

BRADFORD PTA CATALOG



After School Enrichment (ASE) Program

Winter 2024

January 16, 2024 - March 18, 2024

Registration:

Opens: Wednesday, January 10 2024 6pm

Closes: Saturday, January 13, 2024 6pm

Welcome to the Bradford Elementary School After School Enrichment (ASE) Program: A World of Fun and Learning!

At Bradford Elementary, we believe that learning should be an enjoyable and engaging experience for our children. That's why we've created the After School Enrichment Program, designed to provide fun, enriching activities that complement the fantastic curriculum our students receive during the day. Our primary goal is to foster a love for learning and personal growth in a friendly, inviting, and positive environment.

Our ASE program is more than just an educational experience for your child—it is a source of funding for essential in-school programs funded by the PTA. When you choose ASE for your child, you're making a direct impact on the growth of our Bradford community. We understand that financial considerations can be a concern, and we're here to address them. Our commitment is to ensure that all Bradford students have equal access to these valuable opportunities, and we're here to provide support. Our goal is to provide diverse and engaging experiences for our students, catering to their unique interests and passions.

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. **In Winter 2024, all ASE courses will be taught by dedicated and inspiring members of the Bradford staff.** 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 2024 schedule is as follows:

Tuesdays: January 16, 23, 30 February 6, 13, 20, 27; March 5

Wednesdays: January 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 21, 28 March 6

Thursdays: January 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 29 March 7, 14

** (Abbreviated day Feb 22, so no ASE)

In the rare event that an ASE instructor is unavailable, a backup curriculum featuring various games will be provided for students.

Registration Details

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

Registration opens on **Wednesday, January 10, at 6pm** and will close on **Saturday, January 13th 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://bradfordpta.memberhub.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 asebradford@gmail.com 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.
- 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 2024 After School Enrichment Program.

CLASS	GRADE	TUITION
TUESDAY		
Crafty Creations	K-2	\$160
Baking with Grandmas from Around the World	K-2	\$200
Board Games Bonanza Jr.	K-2	\$160
Board Games Bonanza Sr	3-5	\$160
Book Club	4-5	\$200
WEDNESDAY		
Ninja Training	K-2	\$200
Stage Design	1-3	\$175
Engineers Workshop	3-5	\$200
Cross-Stitch	3-5	\$160
Bracelet Making with Mr Liddy	3-5	\$175
THURSDAY		
Jewelry Making	K-2	\$160
Baking with Grandma's Around the World	3-5	\$200
Ninja Training	3-5	\$200
3D Design & Printing	4-5	\$175

Detailed descriptions of all classes follow. As we continue to develop the program, we'd love to hear your thoughts, ideas, and feedback. What would you like to see in the future? More days? Morning sessions? Specific classes or types of activities? We're also eager to know how the class tuitions fit within your budget. Your input is invaluable as we strive to create the best possible experience for our students. Please send us a note: asebradford@gmail.com

Detailed Description of Classes

TUESDAY: 8 Weeks

[Grade] K-2: Crafty Creations

Instructor: Amy Fowlkes, *Paraprofessional, ABA*

Fee: \$160

This class consists of various crafts such as DIY lip balm, picture frames, paper lanterns, fingerprint magnets, bouncy balls and other fun things that can possibly help with hand eye coordination, fine motor skills and general creativity.

K-2: Baking with Grandmas from Around the World

Instructor: Ellen Cahill, *First Grade Teacher*

Fee: \$200

NOTE: This class ends at 4:30, not 4:15

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.****

K-2: Board Game Bonanza Jr.

Instructor: Femina Parham, *Special Education Teacher, Grades 4-5*

Fee: \$160

In this club we will learn to play a number of different board games as well as team games. We will learn strategies for playing games like giant uno, giant jenga, dominoes, tic tac toe, as well as enjoy traditional games such as candy land, connect four, simon, and more.

3-5: Board Game Bonanza Sr.

Instructor: Laura Giasone, *Special Education Teacher, Grades 3-5*

Fee: \$160

Join us for the Boardgame Class. We will spend time learning new games, meeting new friends, and having fun! Is there a game that you have been wanting to play? Let us know and we can learn how to play together! We will play board games, card games, and strategy games. We promise it will be lots of fun!

4-5: Book Club

Instructor: Kristen Freeh, *Fourth Grade Teacher, ELA*

Fee: \$200

Have you ever gotten lost in a book? Have you ever finished a book and wished it hadn't ended? Do you enjoy being part of engaging, thought-provoking conversations? If you answered yes to any of these questions, this may be the class for you! We will read **Framed by James Ponti** and take a deep dive into the characters and issues they face through lively discussion and hands-on projects. Happiness is talking about books with friends! Come join us!

WEDNESDAY: 8 Weeks

K-2: Ninja Training

Instructor: Joseph Acuna, *P.E. Teacher*

Fee: \$200

This class is a martial arts-based curriculum that incorporates basic martial arts techniques, gymnastic skills, strength & speed conditioning, flexibility, and confidence building. This will be great for kids who want to persevere through tough obstacle courses while practicing teamwork skills. Students will also learn how to increase self-control through martial arts disciplines & have a fun time exercising and playing engaging activities with friends.

1-3: Stage Design

Instructor: Keely McCool, *Paraprofessional*

Fee: \$175

Bradford will be having a Spring Concert! We need artists, designers, and builders to turn our school stage into a beautiful spring display! Student sketches will turn into small and large scale sculptures, murals, and posters. Students will explore a variety of materials and building techniques. Great opportunity for creative students to be part of the theater experience. Students will be taking home their smaller work after the concert.

3-5: Engineers Workshop

Instructor: Femina Parham, *Special Education Teacher, Grades 3-5*

Fee: \$200

Dive into the world of creativity and innovation with our unique afterschool enrichment class. Designed for young minds eager to explore, learn, and build, this class is a perfect blend of education and fun. Each session is an adventure into the basics of engineering and physics, brought to life through hands-on projects and engaging challenges. We'll tackle projects like:

- **Toothpick and Gumdrops Bridges:** Discover the secrets of structural engineering as you build bridges that can hold the weight of a textbook using just toothpicks and gumdrops.
- **Popsicle Stick Catapults:** Unleash your potential in mechanics by creating catapults from everyday materials. Who can launch the furthest?
- **Pool Noodle Roller Coasters:** Twist and turn pool noodles into thrilling roller coasters. Test your designs with marbles and learn about gravity and motion.
- **Egg Drop Challenge:** Save your egg from a high fall using ingenious designs made from recycled materials. It's a test of creativity and understanding of impact forces.
- **Zip Line Marvels:** Design a zip line transporter for marbles. Learn about angles, gravity, and velocity in the most fun way.
- **Straw Rafts:** Float into the world of buoyancy and balance by building rafts from straws and string. How many pennies can your raft hold before it sinks?

3-5: Cross-Stitch

Instructor: Amy Fowlkes, *Paraprofessional, ABA*

Fee: \$160

Cross Stitch will introduce basic concepts of Cross-Stitch needlepoint. Students will learn to create simple designs on fabric using various colored thread.

3-5: Bracelet Making

Instructor: Jerome Liddy, *Fifth Grade Teacher, Science and Social Studies*

Fee: \$175

Learn how to make all kinds of bracelets, such as kumihimo, zig-zags, ladder knots, chevrons, braids, twists, clay beads, and more. Students will be supplied with a kit to keep, materials, patterns, guides, and Mr. Liddy, Shannon Liddy, and Erin Liddy will be ready to teach and assist. If you are looking for a relaxing afternoon, this class is for you.

Thursday: 8 Weeks

K-2: Jewelry Making

Instructor: Kimberly Carolonza, *Paraprofessional*

Fee: \$160

Arm candy fun! Magic water bead jewelry, Swiftie fun friendship bracelets, and more!

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4-5: 3D Design & Printing

Instructor: Jerome Liddy, Fifth Grade Teacher, Science and Social Studies

Fee: \$175

In this class, students will use Autodesk Tinkercad software and 2 brand new Artillery Sidewinder X2 printers to create their own pieces. This class is for the kids to learn how to use the software and think as a designer, but their favorite part will be to watch in wonder as the object is created before their own eyes, layer by layer. No experience required. Students who took this last term are welcome to join again and continue learning 3D design.

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 Tressie Hall-Arrindell at tarrindell@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 asebradford@gmail.com.