



A Classical Education for the Modern World

2024 COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Middle School

Session 1: June 24 - July 10 (2.5 weeks)

Session 2: July 11 - July 26 (2.5 weeks)

Please note that these are tentative course descriptions. It is possible that a course may be canceled due to low enrollment or other considerations.

Families should register for Summer School 2024 by **April 1, 2024**. Classes will be assigned on a first come first serve basis. Once the registration form closes students registered for elective classes will receive an email with their assigned courses. Students that meet the criteria for the Structured Skills Development courses will receive an invite in the 4th quarter. Magis will be offered at a cost for families that are unable to retrieve their students at the end of the Summer School day. Lunch will be available at the conclusion of classes.

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Rising 5th Grade, MATH ENRICHMENT - Offered in both Sessions, In-Person

The focus of this course is to help build student confidence in math with an open, creative, and visual curriculum. The end goal is not only to strengthen fundamental math skills, but also to boost student confidence in math, using growth mindset strategies to overcome the gaps in math confidence that many students face. The curriculum is based on the youcubed initiative at Stanford University.

Rising 5th Grade, ENGLISH SKILL DEVELOPMENT- Offered in both Sessions, In-Person

Washington Latin Summer School English courses for incoming 5th graders are specifically designed to offer incoming students whose literacy skills are still developing to receive extra skill in reading, writing, and speaking. Additionally, students will be afforded an opportunity to become acclimated to their new school. Students will work in small classes to develop comprehension, fluency, and decoding skills. Students will learn to better analyze and understand the material they are reading through discussion and written responses. We will also read the assigned Washington Latin summer reading book, *Save Me A Seat*. Students will write every day, and this writing will most likely include responses to teacher prompts,

responses to literature, creative, and persuasive writing. The goal of our summer programs is to provide positive support to our emerging students so that they are well set for the beginning of the school year.

Rising 6th - 8th, LATIN ENRICHMENT -Offered in both Sessions, In-Person

In this course, students will receive extra Latin language practice to keep their skills sharp and prepare them for the next year's work. They will read level appropriate texts while reviewing core language concepts, vocabulary, and the reinforcement of some translation skills.

Rising 5th - 8th, Aquatic Science - Offered in both sessions, In-Person

Aquatic Science will give students an understanding of various fresh and saltwater biomes. They will also study some of the animals and plants that populate the planet's waterways and how they have adapted for survival. We will also investigate the human effect, positive and negative, on aquatic habitats and animals.

Rising 5th - 8th, Creative Writing - Offered in both sessions, In-Person

Middle school students will learn about different forms of poetry and spoken word. Students will also look at famous quotes, and songs with the goal of increasing public speaking skills and exploring emotional expression.

Rising 5th - 8th, Gym - Offered in both sessions, In-Person

Students will have a chance to learn athletic fundamentals and participate in a variety of sports and games.