MHSC SPRING 2024 Enrichment Class Descriptions for Parents (update 1-10-24)								
Class Name	Grade Level/s	Instructor	Day/s of week	Time	Description			
TK/K Variety (AM or PM)	TK - K	Mrs. DeCarli	Tuesday	9am - 11:30am or 12:30-3pm	TK/K Variety (TK/K) - Kindergarten is a time for children to discover and develop new academic and social skills. Through a variety of lessons, activities, story time, art and creative play your kindergartener will gain confidence and the foundations needed for success in school.			
1st/2nd Variety (AM or PM)	1st - 2nd	Sloas	Tuesday	9am - 12:30- 3pm	1st/2nd Grade Variety Class (1-2) - Students will learn a "variety" of content areas (with an empahis on science and social studies). Hands-on activities will inclue labs, crafts/art, P.E., and storytime. Mrs. Dent will join us each class time for music education.			
Writing Enrichment (AM or PM section)	3rd	Heidebrecht	Thursday	9am - 10:30am or 12:30 - 2pm	Writing Enrichment (3) - Students will learn how to creatively write within various genres and also gain experience in using Google Docs. (This is not meant to replace writing done at home)			
3rd/4th grade Variety (AM or PM)	3rd - 4th	Vind	Tuesday	9am - 11:30am or 12:30-3pm	3rd/4th Variety Class (3-4) - We will enjoy different topics and activities including read aloud time, science, art, P.E. games and choir time with Mrs. Dent.			
Math and Beyond	3rd - 4th	Vind	Thursday	10:30am - 12pm	Math and Beyond (3-4) - Who doesn't like a great story? Let's put aside the math worksheets and explore math concepts and skills as we read engaging stories. We'll see math in action and have fun applying math skills through games and projects.			
Choir (3-5)	3rd - 5th	Dent	Thursday	9am - 10:30am	Choir (3-5) - 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, matching pitch, 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.			
Lego Robotics	4th - 5th	Sloas	Thursday	9am - 10:30am	4th/5th Grades - Students will build and use basic programming with the EV3 lego robotics kits. Students will learn basic coding using kodable.com and code.org.			
5th grade Variety (AM)	5th	Davis	Tuesday	9am - 11:30am	5th grade Variety Class (5) - Students will enjoy a variety of 5th grade content area learning experiences each week during our class time together.			
Meet the Masters -	5th - 6th	Davis	Thursday	10:30 - 12pm	Art-Meet the Masters (5th/6th)- Students will learn about the fascinating lives and famous works of the Master Artists, including the techniques the artist used. Students will create their own masterpiece, using the same medim and style as the Master Artist.			
Writing for ROV	6th - 12th	Hill/Rumohr	Tuesday 6th-8th grade; Thursday 9th-12th grade	Tues -1:50pm- 3pm; Thurs - 12:30-2pm	ROV Writing Class (Required for all ROV students) - In this class students will be instructed on how to complete technical writing for their ROV marketing board. We will review how to effectively use Google Docs to complete group assignments asynchronously, the expectations for each writing portion of the ROV marketing board, and how to write with purpose in a concise and organized manner. In addition, we will discuss how to make your Marketing Board attractive by formatting it with the appropriate font styles and sizes and by using border color choices that enhance the presentation.			
Ancient Civilization History and Literature (AM or PM)	6th - 7th	Heidebrecht	Tuesday	10:20 - 11: 30am	Ancient Civilization History and Literature (6-7): Students will study four main ancient cultures by learning new information, playing educational games, doing projects, and reading novels. (Audio books may be utilized for this as well.)			
Exploring National Parks	6th - 7th	Heidebrecht	Tuesday	9am - 10:10am or 1:50pm - 3pm	Exploring National Parks (6-7) - Students will learn about our national parks by using activities across multiple subjects (art, writing, science, and history.)			
Choir (6-8)	6th - 8th	Dent	Tuesday	Tuesday 10: 20am-11:30am	Choir (6-8) - 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, confidence, and community.			

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ROV	6th - 8th	Rumohr	Thursday	9am - 10:30am	Underwater ROV (6-8) - In ROV students will work on a team (company) to design and build an underwater vehicle that will be used to accomplish a predetermined series of tasks/missions. Students will be able to practice a host of various skills including: Working with teammates to accomplish a common goal, the art of compromising, and scheduling and meeting deadlines. They will develop skills in the areas of: soldering, electricity, circuits, buoyancy, waterproofing, troubleshooting etc. The class will include creating a display board that will be designed around a series of writing projects. Additionally, students will create, rehearse and present			
Theater (6-8)	6th - 8th	Dent	Tuesday and Thursday	Tuesday 12: 30pm - 1:45pm and Thursday 10:30am - 12pm	Theater (6-8) - In our Theater class, students will be able to experience the hard work, joy, and excitement of collaborating in improvisation and play production. We will examine scripts, learn basic acting techniques, and explore aspects of technical theater and stage management. Improvisation and Theater Skills are exciting, fun tools that help build the "five C's": creativity, critical thinking, collaboration, communication, and confidence. Improvisation (or Improv) is a form of live theater in which the plot, characters and dialogue of a game, scene or story are made up in the moment. In Improv, students learn to think quickly on their feet while working together to make the story flow by clearly communicating their ideas. Students will also learn script analysis, analyze characters and character development, study and memorize dialogue, 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 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 meet twice weekly, as mounting productions requires a lot of time working together as a "company". Students are asked to commit to participating for the entire time, as the "show must go on". Our class will meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays; students are strongly encouraged to attend both days			
Meet the Masters -	6th-7th	Mrs. Boe	Tuesday	12:30pm - 1: 45pm	Students will learn about the fascinating lives and famous works of the the Master Artists and the techniques the artist used. Students will create their own masterpiece using the same medium and style used by the Master Artist.			
Technical Theatre	6th-8th	Dent	Thursday	12:30pm-2pm	Students' work focuses on learning the elements of technical theatre, which includes costumes, lighting, makeup, properties (props), scenery, and sound. Students will experiment with transforming space in order to understand the abstract elements of design. They will also develop excellent communication and team-building skills. Technical theatre students gain self-confidence through our collaborative efforts whilst planning and building. Also important is students' technical knowledge of safety procedures and demonstrated safe operation of any, and all, theatre equipment, tools, and raw materials. A performance may serve as a culmination of our class goals. Students may be required to attend or participate in technical work, rehearsals, and/or performances beyond our class time to support our production goals.			
Academic Pentathlon	7th - 8th	Meeks	Thursday	12:30pm - 2pm	Academic Pentathlon (7-8): Madera County Office of Education hosts this event for schools throughout the county to compete in five subject areas: Literature, Fine Arts, Essay, Social Studies, and Science. This year the theme is: Technology and Humanity. The first class on Thursday, September 7th will be for parents and students to gain information about the team. No commitment is necessary until after the first class. Come join the fun!			
Science	8th Grade ONLY	Hill	Tuesday	9am-10:10am	8th Grade Science - In this class students will learn about various science topics and conduct labs that correlate with middle-school science standards.			
Sewing for charity	8th Grade ONLY	Hill	Tuesday	10:20am - 12pm	Sewing for Charity- Students will learn to sew. They will create simple projects to be donated to various charities. This class is made possible through a special educational mini-grant provided by Oakhurst Kiwanis.			