

CHOICE HOUR COURSES
QUARTER IV
April 17, 2017 – June 16, 2017
Selections for Grades Three and Four

MONDAY QUARTER IV CLASSES

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Homework Help (3-4) Mrs. Barbieri QUARTER IV

This is a quiet time for supervised study. **Bring your homework, reading material or quiet interests - do not come empty-handed.** Homework assistance is available upon request. **No backpacks, coats or electronic devices are allowed in this class.**

SCIENCE

Super Science (3-4) Ms. Johnson QUARTER IV

Students will complete hands on science experiments while learning and understanding the scientific principles behind the activity. All of the activities will use items that can be found in a common household pantry allowing students to be able to replicate the experiments at home. Some possible experiments: magic milk, sidewalk chalk, slime, gak, elephant toothpaste and kinetic sand. A variety of common baking ingredients will be used including, but not limited to, products containing wheat, eggs, sugar, dairy, fruits, vegetables, nuts and nut products. 7th and 8th graders will be available to assist this class.

TECHNOLOGY

Nearpod Learning (3-4) Mrs. Parkin QUARTER IV

Students will use the Nearpod App to explore topics across the curriculum.

Type to Learn (3-6) Mrs. Thompson QUARTER IV

Learn the skills necessary to become a quick and efficient typist using the Type to Learn version 4 program. **No backpacks, coats or electronic devices are allowed in this class.**

COMMUNITY

BrainPOP! (3-4) Mrs. Sherry QUARTER IV

Do you ever wonder about Pi or square roots, who invented chocolate, how the heart works, how your camera works, or what causes earthquakes? You will find out in this Choice Hour! We will watch educational, funny, animated movies from www.brainpop.com and will cover a variety of topics from Science, Math, Technology, Social Studies, English, Arts & Music, and Health. Students will get to choose which topics we will investigate during each class. While many topics relate to units of study in the 3-4 curriculum, this Choice Hour is meant to be an academic enrichment experience to take students beyond their regular learning.

Movie Time (3-4) Mrs. Maurice QUARTER IV

Students will watch "G" and "PG" rated movies approved by Mrs. Maurice.

Reach for the Stars (3-6) Ms. Lajeunesse QUARTER IV

Learning about the stars should never be boring! Strap yourself in for a great ride as you "travel" through space to learn about the planets, constellations and outer space. You will do weekly research on the sky overhead so that you can identify star locations in your own back yard.

SPORTS

Competitive Swim (3-5) Mr. Johansson QUARTER IV

Work out the kinks and brush up on your swimming technique. Instruction will be given in each of the four competitive strokes. Emphasis will be placed on technique through various drills designed for each stroke. A new stroke will be introduced every two weeks. Time will also be dedicated to starts and turns. Enrollment is open only to competitive swimmers. **Students should be able to swim 100 yards without stopping.**

Flag Football (3-5) Mr. Bodle QUARTER IV

Boys and girls can learn the fundamentals and strategies of flag football. Students will be wearing flags. When a defender pulls the flag, the ball is downed, and the play is over. This is a no contact sport. This class requires athletic shoes and clothing.

TUESDAY QUARTER IV CLASSES

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Writing Support (3-4) Mr. Joseph QUARTER IV

Writing. For some a source of pleasure and for others...not as much. Whether writing runs deep in your family or you are writing-challenged, this choice hour is for you. Learn the building blocks of essay writing, story writing and poetry or take your skills to the next level of excellence and build your own course of study. Please bring your digital device or use a school laptop.

TECHNOLOGY

NXT Advanced (4-5) Mr. Brown QUARTER IV **Grade 4 only!**

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Learning With Technology (3-4) Mr. Wallington QUARTER IV

Learn with interactive science games, brain games, science quizzes, puzzles and activities. Games and videos incorporate areas such as math, science and language arts while introducing basic computer skills. There will be whole class educational videos as well.

Type to Learn (3-4) Mrs. Smith QUARTER IV

Learn the skills necessary to become a quick and efficient typist using the Type to Learn version 4 program. **No backpacks, coats or electronic devices are allowed in this class.**

LANGUAGE ARTS

Audio Books (3-4) Mrs. Parkin QUARTER IV

Listen and read along to previous year's Battle Books. This is great practice for student's interested in participating in this year's battle.

Bookworm Time (3-4) Mrs. Butzin QUARTER IV

Students can bring their own chapter book or electronic book of choice! A quiet time where students can enjoy hanging out with their favorite books!

THE ARTS

Multi-Cultural Art (3-6) Ms. Lajeunesse QUARTER IV

Students will visit and learn about a variety of countries through pictures and story books, activities, crafts and music. Students will be sending handmade art projects, cards and friendship bracelets to the Dominican Republic this quarter. **Materials Fee: \$5.00.**

COMMUNITY

Construct with K'NEX (3-4) Mr. Prisciandaro QUARTER IV

Design and build various working structures using K'NEX. Models can be from K'NEX manuals or designs of your own choice.

Playground Games (3-4) Mrs. Maurice QUARTER IV

Enjoy fun-filled playground games. Some activities include: jump rope, sidewalk chalk games, and team activities. If the weather keeps us inside, we will play board games.

Based on the Book (3-6) Mrs. Truesdell QUARTER IV

Join us as we talk about books and watch modern movies based on classic children's books! This quarter we will watch and discuss “Night at the Museum”, “Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe”, “Mr. Poppers Penguins” and “Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey.”

WEDNESDAY QUARTER IV CLASSES

TECHNOLOGY

Typing Club (3-4) Mrs. Parkin QUARTER IV

Master touch typing while using this online program to assist you with learning and improving your typing speed.

Web Based Math Games (3-6) Mrs. Smith QUARTER IV

Practice Everyday Mathematics Games on the Web. It will be a fun-filled and challenging Choice Hour. You will be experts with your math facts.

LANGUAGE ARTS

Bookworms (3-6) Mrs. Elsey QUARTER IV

This is a quiet time in the media center for students to study or read.

MyON (3-4) Mrs. Butzin QUARTER IV

MyON reader personalizes reading for students by recommending books based on their interests, reading level and ratings of books that they have read. Please provide your own headset.

THE ARTS

Theatre Games (3-4) Mrs. Regan QUARTER IV

Age appropriate games, improvisation and exercises used in theatre that explore the idea of living truthfully in imaginary circumstances.

Animals and Art (3-4) Mrs. Kennedy QUARTER IV

Students will study different animals each week. They will be introduced to a variety of animals through literature and art and can use mixed media to draw their own animals to share with the class.

Amigurimi (3-6) Ms. Lajeunesse QUARTER IV

Amigurimi is the Japanese art of knitting or crocheting small stuffed animals. The word is derived from a combination of the Japanese words *ami*, meaning crocheted or knitted, and *nuigurumi*, meaning stuffed doll. **Students will make a jelly fish this quarter.** They will learn how to read and follow a pattern, new terminology and how to increase and decrease stitches. Must know how to crochet – this is not a beginner class. Students that do not know how to crochet will be placed in a different class. **Materials Fee: \$5.00.**

COMMUNITY

Kid in the Kitchen (3-4) Ms. Johnson QUARTER IV

Students in this class will learn how to cook and bake some of their favorites. Students will write out each day's recipe to take home. Folders will be provided. Some possible recipes: homemade pretzels, buckeyes, muddy buddies, pizza, cinnamon rolls, and lava cakes. A variety of common baking ingredients will be used including, but not limited to, products containing wheat, eggs, sugar, dairy, fruits, vegetables, nuts and nut products. Class size will be limited to 16 students. 7th and 8th graders will be on available to assist this class. **Materials Fee: \$5.00.**

Strategy Board Games (3-5) Mrs. Maurice QUARTER IV

Students will play a variety of strategy board games including chess, checkers, blokus, and battleship just to name a few.

Cobra International Club (3-8) Mr. Joseph QUARTER IV

Do you know someone whose culture, language or religion is different from your own? Have you always wanted to learn more about it? CIC is for you. Participants will take turns each week sharing their ancestral language, clothing, religion and food through presentations, artifacts and a student-brought snack to share. Not comfortable presenting, no problem this is not mandatory, but you might change your mind after watching others share their family culture and traditions. BCS contains a rich collection of families from all over the world. Come and celebrate who we are!

SPORTS

Recreational Swim (3-5) Mr. Johansson QUARTER IV

This rec swim class is open to all levels of swimmers and it's just for fun. Students that do not bring their bathing suits for two consecutive classes will be placed in another Choice Hour class.

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Homemade Toys (3-4) Mrs. Maurice QUARTER IV

Students can create homemade toys using basic tools, imagination, paper and recycled materials. They will have hours of fun playing with the toys they create.

Chess Corner (3-5) Mrs. Kennedy QUARTER IV

Learn the strategy skills necessary to play a competitive game of chess. Tournament style play could happen depending on skill level of players.

Ornithology (3-8) Ms. Lajeunesse QUARTER IV

Ornithology is a branch of zoology that concerns the study of birds! Students in this class will research and learn about the habits and habitats of birds that are native to our beautiful state of Michigan. Students will build bird houses from scratch and other feeding stations to be placed on the BCS grounds.

GAMES

“Wii and More...” (4-6) Mr. Bodle QUARTER IV **Grade 4 only!**

Students will be able to participate in Wii games including Wii Sports, Mario Kart and more. Other technology including interactive activities on the IPAD and board games will be provided while students are not enjoying Wii!

SPORTS

Kids' Fitness (3-4) Mrs. Maliszewski QUARTER IV

Join Kids' Fitness if you are motivated and excited about fitness. There will be various forms of fitness including Pilates, Yoga, Crossfit and running. Students **MUST** be willing and able to participate in all three activities. This class requires athletic shoes and clothing.

Coed Sports (3-4) Mr. Wallington QUARTER IV

This class offers students the opportunity for some exercise, some fun, and a chance to play a variety of team sports and indoor and outdoor athletic games. This class requires athletic shoes and clothing.

FRIDAY QUARTER IV CLASSES

TECHNOLOGY

Simulation Video Games (3-4) Mrs. Smith QUARTER IV

Rhonda Ernst is screening a handful of online games that are age and content appropriate like Wolf Quest, iCivics, Past and Present, Gamestar Mechanic, Mission US and Treadsylvania.

THE ARTS

Zen Tangle (3-6) Mrs. Maurice QUARTER IV

Zen Tangle is an easy method of creating beautiful images from structured patterns. It develops fine motor skills through the creation of doodling.

COMMUNITY

Lego Land Fun (3-4) Ms. Spencer QUARTER IV

Building with LEGO bricks is huge fun and endlessly creative. With a bucket of bricks and some practice students can build just about anything. This class is designed to inspire creativity.

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Junior Master Gardening (3-8) Ms. Lajeunesse QUARTER IV

The Junior Master Gardening class offers horticulture and environmental science education through fun-filled creative activities. Participants will get their hands dirty while learning how soil and water are important to plants and all living things. **Course content will change each quarter.** QIV will focus on insects and diseases. Ms. Lajeunesse is a Master Gardener and very knowledgeable about garden design, plant species, plant propagation and pest control.

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