ENHANCE CLASSES COURSE CATALOG 2024-25



Friday Enhance Classes provide a relaxed environment where student relationships are deepened, academic experiences are broadened, and students' thinking skills, creative habits, and physical development are enhanced.

Curiosity and creativity are as natural and necessary for children as fresh air and sunshine. Explore GDA's Enhance Classes to find the perfect fit for your family. We look forward to seeing you on Enhance Fridays!

ENHANCE CLASSES OVERVIEW

WHEN DO CLASSES MEET?

Enhance Classes meet for the entire school year between 9:00 a.m. - 3:35 p.m. on Fridays. There will be a few Fridays in which classes do not meet. The Academic Calendar will note these.

Enhance Classes are only available to GDA students.

Friday classes require minimum enrollment numbers for each class.

DO I HAVE TO TAKE ALL THE CLASSES?

You do not have to enroll your student in all classes, you may pick and choose any combination of the four classes. However, students must not be left unsupervised on campus and must be picked up during any periods they are not enrolled in classes.

WHAT ARE THE CLASS FEES?

Pricing is \$490 per class for the year unless otherwise noted in the course description. Some courses will have an additional course supply fee noted in the description.

A 10% discount will be applied to any student enrolling in a full day of (four) Enhance Classes.

When you register for classes, you may choose to pay Enhance fees in one payment or to have the balance applied to your tuition payment plan.

An additional \$50 charge per class will be applied for late enrollments or drops after May 31, 2024. *Exceptions will be made for those enrolling at GDA after May 31, 2024.

WHEN IS LUNCH?

Lunch is 12:05-12:35. Students need to bring their lunch.

*In order for a student to eat lunch at Enhance, they must be enrolled in the class immediately after lunch. All other students must be picked up at the end of their class.

WHAT ABOUT UNIFORMS?

Enhance students follow GDA uniform guidelines except that they may wear GDA Spirit Wear shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies.

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2024-2025 ENHANCE CLASS SCHEDULE

	Lower Grammar Kinder-2nd	Upper Grammar 3rd-6th	Logic School 7th-8th	Rhetoric School 9th-12th
9:00-10:30	Art	Discovery: Chemistry	Photography, Journalism, and Design	Photography, Journalism, and Design
10:35-12:05	Little Chemists	Art	Study Support	Study Support OR L.E.A.D.
12:05-12:35	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
12:35-2:00	Book Club	Zoology	Robotics	Introduction to Programming
2:05-3:35	Home Day Help	Robotics	Worship Team OR Personal Fitness	Worship Team OR Personal Fitness

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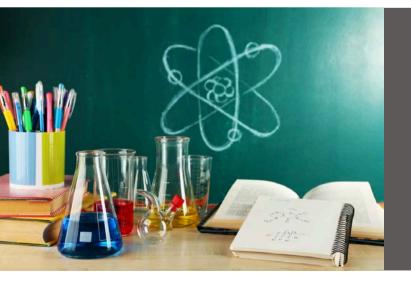
2024-2025 LOWER GRAMMAR CLASSES (K-2nd)

Art Grades: K-2nd



Students learn the basics of drawing, painting, and clay sculpture in this multi-media class. We cover painting techniques and color theory using watercolors, acrylics, chalk pastels, and colored pencils in step-by-step lessons. Projects are challenging yet kid-friendly. Each student will have one of their original works printed into a set of holiday cards, while another piece will be framed in the spring. The fee covers all professional-grade supplies, card printing, clay firing, and frames.

Little Chemists Grades: K-2nd



This hands-on class is a practical and interactive introduction to the fundamental principles of chemistry. The course will utilize engaging books, weekly experiments, and enjoyable activities to educate students on various topics such as atoms and molecules and more.



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Book Club Grades: K-2nd



Attention all book lovers and avid readers: This course offers a unique approach to the exploration of stories through monthly themes. Each week, we will explore literature using picture books, chapter books, projects, and activities that are engaging and offer interdisciplinary learning opportunities. Join us for a fun and exciting way to enjoy good stories enhanc reading skills at the same time!

Home Day Help Grades: K-2nd



Lower Grammar students receive additional support and practice in SWR phonograms, handwriting, and math concepts and facts. Students are encouraged to bring their Linguistics and Math Thursday/Friday Home Day assignments to complete with a teacher in-person. The primary objective of this class is to enrich the learning experience during school days and to protect family time by providing additional on-campus support.

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2024-2025 UPPER GRAMMAR CLASSES

Discovery: Chemistry

Grades: 3rd-6th



This practical introductory course provides handson training in the fundamentals of chemistry. We cover a wide range of topics including the periodic table, states of matter, and chemical reactions. The course involves interactive books, weekly experiments, and engaging activities



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Why don't snakes blink? Which primate's roar can reach 90 decibels and be heard a mile away?

Students will discover answers to these questions and so much more. This class provides a glimpse into the unique traits of the Animal Kingdom while strengthening students' scientific knowledge of God's good world. From marsupials and primates to reptiles and amphibians, the class will get hands-on experience with science that includes skeletons and dissections.



Robotics Grades: 3rd-6th

Discover the exciting world of engineering and unleash your creativity while solving real-world problems! GDA's robotics program offers a hands-on experience where students learn design and basic coding skills using the FIRST robotics curriculum and Lego bricks. Join us now and start building your future today!

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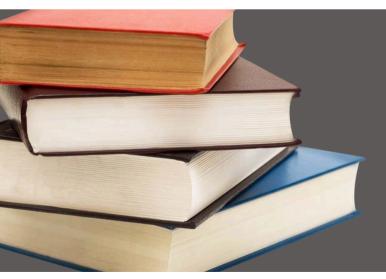
2024-2025 LOGIC & RHETORIC SCHOOL CLASSES (7th-12th)

Photography, Journalism, and Design Grades: 7th-12th



Students will learn photography strategies, layout, design techniques, and journalistic writing. Students will also have opportunities to gather information, interview, and photograph for assigned activities with a deadline. Upon completion of the course, students will have experience with design software, gain proficiency using a digital camera, be able to upload photos, and apply design and copywriting techniques. Students will learn how to use light and their cameras to create art. They will also learn the rules of photography, how to tastefully break them, and how to skillfully edit photos. Students will develop skills needed to produce a beautifully laid-out school newsletter and yearbook.

Study Support Grades: 7th-12th



This designated time is one of the best opportunities for students to excel in math and science. Through additional instruction and accountability, students are empowered to build competence and confidence where they may have struggled. Working on these assignments before the weekend begins further equips students to be wellprepared for the week ahead. With the support of a teacher in a small group setting, students receive the assistance to help them grow and thrive in these subject areas. It is important to note that this time is not meant to replace one-on-one tutoring if that is recommended.



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2024-2025 **LOGIC & RHETORIC SCHOOL CLASSES**

Leading through Engagement And Discipleship (L.E.A.D.) Grades: 9th-12th



Unlock student leadership potential with L.E.A.D. This program is perfect for students who wish to develop leadership skills in alignment with a gospel-centered approach. Our course explores how your worldview influences your daily decisions, attitudes, and motivations, allowing you to gain a deeper understanding. By analyzing modern films, song lyrics, and news media through a biblical lens, students will develop a clear perspective on contemporary issues. Engaging discussions and teambuilding activities encourage students to grow in character and discover how to lead with purpose and passion.



Robotics Grades: 7th-8th

> In this engaging course, students will become roboticists as they delve into the realms of research, problemsolving, and basic coding. Guided by the FIRST robotics curriculum, they will design and program a Lego robot capable of navigating given parameters. With hands-on learning and real-world applications, this is an opportunity you won't want to miss!



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Introduction to Programming

Grades: 9th-12th

Are you interested in improving your problem-solving skills and taking them to the next level? This course offers you the chance to work with others in teams to tackle real-life challenges. You'll gain knowledge in the basics of design and programming through hands-on projects.

Worship Team Grades: 7th-12th



This student-led ministry opportunity with a vocal/ instrument coach and music coordinator prepares students to be part of a House or church worship team. Students are expected to practice outside of class to maximize practices together. Students learn fundamentals of music theory and rhythm and grow in understanding historical liturgical practices. Students play/sing for GDA events and chapels.

Homework: Approx. 45 minutes to 1 hour/week depending on skill level Requirements/Prerequisites: Must be able to play an instrument and/or enjoy singing



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Personal Fitness

Grades: 7th-12th

This class will focus on glorifying God by strengthening and conditioning our bodies through exercise. Students will receive instruction on maintaining correct form and alignment, alongside mastering proper breathing techniques, while engaging in bodyweight strength and agility exercises.

This course can be taken for general conditioning or as PE credit for students in 9th-12th grades.

To participate in this class, students will need to wear proper athletic wear including athletic shoes. In addition, please bring a water bottle and exercise mat.

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