

Thrive Homeschool Program, Session 5 Class Descriptions

Class Title	Grades	Instructor	Day/ Time	Description	Materials Needed:	How likely will class repeat?
Yoga with Papa Z	3rd-8th	Papa Z	M, AM	In this class we will be stretching, toning and breathing using the healthy postures of Hatha yoga to keep in shape. Great class to repeat all year or take for just one session. Parents are welcome to join us for this class!	Yoga Mat	Unsure
Ecotopia's Endangered Species **NEW**	1st-8th	Ecotopia	M, 9:30-3	We will study endangered species and what needs to be done to save them, creating puppets of endangered species that concern us. Students will be invited to participate in the Puppet Procession of the Species, an event of the Endangered Species Faire, sponsored by the Butte Environmental Council the first weekend in May. We'll do interdisciplinary explorations of which species are endangered, why they are in trouble, and how people can and are taking steps to save them. Each student will pick an endangered species to study, sharing information with the rest of the group. There will be lots of reading about animals, studying them in art, learning about their history, and exploring the science of animal behavior. Each class member will make a puppet of his or her animal and be invited to march in the Procession of the Species. We'll also have a "Council of the Animals" for parents, families, and friends where students roleplay the animal they have chosen and explain what they have learned about ENDANGERED SPECIES. The Endangered species fair is on Saturday May 5th from 10:30-12:30	N/A	unsure
Mission to Space with LEGO bricks	1st-6th	Creative STEAM	M, AM	Space, often called "the last frontier", has inspired scientists, star-gazers and adventurers for generations. Get inspired to go on your own adventure and join us on a Mission 2 Space! Discover some incredible structures at Kennedy Space Center's Launch Complex 39, travel the surface of the moon on a lunar rover, and explore Mars onboard the "Curiosity". Our tour would not be complete without a visit to the International Space Station. We'll provide the bricks; all you need to bring for this adventure is your imagination!	N/A	Very likely- with a new theme each session
Because Animals Matter **NEW**	1st-8th	Cricket	M, AM	Description coming soon!		
Papa Z's Jammers Club	Tk-6th	Papa Z	M, PM	Every child brings an instrument with Papa Z facilitating a jam session. Singers can come too. We'll bring everyone together and find our common beat. If you don't have an instrument, don't worry, we have some extras. Parents are welcome to join us for this class!	Optional: Personal Instrument of choice	Likely
Spring into the Park **NEW**	Tk-8th	Cricket	M, PM	Description coming soon!		
MathMagic Land **NEW**	3rd-8th	Ms. B	M, PM	Join us for a wonderful adventure in how mathematics can be useful in real life. Through this journey see how mathematics is not just numbers and charts, but magical living things. See how math connects to music, art and more.	N/A	Unsure
Little Bits **NEW**	1st-8th	Cricket	M, PM	Description coming soon!		
I didn't know you could do that with paper! **NEW**	3rd-8th	Mrs. Hassenzahl	T, AM	Create an origami balloon that you can actually inflate. Hold up dozens of pennies with a little piece of paper. Create 3-D paper art and wearable sculptures. This class will make you look at an everyday material in creative new ways both artistic and structural.	N/A	Unsure
Papa Z's Rhythm Mix	2nd-8th	Papa Z	T, AM	Here we learn about how to make music on hand drums and other percussion instruments. We'll draw inspiration from folkloric and contemporary rhythms to get the groove going! Parents are welcome to join us for this class!	Papa Z asks that the students bring their own conga or djembe for this class. We have a limited amount of drums available for student use.	Likely
Growing Fairy Gardens **NEW**	Tk-8th	Emma	T, AM	Students will create individual fairy gardens and a collaborative Thrive fairy garden. We will learn about the small groundcovers and succulents we use in the fairy garden. We will also plant summer veggies in the Thrive vegetable garden. We will learn about soil, pollination and pollinators, flower and plant parts, plant needs, and what grows best in each season locally. We will sample veggies and fruits that are currently in season. We will get to play in the soil and learn about planting and caring for plants. We will put our imaginations into making tiny yards, yard furniture, wheelbarrows, stepping stones and whole fairy hideaways using recycled objects and polymer clay! We will have time to play with and imagine excellent stories about the fairies, gnomes, people or creatures who live and work and play in these fairy gardens.		
Survival School **NEW**	3rd-8th	Cricket	T, AM	Learn survival techniques from Cricket and Dr. Dragon, and be better prepared when disaster strikes! We'll go over some of the most essential wisdom, knowledge, and know-how from our experiences in survival courses, Boy Scouts, Ranger Corps, and Wilderness First Responder training — all sorts of things, from first aid to water, fire, food, shelter, finding your way, and more!		
Hoop & Poi Dance **NEW**	K-8th	Sierra Sunrise	T, AM	Description coming soon!		
Rock Art & Geology	Tk-8th	Cricket	T, PM	Rocks are some of the most beautiful creations in nature. They come in the most beautiful shapes and colors. In this class students will learn to identify the most common rocks found in Bidwell Park and its geological history. We will spend 3 of our class days going to the park to learn about and collect rocks for art projects. During our in class days, students will paint rocks and make other rock art creations. They will also help to create a rock garden at Thrive with all the rocks they collect where they will be able to make rock towers and other unique rock creations.		
Adventure Quest **NEW**	4th-8th	Dr. Dragon	T, PM	Set forth on an epic journey of ADVENTURE! You'll definitely need your wits about you for this one! You'll face challenges both mental and physical as you brave heights, fight monsters, decipher coded messages, solve riddles, and discover ancient artifacts of unfathomable value! Who needs a video game when you can do these awesome things for REAL?? Adventure awaits! (Parents! You are encouraged to help your student in solving clues. This class is designed to be surprisingly academic; it's just wrapped up in so much fun that no one realizes how much they're learning!)		
Having Fun with Math **NEW**	1st-6th	Ms. B	T, PM	We use math every day but don't even realize it. Let's explore all of the fun ways we use math together. Any room that has running water and tables. Grades 1 and up and parents are welcome!		

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Fun with Optics and Illusions **NEW**	3rd-8th	Ms. Hassenzahl	TH, AM	Make a periscope that allows you to see around corners. Create a black and white top that turns colorful when it spins. Explore optical illusions and create some of your own. This class will investigate a variety of fun visual effects that confuse our brains.	N/A	Unsure
Clothing Alteration & Design **NEW**	2nd-8th	Sierra Sunrise	TH, AM	Description coming soon!	N/A	
Nerf Bootcamp **NEW**	3rd-8th	Dr. Dragon	TH, AM	Back by popular demand! We will train hard with physical fitness and shooting proficiency, then battle it out with safe, soft Nerf fun!	All Students should bring their own nerf weapon. Nerf weapon play will not be permitted at Thrive outside of class hours and students in Nerf class will be asked to store their weaponry inside the "Shine" office.	
Weapons & War Throughout History **NEW**	4th-8th	Ms. B	TH, PM	There have been many wars throughout history. Come and learn about who fought who and how the battles were won. We will also discuss different weapons used throughout history! Learn the difference between a claymore, a backsword, a shinaï, and a schiavona! What's a breech-loader? A lever action? An onager? What are the applications of these different weapons and how were they used in history? Find out, as we look at weapons through history and the famous battles in which they played a part!	N/A	
Woodshop 2 **NEW**	10-14 y/o	Emmeline	TH, PM	Woodshop 2 will consist of student picked individual woodworking projects. Each picked and completed by the student and will need to be able to be worked on with minimal teacher assistance. This will be an opportunity to make personal items and things that will be able to be taken home. Students will have access to power tools, class size will be limited for safety.	N/A	Unsure
Hands on Science **NEW**	1st-8th	Cricket	TH, PM	Description coming soon!	N/A	
Hot Off the Press **NEW**	3rd-8th	Cricket	TH, PM	Making a Thrive Blog/Online Newspaper- Full Description coming soon!	N/A	
Free Choice	Tk-8th	Varies	Varies	This Self Directed time allows students to not only work on their projects and activities longer, it also gives them the opportunity to try out classes that are being offered during the time frame of their Free Choice class. If they aren't sure they will like a class for all six weeks they can sign up for Free Choice and then try it out for one day with the freedom to make another choice the following week.	N/A	Very likely
Martial Arts	Tk-5th & 4th-8th	Miss Miranda from Azad's Martial Arts Studio	Varies	Your child will enjoy an exciting and fun martial arts curriculum that teaches a wide variety of martial arts techniques and key life lessons that are important to child's safety and success. Azad's kids martial arts classes help children enter society with a confident and enthusiastic outlook. Your child will become a better student in school, a better listener at home and feel more ambitious towards his/her future goals regardless of their young age!	N/A	Very Likely
The Things One Can do With Awesome Hot Glue **NEW**	3rd-8th	Ms. D	W, AM	Are you a glue guru? Do you possibly have a case of glue-flu? Do you know glitter glue comes in Pink, yellow, and blue? Do you like to play with awesome hot glue? If you do, Then I think you Should join me, too In exploring the many things we can do With a little hot glue gun and some awesome hot glue!!!	N/A	Unsure
Spanish Stories & Songs	Tk-3rd	Papa Z	W, AM	This bilingual class is a fun way to learn about Spanish speaking cultures through traditional and contemporary songs and children's stories. The children can play along with our musical toys as well.	N/A	Likely
The Power of the Word **NEW**	4th-8th	Dr. Dragon	W, AM	Long ago in a distant land, there were those who learned that the written Word has great Power. The Power to conjure wild places and heroic journeys; the Power to imbue the Reader with Knowledge and Wisdom; the Power to inspire; to cause both laughter and tears, elation and sorrow. The Word could even bestow immortality. Join Dr. Dragon to learn and practice this dying art, and embrace the Power of the Word!	N/A	Unsure
The Wonders of Watercolors **NEW**	K-8th	Pollywog	W, PM	Come and explore the endless possibilities of watercolor paints! Join Pollywog to learn about and experiment with different techniques during this hands on watercolor class!	N/A	
History with the Music from Hamilton **NEW**	3rd-8th	Cricket	W, PM	Description coming soon!	N/A	
Intro to Ceramics	2nd-8th	Diane Ferris	W, PM	In this hands on, intro to ceramics class, we will focus on creativity and exploring the endless possibilities of clay. Children will have a chance to learn the basic methods of handbuilding—coiling, pinching, building with slabs, and sculpting—as well as working on projects such as making bowls, mugs, containers, and sculptural art pieces. Students will be guided step-by-step through all their projects, but there is always room for them to take control over their own art projects and tailor each according to their own creative vision. Students projects will be professionally kiln fired and then students will be able to paint and take their creations home!	Students should bring a \$25 supply fee (cash or check) made directly to Diane Ferris to cover costs of materials and kiln firing. Purchase orders can also be used to cover class fees and can be made directly to Thrive. If you are repeating this course, there is no required fee.	Likely
Mighty Girls with LEGO bricks	1st-6th	Creative STEAM	W, PM	Are you ready to learn about awesome women in history? Join us as we learn all about mighty girls that changed our world and work on our engineering skills to build motorized versions of each topic using LEGO bricks. Jane Goodall, Amelia Earhart, and more! Each week we will explore self esteem and friendship with enriching units fun take home projects. Boys are Welcome!!	N/A	unsure
Robin's Recruits **NEW**	2nd-8th	Dr. Dragon	W, PM	Druin (Dr. Dragon) has been tasked by Robin Hood to find some new recruits! Think you've got what it takes to join his merry band? Make your own bow (we'll be using PVC) and arrows and learn the basics of archery! Because of the space we have available, we'll be making arrows with blunt tips.	N/A	