

BRADFORD PTA CATALOG

After School Enrichment (ASE) Program *Winter 2023*



Overview of ASE Program

Bradford's ASE program offers a wide range of classes, including classes in STEM, visual arts, sports, and performing arts, to enable students to expand their learning and explore new disciplines. ASE courses are taught by dedicated, experienced instructors from 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.

The Winter ASE 2023 schedule is as follows:

Tuesday: January 31, February 7, 14, 21, and 28, March 7, 14, and 21

**** (Make up class if needed is March 28) ****

Wednesday: February 1, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22

**** (Make up class, if needed is April 12) ****

Registration Details

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

Registration opens on Sunday **January 22nd at 6pm** and will close on Wednesday **January 26th at 6pm**. The link will no longer be accessible after this date/time. We may reopen registration after the deadline to adjust student enrollment.

Use the following link - <https://after-school-enrichment-winter-2023.cheddarup.com> which you can also access directly on the Bradford PTA website. If you do not have access to a computer for on-line registration, please contact ptapres@bradfordpta.org and we will assist you with registration. Follow the instructions to complete the registration application and payment for each student.

- 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 canceled.
- DO NOT register more than one child on one form.

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 must 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.

The following classes will be offered during the Winter 2023 After School Enrichment Program.

CLASS	DAY/CODE	GRADE	TYPE	TUITION
Tuesday				
Stand Up Comedy	T1	5	Performing Arts	\$125
Intro to Sculpture	T2	4-5	Art	\$150
Wood-crafting	T3	K-3	Art	\$250
Introductory Crochet	T-4	4-5	Art	\$150
Bradford Steppers	T5	3-5	Performing Arts	\$150
Junior Gardening	T6	k-3	Science/Nature	\$150
Wednesday				
Baking with Grandmas from Around the World	W7	K-3	Life Skills	\$200
Kindness Club	W8	3-5	SEL/ Community	\$200
Trash Reimagined	W9	3-5	Art	\$150
Hip Hop Dance	W10	3-5	Performing Arts	\$125
Introductory Tennis	W11	K-3	Physical Education	\$150
Stage Design	W12	1-3	Art	\$150
Street Art	W13	4-5	Art	\$200
Model Castle Building	W14	K-3	Foreign Language	125

Detailed descriptions of all classes follow. If you have any questions about the classes, please contact ptapres@bradfordpta.org.

Detailed Description of Classes

TUESDAY

T1: Stand Up Comedy

Grade: 5

Instructor: Craig Baldo

Fee: \$125

Everyone has their own unique sense of humor. But how much of it are you willing to show the world? In this workshop, Bradford dad and pro stand-up comedian, Craig Baldo (Balderston) helps kids formulate a 3-4 minute stand-up routine to perform in front of an audience (eg. the whole school!). Each week, kids will work on crafting jokes/bits as they learn techniques in timing, delivery, how to cultivate material, sharpening punch lines and public speaking. Most importantly, kids will learn how self-acceptance and the ability to laugh at yourself helps not just in stand-up comedy, but in life. It's all in good fun, and as scary as stand-up can be, some kids could get hooked!

T2: Introduction to Sculpture

Grade: 3-5

Instructor: Keely McCool

Fee: \$150

Our beloved Bradford teacher Ms. McCool, who is also a Professional Sculptress, will be teaching this class. Students will be working with clay and plaster while learning different building techniques to create their masterpieces. Students that love to build, tinker with materials, and get their hands messy, will love this class. Students will take home 2/4 sculptures.

T3: Woodcrafting

Grades: K-3

Instructor: Gretchen from Hammer & Stain

Fee: \$250

Make your own winter-themed 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.)

T4: Introductory Crochet

Grades: 4-5

Instructor: Mr. Jerry Liddy

Fee: \$150

Bradford's very own Mr. Liddy, along with his daughter - Bradford alum - Shannon, will teach your child the fundamentals of CROCHETING. No experience is needed, as classes will begin at the beginning and start by covering the basics, like how to hold a crochet hook and make a chain stitch. Then, this dad-daughter duo will model and instruct students on various stitches, tools, and techniques of basic crochet. Over the course of the eight weeks, the kids will practice slip, single, half double, and double crochet. They will learn how to read patterns and troubleshoot their work.

Students will be provided with crochet hooks, yarn, stitch markers, and darning needles that they get to keep after the session is complete.

T5: Bradford Steppers

Grade: 3-5

Instructor: Femina Parham

Fee: \$150

Step is an art form that originated in the coal mines of South Africa as a form of communication between workers. In the early 1900s step was brought to colleges and universities as a form of call and response and a way to uplift the crowds. Today stepping is continued to be used as a form of self-expression and a way to show unity and pride in different organizations and groups. As Bradford Steppers will dive into the rich history of step and its continued significance in today's society. Bradford steppers will learn steps incorporated with dance in order to put together a choreographed piece that will show our Bradford Pride.

T6: Junior Gardeners

Grade: K-3

Instructor: Montclair Community Farms

Fee: \$150

Montclair Community Farms is a 501(c)3 non-profit dedicated to educating and engaging the community around farm, food, and health. In this class, Junior Gardeners will learn about the essentials of growing their own food including seeding, harvesting, cultivating healthy soil, and composting! Each child will gain hands-on gardening experience planting and harvesting herbs and microgreens, rooting vegetable scraps in water, and germinating their own seeds indoors that can be planted in a home garden in the springtime. Through hands-on activities, these young gardeners will not only have fun, but gain valuable skills, practice responsibility, and cultivate healthy eating habits and greater interest in vegetables along the way!

WEDNESDAY

W7: Baking with Grandmas from Around the World

Grade: k-3

Instructor: Ellen Cahill

Fee: \$200

Following the cookbook by Laura J. Callan, we will be baking COOKIES! Yes, we will follow traditional cookie recipes from all around the world, such as Australia, Bulgaria, China, Denmark, France, Greece, India, Ireland, Italy or perhaps Mexico or Morocco! While baking, we will learn a little bit about each country, and of course learn how to say “grandma” in each language. We will choose recipes based on the culture of the children in the class, allergy and dietary restrictions, and simplicity of the recipe. Let’s bake!

****You must fill out “Dietary Guidance” to indicate allergies and any other food restrictions when registering your child for this class.****

W8: Kindness Club

Grade: 3-5

Instructor: Laura Giasone & Femina Parham

Fee: \$200

Join your friends and make new friends at Bradford's Kindness Club. Each week we will work on a project that will benefit Montclair or the Bradford Community. This club will be inclusive and open to students of all abilities. Ms. Giasone and Ms. Parham will help guide students in these community service projects while ensuring that everyone also has fun!

W9: Trash Reimagined!

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Caroline Rippeteau Oster

Fee: \$150

One person’s trash is another person’s treasure! Oftentimes a container can be more fascinating than what it originally contained! Once freed of its contents, packaging can take on a whole different identity and, just like clouds in the sky, can offer limitless possible imaginings. Students will be encouraged to look at disposables differently, through a deeper lens, to see how it can be repurposed as something functional, educational, or even beautiful! Through introduction to real world creative salvaging undertakings students will learn how others have re-envisioned and repurposed otherwise disposable trash. The curriculum will consist of guided projects that include enchanting owls, tentacled sea

creatures, blooming floral wreaths to name a few and will culminate in a one of a kind student envisioned piece. Let's reimagine trash as a reusable material and get creative!

W10: Hip Hop Dance

Grades: 3-5

Instructor: Angela Park

Fee: \$125

Dancing isn't just about your arms and legs. It's about working every move. Put on your sneakers and get ready to work up a sweat in our hip hop dance class! During this fun filled hour, we will do a full stretch followed by learning and building upon exciting choreography to hit songs. You will also explore your personal voice through freestyle (improvisation) and a wide range of codified styles, including breaking, popping, and locking. If you have a passion for dancing, come join!!!

W11: Introductory Tennis

Grades: K-3

Instructor: Coach Michele McNeil

Fee: \$150

Are you curious about tennis and interested in learning how to play? Join in tennis drills and games, learn teamwork, communication, balance, agility, hand-eye coordination, problem solving and self/reliance. Taught by Coach Michele McNeil, a USPTA certified veteran teacher of children. No prior experience required, all are welcome, and equipment will be provided.

W12: Stage Design

Grades 1-3

Instructor: Keely McCool

Fee: \$150

Bradford will be having a Spring Concert this year! We need artists, designers, builders and painters to turn our school stage into a Vibrant Spring Scene! Students' sketches will turn into small and large scale sculptures, murals, and posters. Students will explore different building techniques, using a variety of materials. Great opportunity for creative students to be part of the theater experience.

W13: Street Art 2.0

Grades: 4-5

Instructor: Vera Sheps Scholl

Fee: \$200

Some of the art world's most famous artists got their start on the streets. From the New York pop graffiti of Keith Haring and Jean Michel Basquiat to contemporary

artists Banksy and Shepard Fairey; artists often created work that exist on building walls and gallery walls alike. In this Street Art Afterschool Enrichment Session, young artists will learn about street artists from all corners of the world, create their own works influenced by these artists using markers, stencils and spray paint, and design their own graffiti tag or symbol.

W14: Model Castle Building (plus German!)

Grades: K-3

Instructor: Pascale Lafountain, Montclair State University

Fee: \$125

Let's explore European castle life as we build a medieval castle! In this class, we will use colorful interlocking bricks (that you might know from home) to collectively plan and construct a castle. Along the way, we will explore the exciting history of medieval Europe and practice some introductory German vocabulary related to everyday castle life.

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 canceled and if you choose not to enroll in another class.

Confidential financial assistance is available. Please contact our Bradford School counselor Marcy Goff at Mgoff@montclair.k12.nj.us if you seek financial support for a class.

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). Classes will be staffed with an aide depending on class size and content. If your child requires an aide in school, the PTA will cover the cost of an aide for one enrichment course per semester.

Dismissal

Children are escorted to the courtyard for dismissal at 4:15 p.m. – **you will need to sign-out your child at pick-up, i.e.** check-in with the instructor and initial the class roster.

Late pick-ups may result in penalty fines and/or termination from the program.

Children who attend after-care will be escorted to after-care at 4:15 p.m.

****If your child will NOT be attending enrichment on a particular day, you must notify your child's teacher and the main office before the 3:05 p.m. dismissal. Unaccounted for children cause delays in instruction time and put undue strain on our ASE staff.****

Please note:

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

- If a child is disruptive in class, after fair warning, that child will be sent to the office to wait out the rest of the session and a coordinator will contact the parent.
 - If a child is disruptive in class a second time, after fair warning, that child will be sent to the office and the parent will be called to pick up that child early.
 - If a child is disruptive in class a third time, after fair warning, that child will be terminated from the ASE program (and class fees will not be refunded).
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- Snacks/drinks are **not** provided. Children can access their own snacks during the time between the school dismissal time and the beginning of their enrichment class. Please send your child with an extra snack on days when they have an enrichment class. If your child has an allergy that requires an epi pen, please send in a spare pen that we can keep in the office, in case of an emergency. We will NOT have access to the ones in the nurse's office.
 - A water bottle, sneakers and comfortable clothing is suggested for the physical classes.

If you have questions about Registration or the ASE Session, please contact ptapres@bradfordpta.org.