

Thrive Homeschool Program: Session 4 Class Descriptions						
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Yoga with Papa Z	3rd-8th	Papa Z	M, AM	In this class we will be stretching, toning and breathing using the healthy postures of Hatha yoga to keep in shape. Great class to repeat all year or take for just one session.	Yoga Mat	Unsure
Air, Land & Sea with LEGO bricks	1st-6th	Creative STEAM	M, AM	Step aboard to build some exciting ways to get from here to there! Students will use LEGOS® to take to the sky in our Creative STEAM helicopter model, race across the beach in an ingenious land sail, or zoom through the water on a jet ski. Kids will learn what makes each machine unique and how it moves, exploring concepts such as buoyancy, propulsion, lift and g-forces! What other ways will you invent?	N/A	Very likely- with a new theme each session
Papa Z's Jammers Club	Tk-6th	Papa Z	M, PM	Every child brings an instrument with Papa Z facilitating a jam session. Singers can come too. We'll bring everyone together and find our common beat. If you don't have an instrument, don't worry, we have some extras.	Optional: Personal Instrument of choice	Likely
Amazing Animals	Tk-8th	Cricket	M, PM	Animals are fascinating creatures from the depths of the oceans to high up in the sky. Students will learn about the six main classes of animals; mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds, and invertebrates. We will answer questions such as: How does a bird actually fly? How does a cuttlefish change its shape and color? What is the smartest animal on earth? As we learn about these amazing animals we will do activities that enhance our learning for each lesson.	N/A	Unsure
Fantastic Fractals	5th-8th	Theresa "Ms. B"	M, PM	Fractals are SMART: Science, Math & Art. A fractal is a never ending pattern that repeats itself at different scales. Although fractals are very complex, they are made by repeating a simple process. Come learn where we find fractals as well as how to make one yourself.	N/A	Unsure
Minecraft STEM with LEGO bricks **NEW**	1st-6th	Creative STEAM	Monday's 11-3	Your Minecraft fan will love this exciting mix of Earth Science, Engineering, Story Telling and Creativity with LEGO bricks! Students will be proud to show off their weekly Minecraft themed take home projects! You will be proud when they tell you everything they learned! - this class is not part of the Thrive levels - payment should be made directly to Creative STEAM	N/A	unsure
Ecotopia's Drama Comes Alive **NEW**	1st-8th	Ecotopia	Monday's 11-3	In this course, the students will create lively dramas. We'll begin with some fun improvisations and theater games like "Animals in the Zoo" or "Hansel and Gretel are Clueless." Then we'll turn to old time radio drama, listening to shows like Superman and Baby Snooks, and creating some of our own radio programs, complete with sound effects—ZAP, BIFF, CREAK—that we will record and put up on a YouTube channel. From radio we'll move on to cell phone video plays, also displaying them on YouTube for gazillions of people to enjoy. This is an interdisciplinary course, and we'll use science, math, history, reading and writing in our playmaking. Finally, we'll learn about putting on a play and prepare a culminating performance for family, friends, and community members as DRAMA COMES ALIVE.	N/A	unsure
Sew for Cats and Dogs **NEW**	2nd-8th	Emma	T, AM	We will learn and practice the basics of hand sewing, embroidery and machine sewing while generously making gifts for dogs and cats at the humane society. Projects may include dog blankets, cat toys, dog toys, and dog sweaters and jackets. What a great way to use sewing skills—to help out some animals in need! No experience necessary.	All students should bring a black and a white spool of sewing thread and three colors of embroidery thread. Additional specific fabric may be asked for once individual projects are imagined and planned.	Unsure
Creative Thinking **NEW**	3rd-8th	Mrs. Hassenzahl	T, AM	Besides being a lot of fun, creative thinking is an important skill in any field of study. As a gifted education specialist and artist, creativity is one of Mrs. Hassenzahl's favorite subjects. This class combines playfulness and real life problem solving. Explore a number of strategies and inventive, hands-on projects to exercise your creativity with a mix of art, science, and lots of opportunities to pull in your favorite subjects.	N/A	Unsure
Papa Z's Rhythm Mix	2nd-8th	Papa Z	T, AM	Here we learn about how to make music on hand drums and other percussion instruments. We'll draw inspiration from folkloric and contemporary rhythms to get the groove going!	Papa Z asks that the students bring their own conga or djembe for this class. We have a limited amount of drums available for student use.	Likely
Math Magic **NEW**	4th-8th	Ms. B	T, PM	Join us for a wonderful adventure in how mathematics can be useful in real life. Through this journey see how mathematics is not just numbers and charts, but magical living things. See how math connects to music, art and more.	N/A	Unsure
Nature Story Time **NEW**	Tk-6th	Cricket	T, PM	Join us for this fun afternoon class filled with Nature stories and imagination! Each class we will read nature themed story discuss what the story was about and then make a craft or do an activity that ties in with the story we read.	N/A	Unsure
Leathersmithing	2nd-8th	Druin	T, PM	Learn basic leather stamping, tooling, and stitching on some simple leather projects.	Students should provide 2 or 3 leather kits that they'd like to work on or a \$15 supply fee. We recommend Tandy Leather Kits, which you may be able to purchase using your school funds.	Unsure
Life Science **NEW**	Tk-3rd	Cricket	T,AM	Students will learn the characteristics and life cycles of reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds, mammals, and insects. We will also learn about microscopes, what they are used for and how to use them.	N/A	Unsure
Storytelling Magic **NEW**	1st-6th	Emma	TH, AM	We will explore creative expression with words and pictures and our voices in the form of storytelling and poetry. We will learn about and play with different types of words and intriguing ways to use them. We will use different games and exercises to inspire our creativity. We listen to stories, both by children and adults, and look for different themes and patterns in in cultures around the world. We practice telling our own stories to the group.	N/A	Unsure
Games, Puzzles, & Brain Teasers **NEW**	3rd-8th	Ms. Hassenzahl	TH, AM	This class will let you engage in some friendly competition, get the giggles while exercising your communication skills, perfect your strategy, master puzzles, solve mysteries and discover connections. Enjoy a variety of class favorites from Mrs. Hassenzahl's 10 years as a gifted education specialist.	N/A	Unsure

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Dinosaurs on Demand **NEW**	Tk-6th	Dr. Dragon	TH, AM	Join Dr. Dragon for all things Dinosaur! Learn different types of dinosaurs, how they lived, and what they looked like in life! This session, we won't just be learning about dinosaurs, but sculpting them, drawing them, making dino tracks, and a cool science experiment that makes "fossil" dinosaur eggs!	N/A	Unsure
Magical Mosaics	3rd-8th	Theresa "Ms. B"	TH, AM	Mosaics are a picture or pattern produced by arranging together small colored pieces of hard material, such as stone, tile, or glass. Come and create your own mosaic yard stone.	N/A	Unsure
Puppet Making, Script Writing, and Performance	3rd-8th	Dewella	TH, AM	Have you ever wondered how to talk without moving your mouth?? Do you have some great ideas for a play?? Do you like to sing but feel a little shy in front of people?? MAYBE our new PUPPET class can help! Come and learn about several different types of puppets and how to handle them, writing scripts for puppet plays and presentations, and, creating a puppet of your very own. At the end of our 6 weeks together we will present a fabulous puppet show for everyone!	All students should bring 2 colorful Knee-high socks	Unsure
Backyard Birding **NEW**	Tk-8th	Cricket	Th, PM	The end of winter is an excellent time to watch the sky for the thousands of birds still migrating to their winter nesting grounds. In Chico you don't have to walk far to see a large variety of different species of birds. For each class part of our time will be inside looking at pictures of and listening to several different species of birds and then go outside to see what we can find around our own backyard at Thrive. This class has binoculars for students to borrow during class time.	Students can bring their own set of binoculars if they wish - the instructor will provide a class set.	Unsure
Battle Class / LARP IV	4th-8th	Druin	TH, PM	Dr. D will be teaching some lucky children a way to battle it out safely and respectfully! LARP (Live Action Role Play) is a fun and creative way for kids to play at being knights, rangers, warriors, and rogues. Join us for part IV another session of weapons crafting, armor making, battling, and epic Questing!	N/A	Likely
Woodshop 1 **NEW**	3rd-8th	Emmeline	TH, PM	Are you creative, mathematical, and like working and building with your hands? Woodworking brings imagination, calculation, geometry, and ingenuity all together. Students will saw, drill, sand and hammer their way through an instructor guided, group, woodworking project that will be used by all of Thrive. Class size will be limited to 7 for safety. Students who complete Woodshop 1 will be eligible to take Woodshop 2 during session 5	N/A	Unsure
Free Choice	Tk-8th	Varies	Varies	This Self Directed time allows students to not only work on their projects and activities longer, it also gives them the opportunity to try out classes that are being offered during the time frame of their Free Choice class. If they aren't sure they will like a class for all six weeks they can sign up for Free Choice and then try it out for one day with the freedom to make another choice the following week.	N/A	Very likely
Martial Arts	Tk-5th & 4th-8th	Miss Miranda from Azad's Martial Arts Studio	Varies	Your child will enjoy an exciting and fun martial arts curriculum that teaches a wide variety of martial arts techniques and key life lessons that are important to child's safety and success. Azad's kids martial arts classes help children enter society with a confident and enthusiastic outlook. Your child will become a better student in school, a better listener at home and feel more ambitious towards his/her future goals regardless of their young age!	Students wishing to progress in belt levels will be asked to purchase their belts. \$10 belt fee payable directly to Azad's Martial Arts.	Very Likely
Candle Making **NEW**	3rd-8th	Ms. Dewella	W, AM	Candle making is a craft as old as civilization itself, yet, even with all our modern technological advances, we are still somehow attracted to the light, warmth, and beauty of a lit candle. Are you interested in learning the craft of candle making? Come join me as we explore a variety of methods and styles of working with wax, wicks, and molds using different combinations of scent, color, and containers in creating beautiful, functional, and sweet-smelling candles.	N/A	Unsure
All Tied Up **NEW**	2nd-8th	Dr. Dragon	W, AM	Learn the most useful knots for everyday outdoor tasks, like hauling a log, making a rope traverse, tying down a load, pitching a tent, and more! Then learn lashings and the knots that begin and end them. What are lashings, you ask? They're what you use when you want to build a structure, but instead of nails, you have rope or vines. The use of lashings in building things is called "pioneering." Using lashings, we can construct ladders, tables, even bridges and towers!	N/A	
Spanish Stories & Songs	Tk-3rd	Papa Z	W, AM	This bilingual class is a fun way to learn about Spanish speaking cultures through traditional and contemporary songs and children's stories. The children can play along with our musical toys as well.	N/A	Likely
Team Building Games **NEW**	3rd-6th	Cricket	W, PM	Join us for a fun class of games and challenges that are focused on developing skills in cooperation, communication, problem solving, and leadership.	N/A	Unsure
Intro to Ceramics	2nd-8th	Dianne Ferris	W, PM	In this hands on, intro to ceramics class, we will focus on creativity and exploring the endless possibilities of clay. Children will have a chance to learn the basic methods of handbuilding—coiling, pinching, building with slabs, and sculpting—as well as working on projects such as making bowls, mugs, containers, and sculptural art pieces. Students will be guided step-by-step through all their projects, but there is always room for them to take control over their own art projects and tailor each according to their own creative vision. Students projects will be professionally kiln fired and then students will be able to paint and take their creations home!	Students will be assigned to purchase supplies valued up to \$35 that they may be able to use funds for, or they can bring a \$35 supply fee	Likely
Jewelry Making	2nd-8th	Emmeline	W, PM	Jewelry is one of the oldest forms of art, and used by almost everyone. It can be a form of self expression and individuality, each piece reflecting the wearer's personal style. Students will learn how to make rings, earrings, necklaces, and bracelets, each a unique piece of art.	Optional: Beads and jewelry making supplies from home	Likely
The Power of the Word **NEW**	4th-8th	Dr. Dragon	W, PM	Long ago in a distant land, there were those who learned that the written Word has great Power. The Power to conjure wild places and heroic journeys; the Power to imbue the Reader with Knowledge and Wisdom; the Power to inspire; to cause both laughter and tears, elation and sorrow. The Word could even bestow immortality. Join Dr. Dragon to learn and practice this dying art, and embrace the Power of the Word!	N/A	Unsure

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Mighty Girls with LEGO bricks <b>**NEW**</b>	1st-6th	Creative STEAM	W, PM	Are you ready to learn about awesome women in history? Join us as we learn all about mighty girls that changed our world and work on our engineering skills to build motorized versions of each topic using LEGO bricks. Jane Goodall, Amelia Earhart, and more! Each week we will explore self esteem and friendship with enriching units fun take home projects. Boys are Welcome!!	N/A	unsure