



Ward Elementary Fall 2025 Electives Program Catalog



Art Class by KidzZen

Tuesdays | Grades K-2 | \$351

Our art classes are designed to nurture artistic talents, encourage self-expression, and develop an appreciation for various art forms. These classes offer a wide range of projects that positively influence children's cognitive, emotional, and social development, providing a supportive and enjoyable learning environment. The program promotes creativity, imagination, and self-expression while enhancing fine motor skills and critical thinking. Children are introduced to diverse artwork from various cultures and artists, fostering an appreciation for diversity and expanding their understanding of art across different contexts.

Ceramics and Sculpture Arts by Slavin Studios

Tuesdays | Grades K-5 | \$319

Here the studio art experience is brought to you! In Ceramics, we work with clay sculpting and students form their artwork by hand. Basic techniques are taught and demonstrations are given. The students paint their Ceramic art with non-toxic colors that are then transported to a kiln, bisque, and glaze fired with a clear food-safe finish. The beautiful and durable glazed ceramics are fun and students will learn the fundamentals of sculpture & hand-building techniques. Use of tools will be shown to create a vase or sculpture, planning to try a more extended project that is less rushed. Other mediums will be introduced, such as wood. Using pre-cut wood, popsicle sticks and some paint we will explore forming objects of art and function. Also wire sculpting to form people, animals, and contemporary art will be part of the sculpting. Teaching student's ways to bend colored pipe cleaner, and firmer wire into shapes and designs with a base. Artwork comes back to the classroom, as it's ready throughout the program. All artwork will be received by the last class. Usually, we finish with a self-hardening clay project they take home on the last day.

Guitar for Beginners by The Music Path

Tuesdays | Grades 2-5 | \$195

Learn the basics and foundations of playing the guitar. Technique, scales, chords, melodies, and songs will all be covered. We promise to teach you as many real songs as possible! This class is a great introduction for students who might then proceed to a private teacher. We will get your hands picking, strumming, and fretting. An electric or acoustic guitar is okay (no amplifier required).

Materials: Bring in a guitar you already own, or we recommend First Act guitars online as an inexpensive solution (starting around \$40). You must bring a guitar.

Junior Explorers by MAD Science

Tuesdays | Grades K-2 | \$358

Join Mad Science this session and discover why science is the real star on the big screen. You'll create cool sound effects and build your very own robot hand to take home in a class that focuses on technology. Harness the sun's heat and ramp up a power generation station. Get linked into a network and work with radio signals. Conduct hands-on experiments that will provide the opportunity to explore the force of gravity and even defy gravity! Some of the classes in this session include: Movie Effects, Sonic Sounds, The Science of Toys, Radical Robots, and Great Gravity.

Tech It Out K

by Kelly Pirone

Tuesdays | Grades K | \$325

Students will enjoy an engaging experience in each class through the use of high, low, and no-tech projects. Some examples are coding on tablets, coding with robots, Breakouts (similar to Escape Room), Makey Makey Invention kits, and STEM projects. The main focus of this course is to help students build their critical thinking and problem-solving skills while incorporating technology into age-specific activities. All materials are included in the course fee.

Golf by TGA

Tuesdays | Grades 1-5 | \$292

TGA makes it convenient and fun for your child to learn and play golf right on their school campus or recreation department! Our curriculums were specially designed by industry-leading golf professionals and education specialists to ensure that the lesson plans are age-appropriate and easy to understand and retain. Students will experience a mix of golf instruction, rules and etiquette lessons, educational components, character development lessons and physical activity as they advance through the five-level program. Our screened and certified instructors have a passion for working with children and are trained to help your student athlete develop a strong foundation of skills and knowledge as well as a passion for the sport.

Classroom Karaoke

By Geri-Ann Lezi

Tuesdays | Grades K-5 | \$325

Who loves to sing out loud to their favorite songs? How about singing them with your friends? Maybe you like to act out the song like you are on stage? Join Mrs. Lezi as we sing along to our favorite songs and artists. Everyone will get a chance to choose the songs we sing. Each child will receive their own individual microphone that they will get to keep at the end of the program!!!

Fashion Design for Kids

By Christy Teloh

Wednesdays | Grades 2-5 | \$364

Are you obsessed w/ fashion and love making beautiful things? Do you like being creative? We have crafted a class just perfect for you!! Join us for a true fashion experience. Curriculum created by a NYC fashion designer. This Spring we will introduce students to the elaborate world of fashion- from concept to collection. The students will: CONCEPT/MOOD BOARD- COLOR PALETTE- ILLUSTRATION- TEXTILES- TREND SPOTTING- STYLING- SILHOUETTE/SHAPE/PROPORTION- SUSTAINABILITY IN FASHION- DESIGN – Fabric and trim Manipulation- BASIC EMBROIDERY & more! All materials are provided and students keep the designs they create.

Jewelry & Beading Workshop | Regular & Advanced by BEADZ

Wednesdays | Grades K-5 | \$364

In this creative, engaging and hands-on workshop, students construct beautiful and high-quality beaded jewelry & accessories. Everyone will work on a professional bead design board and choose from amazing beads, lead-free charms, artistic wire and components. Fun techniques will be demonstrated and used. Students will create two new projects each week including: necklaces, bracelets, hair accessories, bookmarks, room decorations, rings, pocketbook straps, keychains, and many other fun items. Many new projects and styles will be featured this fall. All ages and skill levels are welcome and accommodated. Melanie

Registration will be live on August 4th at 9 am

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Rose, instructor, is the owner of BEADZ (www.gobeadz.com) Westchester's Jewelry & Beading party and workshop service.

MusicStart Keyboarding

by The Music Path

Wednesdays | Grades K-3 | \$195

MusicStart® is a patented progressive music learning system that balances fun and development of skills. Using familiar songs, it teaches all the necessary basics to get started playing music. The MusicStart® Keyboard uses 4 instructive Attachments that vary the challenge from color matching to letter matching to note matching and reading standard musical notation. MusicStart® is a preparation for (or a supplement to) playing any instrument and teaches step-by-step problem-solving. All materials are provided. Both new and repeat students are welcome and will be appropriately challenged.

VISIT WWW.BEGINMUSIC.COM FOR MORE INFORMATION AND AN ONLINE VIDEO OF MUSICSTART IN ACTION

Little Robotics

by MakeInspires

Wednesdays | Grades K-2 | \$292

Ignite curiosity and problem-solving skills through hands-on robotics! Students will explore multiple types of robots, encouraging creative, play-based learning as they design mazes, develop coding skills, and tackle robotics challenges. They'll dive into engineering and coding concepts such as inputs, outputs, loops, and more... nurturing computational thinking in a fun and engaging way. This class builds confidence, fosters creativity, and makes STEAM concepts accessible and exciting for young learners.

Tech It Out 1-2

by Kelly Pirone

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Improv

By Rachel Nicks

Wednesdays | Grades K-5 | \$312

A safe space for your child to Get into their body. Find their voice. Free their spirit. Explore their imagination. This improv class is open to students from K-5 grade. Your instructor Rachel Nicks is a graduate of the Juilliard School. She unlocked her passion for acting in the 8th grade when she played a Flamingo in the school play. She has enjoyed a Theatre, Television, and Film career since 2006. She is a Ward mom and is thrilled to share her passion for acting with the Ward community.

Cheerleading

By Chrissy & Rec Cheer

Wednesdays | Grades K-5 | \$286

Come and learn the fundamentals of cheer with former New Rochelle Cheerleaders and current local high school coaches. Learn the basics in motions, cheers, jumps, and team-building games and activities. Classes are FUN and no experience is necessary!

Mix Media Arts

by Plaster Palace

Thursdays | Grades K-5 | \$292

Children will paint their personal plate or mug: it will be food and dishwasher safe after a week. Create various slimes: Halloween slime, clear slime etc. Learn about mosaic techniques on wooden plaques and finally create their own graffiti design on a shirt/tote bag. Fun and educational class for all ages!

Crayola: World of Design

by MAD Science

Thursdays | Grades K-2 | \$358

Take a journey to the farthest reaches of the imagination while learning about the ocean, Mars, a futuristic city, and more! We'll create Movie posters, map out universal tree houses, develop comic book characters and much more. Spend each week experimenting with Crayola® products and many art techniques like sculpting, collage, and mixed media. Discover different design careers and use the design thinking process to solve real-world problems.

Tech It Out 2-3

by Kelly Pirone

Thursdays | Grades 2-3 | \$325

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Dance Party

By Geri-Ann Lezi

Thursdays | Grades K-5 | \$325

Join the fun and be the life of your next party! Learn the steps to the most popular party dances . . . The Cha Cha Slide, the Electric Slide, the Wobble and Cotton Eyed Joe, just to name a few. Hop on in and limbo, twist and shout your way through the Fall with Mrs. Lezi!

Zumba Kids

by Gigi Longo

Thursdays | Grades K-5 | \$208

Perfect for our younger Zumba Fans! Kids get the chance to be active and jam out to their favorite music. Classes feature kid-friendly routines based on original Zumba Choreography. We break down the steps and add games and activities into the class structure. Helps develop a healthy lifestyle and incorporate fitness as a natural part of children's lives by making fitness fun. Classes incorporate key childhood development elements like leadership, respect, teamwork, confidence, self-esteem, memory, creativity, coordination, and cultural awareness.

Cooking Class

By KidzZen

Thursdays | Grades K-1 | \$416

In our cooking classes, we will teach you how to make everything from your favorite dishes to quick and easy snacks you'll love. We blend the joy of cooking with essential safety principles, creating a holistic and engaging learning experience. You'll practice skills like cutting, mixing, and crafting your own toppings in a fun and safe environment.

Hedgehog House

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By Sew Happy Sewing

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Hedgehog House is an adorable fabric basket decorated with a "little-house-in-the-woods" design. The introductory project is a bookmark, the main project is a basket with a pocket and a handle, and additional projects include a small stuffed hedgehog, a blanket, and a keychain.

Mini Makers: Island Adventure

by iCamp

Fridays | Grades K-2 | \$364

Throughout the adventure, students will take on new challenges each week, from crafting tools to designing fun inventions. By embracing trial and error and working together, our young makers will unlock their creativity and problem-solving skills. The goal is to have fun, learn how to make the most of limited resources, and discover just how much can be accomplished with a little imagination. Ready for the adventure? Let's see what our creativity can build on Maker Island!

Slime Chemistry

by iCamp

Fridays | Grades 3-5 | \$364

Welcome to the weird world of slime in this chemistry-themed science class! In this exciting course, young scientists will delve into the fascinating properties of slime, discovering its stretchiness, gooey texture, and mesmerizing colors. Through hands-on experiments and playful activities, students will uncover the science behind slime, learning about polymers and the unique combination of ingredients that create this captivating substance. Get ready for a messy and memorable journey as we dive into the slime-filled wonders of chemistry and sensory exploration!

Yoga for Tots to Teens

by Fit & Focused

Fridays | Grades K-5 | \$312

The club is for kids grades K-5 to learn yoga and mindfulness in a playful environment. Yoga poses are learned, games are played, and music is used to promote both laughter and stillness. Yoga has multiple benefits for kids including improved focus and concentration, increased self-esteem and self-regulation, improved core strength and flexibility, and an overall sense of calm and peacefulness.

Chess

by NSCF

Fridays | Grades K-5 | \$228

Students will be coached to learn and apply all the fundamental skills, including, but not limited to rules, delivering checkmate, winning material, and defending against threats. Students will also be introduced to strategy and positional play basics: Controlling the center, developing the pieces into active squares, and creating a plan. Anybody who takes this class, from pure beginners to seasoned players, can expect a significant increase in their level of play and a great time!

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