

Spring 2019

ACEIPSF
AFTERSCHOOL CLASSROOM ENRICHMENT



@ **Beacon Park Elementary**

WHAT IS THE ACE PROGRAM AND WHAT ARE ACE CLASSES?

The ACE Program (Afterschool Classroom Enrichment) is a program sponsored by IPSF (Irvine Public Schools Foundation) in cooperation with the Irvine Unified School District.

These classes are offered right after school hours on campus for nominal fees.

IPSF selects contractors who teach all types of classes ranging from athletics to academics to arts.

MATH CHALLENGERS - GRADE 6-8

\$85

The Math Challengers ACE course is an enrichment, coaching and competition program that promotes mathematics achievement among middle school students through participation in programs such as MathCounts and Math Olympiad. Students with a deep interest in math, a desire to be challenged mathematically, and an aptitude for problem solving are encouraged to participate in the class. Students will work on problems individually, in small groups, and/or collectively as a whole group. During our afternoon of mathematical investigations, students are engaged in challenging mathematical tasks that promote abstract reasoning and critical thinking. Although the math competitions are done for this year, we will continue to practice for upcoming year competitions as well as add some math games into this last session of the year!

The MATHCOUNTS Competition Series is the only program of its kind, with live, in-person events in all 50 states, through the U.S. Dept. of Defense and State Dept. Competitions which take place in over 500 local chapters. The Competition Series is ideal for students who have a talent and passion for math who need to be challenged. Students will engage in exciting, "bee-style" contests in which they will compete against and alongside other bright, motivated students.

MATHEMATICAL OLYMPIADS provides opportunities for children to engage in creative problem solving activities while developing a child's ability to reason, to be logical, to be resourceful, and occasionally to be ingenious. The goals for Mathematical Olympiad participants include: Developing enthusiasm for problem solving and mathematics, deepening the understanding of mathematical concepts and strengthen ability to use these concepts, considering concepts that they might not otherwise encounter, enriching experiences in intellectually stimulating and significant mental activities, and building a stronger foundation for assessments and for future mathematics studies.

Beacon Park's very own Ms. Maureen Leong will be leading the class and the BP teams.

THURSDAYS: February 28, March 7, 14, 21, April 18 & May 2.
NO class March 28, April 4, 11 & 25.

Grades: 6-8

Time: 2:45 - 3:45 p.m.

Location: Room 16

of Meetings: 6



Register Online February 14 - February 26
Online Registration ONLY at www.ipsfacademy.org

Scholarships Available!



Questions? Contact Ms. Maureen Leong at MaureenLeong@iusd.org



GENERAL INFORMATION

REGISTRATION:

Begins: Friday, February 14

Ends: Tuesday, February 26

Class starts: Thursday, February 28

Register at www.ipsfacademy.org

Enrollment is subject to class availability. Students must attend the school where they enroll in ACE classes.

HOW TO REGISTER:

1. Login at www.ipsfacademy.org Please use Chrome or Safari as your browser; older versions of Internet Explorer are not supported.
2. If you have not created a User Email/Password account, you will need to create one for yourself. Click "Create An Account". Once you have successfully created a parent profile, you will be directed to login.
3. Click on "Add a Student" to create profiles for each of your students if one does not already exist. **For existing students, verify profiles are up to date including grade, homeroom and transportation.**
4. Click "Register for Classes".
5. Select the desired class(es) and checkout.
6. Once you have checked out, you will receive an email confirmation listing your student's class enrollment.

REFUNDS: Tuition is nonrefundable unless the class is cancelled by the ACE coordinator. If your child registers late, misses classes or withdraws before the end of the session, you are still obligated for the full fees for that session. You are eligible for a prorated tuition refund or credit only if your child withdraws due to serious illness or injury, corroborated by a note from your doctor. All refunds are subject to a \$25 non-refundable program fee. Please be advised that refunds may take up to one month to process.

FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNTS: Receipts for programs attended by your child are available on request after completion of the programs. Please contact IPSF with parent's name, child's name, address, phone number, name and location of program(s) attended, and dates attended. IPSF can be reached via email at mstenta@ipsf.net. This material is provided for informational purposes only. IPSF does

not provide tax, legal, or accounting advice, and makes no representations regarding the deductibility or FSA eligibility of any program related expenses. Please consult your individual tax advisor to determine how much of your payment, if any, is deductible and/or FSA eligible.

CLASS AGE LIMITS: In order to develop classes suitable for a particular age range, we specify age limits in the brochure.

CLASS CONFIRMATIONS: Class confirmations are emailed upon successful completion of enrollment. Please add webmaster@ipsf.net to your email address book.

CLASS CANCELLATIONS: We do our best to accommodate all students who sign up for ACE classes. In order to keep class fees as low as possible, we must set a minimum enrollment number for each class to cover the class expenses. If the minimum enrollment is not met, the ACE Program reserves the right to cancel the class and return all registration fees. You will be notified of any cancellations before the first scheduled day of class.

TRANSPORTATION: Getting students to and from class is the responsibility of parents. In the first week of classes, ACE site monitors will attempt to locate registered students who are not present in their class. After that week, however, we expect that the students will know where they should go. If your child has difficulty remembering to go to class, you might want to escort him/her or contact another child in the class so your child has a "buddy" to provide a reminder about class.

ACE students must be picked up immediately after class. Arranging pick-up is the responsibility of parents. School staff, ACE instructors and ACE volunteer monitors are not responsible for your child after class. If you are late picking your student up two times, your student will be removed from the program and there are no refunds.

SNACKS: Your child is always welcome to bring a personal snack. Please do not send any snacks containing peanut or tree nut products. Please contact the school site ACE coordinator immediately if your child has severe food allergies.

CONTINUING CLASSES: Unless noted otherwise in the brochure, students in continuing classes must submit a registration form and payment for each session.

CONDUCT: Normal classroom conduct is expected of all ACE students and we generally have very few problems with the behavior of our students. Children displaying unacceptable behavior will be issued a one-time "Behavior Citation" that will have to be signed by a parent before the student can continue the class. If a second citation is necessary, the child will be dismissed without refund.

SCHOLARSHIPS: A limited number of 50%-100% scholarships are available for all classes based on need. Income documentation is required for approval. Parents may apply for a scholarship by accessing and completing the scholarship form at www.ipsfacademy.org/ACE.

MONITORS WANTED: Would you like to help monitor ACE classes 1 to 1-1/2 hours per week? The work is easy - taking roll, assisting any children who need help, occasionally helping with classroom set up and clean up, and randomly checking on each class a few times during the class period. Volunteers who monitor are granted one reduced class tuition per session. Interested? Contact the ACE Coordinator listed below.

PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP: Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) sponsors the district-wide ACE program in cooperation with the Irvine Unified School District.

For further information about the ACE program at other schools, please call IPSF at (949) 263- 8340

ATTENDANCE: If your student will be absent from ACE class, please send a message to the contact listed below before 11 a.m. on the day of ACE class.

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