



## “LET’S LEARN”

Summer Program July 6th - July 28th

9:15 – 10:30 am

10:30 – 11:45 am

### About Let’s Learn

The program is offered to children entering grades one through seven as of September 2011.

The emphasis is on activities that are fun and educationally challenging. No tests or grades are given. All of our instructors are certified teachers.

Class size is generally limited to sixteen students. Courses this year will be held at John H. Walker Middle School. Two periods are held daily, the first from 9:15 to 10:30 and the second from 10:30 to 11:45. Students are escorted from class to class. Classes will run from July 6th through July 28th.

### Registration Information

#### How to Register

All registration must be done by mail, postmarked no later than May 26th.

Children may register for one or two classes. Class rosters will be filled as registrations are received. Given the limited class sizes and the popularity of the program, the first choices of applicants cannot always be satisfied. **Acceptable alternate choices should be indicated. In case of low enrollment, a class may be canceled.**

Notification of course assignments will be made in June. A late fee of \$10 will be charged on all applications received after May 26th.

### General Information

Parents are responsible for transporting students to and from school. Attire is casual and comfortable. The general rules of student conduct that apply to the Nutley school system apply here.

### ABC Membership

Join us! The Academic Booster Club works to foster a love of learning in Nutley’s school-age children, sponsoring programs like Let’s Learn, science and history fairs, and scholarships for Nutley High graduates. Annual membership is \$10. Send a check to ABC, PO Box 592, Nutley, NJ 07110.

#### **PLEASE NOTE**

***For safety reasons students must wear foot apparel that closes around the foot. No flip flops.***

### **Grades 1 – 2**

#### **Math-a-Mania**

Play new games and get involved in exciting activities guaranteed to bring out the math-amaniac in you. You’ll have so much fun you might just forget that you’re also exercising your math skills.

Instructor: Ms. DiGiacomo

### **Grades 1 – 3**

#### **\* Cartoon Crafting**

Every artist needs inspiration, and we’ll take ours from cool cartoon characters -SpongeBob Squarepants, Phineas and Ferb, Superman, and lots more. Using a variety of arts and crafts materials-including clay, popsicle sticks, and pencil and paper-we’ll produce a variety of great projects that bring our characters to life. Instructor: Mrs. Rambaldi

#### **Jr. Math Games**

Math is a blast when you make a game of it – and you can count on that! We’ll measure up, tell time, and do some critical thinking in this mathmagical course. It all adds up to fun times infinity. Instructor: Mrs. Rella

#### **Animals in Literature**

Calling all animal lovers! We’ll hunt through all of children’s literature to find animals we can read about, sing about, and draw. You’ll even create your own animal book.

Instructor: Mrs. Kahn

#### **Benvenuti in Italia!**

What do the Italian flag and a Margherita pizza have in common? In which city might you take a boat to school? Come join us as we embark on our viaggio through Italy, and learn the answers to these and other fascinating questions about Italy’s culture, cuisine, and countryside.

Instructor: Mrs. Sarachelli

#### **Nutty for Nature**

Love animals? Wild about the great outdoors? Do you thrill to the idea of experiments? If so, you’ll adore this hands-on course that explores the secret life of animals and plants through a variety of awesome activities and nature walks. By the time we’re done, you’ll have a greater appreciation for the natural world all around you. Instructor: Ms. MacGeorge

### **Drama Workshop 1**

Ever dream of being on stage, standing in the spotlight and taking a curtain call to thunderous applause? Well this is your chance. Learn voice projection, movement, mime, improvisation, and character development. You’re going out there a kid in a Let’s Learn summer course. But you’re coming back a star. Instructor: Ms. Feirro

### **Meet the Artists**

Imagine an eye in the middle of your face. Think about painting while lying on your back or spinning pottery in a Pueblo village. You’ll do all of it – and more – in this multi-sensory art appreciation class. Meet Picasso, Michelangelo, Monet, and others as you explore great art periods and create unique artworks of your own. Instructor: Ms. Quigley

### **Surprising Science**

Think you can balance ten nails on one? Ever captured a cloud in a bottle? Can you make a rocket out of a balloon? If you’re up to these challenges – and many more – come join us for this hands-on class of science discovery.

Instructor: Ms. Mitchell

### **\*Tracking Dinosaurs**

Wonder what it was like to live in the “land before time” with the dinosaurs? Get ready to travel back millions of years to discover what those prehistoric giants were really like. We’ll become paleontologists as we measure the length of actual dinosaurs, put together dinosaur skeletons, create an erupting volcano, explore and dig for fossils, make dinosaur eggs, and construct dino-riffic dioramas to enjoy.

Instructor: Ms. DePinto

### **Grades 2 – 3**

#### **Writers’ Express 1**

This train is headed on a trip through your imagination. We’ll be making stops in Picture Book Place, Short Story Junction, Poetry Valley, Mystery Gulch, and Cartoon Canyon. Tickets, please, tickets.

Instructor: Mrs. Congelsi

#### **\*Experiment with Cooking**

Ever wonder how fruit becomes jam, or milk turns into cheese, or ice cream thickens as it cools? Is it cooking, or is it science? Come learn both in this cool science-and-cooking class. We’ll be preparing simple recipes while making connections to science and math and stirring up healthy appetites. (Please tell us beforehand about any food allergies, as we’ll be sampling our homemade creations.)

Instructor: Mrs. DiPrimio

**Grades 3 – 6**

**A Summer With Harry Potter**

Welcome to Hogwart’s. And as a first year, you’ll meet some of Harry’s more colorful friends and enemies from his first two years here. You’ll also be expected to whip up magic potions, design wizard games, and create spells, plays, adventures, poems, and prose. But do keep your wands at the ready. He-who-must-not-be-named is around every corner.  
Instructor: Mrs. Burns

**Grades 4 – 7**

**Writers’ Express 2**

We’re headed to the Land of Creativity, where we’ll explore writing of all kinds. At journey’s end, you’ll be the author and write your own story.  
Instructor: Mrs. Congelsi

**Multimedia Creations**

In this class we’ll log on to creativity, as we use the computer to paint, draw, design, work with photos, and create marvelous multimedia presentations. With the help of multimedia software – and our own imaginations – we’ll produce amazing art and magical movies and maybe even your own screen-cast! Click here for fun! Instructor: Ms. Peters

**The Art of Drawing**

Do you love to draw? Would you like to learn to draw your favorite cartoon characters or create a realistic picture? Improve your artistic ability by learning perspective and other techniques to enhance your talent. Come to this class where we will explore all these things with pencil, charcoal, markers and other media. Drawing is a wonderful way to express yourself, have fun, and relax. Instructor: Mrs. Nakashian

**The Game of Life: Math Edition**

Want to play the game of life, and polish your math skills in the process? Join us, and you’ll get a great job with a salary, design your dream room, plan a fabulous vacation, and learn the secrets of real estate by creating your own street. Who knew that developing financial literacy could be so much fun?  
Instructor: Ms. Ferraro

**Cooking 2**

Learn how to cook with a real chef and discover how to present your dishes with flair. You’ll have flavorful fun as you learn about time management, safety, and careful food preparation (and hone math skills in the process). A variety of exciting recipes will be covered, so bring your appetite.  
Instructor: Mr. Huggins

**Create Your Own Comic Book**

Calling all writers, artists, and comic book fans! In this terrific class you’ll discover how to create a story outline, invent a main character with his or her own character traits and powers, and learn all about plot details, climactic events, and satisfying resolutions. You’ll find out how to include descriptive language and dialogue as well as your own artwork in a one-of-a-kind comic book that you create.  
Instructor: Ms. Pappalardo

**\*Sports Probabilities**

Are you a fan of sports and games? This exciting course will use sports to teach theoretical and experimental probabilities and will draw on ratios and proportions to predict and track a pro athlete’s stats during the length of the course. And after we all become pros at probabilities, we’ll design our own games to challenge our classmates.  
Instructor: Mr. Weinstein

**CSI (Children’s Science Investigations)**

In this intriguing science class, you’ll conduct water and weather experiments, work with Punnet squares to unravel the secrets of gene science, get a handle on motion, and find out how criminal investigators use DNA.  
Instructor: Ms. Jousett

**Drama Workshop 2**

To be or not to be? That is not the question. The question is: Can’t you hear the audience calling you back? It’s time to put on the face paint and pull on your costume. You’re going to feel the spotlight on your face. Encore! Encore! Join the others and refine your stage skills. Instructor: Ms. Fierro

**Prints Charming**-Use a wide variety of fun and fascinating printmaking techniques to create original works of art, as well as images that can be re-created several times over. Experience the surprise of the pulled print as you amaze your friends and family (and yourself) with eye-popping creations.  
Instructor: Ms Branca

**\*Speak Out!**

Your essay was picked to be aired as a public service announcement on national TV. You’ve been chosen to speak in front of a very large audience – the whole nation! But wait! You’ll need to brush up on your speaking skills -- after all, this is live TV we’re talking about. Whether you love speaking to a group or you need a little bit of help, you’ll have a great time in this class, writing your own script, reviewing your speaking skills, and recording your podcast or videocast. Can’t you just hear the applause?  
Instructor: Ms. Freedman

**Art in Advertising-**

Find out what it’s like to have a career in art and design. Classes will be split into two competing advertising agencies and assigned projects like a cereal box design, movie poster, CD cover, and more. You’ll learn how to use creative thinking and the elements of art to create some great designs.  
Instructor: Mr. Behrens

**Fitness Fun**

You’ll build strength, speed, agility and flexibility through a series of fun, fast-paced games using an array of fitness equipment, including fitness balls, hula hoops, balance beams, cones, jump ropes, and more. Each workout, which ends with a lesson in healthy (and happy) eating, will leave you giggling and glowing with good health. No equipment needed, but bring a water bottle. Instructor: Ms. Luria

**\*Game Creations-Grades 5-6 only-**

In this class, you will learn how to create a 2-D action video game in the style of Marvel vs Capcom or Super Mario Bros. Working with a small group, you will design your game to take home. All students are required to have a 2 GB flash drive to store the designed game on. It is recommended that each student bring a “Logitech-F310 Gamepad.” So bring your imagination, and get ready to create a video game!  
(Class size limited) Instructor: Mrs. Burns

*\* denotes new courses*

*Questions? 973-661-0618 or go to [www.nutleyabc.org](http://www.nutleyabc.org)  
You may print additional registration forms from our web site.*

**2011 Registration**

<b>Please Print</b>
Child’s Name _____
Address _____
Home Phone _____
Parent’s Name _____
Email Address _____
Work/Cell Phone _____

**Classes may not run due to low enrollment or may be filled early. Please include an alternate choice.**

First Child \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade in 9/2011 \_\_\_\_\_  
First Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate \_\_\_\_\_

Second Child \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade in 9/2011 \_\_\_\_\_  
First Choice \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate \_\_\_\_\_

check if your child is in Extended Day

**I have selected to enroll:**  
 One child for one course. . . . . \$100.00  
 One child for two courses. . . . . \$200.00  
 Two children for one course . . . . . \$200.00  
 Two children for two courses . . . . . \$400.00  
 Please make checks payable to: Academic Booster Club  
 Mail registration form and payment to:  
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