



After School Program Enrichment Classes Fall 2016 – September 19th to November 18th

UPDATED 9/8 with two new classes!

Fall Enrichment Classes begin the week of September 19th and end November 18th (exceptions noted with individual class descriptions). The class fee covers all associated costs and is billed to your account at the end of September. Refunds are not given for missed classes or withdrawals.

Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis. Please note the grade level requirements for each class; this will not be modified. Classes fill quickly, so you are urged to register as soon as possible. Classes that do not meet the minimum enrollment will be cancelled; you will be notified via email and your account will not be charged.

To register, send an email to rhacker@emerson-school.org with your child's name, grade, and desired classes.

Monday

***Off the Wall Art! – Grades K-3* Only 4 spaces left!**

Let's have some *Off the Wall* fun! We'll create interesting sculptures and hanging kinetic art that are anything but flat! Our *Off the Wall* creations include interactive 3D designs, textiles, and mobiles in the style of world-famous American sculpture artist Alexander Calder. We will learn about the age-old tradition of designing Chinese opera masks and create whimsical architecture inspired by the clever Pop Art of James Rizzi. We'll explore art that is fun, creative and *OFF THE WALL*!

Instructor: Abrakadoodle Company

Class Limit: 14 students

Day and Time: Monday 3:30-4:30pm

Fee: \$128

Note: No class October 31st

Tuesday

***Maracas y Silly Spanish Songs! – Grades K-2* Only 2 spaces left!**

Learning Spanish is so much fun! Join us as we sing silly songs and recite rhymes in Spanish, discover meaning through illustrations, and take part in crafts and games to reinforce learning. We will make maracas and piñatas and dance to lively music. Come join us and sing while you swing with a hula-hoop, making learning Spanish a fiesta!

Instructor: Miriam DelValle, Lower School Spanish teacher

Class Limit: 6 students

Day and Time: Tuesday 3:00-4:00pm

Fee: \$135

***Sumo Battle Bots – Grades 2-5* This class is full!**

Using the LEGO Mindstorms NXT robot kits, students will become familiar with the fundamentals of computer programming by using an icon-based, drag-and-drop computer language to build robots that exhibit intelligent behavior. Sumo Battles will then take place in a 4ft. diameter ring with the goal of knocking your opponent out of the ring as quickly and efficiently as possible. Strategy is a must, and students will repeatedly try new ideas in order to test and refine their robot before they begin the official battle rounds, learning as they go.

Instructor: Brain Monkeys Company
Class Limit: 14 students
Day and Time: Tuesday 3:30-4:30pm
Fee: \$144

Wednesday

Storytelling with LEGO – Grades K-2

Using the LEGO Education StoryStarter kits, students will use LEGO building materials, minifigures and software to create their own stories. First, they'll write out a storyboard complete with illustrations and then move on to building the story with LEGO pieces. This popular class combines the fun of playing with LEGO and the reading, writing, speaking, and listening skills that come with storytelling!

Instructor: Brain Monkeys Company
Class Limit: 14 students
Day and Time: Wednesday 3:30-4:30pm
Fee: \$144

Math Writing! – Grades 3-4 New class!

Bring your sense of humor and math knowledge to our very first Math writing class with Gillian! Write problems for others to solve, illustrate them, get creative! Write math jokes! Plays! Songs! There are exponential opportunities in this new class.

Instructor: Gillian Ferrington, Math Mavin
Class Limit: 10 students
Day and Time: Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm
Fee: \$90
Note: six week class from September 21st through October 26th.

Silver Scribes – Grades 4-8 Only 3 spaces left!

Calling all fourth through eighth grade boys! Do you have a love for writing? If so, *Silver Scribes* is the club for you. Join us on Wednesday afternoons where we will model what authors do, share our writing, support each other, explore different genres of writing, and have a great time working on our craft with friends.

Instructor: Mrs. Chenier, 5th grade teacher
Class Limit: 8 students
Day and Time: Wednesday 3:00-4:00pm
Fee: \$98
Note: No class October 19th or November 2nd

Dale Carnegie Course – Grades 6-8

What would it mean if you were able to develop greater self-confidence? If you learned to work better with others and improve relationships? If you discovered how to handle the stresses and pressures present in your daily life? How about learning to focus on *positive* qualities and talents, rather than short-comings? If this sounds like something you'd be interested in, join us for this special Dale Carnegie Course which has been specifically designed for Emerson Middle School students.

This college-accredited program will meet on Wednesdays from 3-6pm from September 28th through November 16th. Attendance for all eight classes is required to graduate from this class. Orientation for parents **and** students is scheduled for Wednesday, September 21st from 6-8pm that is a fast-paced and fun way to learn all about this new and exciting class. Dale Carnegie even offers a money back guarantee.

Instructor: Carly Meloche, After School Program Assistant and Dale Carnegie Certified Instructor
Class Limit: 18 students

Day and Time: Wednesday 3:00-6:00pm

Fee: \$1295

Note: Orientation the evening of September 21st for **parents and students** from 6-8pm.

Kaleidoscope – Grades K-8 Updated to meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, starting 10/19

The purpose of this group is to allow Emerson students who self-identify as children of color to come to a space where they are able to reflect upon, feel empowered by, and validated in their identity. Friends and those curious about this group, whether of color or not, are welcome to join.

The free monthly meetings will be held after school on the third Wednesday of each month from 3:15-4:30, October through May. A snack will be offered each meeting followed by an opening welcome with questions and discussions. Hands-on activities will be planned for participation at each session with a time for reflection, sharing, and closing.

Instructors: Linda Lakshminarayanan, Librarian and Jennifer Tanau, Lower School Art Teacher

Class Limit: 14 students

Day and Time: third Wednesday of the month 3:15-4:30pm, October through May

Fee: **Free to all Emerson students, registration and year-long commitment required**

Thursday

Capoeira Martial Arts Class – Grades K-3 Needs 4 more participants or won't run this session ☹

The Brazilian Martial Art of Capoeira helps develop balance, coordination, flexibility, sense of rhythm and awareness of your own body. In this brand new class, students will learn some Portuguese, music skills with Brazilian instruments and teamwork skills. The musical aspect of Capoeira helps kids feel more comfortable and more willing to exercise. Training in Capoeira also builds self-esteem and helps children to develop a sense of identity as an individual and helps build personalities through self-expression in a fun and playful way. Come check it out!

Instructor: Fabio da Cunha, Certified [Capoeira](#) Instructor

Class Limit: 12 students

Day and Time: Thursday 3:30-4:30pm

Fee: \$128

Note: No class October 13th

Walk in the Woods – Grades 3-8 Only 2 spaces left!

In this outdoorsy class, we'll go to our neighboring wild lands, just across Zeeb to explore on Thursday afternoons. The landowner has granted us permission to explore the woods' trails, pond, and meadow. We'll watch for signs of the seasons changing. Are birds getting ready to migrate? What sorts of animal homes can we find? Are there animal tracks to investigate? Let's get out in nature and explore around! This is a get-outdoors program; be sure to wear or bring a **long-sleeved shirt, long pants, boots, and a hat** each week.

Instructor: Connie Weber, 5th grade teacher

Class Limit: 12 students

Day and Time: Thursday 3:00-4:00pm

Fee: \$78

Note: No class October 13th, October 27th, or November 17th. This class ends November 10th.

Math Art! – Grades 3-4 New class!

We love art! We love math! What's the difference? There isn't any! On Thursdays *and* Fridays Gillian is offering Math Art classes where 3rd and 4th graders will explore drawing, painting and constructing 3D math art projects with a seasonal theme. Art is everywhere in math and we can find it in measurements, geometry and shapes. Students should enroll if able to attend on Thursdays *and* Fridays for this six week session.

Instructor: Gillian Ferrington, Math Mavin

Class Limit: 10 students

Day and Time: **Thursdays and Fridays** 3:00-4:00pm

Fee: \$180

Note: six week class from September 22nd through November 4th, with no class on October 13th or 14th.

Friday

Chess Club - Grades K-8

The Emerson After School Chess Club is celebrating over 24 years with instructor John Smalec! There are two classes offered on Fridays based on chess experience. Beginning Chess is offered to students brand new to the game and players with 1-2 years of playing experience. Advanced Chess is open to players with at least 3 years of playing experience. Typically, students take 3 sessions of Beginning Chess before advancing to Advanced Chess. In each class, John is great at challenging everyone at their own level. Throughout the year, John will share opportunities for your child to play in local chess tournaments as individuals and also as a team representing Emerson School.

Instructor: John Smalec, Emerson Chess Master

Class Limit: 16 students

Beginner Chess: Friday 3:00-4:00pm **Only 1 space left in Beginner Chess!**

Advanced Chess: Friday 4:00-5:00pm

Fee: \$150

Note: No class on October 14th; Chess will extend through December 9th

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