

SunBlock 2013 Class Descriptions - Draft

Club Kids

Come join the club! Enrichment programming for students entering Kindergarten and 1st grade in the fall of 2013. We will include reading, writing, art, science, cooperative learning, and social interaction in a fun packed morning. 3 two-week sessions, join 1, 2 or all 3 sessions.

Monday – Thursday, 8:30 – 11:30

June 17-27		July 8-18	July 22 – Aug. 1
Discovery	DCKA	DCKB	DCKC
Hanover	HCKA	HCKB	HCKC
Montrose	MCKA	MCKB	MCKC
Northwinds	NCKA	NCKB	NCKC

A Day in the Life of Minnesota Wildlife (1A1, 1A2, 1A3, 28B1, 28B2, 28B3)

What it would be like if you were a honey bee or a raccoon? Now is your chance to find out. Come learn about the way some of Minnesota's wildlife lives. We will watch short video clips from "Wild America" as well as do projects and activities that relate to how animals live in Minnesota. (Grades 2-3)

Bugs, Bugs, and Spiders too! (2A1, 2A2, 2A3)

You may love them or hate them, but bugs and spiders are an important part of life on earth. We will go on bug/spider hunts, observe what we find and learn fun facts about bugs here and around the world. We will also search for these little creatures in fiction and non-fiction books and create some of our own. By the end of this class you may never step on a bug or spider again!!!! (Grades 2-3)

Cooking For Kids (3A1, 3A2, 3A3, 29B1, 29B2, 29B3, 72C1, 72C2, 72C3)

Who doesn't like to eat? But are you eating healthy? In this class we will be cooking up some healthy dishes, and also doing activities to help us learn how to make healthy choices. Healthy doesn't have to be "yucky", come discover how "yummy" healthy can be. (Grades 2-7)

Dino-Mania (4A1, 4A2, 4A3)

Take a trip back in time and discover the wonderful world of dinosaurs! We will read fun "dino-books," make our own volcanoes, make a "dino-habitat", do some "dino-art", and enjoy some "dino" treats and games. Sure to be "dino" fun!!! (Grades 2-3)

Disney Art (5A1)

We will take a look at Disney books and movies – and create projects that go with them. Whether it be a princess or a dragon – you are sure to have fun in this class. (Grades 2-3)

Eric Carle Art (6A1, 6A2, 6A3)

Gain appreciation for the work of Eric Carle not only as a story writer, but as an illustrator. We will create our own original Eric Carle creation through paper collage art, stamp printing, texture, repetition, different types of paper, depth, templates and shapes. Join this fun and exciting class. (Grades 2-3)

4th of July Frenzy **(7A1, 7A2, 7A3)**

Are you crafty.... Interested in celebrating...proud and patriotic?? If so, this class is for you! Join us as we take a closer look at why we celebrate the 4th of July. We'll make fun crafts to decorate your home, and learn to make a couple of tasty summer treats! (Grades 2-3)

Healthy Living **(8A1, 8A2, 8A3, 47B1, 47B2, 47B3)**

Tasty, good nutrition, proper care of our teeth, bike safety, environmental care, are just a few of the topics that will be covered in this class. Come ready to learn life-long good habits to share with your family and friends. (Grades 2-3)

Invasion Games **(21A1, 5A2, 21A3)**

Do you know what an "Invasion Game" is? Come join us as we play soccer, floor hockey, flicker ball, tag, capture the flag, and many more team games. Only requirement is that you are a good sport!!! (Grades 2-7)

Self-Defense **(24A1, 24A2, 5A3, 34Ba, 34B2, 55B3, 55B3)**

This class includes aspects from a number of different martial arts: karate, tai chi, tai qwon do, and perhaps a little judo thrown in as well. Students will learn proper stances, how to move, strikes, blocks, and kicks. Practice will include the use of pads and other equipment. We will also learn practical rules of safety (age-appropriate) and practice scenarios until it becomes second nature to you. As an added bonus, a guest speaker, a retired police officer with a second degree black belt, will come and share more safety techniques. Come exercise your brain and your body!!!! (Grades 2-7)

Karate Basics **(9A1, 9A2, 9A3, 35B1, 35B2, 35B3, 62C1, 62C2, 62C3)**

Karate can be a great tool for learning self-discipline, respect for self and others, keeping physically fit, and building self-confidence. Come try this class out = you will get a free uniform! This class is taught by trained professionals . (Grades 2-7)

Re-cycled Art **(10A1, 10A2, 10A3, 64C1, 64C2, 64C3)**

Come and join us dig into true trash and junk! Prepare to unleash your creativity as we take items that end up in the daily trash and re-cycle them into masterpieces. As they say, "One man's trash is another man's treasure!" We will explore different ways to use aluminum cans, plastic bottle caps, buttons, cereal boxes, wire coat hangers, egg cartons and more. You'll be amazed at the inspiration you find deep within the recycling bin!!! We will create crafts, sculptures, musical instruments, jewelry and more. Let's start re-using and re-cycling! (Grades 2-3)

Sculpture Fun **(11A1, 23A2, 23A3, 52B1, 52B2, 52B3, 67C1, 67C2, 67C3)**

Wooden robots! Silly birds! Nature mobiles! These are just a few of the things we will create in this sculpture class. We will have a ton of fun – just bring some newspaper and a smile!! (Grades 2-7)

Sign Language **(12A1, 25A2, 25A3, 39B1, 39B2, 53B3, 68C1, 68C2, 68C3)**

Whether you know some sign language already or none at all, this class has a spot for you. In this class we will learn the ABC's, and basic sign language for animals, family, colors, and much more. (Grades 2-7)

Fun Chinese **(11A2, 11A3, 32B1, 61C3)**

Jump in for a fun splash of Chinese language and culture! You will learn to speak and write basic Chinese words and sentences. We will learn Chinese children's songs, rhymes, and make crafts that Chinese children make for every day and special holidays. (Grades 2-3)

Plaster Master (12A2, 12A3, 19A1)

Join us as we create art from plaster. We will showcase your creative talent as we make plaster pets, keepsakes, and picture frames. (Grades 2-7)

Summer Celebrations (13A1, 13A2, 13A3)

Every day is a day to celebrate. We will have a Game Day, Carnival Day, Craft Day, Treasure Hunt Day each week. Bobbing for apples, pin the tail on the donkey, a piñata, silent ball, bingo, races, painting are just some of the summer fun activities we will do. (Grades 2-3)

Babysitting (14A1, 14A2, 42B1, 43B2, 71C2, 71C3)

Come learn how to be professional and responsible as a care giver. Topics include how to respond to an emergency, characteristics of different age groups, age-appropriate play activities, and basic child care skills. Students who meet the course criteria will be awarded a Red Cross Babysitting certificate. (Grades 5-7)

Basic Aid Training (14A3, 43B3, 71C1)

Learn the basic first aid treatment for cuts, burns, breathing emergencies, choking, CPR, bee stings. We will talk about different situations that may come up and what to do to help a victim. (Grades 4-7)

Counted Cross Stitch Creations (19A2, 19A3)

Back by popular demand this class is for you. Pick up a needle, some thread and COUNT – you can create all sorts of fun with this easy stitching method. (Grades 4-7)

Fantastic 4th of July (16A1, 16A2, 16A3)

Fireworks, parades, picnics, it's all fun 4th of July traditions. How did this all start – what is the meaning behind it all? Come to this class to find out the history behind the 4th of July celebrations. We will make fun decorations to use for your 4th of July celebration. (Grades 4-7)

(Re)Fashionable T's (17A1, 17A2, 17A3)

Let's take a plain old t-shirt and re-fashion it into something new and creative! Please bring a 5-pack of white t-shirts to class so you can make many fun, creative items!!!! (Grades 4-7)

Fitness through Sports (18A1, 18A2, 18A3)

Get up and off that couch!!!! We will learn some fun workout techniques and find out how easy they can be. We will play various games and do random heart rate checks to see how we are doing. (Grades 4-7)

Footloose 2 (20A1, 20A2, 20A3)

County music stars look out – here we come!!!! In this class we will learn a line dance or two and then make a video. All students will get a copy the video to share with family and friends. Songs and dances will not be the same as last summer's – so there is something new for everyone. Bring your cowboy boots if you have them!! (Grades 4-7)

Summer Chinese (23A1, 53B2, 53B3, 61C1, 61C2)

Come learn conversational Chinese and Chinese characters. Soak in the fun of Chinese language, culture, and calligraphy this summer! We will take a look at what is currently happening in China and what the children in China do during their summers. (Grades 4-7)

Mad Scientist (26A1, 26A2, 26A3)

Come learn more about science through crazy fun experiments! Create a volcano, geode, and much more. (Grades 2-4)

Native American Art (27A1, 27A2, 27A3)

Join the fun as we explore what kinds of materials were available and used in the past by the Native Americans. You will create a variety of Native American art and writing using their symbols and natural materials. (Grades 4-7)

Dip, Dodge, Duck, Dive (30B1, 30B2, 30B3)

Come have fun playing games that include relays, obstacle courses, dodge balls, and more. We will focus on loco motor development and on having a fun time!!! (Grades 2-3)

Down By the Sea (31B1, 31B2, 31B3)

Come take an underwater ocean adventure! We will read books about the ocean, make our own ocean animal sculptures do ocean art, share ocean treats, and play some fun ocean games. (Grades 2-3)

Camp Rock 5 (44B1, 32B2, 32B3, 44B1)

Back again – but never the same songs or dance moves!!! With costumes, props, and silly songs we will make a hilarious music video starring YOU and your classmates. You will receive a copy of the video to share with your family and friends. (Grades 2-7)

Holidays in July (33B1, 33B2, 33B3)

Christmas in July? YES – along with Valentine’s Day, Easter, and other traditional yearly holidays. We will celebrate every day with projects and treats. (Grades 2-3)

Diary of a Wimpy Kid (45B1, 45B2, 34B3)

What’s Greg up to now??? Join us as we read the newest addition to the popular series by Jeff Kinney. We will read The Third Wheel and have fun with games, projects and other activities all within the Wimpy Kid theme. (Grades 2-7)

Poetry Fun (36B1, 36B2, 36B3)

Who says writing poems has to be hard? Join us and learn how easy and fun poetry can be! We will have a poetry race, do rhyme-time riddles, and learn how to write a Cinquain poem as well as much, much more. (Grades 2-3)

Re-use, Re-cycle (38B1, 38B2, 38B3, 74C1, 74C2, 74C3)

Come learn the importance of re-cycling while reusing ordinary, household items to make fun crafts. We will make flower vases, and bird feeders just to name a few. Save your peanut butter jars, mild cartons, old jeans, used wrapping paper, cereal boxes, shoe boxes, newspapers, and 2 liter plastic bottles. (Grades 2-3)

Wet, Wacky Fun (40B1, 40B2, 40B3, 78C1, 78C2, 78C3)

Enjoy a variety of activities with one thing in common....WATER! A swim suit (or change of clothes) and a towel should be brought to class each day – you will get wet. (Grades 2-7)

We are NOT Bored!!! (41B1, 41B2, 41B3)

“I’m bored, there’s nothing to do!!!” How many times have you said this??? Come learn crafts, games, experiments and activities that can be done anytime alone or with a friend or two. Everything we do uses items already found in your home, and best of all, NO Batteries are needed!!! At the end of the class, students will take home a packet full of ideas of the activities we do along with recipes and directions. (Grades 2-3)

African Art (42B1, 42B2, 42B3)

Can learn about African art work – and then create your own with the techniques you learn. (Grades 4-7)

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun (46B1, 46B2, 46B3)

Calling all girls – come learn quick and easy ways to pamper yourself and a friend. Receive royal treatment like a real princess does! Homemade face masks, hair tips, and manicures are just the beginning of feeling pretty!!!! (Grades 4-7)

Let's Get Creative with Crayons (48B1, 48B2, 48B3)

We will explore the medium of crayons and find different ways to create pieces of art; from canvas paintings to working with watercolors! Come and explore your creative side! (Grades 4-7)

Nature Art (49B1, 49B2, 49B3)

Bring the outdoors inside!!! Come create with us using natural materials found in our back yards. (Grades 4-7)

Outdoor Games (50B1, 50B2, 50B3)

Come play with us! We will play various team sports – working on team work and good sportsmanship. Some of the games we will play are kickball, flag football, and soccer. Learn the fundamentals of each game and use your knowledge to be a better player. (Grades 4-7)

Scrapbooking (51B1, 51B2, 51B3)

Come make a keepsake scrapbook. Bring in pictures of family, friends, pets, whatever is special to you. Make a special scrapbook to keep yourself or give as a gift. (Grades 4-7)

Storyteller's Circle (54B1, 54B2, 54B3)

Do you have amazing short stories bubbling inside you? Come explore and create new worlds, time periods, people and creatures all your own! Whether you want to travel back in time, forward or sideways, or slip off to another universe that only exists in you, this is the class for you. You may be surprised by who you meet in the depths of your imagination – from witches and warlocks, to princesses and frogs. Get ready to climb aboard your spaceships or slay your dragons – the sky is the limit to what you can imagine – and write. Through imaginative prompts and fun improvisation games, you will learn the basic elements of story creation. Unleash your imagination onto the blank page and discover the fun that can come from writing! This class will improve literacy abilities, encourage creative thinking and build self-esteem. (Grades 4-7)

Art, Art, Art (56C1, 56C2, 56C3)

Art is the expression of human creative skills and imagination. Come express yourself and be creative. In this class we will experience art. We will make mosaic pictures in 3 different forms; drawing, foam and paper. We will experiment with negative and positive space through art – the question is “What do you really see a face or a vase?” (Grades 2-3)

African Safari Adventure (57C1, 57C2, 57C3)

Let's go on an African safari adventure!!! We will go through the African deserts and rainforests, and learn about the animals, the Nile River, the pyramids, mummies, and the Sphinx. We will read about Africa through many books, and make our own African art. We will also enjoy African treats and games!!! (Grades 2-3)

Body Works (58C1, 58C2, 58C3)

Have you ever wondered how the blood gets around your body – from your head to your toes? What happens to the food you eat after you swallow?? How do your insides fit together – and stay together? Come learn the answers to all these questions and more. We will learn about

your bones, muscles, and internal organs through activities, experiments and crafts. (Grades 2-3)

Crayon Creations (59C1, 59C2, 59C3)

Crayons can be used for way more than just coloring. Come explore the many ways to be creative with the colorful tool. (Grades 2-3)

Dr. Seuss Art (60C1, 60C2, 60C3)

“Today is good, Today is fun. Tomorrow is another one!” Dr. Seuss knows what he is talking about!!!! Come and enjoy fun crafts and activities from Dr. Seuss books. (Grades 2-3)

Let’s Explore the Desert (63C1, 63C2, 63C3)

Come one and all - let’s take a closer look at life in the desert! We will learn about the weather, explore the animals and creatures that live there, take a peek at plant life, all while learning how to beat the heat!!! (Grades 2-3)

Rockin’ Fairy Tales (65C1, 65C2, 65C3)

Watch out for the Big Bad Wolf!! He may show up for the video we will be making in this class. We will be singing and dancing as fairy tale characters and making a video to share with family and friends. Whatever costumes and props the instructor doesn’t have – we will make!!!! Come rock out to the 3 Little Pigs or whatever fairy tale you choose! Sure to be a rockin’ good time!!!! (Grades 2-3)

Science is FUN! (66C1, 66C2, 66C3)

Snowflakes in summer? Boomerangs? Floating ice cubes? Dancing raisins? Come join the fun and find out how this, and more, can happen. Hands on experiments and projects will take place daily. (Grades 2-7)

Art 4 the Senses (69C1, 69C2, 69C3)

Come taste, touch, hear, smell and see the world of art! In this class we will create sensory-based projects that stimulate all 5 senses. (Grades 4-7)

Asian Sumie Painting (70C1, 70C2, 70C3)

Join us as we explore and learn about the Asian culture through various forms of art. (Grades 4-7)

Fitness Plus (73C1, 73C2, 73C3)

Come learn what it means to be “fit”. We will define physical fitness, discuss the benefits of being physically fit, and participate in many activities that help develop and maintain a physically fit body. (Grades 4-7)

Recipe for Disaster (75C1, 75C2, 75C3)

Satisfy your need to explore and create with crazy recipes that bubble, bounce, steam and overflow!!!! (Grades 4-7)

Splash of Color Art! (76C1, 76C2, 76C3)

Come make colorful and unique art to hang on the wall or to wear. We will make colorful “optical illusion” pictures and also tie die t-shirts. (Grades 4-7)

Team Building (77C1, 77C2, 77C3)

Let’s get busy building good relationships and team working skills! We will work on problem solving, gather strategies on how to work towards a common goal, and more. Important life skills for every child. (Grades 4-7)

Middle School 101

(55B1, 55B2, 79C1, 79C2)

Calling all 6th graders and new students to the Middle School. Get acquainted with the Buffalo Community Middle School through fun games and activities that take place throughout the building. The class is a must for anyone starting at the Middle school in the fall of 2013. This class meets for one week, Monday – Thursday, 9:30 – 11:30. (Students entering 6th grade, or new to the Middle school)