

2009

INTERMEDIATE SUMMER SCHOOL AT MIRALESTE AND RIDGECREST INTERMEDIATE SCHOOLS

ACADEMIC AND ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

For the thirty-first year, the PVPUSD School Board has authorized an independent agency, Peninsula Enrichment Program, Inc., to offer a fee-supported summer school program.

- Dates:** June 22 - July 17. July 3 is a holiday.
- Hours:** 8:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. with a 15-minute mid-morning break. NOTE: There will be no supervision at the school before 8:00 a.m. and after 12:30 p.m. each day. Please make arrangements for your student to leave the school promptly.
- Eligibility:** Students entering the 6th, 7th or 8th grades in Fall, 2009. There is no residency requirement.
- Registration:** By mail ONLY to PEP Center, P.O. Box 4027, Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274. Fill out the Class Registration Form and Emergency Form and enclose a check for \$385.00 made payable to PEP. Tuition assistance is available only to those students who qualify for the State's CalWorks Supplemental Funding. Include your CalWorks number on the application for verification of eligibility. To receive confirmation that your application has been received, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- Summer School class assignments will be made on a first-come, first-served basis.** Late registration will be accepted after June 1, but many classes will be closed by that date. It is important that students register NOW for the classes of their choice. PEP reserves the right to reassign teachers and to add teachers when necessary. Classes with insufficient enrollment will be cancelled, and students placed in alternate choices. A processing fee of \$25.00 will be charged on all withdrawals before June 1. NO REFUNDS will be made after June 1, 2009. **Be certain of your choices. No changes will be made after Summer School begins.**
- Recommendations:** Recommendation Form required for advanced math students is located on the reverse side of the Registration Form.
- Class Schedules:** **Schedule of each student's classes will be distributed the first day of Summer School at 8:00 a.m. outside of the Attendance Office at Miraleste and in the Ridgecrest Multipurpose Room (MPR).** NO CLASS SCHEDULES WILL BE GIVEN BY TELEPHONE. If PEP is unable to assign 4 of the 6 choices you have selected, you will be called for additional choices before Summer School begins.
- Evaluation:** Each student will receive evaluations of progress and achievement in academic classes at the end of Summer School.
- Attendance:** A record of daily attendance will be kept for each student. **Students must bring a note from parent or guardian to be readmitted to school following an absence or tardiness.** If a student plans to be absent more than three consecutive days, please note on Registration Form. Students starting after June 22 may not enroll in Chemlab, Biolab, Marine Biology, or Woodshop.
- Early Check-out:** Students should bring a note to the teacher for early dismissal and arrange to meet parent in the school office to be checked-out.
- Visitors:** Because of space and insurance constraints, students may not bring visitors to class.
- Behavior:** If a problem persists, and the teacher has exhausted all available corrective measures, including contacting the parents, the student will be dismissed with no refund.
- Appearance:** Students are to be appropriately dressed. Shoes must be worn at all times.
- Questions??:** website: www.pepschool.org; or telephone: (310) 373-2191
- School Addresses:** Miraleste Intermediate School: 29323 Palos Verdes Drive East, Rancho Palos Verdes
Ridgecrest Intermediate School: 28915 Northbay Road, Rancho Palos Verdes
- Web Site:** www.pepschool.org
- After-School Program:** Interested in supervised after summer school care at Ridgecrest? Check out Teen Scene at www.pvpusd.k12.ca.us/pvkids

MASTERING MATH

Miraleste:

Mr. Godbold

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Hockensmith

This class is designed to help strengthen the basic math skills of incoming 6th graders before beginning intermediate school math. Class includes fundamentals, computational skills, basic operations with whole numbers, fractions, and decimals.

MATH 6

Miraleste:

Mrs. Steinbach

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Hockensmith

For students coded for regular Math 6 in the fall and 7th and 8th grade students needing additional support in these topics: Rational numbers (fractions, decimals), percents, and number theory. If time permits, integers will be covered. In addition, there will also be math puzzles.

MATH 7

Miraleste:

Mr. Godbold

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Starodub

For students coded into Math 6 Accelerated, regular Math 7, and 8th grade students needing additional support in these topics: Variables and expressions, order of operations, application of integers, graphing on the coordinate plane, rules of divisibility, and exponents. There will be puzzles, number patterns, and mathematical "short cuts." (Entering 6th graders must have a recommendation from their current math teacher. See back of Registration Form.)

MATH 8

Miraleste:

Mrs. Steinbach

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Mairs

For students coded into Math 7 Accelerated, Algebra 1 or Algebra 1A. This course covers material needed for success in an Algebra course, including: problem solving, simplifying radical expressions, functions, graphing equations in two variables, application of percents, exponents, solving equations, and graphing inequalities. There will be puzzles, number patterns, and logic problems. (All 6th and 7th grade students must have a recommendation from their current math teacher. See back of Registration Form.)

MATH WHIZ

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. Thom

For students who have completed Math 7 Accelerated during the school year, this course is designed to combine a study of some topics regularly taught in an algebra course such as polynomials, factoring, systems of equations, simplifying radical expressions, sequences, and problem solving. Students will test their wits on a variety of brain teasers, puzzles, logic puzzles, and number tricks and explore some of the skills needed in math competitions. (All students must have a recommendation from their current math teacher. See back of Registration Form.)

READING PREP

Miraleste:

Mrs. King

Ridgecrest:

Mr. Kohler

This class is designed for incoming 6th graders who need extra help in their reading skills before entering intermediate school. Emphasis will be placed on improving vocabulary and comprehension while reading material of interest to young people.

READING POWER

Miraleste:

Mrs. King

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Simoncini

An introduction to effective reading skills for academic success in intermediate school, high school and beyond. Lessons will include practical experience using textbook selections to identify main ideas (stated and unstated), plot, multiple meanings, context clues, inferences, vocabulary (prefixes and suffixes), etc. Readings include selections from social studies, literature, science and math (word problems) texts. (For advanced readers only; students should be reading above grade level.)

JUNIOR GREAT BOOKS

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. Levy

Increase your reading comprehension skills and learn how to develop a sense of language while you explore your curiosity about reading through the Junior Great Books series. Solve genuine problems of meaning. Learn how to discuss and interpret selections and grow in your ability to read and enjoy challenging literature. (Students should be reading at or above grade level.)

WRITING SKILLS

Miraleste:

Mrs. King

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Simoncini

Practice writing paragraphs using good grammar, punctuation, and spelling. Learn how to use the topic sentence, supporting statements and summary in writing effectively. Develop the kind of writing skills needed for intermediate school papers and projects. (For 6th graders only)

WRITING WORKSHOP

Miraleste:

Miss Keller

Ridgecrest:

Mr. White

This course is designed for 7th and 8th graders. Learn the basic organization of a 3-5 paragraph essay, effective use of transitions, thesis statements, and supporting sentences. Improve your vocabulary and use of descriptive adjectives. Develop your creative writing skills -- poetry, essay, journal writing, etc. Prepare a book of your best work. (For 7th & 8th graders only.)

CREATIVE WRITING

Miraleste:

Miss Keller

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. O'Neill

This is the class for all you aspiring authors. Create short stories, poems, the first chapter of your novel, and much more. Respond to a variety of prompts designed to stimulate creative ideas and innovative thinking.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

Miraleste:

Miss Keller

Ridgecrest:

Mr. Bell

Make your own personality work for you as you learn to give impromptu and prepared speeches to the class. Learn the effective use of voice, action, image and language in public speaking. Face an audience or camera with confidence and control, and make the most of your own natural speaking style. Have fun without fear!

WORD WIZARDS

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. O'Neill

You can become a wizard with words! Improve your word power and word usage through mazes, word puzzles, spelling bees, mysteries, and poetry. Learn the parts of speech, the building blocks of verbal and written communication.

BEGINNING SPANISH

Miraleste:

Ms. Laughlin

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Scott

Join in the fun of learning to speak, read, and write a new language. Develop basic vocabulary in Spanish. Very helpful for students who plan to study Spanish in the future.

BEGINNING CHINESE

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. Ou

Have fun beginning to learn to understand and speak Mandarin Chinese. You will be taught by an experienced language teacher from the South Bay Chinese School, who has partnered with the PVPUSD in the FLAP program at Lunada Bay, Pt. Vicente, Palos Verdes Intermediate, and Palos Verdes High schools. You will also learn to recognize some basic simplified Chinese characters.

CHINESE BRUSH PAINTING/CALLIGRAPHY

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. Ou

Learn the basics of the beautiful ancient art of Chinese brush painting. Using a special brush, create each character with a series of single brush strokes. You may keep your brush to continue practicing after the end of summer school.

HISTORY THROUGH FILM

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mr. Kohler

Participate in a fascinating approach to learning about the history of our country. View recent and classic Hollywood films depicting actual historical events and join in classroom discussions to evaluate the significance and the accuracy of the films. Topics will include the discovery of America, the writing of the Declaration of Independence, the life of George Washington, the Battle of Gettysburg, and the Wright brothers.

CSI SCIENCE

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Miss Zotter

Everybody loves a mystery. Learn to solve "crimes" while practicing important scientific concepts, methods, and techniques. Assume the role of a crime lab chemist by carefully observing, thinking critically, and conducting forensic lab tests on evidence.

FANTASY BASEBALL

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Miss Zotter

Examine the way everyday math concepts such as addition, subtraction, fractions, decimals, percents, etc. apply to baseball and the real world. Learn how batting averages and player statistics are computed by playing a variety of games. Have fun using actual baseball cards to create your own team and compete against other teams in the class. (This class is intended for students who have a solid understanding of basic math facts.)

CHEMLAB

Miraleste:

Mr. Colburn

Ridgecrest:

Mr. Oschman

Explore the world of chemistry through extensive laboratory experimentation. Study acid-based chemistry and molecular composition and decomposition. Savor the chemistry of candy making, turn pennies into "gold," and experience the "magic" of polymerization. Extensive lab experience for the young scientist.

PHYSICS PFUN

Miraleste:

Mr. Colburn

Ridgecrest:

Ms. McDonald

Explore physics through hands-on applications of mechanics, electricity, magnetism and optics. Try your hand at experiments and projects such as water rockets, penny launchers, simple circuits, microscopes/telescopes and a "mouse trap mobile".

BIOLAB

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Miss Fisher

Have you ever looked inside an animal? Enter a scientific laboratory to learn about the anatomy of animals. Under a microscope, see the magic world of creatures too small to be seen by the human eye. Dissect a variety of specimens.

MARINE BIOLOGY

Miraleste:

Ms. Borstel

Ridgecrest:

Miss Fisher

An introduction to the study of marine science. Acquire an appreciation and knowledge of the ocean and its inhabitants from invertebrates to the great whales. Class includes the use of microscopes and dissection of marine life.

KEYBOARDING

Miraleste:

Mr. Woodward

Ridgecrest:

Mr. Wells

Learn to type accurately on the computer with proper finger positions, without looking at the keyboard. Using the Gregg system, you will be introduced to all the letters and numbers in addition to various drills to increase your speed.

COMPUTER GRAPHICS

Miraleste *ONLY*:

Mr. Woodward

Use PowerPoint, Photoshop, Paint, Publisher, and Excel Artwork to create character animations, product label designs, and art tessellations. Design your own book cover, travel brochure, picture alterations, and more.

CHEF'S CORNER

Miraleste *ONLY*:

Mrs. Califano

Discover the fun of being a chef. Prepare everything from fancy hors d'oeuvres to luscious desserts. Make such things as pasta, pizza, tostadas, and more.

CERAMICS

Miraleste:

Mr. Guerrero

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Goza

A complete course in designing, forming, decorating, and glazing pottery. Learn basic hand building techniques including pinch, slab (tile making), and sculpture.

JEWELRY CREATIONS

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Miss Madison

Make bracelets, necklaces, earrings, and pins using beads, glass, clay, fabric and more. Learn special techniques to create one-of-a-kind pieces including fabric embellished bracelets and necklaces.

DRAWING AND PAINTING

Miraleste:

Mr. Guerrero

Ridgecrest:

Miss Madison

Would you like to be able to put what you see on paper? Learn the basics of pen and ink drawing, sketching, and perspective. Water color, tempura painting, charcoal, pastel, and collage will be included.

WEB PAGE DESIGN

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mr. Wells

Discover how to safely navigate cyberspace using some general graphic design concepts, basic HTML, and Netscape Composer, and learn how to design web pages. Our research-based web pages will include backgrounds, bullets, lines, hyperlinks, tables, images, animations, and more.

WOODSHOP

Miraleste *ONLY*:

Mr. Nimick

An introduction to woodworking. Learn the care and use of hand tools and various power machines. Create fine projects for your family and friends.

BUILD-A-SKATEBOARD

Miraleste *ONLY*:

Mr. Nimick

(For incoming 7th & 8th grade students who have taken woodshop at Miraleste in school or summer school.) Design, draw, cut templates, and shape two different skateboards. Learn proper tool usage, drafting and designing skills in addition to the techniques necessary to cut, shape, and drill a skateboard. You will be supplied with two rough blanks that can be turned into prized boards: a long board of Russian birch and a short board of prebent maple. Hardware not provided. Parent's permission is required for this class. Skateboarding practice (not allowed on campus) will not be included in this class.

HOW TO SUCCEED IN SCHOOL

For incoming 6th grade students ONLY!

Miraleste:

Ms. Laughlin

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Levy

Learn the skills necessary for success in school. Learn how to determine what is important to study, how to plan your time, and how to design a suitable environment for study at home. Participate in activities designed to help reduce anxiety and increase your speed while maintaining accuracy during tests. Note-taking, outlining, library and resource material usage will be included.

DRAMA FESTIVAL

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mr. Bell

Explore many aspects of drama, monologues, mime, scenes, and story theater. Receive some commercial training and practice. Develop your abilities in creative dramatics through improvisation, movement and characterization.

CHEER

Ridgecrest *ONLY*:

Mrs. Hockensmith

Learn a beginning cheer. Practice jumps and stunts with instruction from a former cheer coach. Have fun while learning proper cheer styles and movements.

SPORTS-A-FIELD

Miraleste:

Ms. Borstel

Ridgecrest:

Mrs. Toombs

Would you like to have fun while improving your skills in basketball, volleyball, soccer, baseball, flag football and other sports? Emphasis will be placed on improving the basics, but watch your skills (and enjoyment of team sports) soar!

**For Further Information
Call PEP At
(310) 373-2191**

or

**check the Web Site
www.pepschool.org**

For the answers to frequently asked questions

Do Not Call the Schools!

**Miraleste & Ridgecrest Intermediate Schools
at
June 22 - July 17, 2009**

**Intermediate Summer School Program
2009**

**P.E.P.
P.O. Box 4027
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274**

**FIRST-CLASS MAIL
U.S. POSTAGE
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Permit No. 201**

2009 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Student _____ Home Phone _____
LAST FIRST

Current School _____ Current Grade _____

School FALL 2009 _____ Grade FALL 2009 _____

<div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> MIRALESTE Standard Program SELECT <u>6</u> CLASSES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ ALTERNATE CLASSES 5. _____ 6. _____ </div>	<div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> RIDGECREST Standard Program SELECT <u>6</u> CLASSES IN ORDER OF PREFERENCE 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____ 4. _____ ALTERNATE CLASSES 5. _____ 6. _____ </div>	<p style="text-align: center;">APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED UNLESS 6 CHOICES ARE LISTED</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Please check class descriptions to be certain the classes you select are available at the Summer School you plan to attend</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>IMPORTANT:</u> CHECK REVERSE SIDE TO BE SURE YOU HAVE REQUIRED RECOMMENDATION(S)</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">For Further Information</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Check PEP's Web Site at</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.pepschool.org</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Standard Program Classes are all one hour in length.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">List 4 selected classes (in order of preference) and 2 alternate classes a total of 6 classes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Not all classes are offered at each Summer School</p>	<div style="text-align: center;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Please check box if there is any medical condition, learning disability, behavioral difficulty or other special need (for example, Attention Deficit Disorder, epilepsy, bee sting allergy) of which Summer School should be aware. If so, please attach description. </div>

Enclose \$385.00 check payable to PEP. Mail to: PEP Center, P.O. Box 4027, Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274. **For confirmation of receipt of application, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.** Class schedules will be distributed the first day of Summer School.

MAIL NOW: CLASSES ARE ASSIGNED IN ORDER OF RECEIPT OF SUMMER SCHOOL APPLICATIONS.

PROCESSING FEE OF \$25 CHARGED ON ALL WITHDRAWALS BEFORE JUNE 1. NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 1, 2009

COMPLETE EMERGENCY FORM ON REVERSE SIDE.
 COMPLETE RECOMMENDATION FORM (IF REQUIRED) ON REVERSE SIDE.

2009 INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION EMERGENCY FORM

Name of Student _____ Home Phone _____
LAST FIRST

Address _____
STREET CITY ZIP CODE

Father's Name _____ Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

Mother's Name _____ Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____

In the event that I cannot be reached, I hereby give my consent for the physician, dentist, and/or hospital designated below to provide emergency care for my child should serious illness or accident occur at school.

Local Physician _____ Phone _____

Office Address _____

Local Dentist _____ Phone _____

Office Address _____

Local Hospital _____ Phone _____

Office Address _____

Neighbor or friend (if parent cannot be reached)

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian: _____

COMPLETE CLASS REGISTRATION FORM ON REVERSE SIDE

RECOMMENDATION FORM

I recommend _____ for the following Summer Session Course(s):



Math 7

(Signature required only for entering 6th grade students to validate coding into Math 6 Accelerated in the fall.)



Math 8

(Signature required for 6th or 7th grade students to validate coding for Math 7 Accelerated in the fall.)



Math Whiz

(Signature required for all students to validate completion of Math 7 Accelerated.)

Current Math Teacher
(please sign and initial appropriate box above)