

CEC Everest Point Homeschool Academy Colorado Springs



2023-2024 Class Catalog

P1	Kinder	First	2nd-5th Faces of History	6th-12th Journalism & Yearbook	3rd-6th Ukulele	9th-12th Breakfast and Sweets	7th-12th Sports and Games	2nd-3rd Fun with Art Elements
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P3	8th-12th Certification Lab/Independent Studies	2nd-3rd Earth and Space	2nd-6th STEM	6th-12th Lifeskills	K/1st	6th-8th Eating and Reading	K/1st	4th-6th Drawing 101
P4	Kinder	First	3rd-6th Zoology	6th-12th Mythology	2nd-6th Music	2nd-5th Math Games	6th-12th OSS	5th-7th Fiber Arts
P5	Kinder	First	2nd-5th Eating and Reading	7th-12th Left Brain/Right Brain Writing	6th-12th Music/Musical Theatre	6th-8th U.S. Facts and Foods	2nd-5th OSS	7th-12th Observational Drawing

<u>Course</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Description</u>
<u>Breakfast and Sweets</u>	9-12	The students have asked for more breakfast ideas and sweets... So here it is. We will be making breakfast and brunch style items to help give more variety to their cereal morning. In addition to breakfast, it goes well with some sweet items. These sweets can easily be breakfast or a treat. Either way, it will be YUMMY start to the day at Everest Point!
<u>Certification Lab</u>	8-12	Students will bring work from their homeschool courses, online classes, or certificate courses offered through Everest Point to complete during this Independent Studies Lab. A teacher will be available for general help during this self-lead independent study lab.
<u>Creative Writing</u>	3-6	Come find your voice in fun and interactive ways. We will explore writing through Lego creation, fables, writing our own picture book, and more. I will read aloud the funny book, Gooney Bird Greene, by Lois Lowry. It is about a little girl who tells interesting stories. She will encourage the storyteller in us all! This class will focus on the development of written language with an emphasis on the creative processes of "Ideas, Voice, and Word Choice." We will have occasional poetry teatimes to read aloud great poetry and write some of our own.
<u>Drawing 101</u>	4-6	Drawing is a universal skill anyone can learn and can be utilized in a multitude of contexts and used for more than just creative expression. Drawing helps us to communicate when words are not enough. Drawing also helps us to really see and understand the world around us. Students in this course will learn the foundational skills needed to draw the things they see

accurately and confidently. Like any new skill, drawing requires practice.

Earth and Space

2-3 3...2...1...Blast Off! In this class, we will study Earth both outside and inside (geology). We will then “blast off” into our Solar System and study the Sun and Moon, Stars, and the 8 Planets. We will also research famous astronauts and study and research missions to space. This class will combine research along with hands on learning to explore our Earth and beyond.

Eating and Reading

2-5 Ever read a book with some food in it and got hungry?
8-6 In this class, we will be reading books that have food in them, then making the food, and eating! Or we may make the food, then read about it while we are eating. No matter what we will be Eating and Reading!

Faces of History

2-5 Come learn about many fascinating people throughout history. We will learn about their accomplishments, contributions, their life, and interesting tidbits. We will be inspired by seeing how ordinary people can do extraordinary things. Come eat chocolate as we learn about Milton Hershey, get ready to paint above your head as we study Michelangelo and the Sistine Chapel and bring life to history with our end of the year Wax Museum with a famous person of your choice!

Fiber Arts

4-6 Intro to Fiber Arts covers basics in hand sewing, embroidery, and weaving. Students will learn basic sewing and embroidery stitches, how to cut fabric and use a pattern, and basic weaving. Students will create a variety of projects practicing their new skills including nature weavings, a felted hobbit hole, mixed

media wall hanging, turning drawings into thread paintings, plushies and much more!

First Grade

1 Our objective is to develop a love for learning and a sense of curiosity in our first graders. In this program, your student will build a strong foundation in literacy and numeracy skills as well as expand their problem-solving and critical thinking skills. We foster social and emotional development while encouraging creativity and imagination. The goal is to provide students with the tools and resources they need to succeed academically and socially. Overall, our First Grade Homeschool Enrichment Program is an excellent way for homeschool students to get a comprehensive first-grade education, while also having fun learning in an encouraging environment.

Fun with Art and Elements

2-3 Line, shape, value, color, texture, space, and form are all needed to create beautiful works of art. In Fun with Art Elements, students will learn about and explore each of the seven art elements and create masterpieces focusing on one or more. Students will be exposed to a variety of materials and techniques such as watercolor, oil pastel, collage, printmaking, clay, and much more.

Journalism and Yearbook

6-12 Journalism students will engage in the exciting process of researching stories, creating content, and publishing their original work. The first semester will focus on creating newspaper content for the Yeti News: feature stories, opinion columns, interviews, and reviews. The second semester will focus on creating our school

yearbook. Students will have a part in creating the yearbook theme, taking photos, and designing pages.

Kindergarten

K We will spend our first few weeks of kindergarten getting to know each other, our teachers and our school, our schedule, and routines. After that, we will begin to work on literacy skills, writing, math, art projects, science, social studies, and all kinds of other fun things! Kindergarten is also a time for learning through play and developing social and emotional skills. We will be incorporating these into our day as well.

**Left
Brain/Right
Brain Writing**

7-12 During the first semester, this class will focus on left-brain activities involving critical thinking and logic. Each week will involve a fun, interactive lesson in learning how to identify a different logical fallacy, like a “red herring” or “slippery slope.” During the second semester, the class will switch over to right-brain activities and get creative! Writing assignments will give them opportunities to experiment with different author styles and genres. We will try our hand at writing fairy tales, mysteries, graphic novels, poetry, and more.

Life Skills

6-12 Life Skills is designed for students who are interested in developing important practical skills and knowledge that will prepare them for success in their personal lives and future careers. Throughout the course, students will learn how to navigate various aspects of everyday life with confidence and competence.

<u>Math Games</u>	2-5	This course will help strengthen math facts, concepts, and skills through games and other hands-on activities. If you love math, relish challenges, and like to have fun, this class is for you!
<u>Music</u>	2-6	Welcome to music class! Students in this class will experience the joy of music by creating it. We will sing, move, dance, play drums, play instruments, games, and more. This class can be repeated, as new materials are taught each year. There will also be required performances throughout the year. These performances will be at school during the school day and generally occur in December and May.
<u>Music K/1</u>	K-1	Kindergartners and first graders will sing, play, create, and move in this fun music class. We will experience and learn about music through speech, song, drama, dancing, and instrument playing.
<u>Musical Theatre</u>	2-5 6-12	We will combine elementary and secondary students into one amazing production at the end of the year (TBA)! Elementary students will primarily perform in vocal and choreographed ensembles. They may assist in set design, depending on need.
<u>Mythology</u>	6-12	In this class, students will explore the roots of traditional myths, reading age-appropriate sources of mythological tales from around the world, from the classic Greek and Roman gods to lesser-known Norse, Egyptian, and Ancient American myths. We'll even hold our own Olympic Games! We'll also explore the different ways these stories still live on today, from modern re-telling of the ancient myths (beyond just Percy Jackson) to the stories of our current mythological figures and (super)heroes found in comic books, movies, and literature.

<u>Observational Drawing</u>	7-12	Students will focus on developing observational drawing skills and how to draw realistically. Drawing is a creative expression that utilizes the right side of the brain. In this course you will learn and incorporate principles of design in drawing compositions.
<u>Outdoor Survival Skills</u>	2-5	In this class you will make your own field guide for survival situations. The focus will be on survival awareness, foraging, shelter building, fire crafting, animal situations, and personal ingenuity.
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<u>Physical Movement K/1</u>	K-1	Students will play sports and games, exercise, and learn athletic skills in a fun and challenging environment. Classes will focus on gross motor skills, body awareness, and exploring different sports and games. Students will learn about teamwork, sportsmanship, and friendly competition in fun, interactive ways.
<u>Sports and Games - Elementary</u>	2-5	In Elementary Sports and Games, kids will continue exploring and growing in their athletic abilities through a variety of physical games and sports. Kids will progress from simple gross motor skills and will develop better hand eye coordination, ball control, and physical endurance in fun and challenging ways.
<u>Sports and Games - Secondary</u>	6-12	Students will play sports and games, exercise, and learn athletic skills in a fun and challenging environment. Classes will focus on gross motor skills, body awareness, and exploring different sports and games. Students will learn about teamwork, sportsmanship, and friendly competition in fun, interactive ways.

<u>STEM</u>	2-6	This class will include Science, Technology, Engineering and Math. Students will learn by using our robots (Dash and Dot), tinkering with items, and building with recycled materials. They will get to engage their minds through fun, hands-on STEM challenges!
<u>The Sketchbook Experiment</u>	6-12	Sketchbooks are an excellent place to experiment, take risks, and make mistakes. They are a place where we can explore our thoughts and express ideas visually or record our adventures and experiences. The Sketchbook Experiment revolves around students keeping a sketchbook/art journal. Students will learn how to incorporate art into their everyday life as well as learn observational drawing, design, art journaling practices, and experimenting with different mediums and techniques.
<u>Ukulele</u>	3-6	Learn how to play the ukulele in a fun and supportive environment. Throughout the course, students will gain a strong foundation in ukulele fundamentals, learn to read music, and develop their skills and techniques. Bring your own ukulele (any size). Books and materials will be provided by the school.
<u>US Facts and Foods</u>	2-5 6-8	In this class, the students will be learning and cooking foods found in different States around the United States. During class, we will be making a recipe popular to the state. Students will be locating the state and identify the state capital on a US Map. Using a US States Atlas, students will find facts about the state we have our recipe from.
<u>US History</u>	7-12	Designed for students who are interested in broadening their understanding of the history of the United States. Throughout the course, students will explore important events, people, and themes that

have shaped the country from its founding to present day.

Zoology

3-6 We will explore nature and study specific species by working through some of the major branches of taxonomy: sponges, mollusks, arthropods, crustaceans, insects, arachnids, reptiles, amphibians, fish, birds, and mammals. Students will create posters, learn about their own pets, and do a couple of fun experiments in class!