

Mountain Home School's - Enrichment Class Descriptions

THEME: AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL

All TK-8 Classes are held on Tuesdays. Your student may attend Session 1 or the Session 2 Classes.

Thursday classes include a variety of additional class offerings for students in 5th-8th, with the exception of Choir.

Digital sign-ups start January 4th & run through January 9th.

Grade	Title of Class	Teacher	Brief Description
TK/K	From Sea to Shining Sea	Ms. Oliphant	Engage in learning letters, sounds, reading, and mathematics through books, art, and games.
1st/2nd	Choir & Music Fundamentals	Mrs. Dent	Choir and Music Fundamentals is a fun class in which students will sing a variety of songs in different musical styles. We will learn the basics of music theory, matching pitch, sight singing, vocal blending, rhythm, and basic harmonies. We will also learn to play simple instruments in a group setting. Students will have opportunities to perform which strongly build up a sense of community and self confidence.
1st/2nd	Social Studies	Mr. Sloas	American Symbols: This class will teach about a variety of symbols including the Statue of Liberty, American Flag, Bald Eagle, Liberty Bell and more. Each class will engage students with fun hands-on activities and crafts.
3rd	Science	Mr. Sloas	Students will learn core ideas in Life, Earth, Space, and Physical Sciences by taking part in hands-on activities and experiments. The primary curriculum will be Mystery Science.
3rd	Math Games	Ms. Vind	Games and projects that promote math success and make learning math fun ! We will continue to learn about fractions and dive into multiplication, geometry, telling time and counting money.
3rd	Creative Writing	Mrs. Heidebrecht	We will creatively explore how to write using multiple genres of writing, such as poetry, autobiographies, and more!
4th/5th	Art Meet the Masters	Mrs. Davis	Experience a variety of art techniques and mediums as we create art and learn the art history of famous artists

4th/5th	American History	Mrs. Heidebrecht	We will explore United States geography and history using literature, history lessons, and hands-on projects.
3rd--6th and 7th-8th	Choir	Mrs. Dent	In choir we will study and perform choral music from a variety of cultures, styles, and musical time periods. Students will learn the basics of vocal technique, sight-reading, ear training, pitch retention, sight singing, harmonization, blending techniques, music theory, and music history. We will have opportunities to perform, which help to build a strong work ethic, teamwork, and confidence.
4th/5th	Peach Blossom Performance Reader's Theater	Mrs. Davis	Students will practice and memorize a poetry or literature selection to perform as a class at the Peach Blossom Festival at Fresno State on 3/9 or 3/10/22. Students will be introduced to the fun and excitement of oral interpretation through Reader's Theater scripts.
5th/6th	Oregon Trail	Ms. Vind	We will become Oregon Trail Pioneers and reenact life on the trail with all its adventures, trials and triumphs. Students will be a member of a pioneer family and create their own persona/character to play in their pioneer family. The pioneer families will compete to see which family reaches Oregon City first in a simulation game that teaches about life on the trail.
5th/6th	Variety Class	Mrs. Davis/Ms. Oliphant	Students will be reading one novel per month independently at home with accompanying projects and presentations to share with the class. In addition they will play math games and increase their typing skills.
5th/6th	Creative Writing	Mrs. Heidebrecht	We will creatively explore how to write using multiple genres of writing, such as poetry, autobiographies, and more!
6th-8th	Native American Basket Weaving and Cultural Studies	Mrs. Hill	Students will learn how to weave local Native American baskets using a natural resources to our area - Pine Needles. We will read through the memoirs of a local Mono Indian, Gaylen Lee. Mr. Lee thoughtfully shares stories about his ancestors who were one of the few Californian Indian tribes fortunate enough to evade relocation to an Indian Reservation. Because the Nim (Mono) were never forcibly removed from their ancestral homelands, they continued their way of life and beliefs well into the 19th century. This is a deep and unique look into the lives of the Natives of our mountain area and how various settlers impacted their way of life (from a first-person point of view).

6th-8th	Sewing (Limited space-1st semester waitlisted students will have priority)	Mrs. Hill	Students will learn the basics of sewing. They will learn how to thread a machine, sew using a straight stitch, and read and use a simple pattern. We will complete a couple of small projects such as a pillow and pajama pants. The school will provide the machines thanks to a special grant from Kiwanis Club. Students will need to purchase thread, material, elastic, and polyfill for their projects. A detailed material list will be sent home on the first day of class.
7/8th	Theater	Mrs. Dent	In our Theater Production class, students will be able to experience the hard work, joy, and excitement of mounting a play production. We will examine scripts, learn basic acting techniques, and explore aspects of technical theater and stage management. Students will analyze characters and character development, study and memorize dialogue, and design stage movements, and find creative ways to solve theatrical problems. Through study, research, creative thinking, problem solving, the art of rehearsal, and improvisation, students will gain the knowledge and skills to be successful in theater, but also develop the self-discipline required to accomplish long- and short-term goals. Theater Production can help students grow in many ways off the stage; public-speaking, organization and time management, increased self-esteem and confidence, and teamwork. This class will continue through April and May as we will have a Play Production on May 11 at YHS Theater. Students are required to commit to participating for the entire time, as the "show must go on".
6th-8th	ROV	Mr. Rumohr	This class is a full year. Participants and their parents are required to attend an orientation meeting before the first class, meeting date TBD. Students will work in teams to research, design, build, test and operate an ROV. The class will focus on many areas including electricity, buoyancy, soldering, wiring etc. There is an end of the year regional competition that students will have a chance to participate in.