

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES**

### **Film and Media-Mr. Vallejo**

Are you interested in TV and movie production? What would it take to be the next famous film director? Film class would consist of age appropriate film viewing and analysis.

The class would primarily consist of viewing the following;

1. History through film (Selma, Hidden Figures, etc.)
2. Historical Documentaries (Ancient History, WWI, WWII, Civil Rights, etc.)
3. Social Commentary Documentaries
4. Biographical Pictures (MLK, JFK, LBJ, etc.)
5. Science Documentaries (Cosmos, Planet, etc.)
6. Select Masterpieces of Filmography

Along with viewing films the majority of the class will deal with film analysis (lighting, sources, musical score, etc.) and its effects on viewership and its influence (critical media study).

### **French 1-Ms. Salhi**

This is Level I of high school French offering the student the opportunity for acquisition of the four basic language skills: listening, speaking, reading, and writing. The primary objective of the level one course is to develop audio-lingual skills and to obtain a mastery of simple basic communicative structures. The students will develop a cultural appreciation of the Hispanic World and recognize the interdependence of languages.

### **Technology Turn Up!- Ms. Ivery**

In this course, middle school students (grades 6 through 8) will be introduced to fundamental programming concepts. Students will learn how to create animations, computer games, and interactive projects using Scratch, a graphical programming language developed at MIT. By the end of the course, students create their own computer game and share it with their CTY Online Programs instructor and classmates. Students also have an opportunity to participate in an After School Program using other Coding hardware.

### **MINECRAFT: Ms. Cooper**

Through real-life STEM challenges and engaging physical and digital creation, students will be encouraged to develop 21st century skills through coding as they program solutions in a real-world context. The amazing world of Minecraft with its unique characters is recreated here in LEGO® bricks, so children can create their own exciting Minecraft™ stories.

**Doctor 101: (Partnership with Temple Medical School) School Sponsor needed**

This elective will provide students with exposure to and appreciation for careers in medicine. This elective will include the study of the human body, diseases and their processes, and the many fields of professional practice and work in the world of medicine and health. Basic first aid and other medical skills will be incorporated into the elective. Elective will include visit to Temple Medical School and Lab.

**Civics 101: Mock Trial-Mr. James**

Are you interested in law, politics, and government? Learn the responsibilities of local, state, and federal government. How does this impact your future? Could you become the next lawyer, judge, Mayor, Governor, or President? Come out perform real world case studies with our mock trial team.

**Travel With A Purpose-Mr. Kaplan**

This class will take you on a weekly trip around the world. Each week, we will visit a new destination, learn about their climate and topography, and plan a trip within a specified budget (utilize those math skills). Have you ever dreamed of going to Tanzania, Chile, Alaska, or even Antarctica? In addition to our "visits", we will talk about how to help others during our travels.

**Calling All Future Entrepreneurs-Mr. Flemming**

Learn how to make money. Entrepreneurs Elective, help students come with an idea about a business, teach them the steps that they need to take to start the business, and by the end of the course they will develop a business plan and present it to the class.

**All Girls Rock-Ms. Harris and Ms. Shepherd**

A village of sisters touching the crowns of our young ladies. Empowering girls to lead, innovate and serve. We will foster a girl's intentional pursuit of excellence, integrity, self-discipline and collective accountability so that she may be prepared for her future as a leader. We believe that girls make educated decisions and become independent thinkers when encouraged to develop critical problem-solving/thinking skills. Special presenters, workshops and serve learning project.

**Tennis FUNdamentals-Mr. Nelson**

Tennis FUNdamentals- Learn to play the FUNdamentals of the game of tennis. PE includes a combination of activities designed for improving physical fitness and body strength. It also introduces a variety of team sports, individual sports, and activities. Basic skills, rules and team strategies will be taught. Students are required to actively participate each day in building team play with friendly competitions.

**ART FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE - Ms. Loxley**

Artists play a crucial role in reflecting the world around us. In the form of posters, tee-shirts, murals, and many other ways they tell us what is wrong with the world and introduce new ways of looking at problems in our society. In this class students

will learn about artists that are working out in the world to expose injustices and create change. There will be reading and writing as well as mural design and painting. Printmaking and poster making will also be introduced. Student artists will complete several small group murals, design t-shirts, and make posters.

**Kenderton Chorus - Ms. Pezick**



This elective will focus on singing and performing. We will learn a few numbers for our performance on the Winter Concert program. Come be a part of a fabulous group of singers. We will sing all styles of music and have fun adding hand bells to some songs.

**Lights, Camera, Action-Mr. Freeman**

"Do you have a love for movies and film? Do you feel as if you are the lead star as you're watching one of these unfold before your eyes? Then it's time to act upon this feeling and go for it! The Actor's Guild of Kenderton welcomes you to the inaugural season. Be ready to create, Be ready act! This course includes basic acting techniques, character work, and improvisation. Scripts of various kinds are explored, and "workshop" play performances develop from this course.