

Courses for Kids at the Lowell**MAD SCIENCE_® OF GREATER BOSTON. "Mad Science: Little World, Big World"****Gr. PK-K**

Join the Mad Science hands-on science fun. We're crazy about science...and hope you are too! In this program, we'll have a blast exploring lots of fun science and how it affects the world around us. There will be exciting hands-on activities, spectacular demonstrations, and inquiry-based discussions. We'll learn about light and shadows; dinosaurs; acids and bases; and the science behind magic. We'll also investigate outer space, build our own structures, and discover the mysteries of chemistry and matter by exploring how molecules interact with each other! Each class has its very own take-home to continue the science experience!

8 Mondays**1/25, 2/1,2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29****2:35-3:30****\$115****MAD SCIENCE_® OF GREATER BOSTON. "Crazy Chemworks!"****Gr. 1-5**

Join the Mad Science hands-on science fun. We're crazy about science...and hope you are too! In this program, we'll have a blast exploring *chemistry* and how it affects the world around us. There will be exciting hands-on activities, spectacular demonstrations, and inquiry-based discussions. We'll learn about the tools scientists use in their laboratories; atoms, molecules, and reactions; acids and bases; and fluorescence and phosphorescence. We'll also examine and investigate super sticky things by exploring suction, hydrogen bonding and static cling and see some very *cool* dry ice demonstrations! The best part is that each week we'll be able to continue the science fun at home with our very own labware take-homes!

8 Mondays**1/25, 2/1,2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29****2:35-3:30****\$115****CHESS CLUB****Gr. 1-5**

In this club students will learn about the chessboard, how to move the pieces, checkmate, basic strategy as well as play the instructor and each other. *Steve Frymer is Class A rated Chess player, teaches in the Newton and Acton after school programs and teaches private lessons.*

8 Tuesdays**1/26, 2/2, 2/9, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9, 3/16,3/23****2:30-3:30****\$115****WINTER DETECTIVES****Gr. K-2**

What do you know about animals and plants in winter? Does everything hibernate? Buds and bugs – can any be found in the winter? Find out how seeds, plants and animals survive through the winter and are ready to go in the spring. Come outside and search for animal tracks, shelters and sign. Make some human tracks, and try out snowshoes if conditions are good. Stories, activities, games, specimens and more! Dress for the weather (warm jackets, boots, hats and mittens). We will go outside each week. *This course is offered by Mass Audubon/Habitat staff.*

8 Wednesdays**1/27, 2/3, 2/10, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/31, 4/7****2:35-3:30****\$115****BEGINNING SPANISH****Fridays****Gr. 1-5****BEGINNING FRENCH.****Thursdays****Gr. 1-5**

This is a continuation of first semester. Children learn to talk about their families, pets, favorite day of the week, birthdays. They learn to spell their names in Spanish/French. Timed games inspire them to put the mixed-up days and months in the correct order. They learn phrases like "Where's my breakfast? Where's my toothbrush? What day is it? I'm hungry. My birthday is August 16. " *Global Child Inc. has been offering world language classes since 1992 to thousands of children in Massachusetts in public and private schools. The fee includes the \$25 materials fee.*

8 Thursdays**1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25****SPANISH****2:35-3:30****\$140****8 Fridays****1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26****FRENCH****2:30-3:30****\$140****AFRICAN DRUMMING****Gr. K-5**

Give your child a rich musical experience as they explore traditional rhythms and songs from around the world. Utilizing exercise, song, movement, drumming and games, students develop a strong internal pulse, listening skills and learn the joy of drumming and the power of working together in ensemble play! Plus it's a whole lot of FUN! *Rhythmkids is an exciting music, movement, and drumming program designed to integrate rhythm into children's lives. There is a \$20 materials fee for an instructional DVD included in the fee.*

8 Fridays**1/29, 2/5, 2/12, 2/26, 3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26****2:30-3:30****\$135****NEW!****ABRAKIDABRA! HOCUS POCUS!****Gr. 3-5**

Learn the secrets of magic with "Best of Boston" Award-Winning magician Mike Bent. From card tricks to sleight-of-hand, you'll learn how to amaze and amuse your friends and family with baffling feats of magic and legerdemain. This 4-week session will get you started on the path to becoming a real magician! *Mike Bent started performing magic when he was six years old and is now a full-time professional magician. He has performed at the White House three times, and recently, won the Nickelodeon Parent's Pick Award for "Boston's Best Children's Entertainer!"*

4 Fridays**3/5, 3/12, 3/19, 3/26****2:30-3:30****\$70****KARATE****Gr. K-5**

Martial Arts is good, clean fun for kids...and a great way to give kids a head start in life. They'll learn the positive benefits of self-discipline and confidence, develop coordination and increase strength and flexibility. Because a structure of respect is built into Martial Arts, children develop the ability to listen, learn, and achieve within a highly related environment. *Craig S. Craig (Nidan, 2nd Degree Black belt) is the chief instructor and owner of Craig's Kempo Karate Academy. He has over 12 years of Martial Arts experience. \$30 fee for uniform and \$15 fee for those who wish to test payable directly to the instructor. Please do not send it with your Courses for Kids fee.*

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GENERAL INFORMATION – DEADLINE is January 14

Please send your registration as soon as possible to the Lowell main office to the attention of “Courses for Kids”! If you have any questions, contact Rita Foglia at rfoglia@watertown.k12.ma.us or 617-926-7764. If possible, please e-mail for a quicker reply.

This program meets at the Lowell and is open to all students in Grades K-5. Courses For Kids is part of Watertown Community Education. It provides enrichment courses for elementary school students after school.

PROGRAM DATES AND TIMES Please refer to individual course descriptions for dates courses meet. Most classes run from 2:35 to 3:35 PM unless otherwise noted. Some classes do not meet on days when there is early dismissal. Confirmations will be sent home with students.

GETTING TO AND FROM COURSES FOR KIDS After dismissal from school at 2:30 PM, the attendance monitor will meet children in the front lobby of the Lowell School office and escort them to the correct room. Your child's regular classroom teacher will also have a list of children taking courses. The attendance monitor ensures that all children leave the program safely. Please come into the building to pick up your child. Children will not be allowed to walk home without written permission from Parent/Guardian. We would appreciate children being picked up on time. There will be a late fee assessed at \$10 per every ten minutes that a parent is late.

CONDUCT Courses are offered as an enrichment opportunity. Children are expected to follow the teacher's instructions and not to interfere with the learning experience, enjoyment and safety of other children. If a child is disruptive and does not heed the teacher's warnings, parents will be notified. If this does not resolve the situation, the child will be asked to leave the class. There is no refund and future enrollment is on a trial basis.

CANCELLED COURSES If Watertown Schools close due to inclement weather, all courses are cancelled. If a class is canceled due to teacher's illness or unforeseen circumstances, parents are notified by telephone and given a make-up date.

REFUNDS If a refund is due because of over or under enrollment, it will be sent as soon as possible. No refunds are issued once the course has begun.

Illness, Medication and Attendance Guidelines:

There is no nurse during after school hours. Staff will not administer any prescription or non-prescription medications. Children will only be allowed to self-administer inhalers and Epipens with written parental permission. It is the parent responsibility to ensure that Inhalers and Epipens are with the child during the Program. All emergency situations will be responded to by following the crisis protocol guidelines detailed in the Crisis Protocol Manual. If your child is sent home from school for any reason, including both physical illness or injury, inappropriate behavior, and all other situations which warrant dismissal, he/she will not be allowed to attend the Program on that day. Also, if your child has not attended school due to illness or because school personnel has deemed it necessary, he/she may not attend the Program that day.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Deadline For Registration – January 14th. Registration Is On A First Come -First Served Basis.

Student _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Pick-up Instructions: Parent Pick-Up _____ *LEDP* _____ *KIC* _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Phone(home) _____ (work) _____ e-mail _____

Emergency contact _____ *Phone* _____

Child's allergies/medical issues _____ inhaler yes_no__ epipen yes_no__

Course _____ StartDate _____ Fee _____

SecondChoice _____ Start Date _____ Fee _____

Course _____ Start Date _____ Fee _____

SecondChoice _____ Start Date _____ Fee _____

Course _____ Start Date _____ Fee _____

SecondChoice _____ Start Date _____ Fee _____

Total Enclosed _____

In the event that a course is full, please indicate a second choice for that day.

Please make the check payable to “Town of Watertown”. Send registration to the Lowell main office by Jan. 14th.