Tuesday Electives

Science Fair Lab (Mr. Bruscia)

Have you ever wanted to collect data over a long period of time for your science fair project? This elective is designed to provide you with extra time and access to the necessary scientific tools needed for your science fair experiments.

Environmental Art (Mrs. Devlin)

We will use our skills as artists to help improve our CCS community space. Projects include painting exterior trash cans, creating a sculpture garden, and more. If you like to work collaboratively in a creative environment, this elective is for you.

Academic Bowl (Mrs. DeVane)

Students will practice and strategize for quiz competitions with trivia. We are hoping to find a competition to compete in this winter.

Yearbook (Ms. Kowalski)

In this year-long elective, students will work to design the 2021-2022 CCS yearbook. Students will learn basic principals of yearbook production, as well as about using style guides and brand management.

Yearbook is a year-round elective.

Programming AI (Dr. Shayn Peirce-Cottler)

Are you interested in coding? Do you want to program a computer to think for itself? (Or program it to think for you?) In this elective, you will learn how to code in NetLogo (https://ccl.northwestern.edu/netlogo/) and run "intelligent" programs of your own design to engineer solutions to problems that you care about. If you are planning on doing a Science Fair project, this elective will give you skills and ideas for experiments – thanks to the "intelligence" of you and your computer!

(This course will run for 8 weeks. For the remainder of the semester, students will continue to explore coding concepts with Mr. Seibert).

Mindfulness (Mrs. Banaszak)

mindful eating, breath work, Guided Adoration, acupressure. yoga , Aromatherapy, Sleep meditation, clenching and unclenching muscles, Advent Stations of the Cross

World Languages (Mrs. Osteen)

Students will receive a sampling of world languages and learn a bit about each culture. Spanish, French, German and Chinese

Improv (Ms. Howard)

Learning about improvisation in acting, through sketches and games.

Book Buddies (Mrs. Fallica)

Come be a part of something very special! Book Buddies is an opportunity to build leadership skills while working with a younger student. In this elective, Middle School students work with

kindergarten or first grade students on reading and writing skills. A lasting relationship is formed and critical language arts skills are supported.

Leadership (Mrs. Bryan)

"It's a Jungle Out There!" Seriously. Feelings of depression, inferiority, and jealousy of others' successes are taking away the joy of life! Learn how to successfully deal with real life to feel happy and be who God made you to be. We will use the book, 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens as our guide, but there will be many other activities that will help you identify your strengths and strengthen your weaknesses.

Thursday Electives

Public Speaking (Mr. Bruscia)

Enhance your skills researching, writing and speaking about topics that are important to you. By the end of the 18 weeks you will be prepared to present your "TED Talk". Develop strategies for investigating topics and creating powerful google slide presentations.

Fiber Arts (Mrs. Devlin)

In this course students will explore the world of Fiber Arts including 2D and 3D weaving, needle felting, sewing, embroidery and more! Possible projects might include sewing an "ugly doll", weaving a basket, felting a bowl or embroidering an original design.

Theater (Mrs. Cabrera)

All the worlds a stage, and all the men and women merely players." In this elective, students will be immersed in one-act plays. We will read entertaining examples and then write our own plays. Once the scripts are perfected, we will begin producing our shows. This will have us casting, making props and scenery, and directing to bring our scenes to life. In the end, we will perform our short masterpieces.

Modern Dance (Mrs. LaBonte)

Modern dance explores movement and energy in a creative atmosphere. Students will learn LABAN/Bartenieff Fundamentals and Basic Horton Technique as well as improvisation skills.

Math Remediation (Mr. Garland)

Students will be placed in this class by teacher recommendation.

Broadcast Studio (Mr. Seibert)

In this elective students will learn the basics of producing live streamed videos. We will learn how to use the technology, concepts of planning live shows, and other video production concepts. Our first goal will be to create a once-a-week news show for the announcements and we will work on creating additional videos.

This elective is a year round elective.

Gardening (Mrs. Osteen)

Students will learn about taking care of indoor and outdoor plants, plants that do well in central VA and how we can help our community through gardening. It could be a year long or two semesters. First semester we will prep a garden and second semester we will tend the garden.

Songwriting (Ms. Howard)

Using some tools of the music industry to write rhythms, melodies, songs.

Board Game Design (Mr. Riley)

Do you love playing board games? Have you ever thought, "This game could be better if they only..." Join me as we explore the many types of board games and create our very own!

Faith in Action (Mrs. Bryan)

You can make a difference in the lives of those around us. Research, plan and take action to support a cause that you believe needs your support. Be the hands and feet of Jesus at CCS. This is student led and there is no limit to what you can do! Students have raised money for the UVA Hospital, the SPCA, spread awareness of Kindness Cafe, and created care bags for patients in the hospital.