

# BRADFORD PTA CATALOG

## After School Enrichment (ASE) Program *Spring 2021*



### **Registration:**

**Opens:** Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 8pm

**Closes:** Wednesday, February 10th, 2021 at 8pm

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## Overview of ASE Program

Bradford's ASE program offers a wide range of classes, including classes in STEM, visual arts, sports, and performing arts, in order to enable students to expand their learning and explore new disciplines.

ASE courses are taught by dedicated, experienced teachers from Bradford and other Montclair schools, as well as from parents and other professionals in the community.

ASE is a great way for students to gain new knowledge and skills and to develop new friendships while exploring their interests and discovering some new ones.

Class fees are calculated to cover the costs of instructors and materials as well as salaries for Bradford school aides who provide daily support for the program. In addition, ASE is run as a fundraiser for the PTA with proceeds going to fund ASE scholarships as well as other PTA programs.

**Registration is online.** Details below and on the PTA website – registration link as follows: <https://bradfordasespring2021.cheddarup.com>

Spring ASE classes will meet ONLINE once a week for **seven weeks** on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. All log-in information (and any supplies needed) will be provided ahead of time. Given that this semester's classes are virtual, parents/caregivers must provide an email address to facilitate direct communication with the virtual instructors.

The Spring ASE 2021 schedule is as follows:

Tuesday: 2/16, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16, 3/23, 3/30

Wednesdays: 2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31

Thursdays: 2/18, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1

Fridays: 2/12, 2/19, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, and 3/26 (Please note that Fridays classes start one week earlier than the rest of the classes.)

The following classes will be offered during the Spring 2019 After School Enrichment Program.

CLASS	DAY/CODE	GRADE	TYPE	TUITION
<b>Tuesdays</b>				
Paper Crafting	T1	K-2	Visual Arts	\$140
Little Vets	T2	K-2	STEM	\$150
Introduction to Guitar	T3	2-5	Music	\$140
Chess	T4	3-5	STEM	\$140
Coding	T5	3-5	STEM	\$140
Creative Acting	T6	3-5	Performing Arts	\$150
<b>Wednesday</b>				
Jurassic Land	W7	K-2	STEM	\$160
Art of Problem Solving	W8	3-4	STEM	\$170
Dungeons and Dragons	W9	3-5	Other	\$140
Jewelry Making	W10	3-5	Other	\$200
Yearbook	W11	5	Other	\$160
<b>Thursday</b>				
Chess	TH12	K-2	STEM	\$140
Comix and Cartoons	TH13	K-2	Visual Arts	\$170
Crafting with Wood	TH14	1-5	Visual Arts	\$190
Retro Revolution	TH15	3-5	Other	\$170
Printmaking	TH16	3-5	Visual Arts	\$200
<b>Friday</b>				
Little Yogis	F17	K-3	Other	\$110
Introduction to Keyboards	F18	K-4	Music	\$140
Tinkering Lab	F19	3-5	STEM	\$160

Detailed descriptions of all classes follow. If you have any questions about the classes, please contact Manisha Mehta ([mnsany@gmail.com](mailto:mnsany@gmail.com)).

## Detailed Description of Classes

### TUESDAYS

#### **T1: Paper Crafting**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: Paper Trails

**Fee: \$140**

Explore the exciting world of paper crafting with Samantha and Barbara of PaperTrailsNJ! This class will focus on DIY projects intended to bring out your creativity. Taught in two groups for grades K-2 and 3-5, crafts will be tailored to the ages and skill levels of each group. They will learn in a challenging yet fun environment while they make a variety of hand designed projects such as: a winter diorama, a themed storybook, a dream house, red carpet fashion design, valentine cards and much more. Join the fun, it is contagious! (All materials included.)

#### **T2: Little Vets**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: Little Medical School

**Fee: \$150**

Little Medical School inspires young minds by sharing our passion for learning, health and careers in medicine. Through hands-on activities, role-play, and interactive demonstrations, you will explore the exciting world of healthcare. All programs are written by experienced educators, board-certified physicians and trained healthcare professionals. Our classes are led by a trained Little Medical School® Instructor.

At Little Veterinarian School, you will assume the role of a veterinarian and learn how to perform a nose-to-tail exam, the importance of proper nutrition, preform a tick check, and identify animal body language. (All materials included.)

**T3: Introduction to Guitar**

Grades: 2-5

Instructor: Music Path Co.

**Fee: \$140**

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. Electric or acoustic guitar is ok (no amplifier required). If purchasing a guitar, these are some recommended options:

[https://www.amazon.com/First-Act-Natural-Acoustic-FG1106/dp/B004QO2TWI/ref=sr\\_1\\_4?dchild=1&keywords=First+Act+FG1106&qid=1612033797&sr=8-4](https://www.amazon.com/First-Act-Natural-Acoustic-FG1106/dp/B004QO2TWI/ref=sr_1_4?dchild=1&keywords=First+Act+FG1106&qid=1612033797&sr=8-4)

[https://www.amazon.com/First-Act-Discovery-Ambidextrous-FAD0177/dp/B07PMLQM4X/ref=sr\\_1\\_2?dchild=1&keywords=First%2BAct%2BFG1106&qid=1612033720&sr=8-2&th=1](https://www.amazon.com/First-Act-Discovery-Ambidextrous-FAD0177/dp/B07PMLQM4X/ref=sr_1_2?dchild=1&keywords=First%2BAct%2BFG1106&qid=1612033720&sr=8-2&th=1)

**T4: Chess**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: International Chess Academy

**Fee: \$140**

The International Chess Academy ([www.icanj.net](http://www.icanj.net)) was founded in 1995 by world chess championship contender Irina Levitina and Moldovan national champion Diana Tulman with the aim of teaching chess to all kids regardless of age or skill level.

During the last twenty years, hundreds of students have passed through their doors and achieved success in various state, national, and international events and have also gone on to study at prestigious universities like Princeton, Columbia, and MIT. Our coaches all have many years of experience in working with kids of all ages and creating a fun and engaging atmosphere in which to teach chess.

High level instruction in addition to supervised play will be provided to students of all levels from beginner to advance. Emphasis is on achieving excellence, enhanced problem solving and logical reasoning skills, creativity and forging lifelong friendships!

We'll make you love the game!

**T5: Coding**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: MLC Plus

**Fee: \$140**

Students learn the basics of programming at their own pace as they are introduced to MIT's Scratch. Scratch is designed specifically for ease of use by children, employs click-and-drag colored command blocks to program simple animations, music or games.

**T6: Creative Acting**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Essex Youth Theater

**Fee: \$150**

Creative Acting is a super-fun theater class where every child shines. A customized program that gives students a unique experience made just for them. Super fun theater games and improvisations build confidence, social connection, and self-esteem. Students are gently encouraged to explore their natural creativity, build theatrical skills, and experience that indescribable feeling of accomplishment through the joy of performing. A nurturing, caring environment where every child blossoms. This class will run from 3 to 3:45pm.

**WEDNESDAYS****W7: Jurassic Land**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: MLC Plus

**Fee: \$160**

Let's travel back millions of years ago to the days when dinosaurs roamed the earth. Let's learn all about dinosaurs! We will learn about the different types of dinosaurs (their differences and similarities), their eating habits and their habitats. We will explore earth science to understand how earth has changed from the dinosaur days to today through shifting of lands or earthquakes and begin to understand why dinosaurs are now extinct. We will become paleontologists as we use our tools to dig up and identify the fossils and bones that were left behind. (All materials included.)

**W8: Art of Problem Solving**

Grades: 3-4

Instructor: International Chess Academy

**Fee: \$170**

You will be using Primary Mathematics, the original curriculum that put Singapore at the top of international math tests. Primary Mathematics includes CPA (Concrete, Pictorial, Abstract) progression, number bonds, bar modeling, and a strong focus on mental math. It is a rigorous program that balances supervised learning and independent practice while encouraging communication.

At ICA we believe it is important to introduce students to a wide range of creative problems that will develop their logic and imagination and our aim is always to bedazzle young students with simply stated but challenging problems.

**W9: Dungeons and Dragons**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Eric Cheski

**Fee: \$140**

Have you ever wanted to be the hero of your own story? Dungeons & Dragons lets you be the center of your own heroic tale, working with your party to defeat the villain...or become them. Run through a custom quest with Dungeons on the Go's Erik Cheski, creating a character and battle hordes of baddies with your friends with the world best known Tabletop Roleplaying Game.

**W10: Jewelry Making**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Eclectic Chic

**Fee: \$200**

Make your own one-of-a-kind jewelry. Each week, you will make different kind of jewelry, including necklaces, bracelets, earrings, and more. You will also learn different design skills such as color coordinating, creating patterns, and identifying your own style. You will work with a variety of different beads, including resin, glass, gemstones, wood and more. (All materials included.)

**W11: Yearbook**

Grades: 5

Instructor: Jerome Liddy

**Fee: \$160**

Make lasting memories while capturing them in a keepsake. This fun class is for 5<sup>th</sup> graders interested in designing and publishing Bradford's 2020 Fifth Grade Yearbook. Graphic design, journalism and more will be covered and will culminate in a yearbook to be enjoyed



class wide. This class is scheduled for seven weeks, but may continue until Yearbook is completed.

## **THURSDAYS**

### **TH11: Chess**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: International Chess Academy

**Fee: \$140**

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### **TH12: Comix and Cartoons**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: Artsy Smartsy

**Fee: \$170**

One of the most awesome ways to express ourselves is through characters in a comic book or cartoon. The characters can be exaggerated and embellished to become anything we want and the stories they tell are always imaginative and fun. In this class we will travel into the world of cartoon art and learn all the basics for creating comic books and cartoons to share with friends and family.

### **TH13: Crafting with Wood**

Grades: 1-5

Instructor: Hammer and Stain

**Fee: \$190**

Make your own wood crafts to decorate your bedroom and home! In these classes, you will use stencils, paint and other materials to create unique and stylish decorative projects, with a new project every week. (All materials included.)

**TH14: Retro Revolution**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Artsy Smartsy

**Fee: \$170**

The 1960's were an iconic time – with artists like Peter Max and Andy Warhol coming on the scene and the Beatles ushering the British Invasion with their amazing music. We'll explore the 60's in a "Yellow Submarine" while we learn about the lives and music of the Fab Four, the Monkees and other great groups, and create tie-died art, pop art and abstract paintings, kinetic sculpture, and more 60's inspired art.

**TH15: Printmaking**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Eclectic Chic

**Fee: \$200**

Learn how to create fun and functional works of art using household materials. Each week, you will learn different printmaking techniques, such as pop up sponges, stamps, even shaving cream. You will print on a variety of items, such as paper, tote bags, t-shirts, and more. (All materials included.)

**FRIDAYS****F16: Little Yogis**

Grades: K-2

Instructor: Kris McCarty

**Fee: \$110**

This class will help release the day's energy and help your little ones build strength, better their balance and take deep breaths all while having fun. From meditation to mindfulness, to a deep Lion's breath and a forward fold with an upside down view of the world, we will practice, smile, laugh and learn as we take our yoga journey. Little Yogis classes welcome parents / care givers to practice along with their little ones. Little yogis need a mat, bare feet or sticky socks and water. Namaste.

**F17: Intro to Keyboards**

Grades: K-4

Instructor: Music Path Co.

**Fee: \$140**

In this class, you will learn to read music and play tunes! MusicStart<sup>®</sup> 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<sup>®</sup> Keyboard is especially designed for learning. It uses 4 instructive Attachments that vary the challenge from color matching to letter matching to note matching and

reading standard musical notation. MusicStart® is preparation for (or a supplement to) playing any instrument and teaches step-by-step problem solving. All materials are provided. Visit [WWW.BEGINMUSIC.COM](http://WWW.BEGINMUSIC.COM) for more information and an online video of MUSICSTART in action.

Both new and repeat students are welcome and will be appropriately challenged.

**F18: Tinkering Lab**

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: MLC Plus

**Fee: \$160**

You are the engineer! Design and build a different project every week. Explore different areas of engineering through hands-on projects: electrical engineering, civil engineering, or mechanical engineering, and more. (All materials included.)

**REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR Spring 2021 ASE*****Registration Details***

**NOTE – All registration will be online on a first-come, first-served basis.**

***Registration Details***

Registration opens on **February 4th at 8pm** and will close on **February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 8pm.**

Use the following link -<https://bradfordasefall2021.cheddarup.com> which you can also access directly on the Bradford PTA website. Follow the instructions to complete the registration application and payment for each student.

All classes will be assigned on a first come, first served basis. Once registration reaches maximum capacity for a class, you will no longer be able to register for that class, but can sign up for the waitlist. For each class, we have a minimum capacity that we have to meet – if we are unable to meet the minimum required, we may have to cancel the class, although we do our best to avoid that. If that occurs, we will reach out to you to determine whether you want to switch to another class, or get reimbursed for the canceled class.

**Registration deadline is February 10th at 8 p.m.** The link will no longer be accessible after this date/time. We may re-open registration after the deadline for classes that need more students.

- Applications **MUST** include an emergency contact other than the parents/caregiver and an email address.
- A liability waiver must be completed for ALL ASE classes this year as part of the on-line registration process (the waiver follows the registration form).
- You will receive confirmation of enrollment prior to the first day of classes. All classes are subject to cancellation due to under-enrollment. You will be contacted and your payment will be returned if a class is filled or cancelled.

if you have difficulty using the online registration or need information on scholarships please contact Naomi Kirkman or [bradfordase@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordase@gmail.com).

**Tuition**

Tuition rates vary per class and include registration, class and materials fees. Payment in full is required at the time of registration. We try to do our best to keep tuition rates as low as possible. Tuition fees vary based on instructor fees and required materials.

As noted above, please make payment online.

All classes are subject to cancellation due to under-enrollment. You will be contacted and your payment will be returned if a class is cancelled and if you choose not to enroll in another class.

**Confidential financial assistance is available.** Please contact Mr. Vargas at [mvargas@montclair.k12.nj.us](mailto:mvargas@montclair.k12.nj.us) if you wish to discuss financial assistance.

**Please note the following as you register:**

- If you have signed up for a class and want to make changes after classes start, there will be a change fee of \$20, provided a class is available.
- If you have signed up for a class and want to drop it before classes start, you will receive a full refund minus a \$5 processing fee.
- There will be NO refunds once classes have started.

**Procedures during the ASE Session****Class Staff**

All classes will be staffed with one or more instructor(s).

If your child will NOT be attending enrichment on a particular day, please notify the instructor of the ASE class.

**Please note:**

The following **discipline policy** will be enforced by the PTA and all ASE instructors with the support of Principal Vargas:

- If a child is disruptive in class, the instructor will contact the parent.
- If a child is disruptive in class a second time, after fair warning that child will be terminated from the ASE program (and class fees will not be refunded).

If you have questions about Registration or the ASE Session, please contact Megan McGrath at [bradfordase@gmail.com](mailto:bradfordase@gmail.com).