

Dora L. Small School Welcomes March Madness 2018!

Join your friends for a series of exciting activities where you will learn something new, or perfect a talent you already have, and have loads of fun! Together with Small School parents and community members, the PTA is excited to offer these great opportunities during the month of March.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- Supervision will be provided between 3:05 – 3:20 for enrolled students before classes begin.
- Pickup is promptly at the end of each class.
- Transportation is not provided
- Contact Shannon Hanley at shanley3000@gmail.com with any questions.

REGISTRATION

You may choose as many activities for your child(ren) as you wish, but due to limited class sizes, there is no guarantee that your child will be enrolled in all.

- **Indicate your child's 1st, 2nd, 3rd, etc. choice on the registration form.**
- Attempts will be made to accommodate each child's first choice whenever possible; otherwise enrollment is via a lottery system. Submission of the registration form does not guarantee enrollment.
- **Consider choosing more than one class in order to increase the chances that your child will be enrolled in at least one of these.**
- **If you select more than one class, please indicate the MAXIMUM number of classes you wish your child to be enrolled in.** For example, you may make 4 or 5 selections, indicating 1st, 2nd, 3rd choice etc., but you may only want your child to enroll in a total of just two classes. Again, making more selections will increase the chances of your child getting into at least one class.
- **Remember that we will do our best to accommodate everyone, but making more than one selection does not guarantee enrollment.**
- Submit a separate registration form for each student by **Friday, February 16th**, but do not include any payment at this time.
- Submit your completed form(s) in an envelope marked "March Madness".
- Late forms will be returned unopened.
- You will be notified by email or phone confirming registration the week of February 19th.

PAYMENT

- Each class will cost \$10 per class, per student.
- Total payment for all classes will be due on the first day your child has a class – Please do not submit payment with registration form.
- Financial assistance is available. If your child wishes to participate, but the fee presents a hardship, a small discretionary fund has been established by the PTA to offer assistance. Please indicate on the registration form that you would like assistance and we will contact you about this.
- Class fees will be used to pay for supplies for these programs and to support future PTA programs and events.

WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS

ART FOR FUN (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 20)

Friday, March 30th

Instructor: Virginia Rose

We are proud to have seniors from the Art Department at SMCC facilitate an afternoon of creative art making. Seniors are designing workshops now to make this experience fun, engaging and creative!

BOARD GAME MADNESS (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 20)

Friday, March 2nd

Instructor: Sara Richardson and Catherine Dorrington

Come play board games with your friends for an hour. We'll have a variety of games, maybe some you've never played. OR bring your own to share. Any kind of table game is welcome.

BRINGING STORIES TO LIFE (Grades K-1; Class size limited to 8)

Tuesday, March 20th

Instructor: Judith Kurtz

Bring fun picture books to life by exploring your actors' tools, getting into character and, of course, playing with costumes.

CARTOONING (Class size limited to 20)

***CHOOSE FROM 1 OF 2 SESSIONS:**

1. Grades K – 2, Thursday, March 15th

2. Grades 3 – 5, Wednesday, March 21st

Instructor: Jack Duffy

A chance to learn to draw cartoons with a local artist/Small School dad.

CHEMISTRY CLUB EXPERIMENTS (Grades 3-5; Class size limited to 8)

Thursday, March 15th

USM Chemistry Club members

Each student will get to participate in a few fun hands-on science activities, including a water-lock experiment, which uses sodium polyacrylate (a water-lock polymer) to make water so thick it won't pour; psychedelic milk, a simple experiment using milk, food coloring, and dish soap; and an experiment with lycopodium powder (a moss spore actual found in ice cream) which enables you to put your hand in water without getting wet! Also, each student will get to make their own slime that they may take home with them in a little bag.

CHESS (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 18)

Wednesdays: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, & 3/21

Ryan White

Who wants to learn how to play chess? A game that tests your strategical thinking ability, memory, and concentration. Open to all levels!

CREATIVE COOKING (Grades K-3; Class size limited to 10)

Wednesdays: 2/28, 3/7, 3/14, & 3/21

Instructor: Mercedes Laboa

Learn to make your own snacks! In this fun class, you will learn to cut with a knife, whip cream, roll out dough, bake bread, and more!

CREATIVE STORYTELLING & COLLABORATIVE ART: A Multi-media Production

(Grades K-5; Class size limited to 8)

Mondays: 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, & 3/26

Instructor: Lucas Myers

Help local home-decor company, mainland design, create a back-ground story line for one of their products. Students will work together over the course of 4 workshops to write a short story and produce accompanying illustrations involving one of the fantastical characters that adorn mainland's wares. The resulting work will be made into table-mats that boast the final illustrations on their front side and the corresponding story on the back, and also published on-line through a mainland blog.

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT SQUIDS (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 12)

Wednesday, March 7th

Instructor: Ed Lutjens

Learn about the deep sea world of squids through games, crafts and hands on fun. Be prepared to be amazed and creeped out!

FIDDLE AND SCOTTISH STEP & SOCIAL DANCING (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 20)

Friday, March 2nd

Instructor: Ed Pearlman and Laura Scott

Come learn about fiddle music and Scottish Step Dancing! Local fiddler Ed Pearlman will give a demonstration of the violin and fiddle music, and Laura Scott will teach some basic Scottish Step & Social Dancing moves to do while he plays!

FOUR SQUARE MADNESS (Grades 3-5; Class size limited to 18)

Wednesday, March 7th

Instructor: Diane Lang (aka Coach Lang) and Coach Conley

Come enjoy some four square fun in the gym. Three games will be refereed on regulation-size courts that participants will create prior to the event.

GARDEN IN A GLOVE (Grades K-2; Class size limited to 12)

Monday, March 26th

Instructor: Amy Brier

Learn about and discover the lifecycle of seeds. Learn how to grow your own seeds using a rubber glove!!! You will bring home the finished product to share and plant with your family!

GEOLOGY IS A PIECE OF CAKE! (Grades 2-5; Class size limited to 20)

Monday, March 5th

Instructor: Katie Coppens

This is a hands-on session with Katie Coppens, author of *Geology is a Piece of Cake*. You will learn about rock formation and fossils through the analogy of cake. Participants will get to eat cake, so please be mindful of any potential food allergies.

HOW TO TRAIN YOUR DOG (Grades 3-5; Class size limited to 8)

Fridays: 3/9, 3/16, & 3/23 (rain dates: 3/30)

Instructor: Claire Holman

Learn how to train your dog! In this class, you will learn how to get your dog to pay attention to you. If you can get your dog's attention, you can teach your dog many important commands. We'll learn the basics of teaching sit, down, stay and come. The teacher will have her dog there to demonstrate the techniques, and on the last session, participants will be invited to bring their dogs. Plan to practice with your dog at home! This course takes place **outside** on the tennis court at Small School, weather permitting.

INTRO TO IMPROV (Grades 2-5; Class size limited to 10)

Tuesday, March 6th

Instructor: Judith Kurtz

Do you enjoy comedy and shows like "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" Do you want to learn how to feel confident on stage, watch and listen to your fellow actors, and have fun? Come learn the basics of improvisation and play tons of fun theater games!

JOURNAL DECORATING (Grades 3-5; Class size limited to 12)

Wednesday, March 7th

Instructor: Christine Parenteau

Create a personalized journal that is as unique as you! In this class students will decorate a blank journal in their own style with fancy tape, paper, glitter, and more!

KUNG FU AND KARATE KAPOW! (Class size limited to 30)

***CHOOSE FROM 1 OF 2 SESSIONS:**

1. Grades K – 2, Tues 2/27, Thur 3/1, Tues 3/6 and Thurs 3/8

2. Grades 3 – 5, Fridays 3/16 & 3/23

Instructors: Carol Mecas & Adam Riggio from Riverview Martial Arts

Spin, jump and strike into action with classic martial arts! Learn, practice and challenge yourself with obstacle courses, partner drills, games and high energy workouts! From crouching tigers to hidden dragons, students will unleash their inner spirit!

LET'S PLAY CHESS! (Grades 2-5; Class size limited to 16)

Fridays: 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, & 3/30

Instructor: Chris Whitmore

In this course we'll go over the basic rules and principles of chess. Then we'll spend the rest of the time playing lots of chess games. All levels welcome!

MAKING PAPER WINDOW STARS (Grades K-5; Class size limited to 12)

Monday, March 5th

Instructor: Emily Wright

Join Ms. Wright as she teaches how to make Waldorf-inspired Paper Window Stars using translucent kite paper. You will leave class with 2 (or more) colorful, 8-pointed, paper stars to brighten your home. You will also leave with directions so you can continue to make them at home.

MICROBES AND US (Grades 3-5; Class size limited to 20)

Friday, March 9th

Veronica Pelletier & Nick Mesloh

In this class, we'll take a look at the world of microbes around us, and what makes them unique. Students will be able to apply this to create their own microbe in a hands-on activity.

PAPER FLOWERS (Grades K-3; Class size limited to 10)

Friday, March 9th

Instructor: Sara Richardson and Catherine Dorrington

Learn how to make paper flowers to welcome Spring. After learning how to make them, we'll use them and other flowers (artificial) in an arrangement to take home!

PAPER PURSES (Grades K-2; Class size limited to 10)

Wednesday, March 14th

Instructor: Christine Parenteau

Create a fabulous purse - all out of paper! In this class students will use pre-cut patterns to create stylish paper purses, then accessorize them with decorative paper, flowers, and more!

Dora L. Small School March Madness – Registration Form
Please return this form in totes or to the front office by FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH
Submit Registration form in an envelope marked "March Madness"
Please DO NOT submit any payment at this time

Small School Student

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Grade: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s)

First Name: _____ Last Name: _____

Street Address: _____ Apt. #: _____

Home #: _____ Cell #: _____

Email: _____

Student Behavior and Emergency contact

Students are expected to be on their best behavior during March Madness activities, just as they are in their regular classes. Please provide the name and phone number of an emergency contact who will be available to come support and/or remove your child promptly, should the need arise.

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Dismissal instructions

All March Madness activities end promptly at 4:15, unless indicated otherwise. Please indicate what your child's plans are for after class.

____ my child will be picked up by _____

____ my child goes to Y-care

____ my child may walk home

Financial Assistance and Volunteering

____ Yes, I would like financial assistance so my son/daughter can participate.

____ Yes, I would like to help another student get involved in March Madness.
Enclosed is a check for \$ _____

____ Yes, I would like to volunteer my time to help escort students to activity rooms (3:05 – 3:20pm).
Date(s): _____

____ Yes, I would like to support instructors during activities (3:20 – 4:20 pm).
Activity(ies): _____
Date(s): _____

***** PLEASE SEE OTHER SIDE OF FORM TO SELECT ACTIVITIES *****

March Madness Activities

Place a check mark next to the class for which your child would like to register. If selecting more than one class, indicate your choices in order of preference using numbers 1, 2, 3, etc.

MAXIMUM # OF CLASSES IN WHICH I WISH MY CHILD TO BE ENROLLED _____

(Please see information sheet for further explanation)

| | Activity | Eligibility | Dates | Time | Cost |
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| | PAPER PURSES | Grades K-2 | Wednesday, March 14 th | 3:20 – 4:20 | \$10 |
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