic economic principles work at home, in business, in financial markets, and in government. The course stresses free market ideas and Christian economic values. There will be a class project due during this semester as well as 4-5 hours of homework per week. One parent is required to attend the first class of the semester. Parental attendance is encouraged throughout the semester for maximum effectiveness for at home discussions on topics related to economics.

REQUIRED TEXT: Economics: Work and Prosperity by ABeka., 2nd Edition. Order by calling 1-877-223-5226

## Government

**GOVT      Government (Spring 2012)      Grades 11 - 12      Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5**  
 Lawrence Jacobs      (815) 222-2490      larry@worldcongress.org      Class Size: min 6, max 30

GOVERNMENT taught in Spring 2012 by Larry Jacobs.

This course examines the foundations of American government, the principles and mechanics of a constitutional republic, state and local governments, current events, and preparation for responsible citizenship. Field trips include a local government meeting and political volunteer work. The U.S. Constitution test and Illinois Constitution test will be given.

Required Text: American Government, 2nd Edition, by ABeka. Order by calling 1-877-223-5226

## Grammar

**VOCBLD      Vocab Building for the SAT, includ.      Grades 8 - 10      Class Fee \$65.00 Homework Hrs 2**  
**Science Roots**

Cyncie Hill      (815) 979-1872      cyncie@comcast.net      Class Size: min 6, max 18

Would you be delighted with a teacher who described you as querulous, incorrigible or fastidious? Would you be pleased with a classmate who portrayed you as phlegmatic, obtuse, inane or puerile? Not sure if these words are even in the English language?! This vocab class concentrates on defining and familiarizing 15 words per week that are commonly found on the SAT. In addition, we will be committing to memory four Greek or Latin 'science' roots each week; creating study cards that include the root word, its definition and example words. Students can expect approximately 30 minutes of homework each day. Two tests will be given each week: one over the 15 vocab words, and one over all the roots learned to that point. Teacher supplies all material.

**LINKING      Hands-On English with Linking Blocks      Grades 5 - 9      Class Fee \$130.00 Homework Hrs 3**  
 John Menken      (779) 537-2008      englishdocs2@sbcglobal.net      Class Size: min 8, max 18

Hands-On English with Linking Blocks is a two-semester English course for students grade 5-9. It gives a strong foundation in the eight parts of speech and their uses in sentences. Learning becomes a hands-on experience as students manipulate colored blocks that represent words.

The course covers fundamentals of good composition, including the planning, development, and revision of good paragraphs, descriptive and narrative writing, and punctuation. Students who have taken the course have had an average grade improvement of 36 points (as much as three and a half letter grades) on grammar tests taken at the beginning and the end of the course.

\$130.00/semester payable in lump sum or in monthly installments as follows:

\$34 / month September to December (total of \$136)

\$28 / month January to May (total of \$140)

A \$10.00 late fee applies to monthly tuitions received after the 10th of the month or the first class week of the month, whichever comes first.

Each student needs a Linking Blocks Student Workbook and a Linking Blocks kit (one kit per family). Both are available from [www.linkingblocks.com](http://www.linkingblocks.com). Enter the coupon code "homeschool2011" for a discount on your online order.

**ROOTS      Rootology      Grades 5 - 8      Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 2**  
 Cyncie Hill      (815) 979-1872      cyncie@comcast.net      Class Size: min 6, max 24

This class will focus on committing to memory the Greek and Latin roots that so many of our English words contain. Each week 4 or 5 new roots will be introduced. Ten vocabulary/spelling words will be assigned (usually) based on one of the new roots. The students will be expected to memorize the definitions and spellings. Two tests will be given each week -- one over the ten vocabulary words and one over all the roots memorized to that point. Approximately 130 roots over the year will be studied. Plan on 30 minutes of homework each day. This is a two-year program that can be taken for two consecutive years or for one year only. Teacher supplies all materials.

## Health

**HEALTH      Health for High Schoolers (Spring 2012)**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee    \$0.00    Homework Hrs    0

Liz Bockman      (815) 793-1742    bockman718@dnacom.com      Class Size: min 6, max 20

Mrs. Bockman will have more information about Health for High Schoolers before the Spring 2012 registration in December. This class will fulfill a high school health requirement.

## History

**WORLDHIS      World History**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee    \$75.00    Homework Hrs    4

Melodi Knight      (815) 871-7396    knidr2@comcast.net      Class Size: min 4, max 20

We will spend this year exploring the history and cultures of various places in the world. This class will offer a challenging environment where students can develop greater skills in writing, reading, and speaking.

Required Text: From ABeka, World History and Cultures in Christian Perspective, SECOND EDITION; order new from Abeka.com, or available used from various websites such as www.half.com.

Parents/students will need to grade some of the work at home, so I will be providing an answer key booklet to each student/parent for an additional cost of \$3.00 each!

**AMHIS      American History**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee    \$80.00    Homework Hrs    5

Steve Furness      lambsvalley@comcast.net      Class Size: min 8, max 20

This class will cover U.S. history with an emphasis on post Civil War America. Homework will consist of reading, quizzes, short papers and oral presentation. The goal of this class is to give students an understanding of how American history has shaped the world we live in today.

Text: America Pathways to the Present

Modern American History

Prentice Hall

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Available used online

**HISARTS      History of the Arts**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee    \$65.00    Homework Hrs    4

Mary Schermerhorn      Class Size: min 4, max 15

New format! Formerly titled Humanities, this course includes the study of painting, architecture and music from ancient Greece up to the present. Weekly required reading assignments and quizzes will be given. Lectures, audio/visual presentations and hands-on art activities to be used in class. Final Exam each semester.

Books required: The Annotated Mona Lisa by Carol Stickland PhD. ISBN 13:978-0-7407-6872-9; Experience Music by Robert Hickok ISBN 13: 978-0-07-246244-9. (Note: Parents may wish to censor photo in "Mona Lisa" book prior to class.)

Taught by Mrs. Perrino (architecture), Mrs. Schermerhorn (art) and Mrs. Shihadah (music/drama).

## History

**MODHIST U.S. History and Geography for Junior High** **Grades 6 - 8** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 5

Michelle Spates (815) 312-6622 mickey407pier@yahoo.com Class Size: min 6, max 20

This is a solid year of U.S History. We will start with early modern times and work our way up to 1990.

Students will have 4-5 hours of homework each week. The homework will be laid out so that they can work through this on their own at home. They will be reading through their textbook, working on maps, and other worksheets and projects to enhance their studies. In class we will have detailed discussion, quizzes and trivia games to reinforce what they learned in that week's homework.

The geography will focus mainly on the western hemisphere.

Required text: The American Republic by BJU press.

Required materials: Pencils, colored pencils, 2 folders, and an eraser.

**ANCCIV Ancient Civilizations** **Grades 6 - 8** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 4

Sherri Cultra s\_cultra@yahoo.com Class Size: min 6, max 20

FALL: Greece

SPRING: Rome

This class is a survey of two ancient civilizations that have direct connections to our society today. Both civilizations were the very important historical backdrop into which Christianity grew. We will study famous men, their religion and beliefs, culture, language, and literature such as The Iliad, The Odyssey, and The Aeneid. Weekly assignments will include reading, writing, and one project per semester. We will participate in taking the National Mythology Exam in the spring and the Hallstrom Project Fair.

Require Texts: Fall Semester: Greenleaf Famous Men of Greece, Usborne Illustrated History of Greece, and D'Aulaires Book of Greek Myths. Spring Semester: Greenleaf Famous Men of Rome, Usborne Illustrated History of Rome, and D'Aulaires Book of Greek Myths.

**MEDHIS Medieval & Renaissance History** **Grades 6 - 8** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 5

Angela Finch (815) 670-3557 jefffinch@juno.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

This class covers history from A.D. 500 to 1600. It includes the lives of kings, queens, knights, monks, artists, writers, and government leaders, focusing on the impact each one had on history. We also explore life in a monastery, a castle, and a village along with specific battles and the Crusades and the Black Death. Weekly assignments include reading, writing, map work, vocabulary, a time line, and various worksheets. There are approximately 30-40 minutes of homework daily. One major project is due each semester along with some smaller projects through each semester. Occasionally we will have time for review games. Second semester (Renaissance) we will be doing several art projects, making a lap pack, reading a book about a famous Reformer (and making a mini-book about him), and either making an invention or reporting on a Medieval/Renaissance person).

REQUIRED TEXTS: Fall Semester: Famous Men of the Middle Ages (Greenleaf Press); Spring Semester: Famous Men of the Renaissance and Reformation (Greenleaf Press). Also required is The Usborne Internet-Linked Medieval World and 2 pocket folders. Students need to order their own books or borrow/rent from another family.

**HOH3 Hands on History** **Grades 4 - 6** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 2

Michelle Gustafson mgus72@yahoo.com Class Size: min 8, max 21

Do you wish you had more time to really dig in and do all those activities that make History really fun? Don't miss this class. It has been designed to compliment any curriculum used at home. We will be learning about American history through games, simulations, projects, and literature. Homework includes reading wonderful novels pertaining to this time period and integrated writing. This class is part three of a three year Hands on History cycle. \*Field Trip - Saturday, Sept. 10: Please mark on your calendars now!

## History

### AMGRLHIS American Girl History

**Grades 2 - 6**

Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 2

Janine Schneider (815) 289-9877 welovejnj@comcast.net

Class Size: min 8, max 16

Sipping tea at a colonial tea party, sewing a pioneer quilt, and singing at a Victorian mansion are just a few of the things girls will experience in this class that makes American history come alive. Four different time periods will be studied through the American Girl characters Felicity (Revolutionary War), Kirsten (Pioneer America), Samantha (Turn of the century), and Molly (World War II). In addition to learning history, the girls will experience these time periods through music, crafts, dance, role-playing, and cooking. Assignments include reading an American Girl book and completing a worksheet each week as well as keeping a timeline updated. The year will end with a mini unit on an American Girl of today - the student herself. Required books for the class are the sets of six American Girl books for each of the four characters. These books can usually be found at libraries, used book sites, eBay, and major bookstores.

### HME History of Modern Europe (2012-2013) Grades 10 - 12

Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 4

Jan Kooistra (815) 871-0046 kooistra54@sbcglobal.net

Class Size: min 10, max 15

MRS. KOOISTRA USUALLY OFFERS THIS CLASS EVERY OTHER YEAR. LOOK FOR IT IN FALL 2012-SPRING 2013.

As students of history, we tend to pay some attention to ancient history, less to the medieval period (those "Dark Ages," not so dark!), and a considerable amount to American history, although it comprises a very small fraction of the story of mankind since Adam and Eve. We give little thought to the history that is the immediate predecessor to our own, namely the history of modern Europe. This class will discuss Europe from the close of the Middle Ages until the Cold War, including the Reformation, the wars of religion, the revolutions of the 18th and 19th centuries, and the many wars between great nations. Class will be conducted as a seminar: lots of reading, lots of discussion, and lots of opportunities for independent research and presentation.

## Home Arts

### INTSEW Intermediate Sewing

**Grades 6 - 12**

Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 1

Carol Benson (815) 282-9810 morningmist1959@aol.com

Class Size: min 2, max 4

As a "You Can Make It" sewing teacher I will be implementing the most comprehensive and detailed program that teaches sewing in an incremental fashion. Your child will be able to progress at his/her pace and learn all the necessary sewing skills: such as, waistbands, zippers, darts, button holes, gathering, set-in sleeves, pockets, and more. With each new skill, they will be making their own reference notebook to refer to for years after taking the class.

PRE-REQUISITE: Completion of Beginning Sewing or an appropriate amount of previous sewing experience as determined by the teacher.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: Portable sewing machine (cleaned and oiled), sewing box with basic sewing supplies (list will be mailed over the summer).

BOOK: There are 7 levels to this program which take 1 to 2 years to complete, with each level are handouts that cost \$9.25 each. Once I determine your child's level and order the handouts I will charge the extra fee.

Patterns (along with fabric and notions) will need to be purchased with each project - I will send out a list during the summer so you have time to shop and make choices as well as catch the sales.

### BEGSEW Beginning Sewing

**Grades 5 - 12**

Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 1

Carol Benson (815) 282-9810 morningmist1959@aol.com

Class Size: min 2, max 4

Sewing is fun and rewarding, especially when you can use or wear things you've made. This class begins with the basics, from learning how to use the the sewing machine to creating one of a kind useful projects. Approximately eleven projects will be completed this year with each focusing on mastering specific sewing techniques and building upon skills learned.

Please note: occasionally there is homework; each student is responsible for finishing their assignments and bringing appropriate materials and supplies to class.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: Portable sewing machine (cleaned and oiled), sewing box with basic sewing supplies (list will be mailed over the summer).

Book: "Stitches and Pins" (for girls) "Buckles and Bobbins" (for boys) by JoAnn Gagnon.

## Home Arts

**BEGQUT Beginning Sewing & Quilting Grades 5 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Carol Benson (815) 282-9810 morningmist1959@aol.com Class Size: min 2, max 4

Learning to sew by making quilts is a fun, easy way to develop the art of sewing. Basic sewing techniques are taught centered around the quilt theme. Your child will learn both hand sewing and how to use the sewing machine. Various quilt projects are made to teach a variety of sewing skills. Each project builds on the next. Two quilts are completed in the year along with a couple of smaller projects.

Please note: Occasionally there is homework; each student is responsible for finishing their assignments and bringing appropriate materials and supplies to class.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: A portable sewing machine (cleaned and oiled), sewing box with basic sewing supplies (a supply list will be sent out over the summer).

**FABFUN Fabric Fun (2012-2013) Grades 1 - 4** Class Fee \$95.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Carol Benson (815) 282-9810 morningmist1959@aol.com Class Size: min 4, max 8

THIS CLASS WILL NOT BE OFFERED THIS YEAR. LOOK FOR IT IN FALL 2012-SPRING 2013.

This class is designed to teach young children how to sew, beginning with threading a needle and tying a knot. A variety of stitches will be taught: running stitch, overcast stitch, buttonhole, french knot, and sewing on beads & buttons. Throughout the year your child will be working on a wall hanging with 9 appliqued felt squares, as well as smaller take home projects. Fabric art is also incorporated throughout the year. Tie dyeing a t-shirt, tulip paints, stencil paint, and etc.

REQUIRED MATERIALS: A sewing box and few basic supplies - there will be a list given the first day of class. I will provide the supplies needed to make each project.

## Literature

**AMLIT American Literature and Composition Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 Jane Furness lambsvalley@yahoo.com Class Size: min 6, max 18

This course offers a comprehensive study of American Literature, pre-colonial to modern times. Students will learn of the literary movements from Puritanism to Modernism from a Christian perspective. As a composition course it will be writing intensive; students will write at least one paper every three weeks and will be instructed how to compose a standard 5-paragraph essay. This is the same essay that the ACT and SAT require in their writing portion of the exam. We will use this format throughout this course, and students will be taught useful analytic skills. Class time will be used to analyze and discuss readings. Homework will be based on readings from the textbook and chosen novels. We will read classic American novels by authors such as Hawthorne, Twain, Steinbeck, and Fitzgerald.

The required text: Readings will be based on an American Literature textbook and classic American novels.

Novels:

Hawthorne: The Scarlet Letter (1850)

Twain: Pudd'nhead Wilson

Fitzgerald: The Great Gatsby (1925)

Cather: My Antonia

Harper Lee: To Kill a Mockingbird (1960)

Textbook: To Be Announced

**COMPWLT Composition & World Literature for Grades 9 - 10** Class Fee \$100.00 Homework Hrs 5  
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Nancy Detig (815) 901-4281 nancydetig@yahoo.com Class Size: min 5, max 25

We will coordinate these two subjects by assigning compositions based on outstanding classical literature. Students will learn to write more effectively in preparation for advanced classes in high school and college, as well as for future occupations. In addition, they will become acquainted with well-known literature that has withstood the test of time. Students will be able to rent Writing About Literature, 9th ed., Edgar V. Roberts, Prentice-Hall for \$5. Additional texts include Classics for Christians World Literature, 3rd ed., vol. 4, ABeka, 877-223-5226, Silas Marner, and Julius Caesar.

## Literature

**ILA Intro to Literary Analysis Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$130.00 Homework Hrs 5  
 John Menken (779) 537-2008 englishdocs2@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 6, max 18

This two-semester course introduces students to the key elements of literature like setting, character development, plot, theme, and conflict. We will examine each of these as they appear in sample pieces of literature. Then we will use our new knowledge to analyze classic literary works.

Students must be able readers with a good understanding of basic grammar and paragraph writing. They will be required to write papers about the literature that they read. I will teach and require certain stylistic devices for writing. Rough drafts will be edited for correction before final papers are graded.

This high school course is a good choice to follow Hands-On English with Linking Blocks and Excellence in Writing. Strong junior high students may also register for the class.

Student text is Teaching the Classics Workbook (code TCW). It costs \$25.00 when ordered from [www.excellenceinwriting.com](http://www.excellenceinwriting.com). The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn by Mark Twain ISBN-13: 9781593081126 in the Barnes and Noble Classics Series (or any unabridged edition).

The Annotated Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen. ISBN 978-0-307-27810-4 (We need this edition for its notes.)

Great Expectations by Charles Dickens ISBN: 1593080069 in the Barnes and Noble Classics Series (or any unabridged edition).

\$130.00/semester is payable in lump sum or in monthly installments as follows:

\$34 / month September to December (total of \$136)

\$28 / month January to May (total of \$140)

A \$10.00 late fee applies to monthly tuitions received after the 10th of the month or the first class week of the month, whichever comes first.

**SHORTSTS Short Stories in Literature Grades 7 - 10** Class Fee \$105.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Jan Kooistra (815) 871-0046 kooistra54@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 6, max 10

Also known as "Literature for the short attention span." Most of the great European and American novelists are also the authors of numerous short stories. Students will read the shorter works of Aesop, Balzac, Bierce, Chekhov, Dumas, Galsworthy, Hardy, Kipling, Melville, Poe, O. Henry, Tarkington, Twain, and others. They will be required to do a bit of research into the life of the author and the history and culture that set the backdrop for the story, and will write a 1-2 page essay on these topics every week. Class fee includes \$15.00 copy fee.

**LIT Excursions in Literature and Writing Grades 6 - 8** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 4  
 Angela Finch (815) 670-3557 jefffinch@juno.com Class Size: min 5, max 12

In this class, we will explore two fantastic books each semester, with Progeny Study Guides to be completed. The study guides are Christian based and develop reading comprehension, vocabulary and help us look at literature through the eyes of Scripture. There will also be writing assignments to go with each book. Alternating with the book studies, will be lessons, activities, and assignments focused on writing skills. Literature for this year has not been chosen, but may include Shiloh, Swiss Family Robinson, or one of the Chronicles of Narnia series. Books may be purchased or checked out from the public library.

Required materials: Vocabulary Cartoons by Sam, Max, and Bryan Burchers and a 3-ring binder.

## Literature

**BRITLIT**      **British Lit. and Comp (2012-2013)**      **Grades 10 - 12**      Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5  
Jane Furness      lambsvalley@yahoo.com      Class Size: min 10, max 20

BRITISH LIT WILL NOT BE OFFERED THIS YEAR. LOOK FOR IT AGAIN IN FALL 2012-SPRING 2013.

British Literature is a rhetoric level course. We will read whole books/literary works before engaging in each lesson. Genres we will cover include narrative prose, essays, poetry, and drama. Some lessons will be short, and others will span over 2-3 weeks. The student will be asked to participate in higher-level thinking and problem-solving. We will write 1-2 essays per week. Class time will consist of lively discussion and critique of the readings. We will converse about the major worldviews of authors, both past and present. Before taking this course, students need to be able to write a grammatically sound and cohesive paper. Homework will consist of an average of 70 pages of reading a week, and 1-2 one page essays a week. This course includes Beowulf, Chaucer, English church history, Shakespeare, Hardy, Dickens, Austen, Lewis, Shelley, Stevenson, and many more.

**REQUIRED TEXT:** British Literature-Encouraging Thoughtful Christians To Be World Changers by James P. Stobaugh. You will need to purchase this book. Order from Rainbow Resource Center, # 9780805458947, \$29.50. (Do not purchase older editions; use the ISBN if you buy a used text) Also, The MLA Handbook for Writers of Research Papers, 7th Edition. ISBN# 1603290249. If you have an older edition, you will need a newer one. Usage rules change.

Information to Parents concerning this class:

We will continue instruction in writing a cohesive essay and answering essay questions. Students will write a variety of essays including a research paper in the spring. This class includes recitations, oral reports, poetry writing, and lots of writing and reading. Students are encouraged to take notes in their books. Students need to have mastered the 5 paragraph essay before taking this course. We will move beyond this essay format.

We read an average of 9 novels and 2 plays throughout the year. Class time will consist of lively discussion of the novels and instruction and critique of writing. This is an upper-level high school course, ideally suited for the student who has already had another literature/writing course.

NOTE: American Lit. will be taught by Jane Furness next year (2011-2012) and British Lit will be taught by Rachel Kittle (2011-2012).

**MYTHLIT**      **Mythology and Classical Literature**      **Grades 10 - 12**      Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 5  
Jan Kooistra      (815) 871-0046 kooistra54@sbcglobal.net      Class Size: min 10, max 15

The literature of our Western Civilization (formerly known as Christendom) was built on the foundation of the Greek and Roman civilizations. Who are the Muses? What is the job of the Furies? In a situation in which you must choose whether to obey the civil authorities or the divine authority, which do you choose? Is there such a thing as "fate"? All these answers are available in the classical works.

In addition, the class will study Greek and Roman mythology. Who were the great gods, goddesses, and heroes of the past? The knowledge of these stories greatly enhances the comprehension and enjoyment of later medieval and European works, including those of Chaucer, Milton, and especially Shakespeare!

A reading list will be available after registration. One or two composition on various topics will be assigned each week. The students will also be required to purchase a mythology book; the title for this is TBA. Students registering for this class must read Homer's Iliad and have some knowledge of the Trojan War before coming to class in August.

**SHAKES**      **Shakespeare**      **Grades 10 - 12**      Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 5  
Kathy Shihadah      (815) 904-2617 shakespeare4fun@yahoo.com      Class Size: min 6, max 10

Studying the Bard doesn't have to be hard! Learn about the works of the greatest writer of the English language. Be intimidated no longer! Students will study four Shakespeare plays each semester, with weekly writing assignments. There will be an essay at the end of each play, with some writing instruction.

**STORIES**      **A Trip Around the World Through Literature**      **Grades 1 - 3**      Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0

Angela Finch      (815) 670-3557 jefffinch@juno.com      Class Size: min 5, max 12

Come travel around the world with us through stories, fairytales, and folktales. As we explore stories, snacks, and crafts, we will learn of the culture of many countries. Some of the places we will visit include Australia, Germany, Japan, Egypt, Mexico, and many more. Bon Voyage! Class fee includes passport, stickers, snacks, and other supplies.

## Logic

**LOGIC**      **Logic**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 3

Jan Kooistra      (815) 871-0046      kooistra54@sbcglobal.net      Class Size: min 7, max 20

Logic will be co-taught by Jan Kooistra and Sherri Cultra this year. Rational thought in conjunction with a passionate courageous heart is what separates the creation of mankind from all the rest that God has made. The two forms of logic, logic of the head (reason) and logic of the heart (courage, instinct, guts, discernment) are part of who we are, it is how we were made in His image and the way to enter full, deep, and lasting relationship with Him. Formal logic prepares students to move beyond intuition, and instinct, into the realm of reason. It encourages them to step beyond the boundaries of acceptance to examine and understand the ideas, and the world around them. It provides opportunity for students to truly own their thoughts, because they've tested, challenged, and shaped those thoughts. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another." I enjoy the opportunity to prepare students for the efforts college professors may make to convert them.

The Book information is Introductory Logic: Student (4th edition) (Paperback) James B. Nance (Author) Douglas J. Wilson (Author) Product Details

Reading level: Ages 9-12 Paperback: 272 pages

Publisher: Canon Press; 4th edition (June 1, 2006) ISBN-10: 1591280338

ISBN-13: 978-1591280330

## Math

**ACCT101**      **Accounting 1 (2012-2013)**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee \$66.00 Homework Hrs 3

Marla Gregory      (815) 978-1998      toddandmarla@charter.net      Class Size: min 2, max 15

This class will not be offered this school year. Marla Gregory will turn to teach Accounting for the Fall 2012-Spring 2013 school year.

Today it is more important than ever that young people learn to manage money, whether it's for personal or business needs. Principles of money management and accounting are presented in this class, which includes an overview of accounting, debits and credits, journalizing and posting transactions, and more. The students will also prepare a Federal and State 1040 tax return and learn how to manage a checkbook.

Required materials: LifePacs 1-10 at \$44.00 from Alpha Omega Publications 1-800-622-3070, pencils with erasers, and a basic calculator.

**MATH115**      **Consumer Math**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee \$66.00 Homework Hrs 3

Mikie Larsen      mikielarsen@comcast.net      Class Size: min 2, max 20

Mikie Larsen is filling in for Marla Gregory to teach Consumer Math for the 2011-2012 school year. Marla will return Fall 2012 to teach this class. Thank you, Mikie, for stepping in! In this class the students will learn about purchasing a vehicle (including insurance, taxes, and registration fees), buying a home, using credit cards, budgeting time and money, managing a checkbook, saving money, calculating wages, purchasing food and clothing, investing, and keeping tax records. The text used presents a Scriptural view of working, tithing, saving, paying taxes, budgeting, and gives a positive introduction to the American free-enterprise system. Required Materials: ABeka Consumer Mathematics Text, 2nd Edition, Student Test and Quiz Book, pencils with erasers, and a basic calculator.

**GEOMETRY**      **Geometry**      **Grades 9 - 12**      Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5

Tracy Cannell      (815) 298-2621      cannellx8@aol.com      Class Size: min 8, max 20

A parent should attend the first class to understand what will be their responsibly. Parents will be required to check homework assignments every other week (odd) and verify that wrong answers have been redone by the student. Parents will administer take home tests. This course has an entire chapter on logic towards the beginning. Proofs will be easier to understand once the students understand some logic. Tests will be graded by me and make up 50 % of the grade. HW and projects will make up 50% of grade.

Pre-requisite: Algebra 1

Required material: BJU Geometry for Christian Schools, 2nd Edition, ISBN 1-57924-236-7, TE not needed but I will provide a hand written solution manual for \$4.

Also required: Protractor, Compass, ruler, scientific calculator.

## Math

**ALGEBRA2 Saxon Algebra 2** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5

Bill Moe (815) 721-4013 k\_a\_moe@yahoo.com Class Size: min 3, max 15

Four lessons will be covered each week in class. Students will be expected to complete the odd numbered problems (including practice problems) for each lesson. Saxon lessons are sized so that one lesson can easily be done each day. It is expected that students spend between a half hour to an hour per day doing homework. Homework should be graded and returned to class every week.

PREREQUISITE: Saxon Algebra I or equivalent introductory algebra course.

REQUIRED TEXT: Saxon Algebra 2, 2nd Edition, ISBN 0-939798-62-X. Other editions are not compatible.

**ALGEBRA1 Saxon Algebra 1** **Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 5

Bonnie Pescinski (815) 978-9610 pescinski@comcast.net Class Size: min 5, max 20

Students taking this class should already have solid math skills including knowledge of fractions and decimals. Completion of a pre-algebra class is also recommended. Students will be exploring algebraic concepts at a deeper level. Parents will be expected to grade some homework assignments each week and monitor test taking at home. The instructor will grade some homework assignments and all tests. This grading process will provide insight to both the parents and the instructor if the student is struggling with any particular concepts. Parents are encouraged to attend class AND ask questions! This will make assisting your student and grading homework much easier! Students should anticipate approximately one hour per day of homework.

Required Materials: Saxon Algebra 1, Third Edition, ISBN 1-56577-134-6 (only the text is required, but the solutions manual might be helpful to parents), calculator, 2 two-pocket folders, graph paper.

**PREALG Saxon Algebra 1/2** **Grades 7 - 9** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 4

Nicole Conway (815) 975-0756 huskervbfan7@yahoo.com Class Size: min 5, max 20

Students taking this class should already have solid math skills including knowledge of fractions and decimals. Completion of the Saxon 8/7 class is also recommended. Students will be exploring algebraic concepts at an introductory level. Parents will be expected to grade some homework assignments each week and monitor test taking at home. The instructor will grade some homework assignments and all tests. This grading process will provide insight to both the parents and the instructor if the student is struggling with any particular concepts. Parents are encouraged to attend class AND ask questions! This will make assisting your student and grading homework much easier! Students should anticipate approximately one hour per day of homework.

Required Materials: Saxon Algebra 1/2, Third Edition, ISBN 1-56577-149-4 (only the text is required, but the solutions manual might be helpful to parents), calculator, 2 two-pocket folders, graph paper.

**MATHOLYM Math Olympiad** **Grades 6 - 8** Class Fee \$65.00 Homework Hrs 0

Kurtis Bueltmann (815) 847-0085 kurtis@bueltmann.org Class Size: min 10, max 30

NEW! HHSW Math Olympiad team.

Fee:\$65/semester (this includes team registration). This class has minimal homework (just 5 problems a week). Supplies (books): NONE.

Students will practice weekly then participate in 5 "in class" exams which will be entered on line. Last year 150,000 students from 6,000 teams worldwide participated in the Olympiads. Students will present different ways of solving problems in class. Algebra 1 not necessary but helpful. ALL MOEM problems can be solved without Algebra. The goals of Math Olympiad are:

- To stimulate enthusiasm and a love for Mathematics.
- To introduce important Mathematical concepts.
- To teach major strategies for problem solving.
- To develop Mathematical flexibility in solving problems.
- To strengthen Mathematical intuition.
- To foster Mathematical creativity and ingenuity.
- To provide for the satisfaction, joy, and thrill of meeting challenges.

**ADVMATH Saxon Advanced Math** **Grades 10 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 5

Bill Moe (815) 721-4013 k\_a\_moe@yahoo.com Class Size: min 3, max 15

Four lessons will be covered each week in class. Students will be expected to complete the odd numbered problems for each lesson. Saxon lessons are sized so that one lesson can easily be done each day. It is expected that students spend between a half hour to an hour per day doing homework. Homework should be graded and returned to class every week.

PREREQUISITE: Saxon Algebra 2 or equivalent second level algebra course.

REQUIRED TEXT: Saxon Advanced Math, 2nd Edition, ISBN 1-56577-039-0. Other editions are not compatible.

## Music

<b>THEORY</b>	<b>Music Theory</b>	<b>Grades 9 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$72.00	Homework Hrs 1
Jennifer Harshbarger	eharsh3@sbcglobal.net		Class Size: min 7, max 15	
<p>This class is for those who want to learn more about how music works, or for anyone who wants to learn "the rules of the game" for music composition. This class begins with a brief review of note names, notation, and rhythms and will progress to key signatures, intervals, scales, the circle of keys, chromatics, and harmonics. From there, as time allows, the class will cover syllables, transposition, harmony, and conducting.</p> <p>In addition, time will be given to ear training, rhythmic and melodic dictation, and composition.</p>				
<b>CHOIR</b>	<b>Junior/Senior High Choir</b>	<b>Grades 7 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$60.00	Homework Hrs 0
Jack Hill	(815) 997-8032 jacknedie9@yahoo.com		Class Size: min 8, max 40	
<p>For all those in 7th - 12th grades. Even if you've never been in a choir before, you can join us as we learn some vocal technique while singing 3 and 4 part music. We may not be the best choir in the world, but we have a good time working on it.</p>				
<b>ADVBAND</b>	<b>Advanced Band</b>	<b>Grades 6 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$60.00	Homework Hrs 1
Jennifer Harshbarger	eharsh3@sbcglobal.net		Class Size: min 10, max 50	
<p>This class is for those who have completed beginning and intermediate band, or for anyone who can play an instrument well. This class will focus on improving technique and playing various styles of band literature. The most enjoyable aspect of band is being able to play interesting and exciting music as a group, and that is what this class is all about! <b>PREREQUISITE:</b> Must have completed beginning and intermediate band or have the equivalent in private lessons. <b>REQUIRED MATERIALS:</b> a band instrument in good playing condition, and a metal, fold-up music stand.</p>				
<b>GUITAR2</b>	<b>Guitar 2</b>	<b>Grades 6 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$105.00	Homework Hrs 0
Mark Reed	(815) 298-2655 reedgtr@sbcglobal.net		Class Size: min 6, max 15	
<p>This class is for students who already know the basic chords and how to strum. We will move on to more interesting and difficult songs. If you've taken Guitar 1, this is the class for you.</p>				
<b>GUITAR1</b>	<b>Guitar 1</b>	<b>Grades 5 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$105.00	Homework Hrs 0
Mark Reed	(815) 298-2655 reedgtr@sbcglobal.net		Class Size: min 6, max 15	
<p>This class assumes that you are a beginner or near beginner on the guitar. We will start with easy chords and scales with which we will learn to play easy songs.</p>				
<b>BEGBAND</b>	<b>Beginning Band</b>	<b>Grades 4 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$64.00	Homework Hrs 1
Jennifer Harshbarger	eharsh3@sbcglobal.net		Class Size: min 10, max 20	
<p>This class is for anyone interested in learning to play a band instrument. No previous musical experience is necessary. By the end of the year, each student will know basic notes and rhythms on his/her instrument and be able to play great sounding pieces as a group. Students need to practice 80-100 minutes each week outside of class.</p>				
<b>CHIMES</b>	<b>Hand Chimes</b>	<b>Grades 4 - 12</b>	Class Fee \$58.00	Homework Hrs 0
Jack Hill	(815) 997-8032 jacknedie9@yahoo.com		Class Size: min 8, max 15	
<p>Here's an opportunity for those with some music background to play handchimes as a group. Music of faith as well as some pop music will be used. Opportunities for performances with Hallstrom as well as outside and supporting organizations.</p>				

## Music

**STRINGS Orchestra/Strings Ensemble Grades 3 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Marilyn Klotz (815) 332-5424 klotzstrings@gmail.com Class Size: min 7, max 20

Enjoy being part of a string ensemble group! You will need your instrument, a 3 ring notebook, and a music stand for this class. A student who has been playing their instrument for one year can easily participate in this class with weekly practice. This class will begin with music theory and technique applied to your instrument for the first 10 minutes. The rest of the period will be spent playing all kinds of music, from contemporary to classical, as well as religious.

Violins can be bought right now from this website shown below for only \$29. (Much cheaper than renting an instrument for a year!) They sound good for the money: [http://shop.ebay.com/1centshop/m.html?\\_nkw=&\\_arms=1&\\_from=&\\_jpg=&\\_trksid=p3686](http://shop.ebay.com/1centshop/m.html?_nkw=&_arms=1&_from=&_jpg=&_trksid=p3686)

Note: Private lessons are offered in my home to begin a string instrument or to help you improve the instrument you are playing now. I work with each family's needs ... so lessons can be every other week to once a month or the traditional once a week.

**TOTCHOIR Tiny Tot Choir Grades -1 - 1** Class Fee \$30.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Jeannie Newton (815) 262-5789 figtree7@juno.com Class Size: min 7, max 25

In this class for preschoolers and kindergarteners, the students will learn fun "Jesus songs" as well as develop rhythm and listening skills through a variety of activities. The goal is for the children to have a song in their hearts! Each semester the choir will participate in the HHSW Fine Arts Program and share their music two nearby nursing homes.

**JOYCHOIR Joyful Noise Choir Grades 1 - 6** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Jeannie Newton (815) 262-5789 figtree7@juno.com Class Size: min 10, max 50

Joyful Noise Choir is for students interested in learning to praise the Lord together with uplifting and energetic songs. In addition, we'll have fun learning a real choral piece, studying some basic music theory, harmony, and a classical composer. Each semester the choir will participate in the Hallstrom Fine Arts Program and share their music at two nearby nursing homes.

## Performing Arts

**WORARTS Worship Arts Seminar Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Theresa Englert (815) 289-2997 englertej@signalblast.com Class Size: min 8, max 30

Do you sing, play an instrument, dance, or some other type of performance? Join us as we grow in faith and arts, as we prepare and lead Chapel each week. Limited to 7th-12th graders.

**FADPRO Fall Drama Production (Fall 2011) Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Theresa Englert (815) 289-2997 englertej@signalblast.com Class Size: min 1, max 100

Tryouts are tentatively set for May 3th. Casting to be posted May 10th. When the play has been chosen, a formal announcement will follow, both at Hallstrom and in the weekly email with specific tryout information and instructions. One summer workshop will be held in August. The Semester fee for actors will be approximately \$55.00 per role. If you are seriously interested in being a part of the Stage crew (to handle props, set, lighting etc.) please email me at englertej@signalblast.com asap. Eighth students will only be considered if space is available.

**BEGTH1 Beginning Theatre Grades 4 - 7** Class Fee \$65.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Valerie Soetermans singandtap@comcast.net Class Size: min 5, max 10

In this class students will learn the fundamentals of acting. We will do fun exercises in class that teach memorization, improvisation, and creative movement. A lot of my teaching will be drawing creativity from the students. I teach that acting is not "pretending" ... "Acting is truthfully reacting to an imaginary circumstance." Homework will be required when having to memorize the script.

## Performing Arts

**DANCE**      **Beginning/Intermediate Dance**      **Grades 1 - 12**      Class Fee \$45.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Valerie Soetermans      singandtap@comcast.net      Class Size: min 4, max 15

Students will learn a combination of ballet, jazz, and lyrical in this class. This will be a fun class while learning how to execute proper technique. I teach new combinations often ... I love to choreograph. Class attire is clothing that you can easily move in (ie: leggings, tights, leotard, shorts, or sweat pants). Shoes can be ballet slippers, jazz shoes or bare feet is fine, too. Hair off of face and no jewelry. For the Hallstrom Christmas and Spring Class Performances, I will most likely have everyone wear something like a turtle neck and leggings or jazz pants. I like using things kids can actually wear again ... in real life. If we use a scarf or material to make one ... cost will exceed no more than \$15.00 for a performance.

## Physical Education

**TENNIS-2**      **Co-ed Beginning/Intermediate Tennis**      **Grades 8 - 12**      Class Fee \$35.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Becca Ivancich      (815) 520-5611 beccai1@charter.net      Class Size: min 5, max 12

Fun and fast paced drills will be the primary method used to teach and reinforce fundamental skills in this co-ed high school leveled tennis class. We will meet outside at the tennis courts as weather permits. The Fall semester fee is \$35.00, and the Spring fee is \$20.00

Required Materials: tennis racket, tennis shoes, water bottle, and a light jacket if necessary. Instructor will supply the tennis balls.

**BBAL7-12**      **Boys' Basketball Class for 7-12th grade**      **Grades 7 - 12**      Class Fee \$48.00 Homework Hrs 0

Doug Anderson      (815) 904-1908 ddll4@aol.com or anderson9408@sbcglobal.n      Class Size: min 10, max 15

Basketball for 7th- 12th graders. Boys will practice for one hour and learn defense skills, passing, shooting free throws and prepare for games for the upcoming season. This class can also be used as P.E. course.

**PE7-12B**      **Co-ed Physical Education**      **Grades 7 - 12**      Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Dave Spooner      (815) 979-9665 spoonerman@comcast.net      Class Size: min 10, max 30

We will focus on a particular sport/game for a 4 to 5 week session. We will learn the basic skills and rules of each sport/game and will also play a game. We will use class time to stretch, do calisthenics, work on skills and drills, and play a game after general skills and rules are learned. My goal is for each student to learn to have fun while exercising, have an exposure to different sports, work together as a team, and to be able to play each sport/game we learn during the year.

**PE7-12A**      **Co-ed Physical Education**      **Grades 7 - 12**      Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Dave Spooner      (815) 979-9665 spoonerman@comcast.net      Class Size: min 10, max 26

We will focus on a particular sport/game for a 4 to 5 week session. We will learn the basic skills and rules of each sport/game and will also play a game. We will use class time to stretch, do calisthenics, work on skills and drills, and play a game after general skills and rules are learned. My goal is for each student to learn to have fun while exercising, have an exposure to different sports, work together as a team, and to be able to play each sport/game we learn during the year.

**ULTFRIS**      **Ultimate Frisbee**      **Grades 7 - 12**      Class Fee \$35.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Chris Harris      watchhhseekhf@yahoo.com      Class Size: min 8, max 16

This is a co-ed class for junior high and high school. We play outside at the park, weather permitting, in the Fall and Spring.

**TENNIS-1**      **Co-ed Beginning/Intermediate Tennis**      **Grades 4 - 7**      Class Fee \$35.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Becca Ivancich      (815) 520-5611 beccai1@charter.net      Class Size: min 5, max 12

Fun and fast paced activities will be the primary method used to teach and reinforce fundamental skills in this co-ed middle school beginner/intermediate Tennis class. We will meet outside at the tennis courts as weather permits. Fall semester fee is \$35.00 and the Spring Fee is \$20.00.

Required Materials: tennis racket, tennis shoes, water bottle, and a light jacket if necessary. Instructor will supply the tennis balls.

## Physical Education

**PE4-7 Co-ed Physical Education Grades 4 - 7** Class Fee \$52.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Dave Spooner (815) 979-9665 spoonerman@comcast.net Class Size: min 10, max 30

We will focus on a particular sport/game for a 4 to 5 week session. We will learn the basic skills and rules of each sport/game and will also play a game. We will use class time to stretch, do calisthenics, work on skills and drills, and play a game after general skills and rules are learned. My goal is for each student to learn to have fun while exercising, have an exposure to different sports, work together as a team, and to be able to play each sport/game we learn during the year.

**SSGB Sports Skills for Girls & Boys Grades 4 - 7** Class Fee \$48.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Becca Ivancich (815) 520-5611 beccai1@charter.net Class Size: min 10, max 18

Volleyball offered Fall 2011.  
 Basketball offered Spring 2012.

This co-ed volleyball and basketball class is designed to implement and improve upon basic fundamental skills and techniques which are used during game play. This class is great for students desiring to play someday for one of Hallstrom's sports teams, or for the recreationalist who just wants to have fun participating in physical activity. In the fall, we will focus on the fundamentals of volleyball, and in the spring the focus will be on basketball.

Required Material: Comfortable gym clothes, gym shoes, volleyball knee pads, basketball, and a water bottle.

**TAEKWON Tae Kwon Do Grades 2 - 12** Class Fee \$52.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Kurtis Bueltmann (815) 847-0085 kurtis@bueltmann.org Class Size: min 4, max 20

As students gain an appreciation for Tae Kwon Do as a sport and as an art, they will grow in physical fitness, improve mental discipline, and learn self-defense skills. We teach Tae Kwon Do from a Christian perspective; no elements of Eastern religions are ever taught. Techniques learned will be applied in four main areas of discipline: forms/patterns, board breaking, sparring, and self-defense. Students will also learn some Korean terminology and history within the context of Tae Kwon Do. All participants are required to wear a training uniform (approx. \$30). Sparring gear is encouraged. All contact will be strictly prohibited in sparring drills without proper gear. Instruction will be individualized to the student's rank and level of ability. At the end of each semester, students who have met the appropriate requirements will have the opportunity to test for rank promotion. More advanced students will have opportunities to cross-train in other martial arts. Students will also have occasional opportunities to participate in optional tournaments (cost varies). Uniforms and gear may be ordered in advance through the instructor.

**PILATES Pilates for Moms Grades 12 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Jena Webber (815) 519-9003 organizingmommy@sbcglobal.net Class Size: min 5, max 20

THIS CLASS IS FOR MOMS, ONLY.

This class is designed to take the average out-of-shape, overworked, and neglected mom to a state of basic health and strength. It is designed to be a beginner class that will allow you to understand and feel core strength within your own body. Pilates is not aerobic exercise, but it will help you prepare your body for any form of exercise by utilizing stretching and strengthening exercises.

You will need to purchase a pilates ring for \$15.00 and provide your own mat and weights if desired.

**PREPE Preschool Physical Education Grades -1 - 0** Class Fee \$30.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Missie Pierson missie-p@comcast.net Class Size: min 5, max 15

This class is for 3-6 year olds.

The object of the Preschool Physical Education class is to incorporate age appropriate physical activities in a fun and engaging manner. Such activities will help to further develop foundational skills such as: fine and gross motor movement, spacial awareness, and social interaction.

Required Materials: comfortable gym clothes, gym shoes, water bottle, and a fun attitude.

## Physical Education

**PE1-4 Co-ed Physical Education Grades 1 - 4** Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Dave Spooner (815) 979-9665 spoonerman@comcast.net Class Size: min 10, max 30

We will focus on a particular sport/game for a 4 to 5 week session. We will learn the basic skills and rules of each sport/game and will also play a game. We will use class time to stretch, do calisthenics, work on skills and drills, and play a game after general skills and rules are learned. My goal is for each student to learn to have fun while exercising, have an exposure to different sports, work together as a team, and to be able to play each sport/game we learn during the year.

## Science

**ANAPHYS Anatomy & Physiology Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$65.00 Homework Hrs 4  
 Jody Fuchs (815) 978-6974 mtoparishnurse@hotmail.com Class Size: min 5, max 20

This is an Introductory class to the anatomy and physiology of the human body. We will explore the all the body systems and the great care God has taken to create them. Students should be prepared to take notes and maintain an organized notebook of handouts and homework. Preferred prerequisite: Biology

Text Required: The Human Body Fearfully and Wonderfully Made by Dr Jay Wile and M. Shannon Recommended: The Anatomy Coloring Book 3rd Edition by Kapit/Elson

**PHYSICIEN Physical Science Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 4  
 Susan Griffeth (815) 742-5488 susanmongolia@yahoo.com Class Size: min 6, max 20

This is a high school level physical science class. This class prepares students for chemistry and physics. Students will learn the fundamental concepts of Matter, Forces, Energy, Waves, and Electricity. Class will include lectures and labs. Students will need to study 4-5 hours at home to complete the work each week. Some labs will need to be performed at home. Teacher will contact students about the text after registration. Study skills such as note taking and organization will also be emphasized in this class.

**ERTHSCI Space and Earth Science Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$75.00 Homework Hrs 4  
 Sue Rosche (815) 623-9491 apsuros@msn.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

This full year course studies the non-living parts of God's amazing universe. The four spheres that will be studied are the celestial sphere, the atmosphere, the lithosphere, and the hydrosphere. This is not considered a laboratory science. Four hours of teacher prepared assignments will be completed at home. The teacher may have text books available for rental. The class fee includes a workbook that will be used throughout the year.

REQUIRED TEXT: Space and Earth Science, third edition, student text, BJU Press. ISBN:978-1-59166-299-0

**LIFESCI Life Science Grades 7 - 8** Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 3  
 Kelly Duncan (815) 631-5446 bkduncan@frontiernet.net Class Size: min 7, max 15

This class will be an adventure in life science. Topics covered will be the human body, bacteria, and cells the first semester and finish the year with plants and animals. Class work will include lectures, dissection, and hands-on activities. Daily assignments will be given requiring 2-4 hours a week to complete. Required work include test and quizzes, in class comprehensive semester final, lab book, and a project each semester.

Textbook required: Glencoe Life Science (ISBN 0078617022) This textbook is the 2005 edition and has a tiger on the cover. I found many available online for around \$10-\$15.

**AMAZSC-A Amazing Science Grades 4 - 6** Class Fee \$70.00 Homework Hrs 3  
 Lois Rohrer (815) 713-8326 mlkn08@rocketmail.com Class Size: min 8, max 27

We will be studying the human body during the fall semester and physical science (simple machines, electricity, and magnetism) in the spring. As we journey through the human body, we will discover that we truly are "fearfully and wonderfully made" by God, our Creator. We will learn together why we couldn't possibly have been "formed by chance, random processes." The class will include hands-on activities, games, and lectures. In the spring, we will be making a booklet about the Fathers of Science and learning about their deep faith in God. Readings and worksheets will be done at home and quizzes will be sent home to be proctored by the parents. \$70 fee includes the readings and materials. There will not be an actual textbook.

## Science

**AMAZSC-B Amazing Science 4-6****Grades 4 - 6**

Class Fee \$64.00 Homework Hrs 3

Dawn McGirk

mcole8181@aol.com

Class Size: min 6, max 14

The fall semester will be physical science. We will study simple machines, energy, electricity, magnetism, and the basic laws of physics. Students will make a lap book of Christian scientists such as Newton, Kepler etc. This book will showcase the deep faith of these great men and how their belief influenced them in their field of science.

In the spring semester we will study Anatomy. Class time for both semesters will be hands on. Reading and worksheets will be assigned to do at home.

REQUIRED TEXT first semester: Real Science-4-Kids Physics Level I by Dr. R.W. Keller and (optional but helpful) Men Of Science Men Of God by Henry M. Morris. (Second semester textbook TBA.)

**PHYSICS Physics****Grades 11 - 12**

Class Fee \$72.00 Homework Hrs 4

A.P. Rosche

apsuros@msn.com

Class Size: min 2, max 20

DESCRIPTION: This is a full high school level physics class, including labs. Among other things, we will study Newton's laws, acceleration and gravity, pendulums and springs, light and sound, electricity and magnetism.

PREREQUISITE: Algebra I, Geometry (separate course or part of Saxon Algebra)

RECOMMENDED: Algebra II and/or very basic trigonometry, but someone who has done well in Algebra I and is willing to spend a little extra time on the math aspects will do fine.

REQUIRED TEXT: Conceptual Physics, by Paul Hewitt (available from teacher first day of class) calculator (preferably one that can do scientific notation)

**BIOLOGY Biology****Grades 10 - 12**

Class Fee \$90.00 Homework Hrs 5

Claire Larsen

sheepofhishand@comcast.net

Class Size: min 8, max 14

This is a general biology course taught on the high school level. The course covers a survey of organisms in the five biological kingdoms, classification, the definition of life, an introduction to biochemistry, cell structure, function, and reproduction, DNA, and genetics. Classes will be lectures and/or labs. Homework will include the following: reading, comprehension questions, write up of lab reports, and labs to be done at home. Home labs include simple experiments using household items. Work outside class will require at least 5 hours per week. Each student is required to do a project for the Hallstrom Spring Academic Fair.

9th graders will be admitted with instructor approval after upperclassmen needing the course have been accommodated.

Required text: Exploring Creation With Biology, 2nd Edition, Apologia Educational Ministries. ISBN 1-932012-54-0 and Solutions and Tests for Exploring Creation with Biology, 2nd edition, ISBN 1-932012-55-9. The first edition will not be compatible with the class.

**CHEM Chemistry****Grades 10 - 12**

Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 4

Susan Griffeth

(815) 742-5488 susanmongolia@yahoo.com

Class Size: min 6, max 20

This is a full high school level chemistry class, including labs. Among other things, we will study chemical reactions, the inner structure of atoms and molecules, the secrets of the periodic table, and the actions of acids and bases. About 4-5 hrs of home study time per week will be necessary to learn the material. PREREQUISITE: Algebra I

Teacher will notify parents of the required text after registering for this class. A scientific calculator will be used by each student for this class.

**ANIMALSC Animal Science****Grades -1 - 1**

Class Fee \$55.00 Homework Hrs 0

Debbie Brown

(815) 222-1278 dlbrown@northboone.net

Class Size: min 5, max 15

We will be studying vertebrates and invertebrates. Children will learn the basic differences between mammals, reptiles, birds, fish, and amphibians. In class we will do an art project to go along with each animal. No homework required. This class is for 4-6 year olds.

**AMSC1-3B Amazing Science 1st-3rd Grade****Grades 1 - 3**

Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 0

Melodi Knight

(815) 871-7396 knirdr2@comcast.net

Class Size: min 8, max 24

This is the same class that is offered at 8:00. Just enter the code AMSC1-3B for the 1:00 class. Enter code AMSC1-3A to register for the 8:00 class.

## Science

**AMSC1-3A Amazing Science 1st-3rd Grade** **Grades 1 - 3** Class Fee \$60.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Melodi Knight (815) 871-7396 knidr2@comcast.net Class Size: min 8, max 24

This year, we will be studying physical science. The first semester, we will study the human body. The second semester, we will study about simple machines and inventors/inventions. There will be a small amount of homework each week. This amazing science class is on a 3-year cycle, so for those of you who have put your children in our class last year, this year will be totally different topics. Supplies needed will be a 3-ring binder, pencils, colored pencils, scissors, and glue sticks. Please make checks payable to Stacey Wartgow.

Co-taught with Stacey Wartgow.

## Scouting

**VENTURE Venturing** **Grades 8 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Scott and Donna Gill scottmgill@gmail.com Class Size: min 1, max 30

Venturing is a year-round scouting program for boys and girls age 14-20. It is a Boy Scouts of America program that is designed to foster leadership and adventure in the venturing crew member. This program is designed for older "scouts" who are more adventurous and want a bigger challenge. It is perfect for the boy who is already an Eagle Scout and wants to learn even more or for the older girl or boy who is more interested in participating in activities that have traditionally been boy scout activities but are looking for higher adventure. Meetings are usually held biweekly but may be every week depending upon planning needs. There is a rank advancement aspect involved but it is not stressed as strongly as it is in the other 2 boy scout programs. The crew is run by the members with relatively little adult intervention. A venturer can join crew 0002 at any time throughout the year. The fee is a \$10/year registration, \$13 for a handbook, if a venturer wants to work on advancements. There is no teacher fee. For more info. go to [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org) or [www.blackhawkscouting.org](http://www.blackhawkscouting.org) or email Scott and Donna Gill at [scottmgill@gmail.com](mailto:scottmgill@gmail.com).

**BOYSCOUT Boy Scouts** **Grades 5 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Scott and Donna Gill scottmgill@gmail.com Class Size: min 1, max 30

Boy Scouts is a year-round scouting program for boys who are past February of their 5th grade year to age 18. It is a Boy Scouts of America program that is designed to help a boy become trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent (the scout law). It does this by allowing the boys to run the troop and by having them hold specific offices in the troop to foster their leadership skills. The goal is for each boy to attain the rank of Eagle Scout. These goals are also attained through weekly planning and learning meetings and a large number of outdoor activities, such as camping, hiking, cooking, swimming, summer camp, etc. A boy will progress through the following ranks: Scout, Tenderfoot, Second class, First Class, Star, Life, and Eagle. Boys can join troop 200 at any time throughout the year. Fees include a \$10/year BSA registration fee (not Hallstrom), \$9 handbook (one time fee), and the purchase of a uniform shirt. There is no teacher fee. For more information go to [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org) or [www.blackhawkscouting.org](http://www.blackhawkscouting.org) or email Scott and Donna Gill at [scottmgill@gmail.com](mailto:scottmgill@gmail.com).

**CUBSCOUT Cub Scouts** **Grades 1 - 5** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Scott and Donna Gill scottmgill@gmail.com Class Size: min 1, max 30

Cub Scouts is a year-round scouting program for boys in 1st-5th grade. It is a Boy Scouts of America program that is designed to promote integrity, leadership, and a sense of belonging in boys through weekly instructional meetings and outside activities. The goal is for each boy to attain their Arrow of Light before transitioning to boy scouts in February of their 5th grade year. We are also fortunate to have a boy scout troop and venturing crew for the boys to move up to, along with their fellow scouts. Fees include a \$10/year registration for BSA (not Hallstrom), .50/week dues to run the pack, \$7-\$8/ year for a handbook, and the cost of a uniform shirt. There is no teacher fee. A boy can join Pack 200 anytime throughout the year. For more info. visit [www.scouting.org](http://www.scouting.org). or [www.blackhawkscouting.org](http://www.blackhawkscouting.org), or email Scott or Donna Gill at [scottmgill@gmail.com](mailto:scottmgill@gmail.com).

## Scouting

**HERITAGE American Heritage Girls** **Grades 0 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Trishia Lowery (815) 997-6637 rtmlowery@comcast.net Class Size: min 5, max 25

AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS... A Christian alternative to Girl Scouts for girls in K-12th grade. This exciting new group enhances life skill enhancement, girl leadership, developing teamwork and building confidence, character, social and spiritual development. Kindergarten girls earn their Pathfinder necklace by attendance, participation and bible memory. Girls 1st-6th (Tenderfoot, Explorer, Pioneer/Patriot) grade earn badges in 6 "Frontiers": Our Heritage, The Arts, Personal Well-Being, Science and Technology, Family Living, and Outdoor Skills. These grades also complete community service work to earn "Service Stars." Special awards can be achieved at each level. There are over 60 badges to work on in unit study form. This new "troop" will require some work at home, mom involvement in units and with monthly fundraisers (bake sales, etc). We will have fieldtrips and do service work together. Cost is a \$24 registration fee annually to AHG and \$35 troop dues to buy badges. A uniform fee of \$26 for Pathfinder - Kindergarten, \$22.50 for Tenderfoot and Explorer - Grades 1-6, \$12.50 for Pioneer and Patriot - Grades 7-12. An optional AHG polo sells for \$20.

## Sign Language

**SGNLNG1 Sign Language 1** **Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Ruth Fiedler (815) 315-2737 tomfdlr@aol.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

This class is designed to help students understand, appreciate, and interact with the deaf community. Students should allow 15-20 minutes studying per day besides occasional homework assignments, weekly quizzes, and a possible field trip or two. It is very exciting when people show an effort to sign, so please don't feel intimidated about trying something you may have never tried before. Many colleges consider Sign Language as a foreign language. Younger students may be admitted at teacher's discretion.

Required Text:

Signing Illustrated by Mickey Flodin (ISBN # 978-0-399-53041-8).

**SGNLNG2 Sign Language 2** **Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Ruth Fiedler (815) 315-2737 tomfdlr@aol.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

This class is a continuation of Sign Language 1. We will be reviewing and learning new signs as well as using them to focus on communication. Students should allow 15-20 minutes studying per day besides occasional homework assignments and weekly quizzes.

Pre-requisite: Sign Language 1

Required Materials:

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**SGNLNG3 Sign Language 3** **Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Ruth Fiedler (815) 315-2737 tomfdlr@aol.com Class Size: min 2, max 30

This class is a continuation of Sign Language 1 and 2. We will be reviewing and learning new signs as well as using them to focus on communication. Students should allow 15-20 minutes studying per day besides occasional homework assignments and weekly quizzes.

Pre-requisite: Sign Language 1 and 2.

Required Materials:

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**SNGLNG4 Sign Language 4** **Grades 7 - 12** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Ruth Fiedler (815) 315-2737 tomfdlr@aol.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

Time to put those signs to use by spending time communicating and interpreting! We will also achieve a better understanding of what ASL is and how it is used in the deaf community.

Pre-requisite: Sign Language 1, 2, and 3.

No book required at this time.

## Speech

**MUN Model UN** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$0.00 Homework Hrs 2  
Jane Furness lambsvalley@yahoo.com Class Size: min 5, max 15

Model United Nations (MUN) is a unique class because it is a blend of a student-managed club and an academic course. Students are the primary decision-makers and leaders for the organization. By choosing to participate in this challenging but rewarding club, you will gain valuable knowledge and skills, and join a committed and highly motivated group of students.

The purpose of Hallstrom's-MUN (HMUN) is to increase your knowledge about international issues, policy making, and the activities of the United Nations. You will also gain valuable skills in public speaking, research and writing, negotiation and powers of persuasion, leadership, organization, and interpersonal communication. Students will gain these skills through course assignments, club activities and, most importantly, by playing the role of United Nations delegates at MUN conferences. You will have the opportunity to represent HHSW as a MUN delegate at Model UN conferences with RVC and at state conferences.

Students are responsible for attending classes, completing several assignments in preparation for MUN conferences and meetings with RVC. The instructor of the course fulfills the roles of faculty club advisor and course instructor, holding you responsible to complete the course requirements and to facilitate your learning by providing you with information to gain the necessary knowledge and skills. Ultimately, the benefits you receive from the course will come from your willingness to learn and contribute. Be aware that the time commitment of being a club member is great, but the rewards, if you are willing, are greater.

Conference delegates will be chosen by the advisor.

**SPCH101 Public Speaking** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$67.00 Homework Hrs 1  
Liz Bockman (815) 793-1742 bockman718@dnacom.com Class Size: min 10, max 20

Public speaking is an important skill that everyone should learn. The goal of this year long class (Public Speaking 101: 12 weeks held in the Fall; Public Speaking 102: 12 weeks held in the Spring) is to help students develop the skills necessary to feel comfortable and confident in the art of public speaking. Students will learn the format and demonstrate the understanding of giving a toast, introducing a speaker, demonstrating a hobby, using visual aids, oral interpretation and debate.

## Sports

**HSBALL Boys' High School Basketball Team** **Grades 9 - 12** Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 0  
Al Hill (815) 979-3979 cyncie@comcast.net Class Size: min 20, max 25

Come and join the Rockford FIRE boys basketball team for the experience of playing competitive basketball against local small schools and national homeschool teams from around the nation. Participating on a high school team sport requires discipline, builds character, develops a good work ethic and creates lifelong friends and memories!

Our #1 goal is to glory God with what Rockford FIRE stands for: Faith, Integrity, Respect, and Excellence

Required Materials: Basketball shoes. Balls provided or bring your own. Coaching fee is \$50 per semester. Athletic fee of \$300 for the year.

Practice times TBA.

## Sports

**VBALLHS**     **Girls' JV/V Volleyball (Fall 2011)**     **Grades 9 - 12**     Class Fee \$125.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Jeff O'Hara     jyohara5@gmail.com     Class Size: min 12, max 15

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 Come and join the Rockford FIRE Girls' Volleyball JV and Varsity squads!

Beginning at the end of August, the Rockford FIRE's JV and Varsity teams participate in two weekly practices as well as one/two matches per week, with travel required. Varsity will also play in three or more weekend tournaments, with a Varsity National Tournament in early November. The student athlete must be good at balancing time between school work and sport requirements.

If required, mandatory team try-outs will be held the week after registration. The present plan is to have six varsity players, with three JV 'floats' playing up on Varsity. After the six V and nine JV team members are decided, two additional girls will be chosen to continue practicing with the team. If the need arises, they may be given an opportunity to play. Fees will be reduced for this role.

NOTE: Coaches can decide to bring up younger players as the need arises. Also, for those unfamiliar with our season, this is competitive play and thus playing time is not generally equal amongst players.

Playing on the Rockford Fire is a rewarding experience. Diligence, teamwork, a positive attitude, and love for others are highly encouraged. Parents and players are required to dedicate their time, energy, and commitment to the team during the season. Fundraising to cover tournament and related expenses is also necessary and mandatory. If a parent would like to pay a fee rather than perform fundraising, the coach will provide that opportunity.

**GOLF**     **Rockford F.I.R.E. Golf Team (Spring 2012)**     **Grades 9 - 12**     Class Fee \$110.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Rex Rogers     abvparpastor@frontier.com     Class Size: min 6, max 10

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 Offered in Spring 2012

This is a co-ed high school golf team.

The class will consist of practice with plastic and or foam golf balls inside from January through mid-March or when weather permits going to outside park area. Other practices are encouraged during the at a golf practice facility and/or playing 9 holes in preparation for matches. In January and February, class will concentrate on rules and etiquette of golf with quizzes and tests. Matches will be arranged with other schools and are usually in the afternoons on weekdays.

Required Materials: Plastic wiffle golf balls and book on USGA golf rules will be paid for by fees. Own set of golf clubs, tees, balls, etc.

**14UBOYS**     **14U Boys Basketball Team**     **Grades 7 - 9**     Class Fee \$230.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Al Hill     (815) 979-3979 cyncie@comcast.net     Class Size: min 8, max 12

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 \*Eligibility - A player who is 14 on September 1st is considered eligible to play in the 14-and-under age group. At parent/coach discretion players may play in a higher age group.

Tryouts may be implemented depending on how many sign up. Practices begin in Sept. or Oct. and continue until scheduled games are completed.

Team practices will be scheduled in the evenings on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

\$230 athletic fee

**14UGIRLS**     **14U Girls Basketball Team**     **Grades 7 - 9**     Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 TBA TBA     Class Size: min 6, max 12

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 Athletic fee - to be determined at a later date.

\*Eligibility - A player who is 14 on September 1st is considered eligible to play in the 14-and-under age group. At parent/coach discretion players may play in a higher age group.

## Sports

**VBALLJH**     **Girls' JH VolleyBall (Fall 2011)**     **Grades 7 - 8**     Class Fee \$120.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Mary Todd     (815) 997-2565 get4everfit@gmail.com     Class Size: min 4, max 10

The Rockford FIRE Junior High team provides both beginning instruction for new players as well as advanced instruction for returning players. Girls participate in two weekly practices as well 4-6 matches throughout the season, with some travel required. Practice and games run from mid August to late October.

Fundraising is required.

**12UBOYS**     **12U Boys Basketball Team**     **Grades 5 - 7**     Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 0  
 Al Hill     (815) 979-3979 cyncie@comcast.net     Class Size: min 7, max 15

This class is for 10-12 year olds wanting to develop the basic fundamentals of basketball and play on a basketball team. Class will begin in early October, possibly meeting on both Tuesday and Thursday, running through the basketball season. The team will be competing in 6-12 games total. Additional practices may be scheduled. There is an athletic fee in addition to the coaching fee and there may be some fundraising.

\*Eligibility - A player who is 12 on September 1st is considered eligible to play in the 12-and-under age group. At parent/coach discretion players may play in a higher age group.

## Study Skills

**MEMORY**     **Memory Training (Fall 2011)**     **Grades 7 - 12**     Class Fee \$64.00 Homework Hrs 1  
 Louise Doherty     markdoherty@sbcglobal.net     Class Size: min 4, max 25

This is a one semester class. This is an exciting and fun course that teaches us to memorize and recall a variety of items. We'll learn to memorize lists, facts, numbers, poems, and names. We will listen to Ron White's Memory System CDs and practice the techniques. Ron White's Memory system is a 30 day course. We will listen to 2 lessons per week. I have used this method to memorize 105 Greek verbs, poems and a variety of lists. It's fun to recall something you've memorized.

**STDSKLS**     **Study Skills with ACT/SAT Prep.**     **Grades 7 - 12**     Class Fee \$80.00 Homework Hrs 2  
 Jena Webber     (815) 519-9003 organizingmommy@sbcglobal.net     Class Size: min 3, max 20

Enhanced Study Skills

This is a year long course that will include: basic through specialized study skills, critical essay writing, ACT/ SAT preparation, and time management skills. This class is designed to take the high school student of the mom-managing-everything style of schooling to create independent, self-assured students who are prepared for the rigors of college life. Study skills are not something people are born with. They are learned and earned through hard work and determination. Essay writing will be a large emphasis in this class, so be prepared for a transformation.

Materials required: What Smart Students Know by Adam Robinson, ISBN: 9780517880852

Website: <http://www.amazon.com/What-Smart-Students-Know-Learning/dp/0517880857> \$10.50/ in stock

And you will need to purchase two notebooks for journal entries.

Other requirements: You must have an internet-access computer for your student. They will be using the SAT/ACT practice questions offered free through the computer.

Homework: Expect 2-3 hours of homework a week. You will be reading, taking notes, writing essays and taking practice tests at home, but not necessarily each of these every week.

Fees: \$80.00 a semester.

# Yearbook

**YEARBOOK Yearbook**

**Grades 9 - 12**

Class Fee \$50.00 Homework Hrs 2

Michelle Huftalin

[hmeschl3@yahoo.com](mailto:hmeschl3@yahoo.com)

Class Size: min 6, max 20

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The purpose of this class is to produce the Hallstrom Homeschool Yearbook. Class includes developing the theme of the book. In addition, layouts of all the pages, working on picture day, and some ad sales may be required. This class also **REQUIRES** outside time to take pictures of all the events that go on. In order to complete the yearbook, we'll meet once or twice after the regular Hallstrom classes have finished.

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