

# Course Descriptions for Bethpage

## Elementary Summer Program

### **Arts and Crafts: Entering Kindergarten; Grades 1-2; Grades 3-4**

Using various crafting materials, students will explore creative outlets in making wonderful and colorful projects for themselves and their home. A wide variety of crafting materials will encourage creativity and skill in using the supplies

### **Computer Technology for Kids! Entering Grades 3-4; Grade 5-6**

This course is designed to expose students to various tools and programs used to publish materials on the computer. It will introduce word processing, computer drawing, as well as other computer applications.

### **Italian is Fun! Entering Grades 2-3; Grades 4-5**

Learning a second language early helps improve English skills by reinforcing structure, memory, sound discrimination and listening skills. Language learning will be strengthened through conversation, song, and play!

### **Math Challenges: Entering Grades 3-4; 5-6**

This program is designed for the student who is strong in math and would like to build upon their skills. It is structured around the use of engaging and real-life problem solving strategies and cooperative learning. An interactive learning environment will be created using math manipulatives, more complex math games and a variety of other innovative activities.

### **Math Fun: Entering Grades 1-2**

An interactive learning environment will be created using math manipulatives, math games, and a variety of other activities which will foster the enjoyment of learning the concept of simple mathematics.

### **Musical Theater: Entering Grades 1-2**

This program will help children begin to appreciate all types of music as well as proper methods for chorale singing. It will also help provide them with an outlet to perform in front of an audience.

### **Musical Theater: Entering Grades 3-4**

This program is designed to offer students an opportunity to develop the skills needed to perform, bolster their self-confidence, and share the joy of performing with others on stage. Activities include theater games, singing and simple dance routines. A performance at the end of the program will be planned to add motivation, joy and a sense of achievement.

### **Musical Theater: Entering Grades 5-7**

This program for older students will emphasize theater games and exercises, monologues, character development, self-expression, scene work and play analysis.

### **Physical Education: Entering Kindergarten; Grades 1-2; Grades 3-4; Grades 5-7**

Exciting physical activities as well as organized games and tournaments will stress the importance of sharpening motor skills, sportsmanship, and cooperation. A fun time will be had by all students choosing to become physically fit this summer.

### **Scientific Wonders: Entering Grades 5-6**

The philosophy for this program is "learning by doing." Students will be guided through a series of real-life engaging activities. Students will research, probe, problem solve, and develop a positive understanding of science and the world around them. Scientific teams will be engaged in "hands-on" experiences which clearly stress scientific skills and content to identify and solve science related problems.

### **Scientific Discoveries: Entering Grades 1-2**

This course is designed give students an introduction science in nature. They will learn about plants, animals, weather and the world around them. The students will read stories, watch videos, participate in some basic experimentation and create projects pertaining to the science they are studying.

### **Spanish is Fun! Entering Grades 2-3; Grades 4-5**

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### **Where in the World: Entering Grades 6-7**

Students will learn about various cultures from around the world. They will sharpen their geography skills while learning about the languages, food, music, art and history of other countries.

### **Wordplay: Entering Grades 2-4**

Wordplay uses a variety of fun vocabulary building games such as Scrabble, Jr. and Boggle to help students increase their language arts skills.

### **Preparation Skills Classes: Entering Kindergarten through Grade 7**

Register for these classes only if you child has been recommended by their elementary school principal. These remedial classes help students build both their content knowledge and academic skills, while preparing them to successfully challenge State Education Department assessments.