

Enrichment Programs

Enrichment Programs are open on a first-come, first-serve basis to all Primary, Extended and All Day Montessori students. Elementary Students have art, music and physical education included in their curriculum – private lessons will be determined.

- Programs will be offered in the Fall-Session I and Spring-Session II. All programs start at 11:30 for lunch and program begins at 12:00 till 12:30. Violin, Guitar and Piano are exceptions to this rule. They have their own lesson time. Enrollment is on a **first-come first-serve basis**.

Private Violin Lessons –

Instructor: Erika Pierce

4 - 6 year olds only –Individual Time Space

During each lesson, children will learn proper violin technique, music reading skills, and music theory. Students will study a variety of melodic and rhythmic sounds and patterns while learning to play the violin. Lessons are based on the individual needs of the child, and utilize many Suzuki Violin Method techniques and principles.

Required: a violin can be rented from Volkwein's music for around \$25 for the first 4 months, then \$18 per month thereafter, shoulder rest, music book, and cd (cost around \$25 total) and a notebook for class.

Private Guitar Lessons –

Instructor: Erika Pierce

4 - 6 year olds only –Individual Time Space (please follow private lesson schedule)

Learning the guitar should be both hard work and fun! Students will learn proper posture and instrument technique while learning to play a variety of styles of music. We will explore simple songs they are familiar with and progress into traditional, classical, and even some pop tunes. While learning to play, students will also learn basic music theory and note recognition. Required: guitar (can be purchased for under \$75), several music books (cost around \$15-\$20) and a notebook for class.

Private Piano Lessons -

Instructor: Erika Pierce

4 - 6 year olds only - Individual Time Space (please follow private lesson schedule)

Students will learn the basics of playing the piano through the use of simple songs. The lessons will emphasize correct posture, development of finger skills, note reading and music theory. Lessons will move at the pace of the child, and is appropriate for beginners or students with prior experience. Required: Piano or full size keyboard for home practice, several music books supplied by teacher (cost around \$15 \$20) and a notebook for class

Music Class –

Instructor: Erika Pierce

Children will sing, move, and play while learning about many different areas of music. We will study rhythm and melody while exploring a variety of percussive and tonal instruments. Students will discover common instruments used throughout the world while listening to compositions by different composers. Students will also learn the basics of music theory. Classes are intended to teach the foundations of music in a fun and interactive way while sparking a lifelong interest in music.

Art Class –

Instructor: Erika Pierce

Join us for a hands-on exploration of some of the greatest artist of all time! We will examine many great works of art as inspiration for our own creative discoveries. Projects will include painting, drawing, sculpture, print making, paper making, batik, and many more. The creative process can be messy, so make sure your little one is dressed for fun. Students will bring all of their projects home once they are finished and are a great way to continue the learning process at home! **It is important to remember to wear old clothing on your child for this class.**

Gymagic Bus –

Instructor: Brian Fabish

The Gymagic Bus will have two sessions each month; first session starts at 11:30 on the bus then lunch at 12:00; second session starts at 12:00 on the bus with lunch at 11:30. Both sessions end at 12:30.

The Gymagic Bus, is a gym on wheels for pre-school age children. Brian Fabish, known to the children as “Mr. Brian”, has been teaching gymnastics for 31 years. He has a Physical Education Degree from Slippery Rock University and has dedicated his life of teaching to the sport of gymnastics. Brendon Steiner and Melissa Trim also help out on the bus. They both have graduated with honors Brendon from Indiana University and Melissa from Slippery Rock University.

Spanish –

Instructor: Jo Ana Parker

My goal is to help your children learn to love Spanish as much as I do. There are many great benefits to helping children learn and develop a second language. In addition to learning about a new language they also learn to appreciate other cultures. We hope to teach vocabulary, greetings and anything else that is of interest through music, art and interactive activities.