



Summer Session

June 12-16, 2023

What Makes ExploreMore! Different.....

We are student focused and bring classes that are based on input from our families to best meet their needs. Our environment values creativity, diversity, and experimentation and fosters this through hands-on, outside of the box teaching methods. Our teachers are passionate about their subject matter and work tirelessly to promote critical thinking and independent investigation. What truly sets us apart is our focus on the whole child. Our families are invited to lectures by world-renowned experts in gifted education. We want to be your resource for supporting, enriching, and engaging your bright child.

When and Where

- Summer 2022 classes are held June 12-16.
- Half day option: 9-12:15; Full day option 9-3:30; After care option 3:30-5:30
- All classes are held on the beautiful campus of **Covington Latin School**.

What Sets Us Apart?

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- We emphasize critical thinking and independent learning.
- Our environment values creativity, diversity, and experimentation.
- All of our classes are hands-on and challenge students to think outside of the box.
- All of our teachers are passionate about their subjects.
- We offer a whole-child approach where families can learn as much as the students.

Class Options:

- **Half Day Session:** For those wishing to spend just part of the day with us, we offer a half day option that runs from 9-12:15. **Cost is \$165. This includes all materials**
- **Full Day Session:** We know that many of our students want more so we have expanded to offer a full day option. The full day session runs from 9-3:30. Students that wish to spend the day with us will have an hour lunch and activity period. Students are required to bring their own packed lunch and drink. **Cost is \$250. This includes all materials.**
- **After Care:** For our families that need it, we will be offering after care. Spaces are limited so if you need this service, please register early to ensure your spot. After care runs from 3:30 to 5:30. **Cost is \$65/week. A fee of \$1/minute late charge will be assessed for students being picked up after 5:30.**

ExploreMore! Policies and Information

Registration Deadline

- **Submitted by June 9, 2023**
- There will be an additional \$25 processing fee for late applications. Students are placed in classes on a first-come, first-served basis, and many of our popular classes will fill before the application deadline. For the best choice of classes apply today!

Registration

- **Registrations can be made online at exploremoregifted.org.**
- Refunds will be sent to those students not accepted due to full enrollment.
- The ExploreMore! Program reserves the right to close or cancel prior to the first class meeting or make any necessary schedule changes.
- **Registrations are not complete until payment has been received.**

Refunds

- Full refunds, minus a \$25 processing fee, may be given prior to the first day of classes.
- No refunds will be made after classes have begun.
- Any child whose behavior disrupts the learning of others will be discontinued as a participant in the program. There will be no refund of fees under these conditions.

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Grades K-3

Seashore Science: Seashores are rich natural laboratories for scientific exploration. In Seashore Science, we will learn about tides, tide pools, and the plants and animals of California's rocky seashores. Our budding scientists will study different tidal pool relationships using methods of investigation employed in both earth and life sciences. We will explore the seashore through class activities such as virtual puzzles and games. Topics will include high and low tides, fresh vs. saltwater, camouflage, animal anatomy, and marine conservation. We will learn a lot about seashore life, including mollusks, crustaceans, univalves, bivalves, algae, plankton, and kelp.

Lego Engineering: Jump into the world of Legos to design works of art, architectural structures, and test the laws of physics. All disciplines will be covered in this class- from fine art to physics. All building skill levels are invited into this class.

World Celebrations and Traditions: In Brazil, they celebrate Carnival; in Spain, the Running of the Bulls; in Japan, there are Sumo Wrestlers; and in the United Kingdom, they have Pancake Day. These are just some of the countries and traditions we will cover. Expect to stay busy in this class where we will do some cooking, eating, dancing, singing, and moving around. Use your hands, body, and mind to create. Explore cultures and people from each of the six habitable continents. Join us to see, smell, taste, and experience celebrations from various cultures.

The Artists Studio: Using creativity and imagination, we will delve into the world of lines, colors, shapes, and textures, crafting our own works of art and learning to think critically about the art we see. We will explore and build upon the basic concepts for each of these artistic elements, incorporating new techniques, materials and discoveries into final pieces each week. Daily projects and artist workshops will foster both individual creativity and more structured learning to help students build a strong foundation in each element. We will also study several modern artists who will help us understand how to use basic elements to create masterpieces.

Dino-Mite: Paleontology is not just the study of our prehistoric predecessors, but it is also about the environment in which they lived. How did the dinosaurs eat, travel, and survive? Do you think that you have what it takes to solve the mystery of the extinction of the dinosaurs?

Lights, Camera, Action: There is no such thing as being overdramatic in this class! Students will learn different acting exercises to help them grow as actors. Our stars will practice their improvisation skills and how to have a strong stage presence. By the end of our rehearsals, students will have had experience putting on a play and getting into character for all of their future roles!

Grades 4-6

Chocolate Economics: Do you love chocolate? Have you ever wondered how chocolate is made? Would you like to learn more about why money and trade are important? What do chocolate, automobiles, and smartphones have in common? How can I get more of what I want? Why do some advertisements motivate consumers to buy their products? Take this class to learn the answers to these questions as we trade chocolate; work in an assembly line; create a human web; and study entrepreneurs. We will explore basic economic concepts such as scarcity, opportunity cost, and trade as we discover the world of money, economics, decision making, marketing, and chocolate.

Pokemon Crazy: Learn to draw, paint and craft some of your favorite colorful Pokémon characters using a variety of media. We may even invent some of our very own characters.

The Storytellers Process: Are you a good storyteller? What does it take to tell a good story? What's the difference between telling a story and writing it down? In this course, we will hone your skills as a storyteller, whether you're sharing a personal memory, telling a joke, or crafting an epic adventure. We will learn the tools that good storytellers use to hook an audience's interest, weave together details of plot, character, and setting in an interesting way, and finish off with an ending that leaves people laughing or pondering. The choices storytellers make when crafting their stories become a process, which gives them the opportunity to develop each story into something unique and effective. Modeled as an active, hands-on workshop, this course will help each storyteller develop a process, find a personal writing voice, and produce a sample of work that each student feels proud of.

Clued In: Get ready for the classic Murder Mystery game Clue like you've never played it before. This murder mystery class takes the classic game of Clue off the board and into a real-life experience. Become a detective and learn how to analyze clues and evidence. Find the suspect. Sharpen your skills as you become a character in the game and investigate your classmates. You never know, you may be the murderer. Solve the mystery and get Clued In.

Fit For Life: Play, walk, and run your way to experiencing various types of physical fitness and life-long healthy lifestyles. Play classic games like kickball, four square, and sand volleyball. Learn new games such as super-aerial ultimate frisbee and gaga ball. Teamwork helps us to be our very best when working with others. Learn about the importance of staying hydrated. Become informed about nutrition and making good food choices (try some fun smoothie recipes

and taste tests), as you explore all about vitamins, good fats, and bad fats. Come prepared to play a little as you work both your mind and body! Get fit for life!

Observational Astronomy: What would you see on a road trip through our solar system? Why do the planets “stay in their lanes”, and what are stars like up close? This course will be an observational astronomy course, exploring the objects that exist in our universe. We will learn about planets, moons, comets, and asteroids, and about the fundamental forces that keep them in motion. Then, we will discover the properties of light and waves, and how those properties help us understand things like stars and galaxies - and even how a microwave can teach us something about the history of the universe. And since space is full of strange spectacles, we'll examine unique phenomena like black holes, nebulae, and pulsars.