

Clear Creek Independent School District

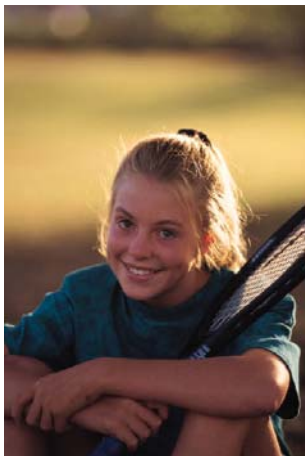
Elementary Summer Enrichment Classes 2008

Ward Elementary

1440 Bouldercrest Houston, TX 77062

June 11 – July 3, 2008

Monday – Thursday



ELEMENTARY ENRICHMENT COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

****Register for your child's current grade level (2007-2008 school year)**
Registration will ONLY be accepted for the appropriate grade level.**

READING

Cooking Up Something Yummy with Literature – This class is designed to combine cooking and reading. All recipes are inspired by favorite children's books and will involve students in enjoyable hands-on cooking experiences. Students will have the opportunity to work in small groups and learn about different authors and their books. The students will be using their math, reading and science skills and learn how to follow directions of a recipe in sequential order. They will keep a journal about the author and books we've read and create a recipe book to take home to share with family and friends.

Grades 1-2 8:30 – 10:00
Grades 1-2 10:15 – 11:45

Reading is a PICNIC! – This summer we are going on a picnic adventure filled with fun activities to promote literacy! We will snack on picnic-themed language arts activities designed to promote reading, fluency, comprehension, word study and sight words recognition. Activities include: picnic book buddy reading, picnic poems, picnic listening station, ant discovery station, creation station, word study station, and more! We're going on a picnic promised with fun along the way...so sign up NOW, before it's too late, and the ants take your place away!

Grades 1-2 8:30 – 10:00
Grades 1-2 10:15 – 11:45

Reading with Meaning – Good readers use a few basic strategies to help them understand what they read. In this course, these strategies will be taught and practiced through the use of read alouds, games, and other engaging activities. The goal is to equip students with comprehension strategies they can use independently and confidently and to instill in them a greater love for reading. Work will also be done to improve reading fluency.

Grades 2-3 8:30 – 10:00
Grades 2-3 10:15 – 11:45

Summer Book Club – This course will entice young readers to explore books in a different manner. We will use Literature Circles to discuss fiction and nonfiction. This class will also provide students who love reading an opportunity to read and discuss books in an open forum. Students will also creatively interpret their book through a variety of activities such as: writing a comic strip, designing a new book jacket, developing a power point presentation, painting a picture or writing a play. **(Supply Fee: \$15. Your child will get to keep the books purchased with this money.)**

Grades 4-5 8:30 – 10:00
Grades 4-5 10:15 – 11:45

Rocking with Reading - Come shake your skills and rattle your brains with fun games and activities that will enhance your reading skills. Some of the skills that will be covered include

reading comprehension, plot structure, main idea, short vowel sounds, long vowel sounds, blends, diphthongs, and digraphs.

Grades 1-2	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 1-2	10:15 – 11:45

WRITING

The Young Writers Guild - The students will use mentor texts to help them write ideas for stories, leads, endings and poetry. The mentor texts will even help students learn how to use grammar correctly. The students will need a spiral notebook to write in for class.

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-5	10:15 – 11:45

RESEARCH

Research Hounds - Do you always ask “Why?” Do you always want to know more? In this class, students will have the opportunity to explore, in depth, a topic of interest. Students will have fun learning while gaining the skills necessary for conducting research using a variety of sources, both print and electronic. Research foundations will be taught in an interactive format that includes games and challenges. Skills taught will include planning and pacing research projects, selecting appropriate resources, note taking, citations, and presentation skills. Students will apply their newly learned skills by researching and presenting on their topic of interest. Students will plan and complete products on their topic that incorporate a variety of media and formats. The class will culminate in student presentations with a “Research Hound” Exploration Museum.

Grades 4-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 4-5	10:15 – 11:45

MATH

Make and Take Math Games – In this course, students will learn a new math game each day. These games will focus on a variety of skills to extend the learning they have done all year. They will make their own math games and manipulatives to take home and challenge their friends and family members. **(Supply Fee: \$5)**

Grades 2-3	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 2-3	10:15 – 11:45

Math is a PICNIC! – This summer we are going on a picnic adventure filled with fun activities to promote number concepts! We will snack on picnic-themed math activities which include: ant hill counting, placemat problem solving, lunch box fractions and geometry, carrot stick measurement, utensil addition and subtraction, playground graphing, and more! We’re going on

a picnic promised with fun along the way...so sign up NOW, before it's too late, and the ants take your place away!

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Outwit, Outlast, and Outplay – Calling all Survivors! Join the Survivor challenge and work with your tribal members to outwit, outlast, and outplay other tribes! If you accept this pursuit you will encounter an array of challenges that will include mental and physical endurance while working on teamwork and cooperation. Will you and your tribe be the last standing Survivors? **(Supply Fee: \$5)**

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grade 1-3	10:15 – 11:45

Get Your Head in the Game – Math Made Fun – Boring memorization of mathematical facts getting you down? Come learn skills to aid in addition, subtraction, multiplication, problem solving, and more by getting your head into fun hands-on math games. Students will practice challenging math strategies in a fresh new way! These strategies will help reinforce skills learned in math this year, as well as prepare them for the upcoming grade.

Grades 3-4	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-4	10:15 – 11:45

Show Me the Money \$ - This course will challenge students to think outside the box to solve math problems. Puzzles, brain teasers, logic problems, and games will be played in teams. Each team will compete against each other daily to earn money to buy weekly fun prizes. This class is geared for students who need to be *challenged in math*. They will earn team building skills, along with problem solving strategies. **(Supply Fee: \$10)**

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-5	10:15 – 11:45

SCIENCE

What's In Your Garden? – Students will explore the different types of rocks and soils found in their own backyards. We will examine worms and other insects under a microscope and gather leaves to make leaf rubbings. Students will create pet rocks and sort sand particles. We'll learn about what happens to rocks with erosion and weathering over time. We'll investigate the many different colors in nature. Students will dissect seeds and monitor plant growth. All these science activities will be maintained and elaborated on in personal Science Journals.

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-5	10:15 – 11:45

Concoctions and Contraptions - Come on kids, let's roll up our sleeves and have fun with science! We will learn through reading exciting books and exploring the indoor and outdoors. So...join the fun and come explore the bones of the human body and make a model of an atom! **(Supply Fee: \$10)**

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
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Soaring With Science – How can silly things like kites and bubbles have anything to do with the serious subject of science? Come soar to new heights of scientific investigation. Learn about wind, electricity, matter and so much more! You might even have a little fun!

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SOCIAL STUDIES

Where in the World Can We Go? – Come take a virtual tour of various countries around the world! We will learn about the languages, cultures, and history of exciting places as we transform ourselves into travel agents! We will create travel brochures and write about our exciting adventures through countries including Africa and Greece!

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10:15 – 11:45

TECHNOLOGY

Technosavvy Kids – Do you love the computer? Are you interested in creating a computer generated project? Join us as we explore the world of computers and learn how to use various programs.

Grades 3-5

8:30 – 10:00

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10:15 – 11:45

Digital Scrapbooking - In this course, students will have the opportunity to create a digital scrapbook that chronicles major milestones in their lives so far. Students will also make predictions about their future and include them in their scrapbook as well. Students are encouraged to bring pictures from home. (They will learn how to scan these pictures in to include them in their books, and they will bring the originals back home.) A variety of technology skills will be covered, including photo cropping and finishing, layout design, and digital publication. **(Supply fee: \$3)**

Grades 3-5

8:30 – 10:00

Grades 3-5

10:15 – 11:45

FINE ARTS/FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Conversational Spanish – Ever wanted to learn to speak another language? This course will enable students to learn basic conversational Spanish during the time that they attend the summer program. The goal of this course is to teach children basic words, language structure, phrases and conversations that are typical of the Spanish language so that they may begin the process of

acquiring a second language. Learning activities will range from: hands-on activities, conversations, group work, and auditory reinforcement.

Grades 1-3	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-5	10:15 – 11:45

Art on Tour – We will visit a variety of countries, review the types of art, and attempt to produce similar artwork with many mediums. Countries include: Africa, England, Japan, and Australia. (Supply Fee: \$15)

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Three Dimensional Art – Come learn the elements of sculpture and construction. Some methods of art covered in this class are: ceramics, weaving, paper masks, and clay sculpture. If you are interested in becoming a true artist, this class is for you!

Grades 3-5	8:30 – 10:00
Grades 3-5	10:15 – 11:45

PHYSICAL EDUCATION – Feel free to bring a water bottle for class.

Cheerleading Basics – Come join us to learn the latest jumps, cheers, chants and dance moves. The class will be based on the basics and welcomes any students who enjoy active participation. The course promises to be a blast for all students involved. No experience needed!

Grades 1-5	8:30 – 10:00
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Game Set: Love...Tennis – Students will learn fundamentals of tennis through fun-filled games. Teacher will supply rackets, tennis balls, etc. Students should bring water bottles and dress comfortably. We will have a professional tennis guest speaker to help us hone our skills. Tennis shoes are required.

Grades 1-2	8:30 – 10:00
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Deuce, Match Point...Tennis – Students will learn fundamentals of tennis through fun-filled games. Teacher will supply rackets, tennis balls, etc. Students should bring water bottles and dress comfortably. We will have a professional tennis guest speaker to help us hone our skills. Tennis shoes are required.

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Fit and Fun – This class will be stressing aerobic and cardiovascular fitness through many creative activities. Students will start out with aerobic exercises and strength training, and then learn how to enjoy a healthy lifestyle while engaging in “heart changing games”. Jurassic Park, Capture the Flag, Cardio Pinball, Flag Belt Tag, Scooter Hockey...and that is just the beginning of what’s to come! This summer, be a “Fit and Fun” fanatic!

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Lead-Up Games to Sports – This course will include *games* that teach the necessary skills needed for basketball, soccer, baseball and softball. The games will include activities involving eye-hand coordination, dribbling, passing, shooting, dodging, running bases, throwing and catching. Join us and have some fun!

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