



After School Program Fall Enrichment Classes

SEPTEMBER 16TH, 2024 – NOVEMBER 1ST, 2024

OVERVIEW

Fall Enrichment Classes will begin the week of Monday, September 16th and end the week of Monday, October 28th. There will be no classes during the week of Monday, October 14th due to Parent-Teacher Conferences. These classes are open to all Emerson students. All classes will take place during after school hours, each class meeting once a week for 1 hour or 1.5 hours and beginning no earlier than 3:00pm. All of our enrichment courses are taught by Emerson teachers, parents, and some *Summer at Emerson* and After School Program staff members.

LEADERSHIP

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REGISTRATION

All families who wish to register for an enrichment class must sign up via our [SignUp Genius link](#). Grade level requirements are firmly set for each class and will not be modified. Please note that these spots are available on a first come, first served basis. We thank you in advance for understanding.

COMMUNICATION

There may be notices sent throughout the session regarding any class changes (cancellations, reminders, etc). The email address used to register your child for classes is the one we will use to send out these communications. If you would like an additional email address added to our list of contacts for class updates, please let us know via email.

CANCELLATION POLICY

If a weekly class meeting is canceled for any reason (instructor absence, weather, etc), we will do our best to schedule a make-up date. This make-up meeting would occur on the same day and time that the class normally would meet during a given week. This rescheduling will depend on the school calendar and the instructor's availability. If a make-up meeting is not possible, we will prorate the total cost of the class at the end of the session to account for the missed class meeting.

PAYMENT

Our regular class prices range from \$169 to \$332, as noted in the class descriptions. Classes that do not meet the minimum enrollment will be canceled; you will be notified via email and your account will not be charged. Each class fee covers all associated costs and will be billed to your account at the end of November. **Refunds are not given for missed classes or mid-session withdrawals.**



MONDAY

Paper Crafts – Grades Y5-3

Learn fun new ways to play with paper! Students will learn different techniques, like origami, quilling, decoupage, and more to transform everyday paper into works of art. Students will make jumping frogs, decorative boxes, bookmarks, stationery, and other fun projects. Join us to explore an eco-friendly way to have hours of fun!

- **Instructor:** Aysia Rodriguez, *Summer at Emerson* Counselor
- **Spots Available:** 10
- **Day and Time:** Mondays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7, 10/21 and 10/28
- **Fee:** \$209

Adventures in Cooking & Baking – Grades 2-4

Join Chef Jyl of [A Curious Kitchen](#) in the Emerson Kitchen as we learn how to prepare tasty snacks and meals together. Students will learn about food and knife safety, how to use measurements and read a recipe, and how to be creative with seasonal cooking. Families are asked to provide a reusable container so students can bring food home. All levels are welcome!

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TUESDAY

Embroidery 7-8 – Grades 7-8

Learn the joys of stitch work! This class will introduce students to the essential stitches, tools, and techniques of embroidery. Students will learn how to transfer designs from paper to fabric, follow patterns, select a color palette, and add their own embellishments. By the end of the course, students will complete and take home a hot air balloon landscape!

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Just Dance! – Grades 1-4

Do you love to dance? In this class, dancers will explore creativity and movement through dance! This class will use all dancers' talents and strengths to compose their own routines by the end of the session. Remember to wear comfortable clothes you can move in and bring a water bottle. No prior dance experience is required. We will perform a group dance in a small performance during the last week of class.

- **Instructor:** Holly Greca, *Summer at Emerson* Instructor and After School Program Counselor
- **Spots Available:** 10



- **Day and Time:** Tuesdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/22 and 10/29
- **Fee:** \$169

The Eagle's View Podcasting Club – Grades 2-5

In this club, we will learn all about podcasting: the difference between scripted and Q&A podcasts, where to listen to podcasts, what makes a podcaster different from a YouTuber, and much more. While becoming familiar with a wide range of topics to include on Emerson's own podcast "The Eagle's View," you will get to create content for the podcast which will be listened to by the whole Emerson community! If creating content is not your forte, you can write commercials or create original music for all of our podcasts and their segments.

- **Instructor:** Jessica Taranto, Emerson School 4th Grade Teacher
- **Spots Available:** 12
- **Day and Time:** Tuesdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/22 and 10/29
- **Fee:** \$206

Upper Middle School Debate – Grades 7-8

Are you passionate and opinionated about things that you believe in? If so, join us for a crash course in four forms of debate, all of which are available to participate in at the high school level! Begin with the basics by honing your skills in a classic debate format. Then, move on to debating ethical issues as done in ethics bowls. Next, explore law by preparing your own mock trial case. And, finally, practice arguing complex global issues as done in Model UN. You'll learn to think on your feet and to improve your research and public speaking skills all in a fun and engaging way with friends.

- **Instructor:** Jasmine Ridley, *Summer at Emerson* Instructor
- **Spots Available:** 10
- **Day and Time:** Tuesdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/22 and 10/29
- **Fee:** \$176

WEDNESDAY

Chess Challengers – Grades K-3

For players who feel ready to move beyond the basics of chess, let's take it up a notch! Come together with fellow chess lovers and learn the advanced rules of the game. Play in intense bracket matches and swap strategies to make us all better players. Do you have what it takes to be an Emerson Chess Champion?

- **Instructor:** Grant Weston, Emerson School Kindergarten Teacher
- **Spots Available:** 10
- **Day and Time:** Wednesdays 3:15pm-4:15pm
- **Dates:** 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/23 and 10/30
- **Fee:** \$200

Emerson Girls Club – Grades 4-6

Welcome to the club! Here, we will dive into the world of girls and learn the skills and science to step up our game, no matter what your goals may be! Through games, discussions, videos, and creative activities, we will cover everything from friendships, happiness, and wellness to social media, style, and sports. We will also practice the skills we learn to slay the obstacles in your way. Life's an adventure. So girls, let's get ready for it!



- **Instructor:** Nori Flautner, Emerson School 4-8 Physical Education and Health Teacher and Emerson Parent
- **Spots Available:** 12
- **Day and Time:** Wednesdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/18, 9/25, 10/2, 10/9, 10/23 and 10/30
- **Fee:** \$176

Junior Scientists – Grades Y5-3

Science is all around us, and science is for everyone! Junior scientists will have fun practicing their observation skills and learning how to use the scientific method to explore the world around them. From plant biology to basic chemistry; the states of matter to our human senses; and air and space, students will spend this session engaged in fun, age appropriate science experiments that will leave them invigorated and interested in all that science has to offer.

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THURSDAY

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- **Fee:** \$209

Readers Theater – Grades Y5-2

Come read and perform your favorite stories in a fun and interactive way! Using books as scripts, students will learn to read with inflection, perform the action, and turn a simple read-aloud into interactive performance pieces that will be enjoyed by all.

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- **Fee:** \$169

Model Rocketry – Grades 3-5

If you are interested in launching rockets, then this is the perfect class for you! Each student will receive a Viking rocket and several engine types (from A8-3 to C6-5). The Viking rocket has 48 possible fin configurations, and it is much easier to build than other kits. Since building the Viking rocket will be much less time-consuming, we will be spending more time launching. Possible launch altitude for this rocket is 1,600 ft. 3, 2, 1. . . BLAST OFF!!

- **Instructor:** Michael Wilson, Emerson School 3rd Grade Teacher
- **Spots Available:** 12
- **Day and Time:** Thursdays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/19, 9/26, 10/3, 10/10, 10/24 and 10/31
- **Fee:** \$218

Community Service & Volunteering – Grades 5-8

Volunteering and participating in community service are valuable experiences for students of all ages. In this class, students will focus on helping other kids within our local community by choosing local organizations to support. They will then research what these organizations need and design their own donation drives. Through doing this, students will gain valuable experience in volunteering their time and helping others in their own communities.

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FRIDAY

Football Journalism – Grades 4-6

Do you think that fall is the best season because it's football season? Does your passion for football go beyond just watching the game? If so, spend this season diving into America's true national pastime by learning what goes into being a football journalist. Research your favorite team and player statistics and use them to create your own sports analysis. Eventually, this research will lead to putting on a mock broadcast about your favorite local football teams.

- **Instructor:** Jasmine Ridley, *Summer at Emerson* Instructor
- **Spots Available:** 10
- **Day and Time:** Fridays 3:30pm-4:30pm
- **Dates:** 9/20, 9/27, 10/4, 10/11, 10/25 and 11/1
- **Fee:** \$176