



Burning Tree Elementary Before and After-School Activities Session III, 2015-2016

Registration period: Monday, March 14th, 7:00 a.m. – Sunday, March 20th at 11:00 p.m.

Session runs Monday, April 4th – Friday, June 10th
(note: there are no make-up dates scheduled)

Sign up as soon as possible; classes will fill up quickly!

PRIOR TO REGISTERING, PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS:

- This spring's BSA/ASA session is longer than in years past – this session's classes meet for 9 or 10 weeks, as opposed to 8 or 9 as in the past. Some of the class prices are therefore higher, due to the lengthier duration of learning and fun!
- **Families are required to join the PTA prior to registering for BSA/ASA classes.** Log onto www.pay4schoolstuff.com, create an account, enter your child or children's information, registering under Burning Tree Elementary School. Click the box that requests PTA membership. **You must join the PTA anew each year.**
- Families who already have an account should update their information, including the grade for all enrolled children. If your child is going from Bar-T to a BSA or to Bar-T from an ASA, please enter Bar-T as one of the emergency and pickup contacts.
- **To register for classes:** While in www.pay4schoolstuff.com, select your desired classes and pay using your credit card. Once you have paid, you will receive a confirmation from pay4school. If you do not, you have not registered. Usually, this is due to not signing up to join the PTA. If problems persist, contact pay4schoolstuff (not the BSA/ASA team) directly.
- Requests to cancel or register for classes after registration has closed will NOT be honored. There will be no exceptions to this policy.
- If you have registered for a class and want to switch your child to another class once registration has closed, you may do so, providing there are open spots in the new class. This must be done by Tuesday, March 22nd. Requests after Tuesday, March 22nd will not be honored. You are responsible for paying any tuition differences should the new class cost more, but we cannot refund any tuition differences should the new tuition be less.

POST- REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS:

- Please mark your calendars **CAREFULLY** with the dates of the classes; due to school holidays and early dismissals, **many classes do NOT run consecutively**.
- Morning classes meet from **8:15-9:15 a.m.** After school classes are from **4:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.** After the MORNING classes, children will go directly to their homeroom classrooms. For AFTERNOON classes, children will be dismissed to their ASA classrooms and attendance will be taken to ensure they are present.
- Children attending the afternoon classes **MUST** be picked up on time. Each teacher will get a list with students going to ASAs and will release them accordingly. A late pick-up fee of **\$10 for each 15 minutes after the 4:30** pick-up time, will be assessed after the second late pick-up and each time thereafter.

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The BSA/ASA Committee is excited to offer the following classes this Spring:

MONDAY

Morning classes meet from 8:15 a.m.- 9:15 a.m. and afternoon classes will meet from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: 4/4, 4/11, 4/18, 4/25, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23, 6/6.

MONDAY CLASSES WILL MEET FOR NINE SESSIONS.

MONDAY BEFORE SCHOOL CLASSES:

RIBBIT REPORT (Grades K-5), Monday a.m.

BTES's super-popular newspaper class is back! As reporters for BTES's own newsletter, The Ribbit Report, students will learn about different aspects of journalism and publishing while writing news articles featuring people and activities at Burning Tree. Students will also work together to take photos, write book and movie reviews and make puzzles for the newsletter, which will be distributed to the student body.

Computer Lab, \$150

Minimum 10/Maximum 20 students

DISCOVERING FAMOUS ARTISTS (Grades K-5), Monday a.m.

This weekly creative enrichment class invites children to love the world of art. Each week students will explore a famous artist's personal history, as well as the artistic style and technique they used to create their beautiful, timeless works of art. Students will then create their own masterpieces mirroring each artist's style, technique and mediums. The difference between abstract and realism art will also be examined, as will exploring how a piece can affect each person differently. At the end of the program, each child will have created a diverse art portfolio featuring his or her original works!

Room 5, \$250

Minimum 6/Maximum 12 students

MONDAY AFTER-SCHOOL CLASSES:

IMPROV (Grades 3-5), Monday, p.m.

Live from Bethesdait's Monday afternoon! In this high-energy class where everyone performs, student actors will learn how to use spontaneous acting techniques to perform in the moment. Along with a teaching artist from Glen Echo Park's Adventure Theater, students will take part in unique, interactive theatre games using suggestions from classmates and the instructor to create dialogue, setting and plot for scenes such as treasure hunts, mysteries and outer space fantasies. While learning the basics of good listening skills, sequencing, team playing, logic, building confidence and performing instinctively, your budding Mike Myers and Kristin Wiig will be on his or her way to late-night stardom!

Reading Initiative Room, \$180

Minimum 6/Maximum 15

MAD SCIENCE PRESENTS: SECRET AGENT LAB (Grades K-5), Monday p.m.

Has your child ever wanted to be a detective? If he or she has what it takes to discover "who done it", this class is perfect! From learning about secret communication devices, detective crime science analysis, the inner workings of our cells and cool detective-oriented chemistry, this program is sure to encourage a budding CSI expert! In each class, students will sleuth out the answers to many of life's mysteries!

Media Center, \$150

Minimum 15/Maximum 20

TUESDAY

Morning classes meet from 8:15 a.m.- 9:15 a.m. and afternoon classes will meet from 4:00-5:00 p.m. on the following dates: 4/5, 4/12, 4/19, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24, 5/31 and 6/7.

TUESDAY CLASSES WILL MEET FOR NINE SESSIONS.

TUESDAY BEFORE SCHOOL CLASSES:

ART FOR EVERYONE (Grades K-5), Tuesday a.m.

This perennial favorite is taught by one of BTES's own para educators, Ms. Margaret Finch, a professional artist who has painted nightclubs and restaurants, illustrated book covers and created public art projects for D.C. such as the Panda Bears sculptures and the Donkeys and Elephant sculptures that graced the streets of Washington a few years ago. The focus of the class will be to have fun creating art. In this class, each child will create and learn painting techniques (blending colors, shading, form) in acrylics and watercolor and sculpting with apoxysculpt (a clay-like material), which will then be painted to create a frame.

Reading Initiative Room, \$235

Minimum 6/Maximum 12 students

TUESDAY AFTER SCHOOL CLASSES:

CO-ED OUTDOOR BASKETBALL (Grades K-5), Tuesday p.m.

This clinic-style class from Hoops Education, the highest-rated basketball instructional program in the DC Metro area, will teach students the rules and skills needed to enjoy the game of basketball - outdoors on the BTES courts - in a fun, low-pressure environment. Each week students will learn at their ability level skills including dribbling, passing, shooting, basketball rules, scoring and terminology. Students will participate in fun basketball drills as well as exciting instructional scrimmaging. This class will separate students by age/ability into two halves of the courts, ensuring they are playing safely with others at their level.

Outdoor blacktop, \$160

Minimum 8/Maximum 25

CURTAINS UP! (Grades K-2), Tuesday p.m.

In this creative theater course, young actors and actresses will be guided by a professional actor and teaching artist from Glen Echo Park's Adventure Theater. As they explore a story of their choosing, students will examine its characters, plot line, and sequence, working together to create their own improvised theater piece! This class culminates in an informal performance that is guided by literature yet created by the students!

Room 17, \$180
Minimum 6/Maximum 15

YOGA WITH MS. SALCETTI (Grades 2-5), Tuesday p.m.

Lead by BTES's own yogi Ms. Salcetti, students will explore varied yoga poses, including balancing, partner poses, flowing sequences and creative relaxation techniques including explored breathing. Students' natural enthusiasm and energy will also be encouraged through cooperative games and storytelling.

Music Room, \$150

Minimum 7/Maximum 12 students

WEDNESDAY

Morning classes meet from 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. and afternoon classes will meet from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: 4/6, 4/13, 4/20, 4/27, 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 6/1 and 6/8.

WEDNESDAY CLASSES WILL MEET FOR 10 SESSIONS.

WEDNESDAY MORNING CLASSES:

CHESS (Grades K-5), Wednesday a.m.

Taught by Chess Wizards, a premier chess education company providing fun, informative and challenging chess lessons to students, this class not only teaches children the strategic game of chess, but also many important life concepts, such as learning the ability to win graciously and accept defeat with dignity and sportsmanship. Students will be divided into groups according to their chess experience; no prior exposure to chess is necessary. At the end of this session, each student will have had the chance to participate in a mini-chess tournament.

Media Center, \$185

Minimum 10/Maximum 30 students

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Art Room, \$235

Minimum 6/Maximum 12 students

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON CLASSES:

JR. DIGITAL ANIMATION (Grades 1-3), Wednesday p.m.

Are "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse" and "Super Why" occupying permanent real estate on your DVR? If so, put your child's love of cartoons to good use in this super-cool computer animation class! Students will be introduced to basic animation techniques

using Minecraft characters and stages. Participants will expand their observation skills and imagination by studying motion in reality and then discovering how it influences motion in animation. Students will create digital animation projects by applying basic acting theories and animation principles to scenes they create. Basic reading skills required. Experience playing Minecraft preferred, but not required.

Room 13, \$250

Minimum 8/Maximum 12 students

SR. DIGITAL ANIMATION (Grades 4-5), Wednesday p.m.

Is tearing your child away from “Teen Titans Go” nearly impossible? If so, put his or her animation obsession to good use in this computer animation class for older kids! Students will be introduced to basic animation techniques using Minecraft characters and stages.

Participants will expand their observation skills and imagination by studying motion in reality and then discovering how it influences motion in animation. Students will create digital animation projects by applying basic acting theories and animation principles to scenes they create. Basic reading skills required. Experience playing Minecraft preferred, but not required.

Computer lab, \$250

Minimum 8/Maximum 12 students

TENNIS (Grades K-5), Wednesday p.m.

Learn to play like the pros in this exciting and interactive tennis class run by the pros at Bethesda Tennis Academy! Students will learn the fundamental rules of tennis as well as the proper tennis techniques. Singles, doubles and round-robin games will be played, while a variety of drills and cardio exercises will keep kids agile and on their feet during game play. Students will be grouped based on their age & level of experience; no prior experience is necessary.

Outdoor tennis courts, \$225

Minimum 8/Maximum 18 students

THURSDAY

Morning classes meet from 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. and afternoon classes will meet from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: 4/7, 4/14, 4/21, 4/28, 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26, 6/2 and 6/9.

THURSDAY CLASSES WILL MEET FOR 10 WEEKS.

THURSDAY MORNING CLASSES:

HANDS-ON ART (K-5), Thursday a.m.

This class, taught by the teaching artists from Creative Enrichment, invites children to explore and fall in love with the world of art! In this course, students will create their own masterpieces using a variety of techniques and mediums including painting, sculpture, drawing and collage. At the end of the program your child will have created a diverse collection of original works!

Room 6, \$250

Minimum 6/Maximum 12 students

CHESS (Grades K-5), Thursday a.m.

Taught by Chess Wizards, a premier chess education company providing fun, informative and challenging chess lessons to students, this class not only teaches children the strategic game of chess, but also many important life concepts, such as learning the ability to win graciously and accept defeat with dignity and sportsmanship. Students will be divided into groups according to their chess experience; no prior exposure to chess is necessary. At the end of this session, each student will have had the chance to participate in a mini-chess tournament.

Media Center, \$185

Minimum 10/Maximum 30 students

THURSDAY AFTERNOON CLASSES:

SENIOR LEGO ENGINEERING (Grades 3-5), Thursday p.m.

If your child took last session's course, he or she will build on the previous Lego Engineering knowledge acquired. If not, no worries – introductions to the new concepts will be presented in a way that will catch them up in no time. This engineering course, designed for older elementary students, provides young builders with the opportunity to power up their engineering skills using Play-Well TEKnologies and tens of thousands of Legos! Students will apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering, and architecture while tackling projects such as designing and building arch bridges, skyscrapers, motorized cars, and perennial student favorite: the battle bot arena! An experienced Play-Well Lego engineering instructor will challenge new and returning students to engineer at the next level.

Reading Initiative Room, \$180

Minimum 11/Maximum 16 students

TAE KWON DO (Grades K-5), Thursday p.m.

The martial arts masters at East West Tae Kwon Do have specially designed this program for Burning Tree students of all ages, regardless of their level of Tae Kwon Do experience.

Students will have fun working toward goals, building self-esteem and character and learning self-discipline and self defense. Instruction focuses on improving each child's attention span, and ability to follow directions, while promoting learning in a group setting. Classes will include cardiovascular conditioning, strength-development exercises, and skills that build overall coordination. All students are encouraged to pursue excellence not only in Tae Kwon Do, but also in school, by improving and maintaining good grades.

Gym, \$275

Minimum 10/Maximum 20

YOUNG CHEFS (K-5), Thursday p.m.

Calling all future Barefoot Contessas and Cake Bosses! By providing a uniquely interactive cooking experience, this course will create in students a genuine love of cooking. By exposing students to the joys of cooking, basic cooking ingredients, nutrition and the accomplishment of creation, Young Chefs will develop an understanding of how food is both an art form and an essential part of living a healthy lifestyle. In this course, young chefs will work together to prepare fun, delicious recipes while exploring how chefs use math, science,

and creative art to create the food we eat. At the end of the cooking program, each child will go home with a recipe book featuring all the yummy recipes prepared in class.

Room 7, \$270

Minimum 6/Maximum 15

FRIDAY

Morning classes meet from 8:15 - 9:15 a.m. and afternoon classes will meet from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. on the following dates: 4/8, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3 and 6/10. **FRIDAY CLASSES WILL RUN FOR 10 SESSIONS.**

FRIDAY MORNING CLASSES:

YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS (Grades 3-5), Friday a.m.

Got a budding Shark Tank contestant on your hands? In this fun and engaging introduction to entrepreneurship and the ways and means of starting a small business, students will get hands-on experience with age-appropriate business models such as snack stands, specialty product sales and providing services such as car washing or dog walking. Specific attention is paid to advertising, sales, customer service and future prospects of e-commerce.

Room 16, \$240

Minimum 8/Maximum 15

FRIDAY AFTERNOON CLASSES:

JUNIOR LEGO ENGINEERING (Grades K-2), Friday p.m.

If your child took last session's course, he or she will build on the previous Lego Engineering knowledge acquired. If not, no worries – introductions to the new concepts will be presented in a way that will catch them up in no time. Under the guidance of an experienced Play-Well Lego engineering instructor, students in this course will learn beginner-level engineering concepts while designing and building boats, bridges, mazes, motorized cars and many others. For kids who love Legos – and who doesn't? – this course exploring the endless creative possibilities of the Lego building system is an ideal way to introduce young builders to the challenge of engineering.

Room 15, \$180

Minimum 11/Maximum 16 students

POTTERY (Grades K-5), Friday p.m.

In this course, the accomplished art educators from Jimmy Potters Studio will engage students in an exciting and unique ceramics program that mimics the experience of being in a professional pottery studio. In each weekly session, students will create beautiful clay building and pottery projects inspired by the art and cultures of Greece, Russia, Ireland and Japan. No prior ceramics or clay experience is necessary. More challenging work will be assigned to students with previous experience.

Art Room, \$235

Minimum 12/Maximum 25 students