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# Spring 2017

## Mission of the Mini-Units Program

After School Mini-Unit courses provide fun, challenge, and excitement for new learning that capitalizes on the multiple intelligences of children. Instructors may be Bernards Township teachers or parents, and/or community members who are substitute certified.

# <u>Spring Schedule</u>

\*Courses run from 3:30-4:45\*

Monday classes meet: February: 2/6, 2/13, 2/27 March: 3/6, 3/13, 3/20 April: 4/3 and 4/10

Thursday classes meet: February: 2/9, 2/16, 2/23 March: 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23 April: 4/6

\*\*Mondays run a week later because of President's Weekend. There are no mini units the week of conferences.

# <u>Registration:</u>

Begins Friday, January 20th Ends Friday, January 27th at 3 PM

(Any registrations after 3 PM on January 27th will have a \$15 late fee)

Registration is **first come, first served basis**.

Confirmation slips, including room assignments and special reminders, will be emailed home by <u>Friday, February 3rd</u>

Classes begin on Monday, February 6th <u>\*\*No registrations will be accepted after</u> <u>courses begin\*\*</u>

# Monday Courses

- 1. MB-Magic School Bus Grades K-3
- 2. CA-Clay It Up (A) Grades K-5
- 3. WW-Wacky for Websites Grades 1-5
- 4. MG-Math Games Grades 3-5
- 5. SS-Super Sleuths Grades 3-5

# Tuesday Courses

- 6. MC-Mindful Coloring Grades K-2
- 7. LL-Lego Lovers
- 8. BG-Board Game Mania Grades K-5
- 9. CT-Ceiling Tile Painting Grades K-5
- 10. CB-Clay It Up (B)
- 11. AT-All Things Active
- 12. IM-Improv
- Grades 3-5 Grades 3-5

Grades K-5

Grades K-2

- **Online** Registration
- Go to <u>www.bernardsboe.com</u>
- Click on the payment tab on top
- Click "here" under payment
- Click on Mini Units Program/OS
- Continue and follow prompts

If not registering online, make checks to: Bernards Township Board of Education

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Send the application and check in an envelope marked "Mini Units." Please send one check per child per course.

Tuition is \$100.00 per student for each eight-week course.

Please remind your child on the morning of the mini unit so there is no confusion at the end of the school . Thanks!



### Monday Courses

#### 1. Crafting with The Magic School Bus

If you like crafts and Magic School Bus, then this mini unit is for you! Come along with Mrs. Mullen and friends on a Magic School Bus Guided Tour. We will explore space, dinosaur digs, bird's nest, food chains, volcanoes, the human body, and much more. Make Ms. Frizzle proud and hop on the Magic School Bus to experience these awesome adventures! We will watch some videos or read some of the stories, and follow with an activity, craft, or experiment to go along with it! We might add a little cooking too!

Mrs. Linda Mullen, Grades K-3

#### 2. CA-Clay It Up-Section A

Do you love to be creative and make neat projects out of clay? Join us in Clay It Up where we will work with Polyform (baking) clay to create all sorts of masterpieces! We will have a blast during some free-create time and also learn how to make cool projects like a clay-covered pen or bookmark! Just think of all the cool items you can make for your friends, family, or even yourself! Let's clay together!

Ms. Melanie Sackie, Grades K-5

#### 3. WW-Wacky for Websites

Have you ever wondered what fun yet educational websites are out there? Well, you are in luck! Join "Wacky for Websites" to explore different sites that have educational and engaging games and activities specific to your child's grade level.

Ms. Kelly Gelber, Grades 1-5

4. MG-Math Games

Come join the fun as we build strategic thinking and computational skills playing math games! Some games will be familiar, such as Top-It, while others may be new to you, such as Blokus, Set and Three-in-a-Row. We will strengthen and build higher level thinking skills while having some fun!

Mrs. Christine Russo, Grades 3-5

#### 5. Super Sleuths

Get out your magnifying glasses and detective hats as we have clues to decipher and crimes to solve. We'll put our critical thinking skills to the test and get to the bottom of mysteries by learning the tricks real investigators use to solve cases and by solving Who Dun Its with Mystery Web Quests. Experimenting with simple detection techniques, your reasoning skills will grow and your problem solving skills will become better than CSI agents!

Mrs. Piccoline, Grades 3-5

Thursday Courses

#### 6. MC-Mindful Coloring

Do you enjoy coloring and art? We will learn about and explore the work of a variety of artists including M.C. Escher, Monet, and Van Gogh and then create our own art in a similar style. Come join the fun! Mrs. Christine Russo, Grades K-2

7. LL-Lego Lovers

Calling all Lego loving engineers!! This Lego based class is all about building and exploring with Legos. In addition, the children will have the opportunity to work with other creative building and design sets such as Lincoln Logs and K-Nex. There will even be a session where the children will learn how to design awesome paper airplane! In addition, the children will watch fun educational videos and share their creative designs.

Mr. Bill Baker, Grades K-2

#### 8.-BG-Board Games Mania

Come one, come all! This Board Game Mania mini unit will allow all grade levels to interact with one another by problem-solving and working together while playing different board games. I will also play KidsPop music that all ages enjoy. You can play games with current friends, or meet new ones. "People are three times more likely to learn and retain knowledge through playing games." (-Alvin Topfler) Hope to see you there! Ms. Megan Fair, Grades K-5

## Thursday Courses Continued

### 9. CT-Ceiling Tile Painting-Seven Habits of Happy Kids

#### Join us in beautifying Oak Street!

This course will be made up of painting some of Oak Street Schools ceiling tiles and the designs will be following the 7 Habits of Happy Kids. This will be a fun course where students of all ages will be able to showcase their talents for years to come!

Mrs. Kim Lewis, Grades K-5

10. CB-Clay It Up-Section B

Do you love to be creative and make neat projects out of clay? Join us in Clay It Up where we will work with Polyform (baking) clay to create all sorts of masterpieces! We will have a blast during some free-create time and also learn how to make cool projects like a clay-covered pen or bookmark! Just think of all the cool items you can make for your friends, family, or even yourself! Let's clay together!

Ms. Melanie Sackie, Grades K-5

#### 11. AT-All Things Active

Tired of sitting around? Wish the winter let you play more? Want to learn some great games? Come play some classic games and experience sports in a whole new way. We'll learn the rules and play backyard sports and games--while learning the balance between competition and cooperation. You'll get to challenge yourself with some obstacle course elements. You'll hone your athletic skills while having fun. All Things Active will get you up and moving!

Mr. Glen Denys-Grades 3-5

12. IM-Improv

Come laugh with us in Improv! Each session, we will play improvisation games, learn how to speak in front of a group, and exercise our creativity! Improvisation skills help build confidence, public speaking skills, and teamwork ability- but more than that, it's a ton of fun!

Mrs. Sheri Smith, Grades 3-5

# Mini Unit Terms and Agreements

- In order for class to be held, a required minimum must be met.
- Tuition is \$100.00 per student for each eight-week course. Checks should be made payable to the <u>Bernards Township</u> <u>Board of Education</u>, or registration and payment can be made online.
  - > SIBLINGS MUST EACH HAVE THEIR OWN REGISTRATION FORM.
  - > PLEASE ISSUE A SEPARATE FORM AND A SEPARATE CHECK (\$100.00) FOR EACH CHILD/COURSE
  - > Incorrect registration forms/checks will be returned and spots will not be held.
  - > If first choice is closed, alternative will be given only if filled in on form. Please choose an alternative.
  - If you submit registration after 3:00 PM Friday, October 7 and before classes begin, you must pay a \$15.00 Late Registration Fee. Once classes begin, registration is closed.
- Course Placement Decisions: Classes are filled in the order the registration forms or online registrations are received. We strive to maintain a student/teacher ratio of about 15 students per class. Once a class is full, every effort will be made to place the student in the alternate selected.
- If a student is present at school, but will not be attending his/her course, THE STUDENT MUST BRING A NOTE TO SCHOOL. Children who are absent from school during the day are not permitted to attend the After School Mini-Units Program.
- Please be aware that during the After School Mini-Units Program there will <u>NOT BE A NURSE IN THE</u> <u>BUILDING</u>.
- Children must be picked up promptly by 4:45. If late pickups occur more than twice, the student will not be allowed to continue the program. No refund will be given.
- If inclement weather occurs, call the school office to find out if after school courses are canceled. Canceled classes will be made up the week after the last scheduled class.
- Students should behave in an appropriate manner. School rules of conduct apply to after school programs. A student who violates the rules may be removed from the program. Please discuss this with your child.

Bernards Township Public Schools Oak Street School After School Mini Units Program

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Upon signing, I have read and acknowledge the Terms of Agreement. Signature of Parent/Guardian: