

Ayer PTA Enrichment ~ Winter 2020

Offerings Include:

Arts: Drawing, Jewelry Making, Musical Theatre Medley, Sewing

Fitness: Quickness, Speed & Agility, Yoga, Skiing, Golf, Fitness

Music: Guitar, Ukulele

Science: STEM, Robotics, Legos

Other: Chess, Better BabySitters, Chinese, Spanish

Registration: Some classes will register and pay directly with the company hosting the class. Other classes will register through "Membership Toolkit". Please go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment> to sign up and make your payment.

All students participating in ANY enrichment class must fill out an Emergency Medical Form.

The form must be received prior to your child attending class. Fill out one form for each child registered. You can download the form here <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>. Please fill it out and have your child bring it to the first class.

Be sure to register early as classes fill up fast! Enrollment is limited, so classes will be filled on a first come, first served basis. **Payment is due by January 1, 2020.** Some classes have minimum student requirements and will be cancelled if they are not met.

Classes will meet after school in the cafeteria for a quick snack and attendance. Instructors will then lead students to their assigned rooms. **All snacks should be peanut/tree nut free.**

Volunteers: In order to ensure the safety of our children, **one volunteer is needed daily** to help the instructors should any emergency arise. By signing your child up for a class, you are also signing up to volunteer at least once during your child's class. **If we are unable to secure a volunteer for a day, then all classes will be cancelled.** Volunteer sign-ups are also located on the "My School Anywhere" link discussed above.

Snow Days: If school is closed due to weather, then the class will be extended a week. If your child does not attend the make-up class, no refunds are given.

Scholarships: Financial assistance is available. Please contact the school office for information.

Child Pick Up: Parents, for the safety of your children, please remember that you must pick your child(ren) up inside the school building when their class is dismissed. Students are not allowed to leave designated areas unless they are signed out by the adult(s) listed on their emergency contact form.

Note for Kindergarten - 3rd Grade Parents: Please attach a note to your child's backpack on days that they plan to stay for enrichment. This helps the teacher ensure that children go where they need to be after school.

These Enrichment programs are for Ayer students only. We are happy to provide Ayer students with this opportunity to pursue their interests. We thank all of the Enrichment Program instructors for their continued support. If you have any questions, please contact Stefanie Luginbuhl at snluginbuhl@gmail.com.

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Robotics – Grades 3-6**Instructor: Drake Planetarium**

(Min 15, Max 20 students)

\$75 / 6 weeks**Monday, 1/6-2/24(No Class 1/20 & 2/17)****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Learning Commons**

TO REGISTER: go to https://drakeplanetarium.formstack.com/forms/afterschool_registration_form and select School Code AY45255. For registration questions, please email Abbey Shore at abbeyshore@drakeplanetarium.org

Create a number of different robot builds, robot extensions and that allow robots to function in a number of different ways, motorized robot challenges, invention challenges to test robot design.. These challenges help students (working in groups of 2) understand the why and how inventors, scientists, and engineers improve people's lives. Students will brainstorm, build, test and redesign - then develop strategies to use to solve a myriad of problems. Mars Rovers, ZooBots, Extend arms, tracks and numerous other adaptations will be used to expand and reinforce the experience students have had in a challenge.

Ayer Acting Academy – Grades 4-6**Instructor: Emily Weddle**

(Min 6, Max 12 students)

\$80 / 6 weeks**Monday,1/6-2/24(No class on 1/20 & 2/17)****3:50 - 5:00 PM****Flex Room**

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Come and join a fun, interactive, dramatic after school acting class! In this class we will learn the basics of acting, work on scripts, and even perform monologues! No experience necessary.

Young Engineers – Grades K-2**Instructor: Drake Planetarium**

(Min 15, Max 20 students)

\$75 / 6 weeks**Tuesday, 1/7-2/11****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Learning Commons**

TO REGISTER: go to https://drakeplanetarium.formstack.com/forms/afterschool_registration_form and select School Code AY45255. For registration questions, please email Abbey Shore at abbeyshore@drakeplanetarium.org

Let your child's imagination run wild in this exciting new program. Students will have guided build projects into which they can incorporate their own innovative LEGO ideas. This introduces the young engineer to a variety of fun and simple and complex machines. Students learn about gears, pulleys, levers, wheels, axles, and other applications for these simple machines. Students work in teams developing hand-eye coordination, team cooperation, and how to follow directions to complete a variety of building projects. This is a fun after school activity that covers the basics of engineering design for the budding young engineer or scientist.

Young Rembrandts - Grades 1- 6**Instructor: Debbie Welker**

(Min 6, Max 20 students)

\$110 / 8 weeks**Tuesday, 1/7-2/25****3:50 - 5:00 PM****Art Room**TO REGISTER: <http://www.youngrembrandts.com/cincinnati-east-oh> or call 513-779-5858

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Falcon Fitness - Grades 2-6**Instructor: Heather Morency**

(Min 8, Max 40 students)

\$50 / 8 weeks**Tuesday, 1/14-3/3****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Gym**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

This program involves core training, functional strength, explosiveness, flexibility, muscular endurance, coordination, cardiovascular endurance, high intensity interval training, and plyometrics. It will make your child better both mentally and physically.

Chess Club – Grades 3-6**Instructor: Mr. Farmer**

(Min 10, Max 40 students)

\$40 / 8 weeks**Tuesday, 1/7-2/25****3:45 - 4:45 PM****Mr. Farmer's 5th grade room**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Learn the basics of chess through weekly instruction and develop your skills as you play other students. Students need to bring a chess board each week.

Ayer Elementary Ski Club – Grades K-6**Instructor: Christopher Pettigrew****\$230 / 4 weeks****Wednesday, 1/8-1/29****4:15PM - 9:15PM****Perfect North Slopes**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Learn how to ski at Perfect North Slopes with a professional instructor. All grades are welcome to join and use the provided transportation. Children in 5th and 6th grade are able to participate without a guardian. Any child under 5th grade must be accompanied by a guardian. For Further info contact Chris Pettigrew at ayerskiclub@gmail.com

Ayer Acting Academy – Grades 1-3**Instructor: Emily Weddle**

(Min 6, Max 12 students)

\$80 / 6 weeks**Wednesday, 1/8-2/12****3:50 - 5:00 PM****Stage**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Come and join a fun, interactive, dramatic after school acting class! In this class we will learn the basics of acting, work on scripts, and even perform monologues! No experience necessary.

Guitar – Grades 3-6**Instructor: Jon Armstrong**

(Min 3, Max 10 students)

\$75 / 5 weeks**Wednesday, 1/8-2/5****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Flexible Learning Space**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Students will learn basic notation reading, tablature and chord drags, and reading while learning a mix of modern pop music and traditional material. Guitars can be purchased from the instructor for \$85 and old guitars can be restrung for \$10. Please contact jonnyrocket72@yahoo.com

Ukulele Classes - Grades 2-6**Instructor: Jon Armstrong**

(Min 3, Max 10 Students)

\$75 / 5 weeks**Wednesday, 2/12-3/11****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Flexible Learning Space**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Learn about music on a fun instrument while playing your favorite songs. Students will learn basic notation reading, tablature and chord drags, and reading while learning a mix of modern pop music and traditional material. Children will need a folder to organize materials and a ukulele. For help purchasing a Ukulele please contact Jon Armstrong at jonnyrocket72@yahoo.com.

Kids Yoga – Grades 2-6**Instructor: Dianne Benmayor**

(Min 8, Max 16 students)

\$75 / 8 weeks**Wednesday, 1/8-2/26****3:50 - 4:50 PM****Learning Commons**TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

A growing body of scientific research supports the positive effects of teaching Yoga to students. Yoga teaches kids to take a break from the stresses of everyday life, improve & maintain their physical well being and builds strength & flexibility, improved coordination and focus. Classes explore basic yoga poses, breathing exercises through cooperative games, themed activities and music. Classes will engage the natural energy and enthusiasm of the elementary age child. It is never too early to introduce your child to the rewards of yoga. Participants should bring a yoga mat/beach towel, water, and dress in comfortable clothing.

Fun with Chinese - Grade 1-6**\$80 / 8 weeks**

Instructor: Lucy Yeardley
(Min 5, Max 18 students)

Thursday, 1/9-2/27
3:50 - 5:00 PM
Learning Commons

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Expose your child to a second language!

Studies have shown that learning a second language at an early age enriches and enhances a child's mental development. The younger the learner, the better. By learning some basic Chinese (as well as something about Chinese culture), this will lay a good foundation for the future.

Teacher Experience:

Lucy has awards from the Chinese School in Cincinnati and has been teaching Chinese language and tutoring US students for 9 years. She enjoys teaching and has taught students from ages 5 to 18 years old.

Classes include:

The basic strokes and pronunciation, Chinese culture, Chinese children's songs, etc.

A fun way to learn Chinese made easy for kids. Prepare your child for future success through learning Chinese with Lucy Lui (yes, that's her real name)!

Quickness/Speed/Agility - Grades 2-6

Instructor: Nicki Pendleton Skylis
(Min 10, Max 30 students)

\$95 / 7 weeks
Thursday, 1/9-3/5(No class on 1/30)
3:50- 4:50 PM
Gym

TO REGISTER: go to <https://qsatraining.myshopify.com> and click on the Ayer Elementary class. Please note there is a sibling discount option for additional registrations.

This class provides exercise to work on strength, quickness, coordination, agility, running mechanics and overall fitness. It is a creative way for kids to have fun while exercising and a way for kids to become more physically fit. This class will have a strong focus on the correct running form and mechanics because most kids are never taught how to run properly. There will also be exercises on footwork and quickness. Through exercises, your child will learn the right way to control their body which helps prevent injuries in sports. Plan to have a lot of fun being active!

STEM Club – Grades 3-6

Instructor: Mr. Farmer
(Min 10, Max 24 students)

\$60 / 8 weeks
Thursday, 1/9-3/12(No class on 2/13&2/20)
3:45 - 5:15 PM
Mr. Farmer's 5th grade room

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Explore science and math through hands-on activities. Learn the engineering design process as you work in teams with other students to solve design challenges

Better Baby Sitters - Grades 5-6

\$100 / 5 weeks

Instructor: Enriching Kidz
****PLEASE NOTE TIME OF CLASSES****
(Min 6, Max 20 students)

Thursday, 1/9-2/6
3:50 - 5:45 PM
Art Room

TO REGISTER: Go to www.enrichingkidz.com and click on "Register for a class", then click on the class you are interested in, then click Class Schedule (on the left side).

Would your child know what to do if the child they were babysitting started to choke on something? Does your child babysit younger siblings? Why not enroll your child in a Better Baby Sitters course? Your child will learn the responsibilities of having a job, the Rights of a Baby Sitter, CPR for a Child and Infant, Basic First Aid, Growth and Development and appropriate toys and activities for kids. They also learn diaper changing, infant care and how to feed a toddler. The most important component of the Better Baby Sitters course is that it is fun!

Ayer Falcon Golf – Grades 1-4
Instructor: Bill Williamson
(Min 6, Max 15 students)

\$20 / 7 weeks
Friday, 1/10-2/28 (No Class 2/21)
6:00PM - 7:00PM
Gym

Instructors will not be paid for this class. The money collected for this class will be donated to the Ayer PTA Enrichment Scholarship fund.

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

This class is intended to be a FUN beginner golf class for kids. It would be appropriate (but not required) if your child has some experience with the game (i.e. they have hit balls before and/or participate in a PGA Junior League or have done Drive, Chip and Putt, etc). The class will utilize equipment from SNAG golf (www.snaggolf.com), which is being used via a generous donation from the Greater Cincinnati Golf Association (www.gcca.org) in order to grow the game of golf.

The instructor is Anderson resident and Ayer dad, Bill Williamson, who is a 5 - time Cincinnati Player of the Year, former "Met" winner and Loveland High School and University of Akron athletic HOF golfer. Bill will also have two daughters in the class (Shelby – 3rd grade, and Claire – 1).

There may be a field trip to either Little Miami Golf Center, weather dependent, at an additional cost (likely less than \$10).

Instructor could use the assistance of one or two parents during the course (one parent each week) if you are able to stay at any time. Email wow9577@hotmail.com if you wish to sign up (please put "Ayer Golf" in the subject line).

Jewelry Making with Miss Tracey Grades 1-6
Instructor: Tracey Humphreys
(Min 8, Max 12 students)

\$50 / 3 weeks
Friday, 1/10-1/24
3:50 - 5:00 PM
Learning Commons

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

We will be practicing basic jewelry making using a variety of beads, wire and floss. Children will have the opportunity to create necklaces, earrings, bracelets and key-chains to use for themselves or as gifts for others.

Sewing with Miss Tracey - Grades 2-6

\$60 / 4 weeks

Instructor: Tracey Humphreys
(Min 8, Max 12 students)

Friday, 2/7-2/28
3:50 - 5:00 PM
Learning Commons

TO REGISTER: go to <https://ayerpta.membershiptoolkit.com/enrichment>

Beginner sewing classes with Miss Tracey-A four week series to expose kids to basic sewing skills as they make a pin cushion and a pillow. This class is set up for kids who have no sewing experience. They will be learning how to thread a needle, use a pattern and do some pinning. They will learn three types of hand stitches and will have time to explore many types of sewing notions. Children will receive a sewing kit to keep as well as some notions to practice with at home..

Spanish – Grades K-6
Instructor: World of Spanish
(Min 7, Max 20 students)

\$94 per class / 9 weeks
Thursday, 12/13-2/21 (No Class 1/3)
8:05am - 9:05am
Media Center
Additional session option. Register separately. Previous session experience is not required.
\$94 per class / 9 weeks
Thursday, 2/28-5/2 (No Class 4/8)

TO Register: <http://www.worldofspanishllc.com>

Exposing your child to a second language is one of the most valuable gifts you can give your child. Here is why:

- Higher scores on the SAT: Students who study a foreign language for four or more years tend to score higher on the verbal section of the SAT.
- Higher grades in high school: Foreign language classes are a requirement for colleges and universities; learning spanish early on will make high school spanish so much easier, ensuring higher grades.
- It enhances reading ability in English: Starting a second language early enhances reading abilities and general literacy in the first language. Children also demonstrate better focus and multitasking skills.

Children will study Spanish vocabulary through fun games, songs, hands-on activities, etc. Cultural activities like Salsa Dance classes, celebration of “Cinco de May” with live mariachi music, etc. will be available during the year for parents as well! Students will be divided based on level.

****Classes require textbooks or magazine subscriptions, an approximate one-time fee of \$12-\$28 additional for the year (Depending on the level)**

Enriching Kidz

Classes Offered at Ayer Elementary

Better Baby Sitters
For Boys and Girls
In 5th + 6th Grades



COST: \$100

Students Learn:

- **First Aid & Heimlich Maneuver**
- **Receive a First Aid Kit to Keep**
- **Infant & Child CPR (American Heart Association guidelines), Practice with Mannequins**
- **Care of the Choking Child & Infant**
- **How to Handle Emergencies**
- **Creative Problem Solving**
- **Job Professionalism**
- **Hands-on Practice**
- **Diapering, Bottle Feeding, Infant care**
- **Discussion of Growth & Development**
- **Create Age Appropriate Activities**
- **And ... it's FUN!**

Class Information

Thursdays

1/9, 1/16, 1/23, 1/30, 2/6

3:45 - 5:45 pm

***Students must attend all dates in the session chosen to complete the course.**

**** Please note that classes are 2 hours long each date.**

To Register:

Go to www.enrichingkidz.com, click on Register for a class, select the class, then scroll down to the class schedule to find the location.

To register by phone, or if you have questions regarding course curriculum, call Amy Marks at 513-336-9993

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Elementary drawing

Young Rembrandts
Drawing Classes for Kids



Young Rembrandts

Ayer Elementary

Join us inside this January and February! We are excited to be back at Ayer with all new lessons. If your kids are new to art or seasoned pros, they will love this class.

Don't miss out, enroll now! Class space is limited.

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classes for grades 1 - 6



tuition



enrollment

Tuesdays

3:45pm-5:00pm

1/7/20 - 2/25/20 (8 weeks)

\$110 for 8 weeks

(OR 2 payments of \$55)

Other payment plan available

ENROLLMENT DEADLINE: 1/3/2020

CALL 513-779-5858 or

ENROLL ONLINE at
[www.youngrembrandts.com/
CincinnatiEast-OH](http://www.youngrembrandts.com/CincinnatiEast-OH)

ALL NEW LESSONS EVERY SESSION!

COME DRAW WITH US!

Classes are held immediately after school.

Parents are responsible for transportation at class end.

Children attending aftercare will be escorted back and signed in.

Scholarships/fee waivers are available for FHSD students. For information regarding scholarships/fee waivers please contact Joni Overcast at joniovercast@foresthills.edu

* This is a FHSD only, Ayer only class.



For information about Young Rembrandts or other class locations call 513-779-5858

visit us at www.youngrembrandts.com/cincinnatiEast-OH or

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Enroll today for Spanish Classes!



WHY LEARN SPANISH?

- **Higher scores on the SAT:**

Students who study a foreign language for four or more years tend to score higher on the verbal section of the SAT.

- **Higher grades in high school:**

Foreign language classes are a very stringent requirement for colleges and universities; learning Spanish during childhood will make high school Spanish classes much easier. Good grades in high school Spanish can make quite a difference on college applications.

- **It enhances reading ability in English:**

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What a parent says:

"We have two children involved in an after-school program at their elementary school. We are amazed at what they have learned and retained during the first and second sessions. In 15 weeks they know more than I did in two years of high school Spanish classes. The fact that they incorporate Latin American and Spanish customs into the lessons is just icing on the cake. My kids will take these classes for years to come!!!"



"The folks at World of Spanish understand deeply that the secret to getting kids to absorb a second language is to disguise learning time as playtime. Their approach isn't about rote memorization; instead they bring children to a space where culture and language intersect."

Cincinnati Magazine

Ayer Elementary • Grades K-6 • Classes start Sept. 19
Option of Thursdays or Fridays at 8:05-9:05 AM
Only \$94* per each 9 week session.

20% discount for second sibling, 50% discount for third sibling. Payment plans available if needed.
*Add a one-time fee of \$28 for textbooks for the entire year.

Only
\$10
a class!

Classes run for 27 weeks, September - April, divided into 3 sessions of 9 weeks. You may register for the year (all 3 sessions) or for each individual session. Students will be divided based on age and level: Beginners & Intermediates.

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Enroll online at worldofspanishllc.com.



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