

# ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020



## After School Begins:

- FALL **September 23, 2019**
- WINTER **December 9, 2019**
- SPRING **March 2, 2020**

## MIDDLE SCHOOL - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

The After School Program offers an array of activities. The program is designed to give the students an opportunity to explore activities of particular interest outside of the regular school program, such as:

- HUMAN RIGHTS PHOTO JOURNALISM
- LEADERSHIP & CHARACTER BUILDING
- DEBATE & PUBLIC SPEAKING
- MOCK TRIAL
- MATHEMATICIANS Club
- STOCK MARKET Club
- ENTREPRENEURS Club
- CHESS Club
- ECONOMICS
- Jr. CEOs
- MAGICAL WORLD OF ELECTRONICS
- CODING
- MINECRAFT
- WRITTOPIA
- CLAY DESIGN
- COMPUTER ANIMATION for Pros.
- & more...

The descriptions of the activities are at your disposal in this brochure.

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## The Care Program

is designed to meet the needs of working parents. It provides a dependable regular daily service in a warm and caring environment.

The Care Program runs from 3:00PM to 6:00PM every school day starting the first day of school.

**Space is limited—Please register online, as soon as possible.**

- Registration Fee: \$30—One time, for the academic year.
- Full-Time: Discounted Flat Fee - No adjustments \$3000 per Semester (approximately \$12 per Hour)
  - ⇒ **1st Semester:** September through January
  - ⇒ **2nd Semester:** February through end of the school in June
- Part-Time: \$18/Hour
- Non-Registered Drop offs \$25/Hour
- Late pick up \$1/minute

## Middle School Activities:

### DEBATE & PUBLIC SPEAKING



The objective of this program is to prepare students for the myriad situations

both in and out of academia that require formal and informal presentations. Students will learn how to craft and present arguments, opinions and ideas.

They will learn the fundamentals of rhetoric and will practice informing, persuading and motivating an audience in a variety of ways. The grading rubric was adapted with the permission of Neil Mercer, the Director of research at The University of Cambridge.

The instructor of this class is Ms. Amanda Sawyer. She has taught students at the Lemay Preparatory, Ecole International, the Hudson School, Packer Collegiate, Dalton, St. Bernards and Horace Mann. Her program is focused on social skills, public speaking and presentation. It was developed in conjunction with The University of Cambridge. Their findings showed that after several months of activities and exercise in communication, delegation and presentation the children's literacy, arithmetic and reasoning scores improved significantly.

### COURT TRIAL



Court or Mock trial is an exciting educational experience that requires students to present effectively, think critically, take initiative and adapt moment to moment. Court/Mock trial is a simulation that promotes the understanding of our judicial system through analysis and communication. Students learn how to prepare for a trial, depose witnesses, examine and utilize evidence, examine and cross examine witnesses and more. Students will work with materials provided by the American Bar Association and The New York State Bar Association.

### UNIS HUMAN RIGHTS PHOTO JOURNALISM

**This is a unique program with mentoring from Tut House students member of the Human Rights Project & UNIS Faculty, Ms Abby Macphail.**

In this workshop, students will learn how to take photos, write newspaper articles, conduct interviews and transcribe the stories of those directly affected by human rights violations. There will be the opportunity to interview local activists who are bringing about change. Topics of study will include racism, discrimination against members of the LGBTQ+ community, mass incarceration, health, homelessness, immigration, and segregation. Over the course of the program, students will create an online photo exhibit featuring their pictures and articles.

### LEADERSHIP / CHARACTER BUILDING



This program is a unique leadership

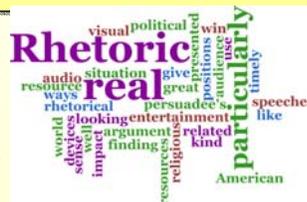
course that gives students the skills they need to succeed in life. Dedimus Potestatem has developed an activity-based syllabus centered around character traits most sought and admired in leaders: initiative, honesty, self-control, adaptability, empathy, persuasiveness, resourcefulness, diligence, tolerance, determination, generosity, punctuality, courage, reliability, endurance, deference, creativity and integrity.

This program uses fun projects and games that encourage the exploration and application of leadership traits. While cultivating the skills they will need to build strong, successful relationships; they will learn how to find their voice and showcase themselves and their work in the best way. Students will learn to be better team leaders and team players. They will learn how to deal with situations they encounter in life, such as bullying, cheating, conflicts between two or more parties, and more. These building blocks will ensure they grow to become the leaders so sought after by our burgeoning society.

### SPEECH-WRITING & RHETORIC

This course teaches the tools to open the hearts and minds of others and move toward positive, sustainable change, in civil disagreement cases. Students learn to apply the tools and tactics from the Harvard Program on Negotiation and the Institute for Personal Leadership at Columbia Business School.

Through analysis, reflection and multi-party simulations students learn the best ways to revive civil disagreement and civil discourse in communities. The instructor is Ms. Amanda Sawyer.



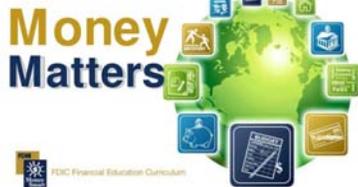
**Ms. Amanda Sawyer**  
**Founder and Director**  
**Dedimus Potestatem**  
[www.potestatem.co](http://www.potestatem.co)



# Middle School Activities



## FINANCE CLUB



In this class students learn how to manage their money - an essential life skills! They set their financial goals, develop a budget from scratch, shop for a credit card, calculate the monthly cost of your dream car, apply for a mortgage, learn about FICO scores, file taxes & more. Students internalize the dangers of piling up debt and how assets and liabilities affect a person's net worth.

Through simulations and hands-on activities, students explore financial decisions they will have to make in the future. A solid step towards future financial independence!

This class is offered by “[SPARK Business Academy](#)” a leader in educational after school programming for students. Its mission is to promote financial literacy and empower students with the tools and mindset to make educated financial decisions and develop into responsible global citizens.

## ECONOMICS



In this practical class students internalize how economic principles apply to their lives.

Whether it is saving money in a vacation from a change in exchange rates to having to pay a higher price for the iPhone everyone wants.

The students in this class will learn concepts that will help them make better economic decisions.

Topics include:

- Supply and Demand
- Opportunity Cost
- Inflation
- Interest Rates
- Unemployment & Underemployment
- Budget Deficit & Public Debt
- Taxes
- International Trade & Exchange Rates
- Economic Development

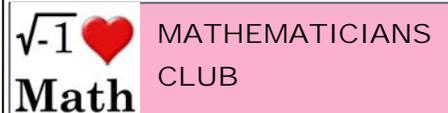
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## CODING



The students will build graphics and interactivity using HTML, CSS, and JavaScript, learning the fundamentals of coding in a fun and engaging environment. They will be encouraged to work in groups to complete larger projects, and experience working in a team towards a common goal.

**JP Sistenich** is a Mathematics & Computer Science graduate from Oxford University, and one of the founding partners of BSD Code + Design Academy USA, a independent coding academy focusing on partnerships with schools and academic institutions.



This club provides an environment where students can challenge their mathematical thinking, deepen the understanding of mathematical concepts and strengthen ability to apply them, tackle concepts and topics that they might not otherwise encounter. And experience intellectually stimulating activities, games, and puzzles build a stronger foundation for future mathematics studies and competitions.



## Middle School Activities:

### Jr. CEOs



How cool would it be for students to be the boss of Apple or Tesla for a day?

In this leadership class, it is possible! Students act as CEOs for leading companies and work in groups to make strategic recommendations to address real business issues. Students enhance their problem-solving skills, develop business savvy and cultivate a strategic mind-set as future leaders.

Case studies include Apple, Amazon, Coke and more! This class is offered by “[SPARK Business Academy](#)”.

### STOCK MARKET Club



In this class students learn about current investment topics, from IPOs and mergers to stock splits and bitcoin!

Students participate in a team competition against other area schools built the best \$100,000 stock portfolio using a simulation tool with real-time market data, “learning by doing”.

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### ENTREPRENEURS CLUB



In this club, students select a “business idea” learn what it takes to launch a business.

They build self-confidence while gaining a valuable exposure to the business fields of strategy, marketing and finance.

They develop a business plan and make a “pitch” presentation on the last day. They even create a real website (no coding required) and design their own business cards.

Financial literacy is an essential 21st century skill that will give students an edge in life”. This class is offered by “[SPARK Business Academy](#)”.

### I Am a Writer

I write.  
I write the truth.  
I write what reveals truth.  
I write my perception of the truth.  
I write what inspires the truth in others.  
I write the truth that causes us to cringe.

MelissaDorsey.com © 2013

### WRITOPA

Writopia Lab runs one of the most fun and productive writing workshops for children and teens in New York City.

Each year, Writopia teens win more writing award than any other group of students. While the focus of the writing workshops is on story and creative expression, the students explore structure and grammar and ultimately organize their thoughts into coherent, fluid complete narratives.

Workshops are run by published authors or produced playwrights. The method is student-centered; at Writopia, teens write at their best ability. Sessions are peppered with instructive games and helpful exercises. Each writer leaves the workshop with a completed piece in hand. Information : [writopialab.org](http://writopialab.org)

## Middle School Special Activities:

### CLAY DESIGN CLUB

Clay Modeling & Character Design Workshops explores the art of Clay Modeling.

This artistic class helps student's improve their creativity, fine motor skills and artistic capabilities. Monsters, Fairies, animals, backdrops and all sorts of creatures will hand built to create an amazing Clay World.

Different techniques will be implemented such as pointillism, spreads, textured clay among others. "Sculpting let children and adults express their feelings and creativity in a magical manner, even more if this is carried out with such a playful material such as clay".

This class is offered by "Clay World Studio" [www.clayworld.org](http://www.clayworld.org)



### MAGICAL WORLD OF ELECTRONICS

Paperactive with Teknikio

In this class, the students will explore the magical world of paper and electronics! They will start by reviewing basics of electronics and circuit design using lightweight electronic modules and conductive tape. Students will also practice the design prototyping process taking an idea from concept to model.



They will build origami that moves and light up and then start to experiment with sensors and programming. Students will learn to program Bluetooth light boards using a visual coding interface and design a lamp that turns on in response to signals from the Internet. No prior programming or electronics experience necessary.

This class is offered by **Invent-abling**. Deren Guler is the physicist and the founder. She makes kits with interesting smart materials & electronics that can be embedded in a variety of dynamic projects. Deren holds a master's of Tangible Interaction Design from Carnegie Mellon University. She leads workshops and presentations at The Children's Museum of Pittsburgh MAKESHOP, Society for Contemporary Craft, East Carolina University, Carnegie Science Center and Andy Warhol Museum.

### TV PRODUCTION



This class is taught by industry professionals with the latest tools of the trade including Adobe Suite, and professional audio equipment. Students learn to design original characters, and bring them to life using techniques such as live-motion capture, vectoring animation, and utilizing tweens! They will plan, write, storyboard, and create an animated short. They will learn about voice acting techniques as they use professional microphones and audio equipment to add voice overs and sound effects to bring their story to life.

This class is offered by **CinemaKidz** a New York City's premiere STEAM and Media program. The classes are interdisciplinary in their design; include building, robotics, historical research and critical thinking skills, writing, art, engineering, and more.



## MOTHER TONGUE PROGRAM

The Mother Tongue Program provides instruction mainly for students who already possess good oral and comprehension skills in the languages offered at UNIS and need to work on their reading and writing skills.

The reading and writing activities assimilate grammar and vocabulary. The program emphasizes on multi-sensory learning through verbal, visual and tactile association.

It offers progressive series of lessons organized around themes incorporating creative, customized teaching materials and music. Technology is integrated through the use of different apps and websites are used as a medium of teaching and learning. The program may be beneficial as preparation for the 3rd language program. The students may be required to complete home study activities in order to strengthen their skills and offer additional practice opportunities outside of the classroom.

**All classes are subject to enrollment and teachers' availability. The level, the program of studies and activities are at the discretion of the respective language teachers. The students may be required to complete home study activities in order to strengthen their skills and encourage additional practice opportunities outside of the classroom.**

The Mother Tongue Program also offers to beginner level students the opportunity to learn the language and culture in a fun and engaging way. Basic vocabulary and oral communication skills will be introduced in parallel to reading and writing the language and a practical use of the language.

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

1\* **Spanish & French in Action** is an introductory & supplementary program that makes communication a natural, enjoyable and rewarding experience. The goal is to encourage self-expression. Students have fun learning languages through music, songs, little plays, watching films in original language, games.

2\* **The Instituto Cervantes** is offering a unique combination of fun activities in Spanish. Institute Cervantes was founded by the Spanish government in 1991 to promote the teaching, use, and study of the Spanish language; and to contribute to the advancement of Spanish, Hispanic, and Latin American cultures throughout the world.

3\* **The Deutsche Sprachschule New York** conducts the German classes at UNIS on Tuesdays and Saturday mornings to students from kindergarten through high school. For information & registration you may contact: Mrs. Ina Seow at (212) 729-9053- Email: [inaseow@gmail.com](mailto:inaseow@gmail.com) (Fees are directly announced and paid to Deutsche Sprachschule).

4\* **The 't Klokhuis, Inc.** is offering Dutch language instruction on Wednesdays. For more information please contact: Mrs. Loura Zijdel-Eelkema, Director at Tel #: 908-432-5830 and Email: [Klokhuis@aol.com](mailto:Klokhuis@aol.com)

## AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM REGISTRATION INFORMATION

The After School Program is designed to give students an opportunity to explore activities of particular interest outside of the regular school program. It also provides an opportunity for children to socialize and build friendships. These activities are generally scheduled between 3:00 PM and 5:00 PM daily.

### PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY AND KEEP IT FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

- 1/ Classes are scheduled based on **Trimesters. Unless otherwise specified.**
- 2/ **Online-Registration is available:** Please register early to avoid disappointment. **Enrollment is on first come, first served basis.** Class sizes are limited to ensure quality of instruction and sharing of equipment.
- 3/ Please note that:  
**No refunds are made after the 2nd week. Fees may be prorated for late registration and try outs.**
- 4/ Please note that you will only be notified if a

**After the deadline there will be an automatic \$50 late registration fee.:**

- **FALL Season deadline: September 12th**
- **WINTER Season deadline: November 20th**
- **SPRING Season deadline: February 20th**

course is canceled or over subscribed. Time does not allow us to confirm each registration.

- 5/ Junior School students will gather in the corridor between the Gymnasium on 2<sup>nd</sup> floor . Middle School students may go directly to the classroom.
- 6/ The Office reserves the right to withdraw any activity for which there is insufficient registration. In the event of cancellation or over enrollment, refunds will be issued. Please note that there can be no refunds if a child withdraws from a course, which has already started or misses any class.
- 7/ Students are escorted to the lobby at the end of the class. The parents are to make sure that children are promptly picked up when the class finishes.
- 8/ If an activity is canceled by the teacher, a make up class will be scheduled. Parents will be advised as soon as possible of such cancellations.



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