

# Matthews Enrichment Schedule 2019-2020

## Mondays

### American Sign Language Level 1 (ASL) as a Foreign Language- Terry Moore

- Ages: 12-19
- Time: Mondays, 10:15-11:00 AM
- Date: September 9, 2019- April 27, 2020
- Cost: \$400.00

This full year beginner level ASL is designed as a foreign language course. All curriculum used in class is approved by the deaf community and is used in various colleges to teach ASL. The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises. They will be creating ASL sentences and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the deaf culture. They will learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the deaf community uses what you'll learn here. There will be homework every week and quizzes on what they have learned. All materials will be provided.

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### American Sign Language (ASL) as a Foreign Language- Level 3 - Terry Moore

Ages: 12-19

Time: Mondays 11:15-12:00 PM

Date: September 09, 2019- April 27, 2020

Cost: \$400.00 year

This full year class is designed as a foreign language course. It is for returning Level 2 students or those that have taken ASL in the past. All curriculum used in class is approved by the deaf community and is used in various colleges to teach ASL. The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new

signs every week with classroom exercises. They will be creating ASL sentences and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the deaf culture. They will learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the deaf community uses what you'll learn here.

There will be homework every week and quizzes on what they have learned. All materials will be provided.

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### **Intermediate Writing, Level II- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 8th - 12th (honors options)
- Times: Monday, 12:30- 1:30 PM
- Orientation - August 12, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates- Mondays, August 12, 2018- May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$540 per year for first child, \$477 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$55. Sibling discount available.

This class focuses on style techniques and the rudiments for writing various types of essays; such as expository, analytical and persuasive as well as incorporating research in MLA format. Assignments will range from 5 paragraphs to 2 to 3 page papers. Five paragraph essays are begun within the first few lessons, to eventually focus on parallel writing and timed writing activities. Students will develop more indepth writing techniques that will include several types of persuasive / argumentative writing assignments. Projects include a research paper, critical analysis and "Advertising in Truth" unit. This class also allows for a creative writing unit and an introduction to writing about and studying literature in depth using John Steinbeck's, The Pearl. An honors option is available for this class.

- Class Topics
- Descriptive & Narrative Essays
- Concrete language & Sensory Details
- Review Sentence Varieties
- Grammar Review
- Writing with clarity & good word usage
- Short Expository Research Paper
- Analytical essays (Compare & Contrast and Definition Essay)
- Vocabulary for literary units
- Opinion and persuasive essays
- Writing Editorials and Critical Reviews

- Writing with parallelism
- "Advertising in Truth" - Understanding persuasive propaganda from the media
- In Depth Literature Study of *The Pearl* by John Steinbeck

High School Credit : 1 credit (180 hours) Some schools may require 2 to 3 other literary studies.

Prerequisites: Intermediate Writing-Level I or a readiness to writing 5 paragraph + essays; a basic understanding of grammar, sentence structure, or prior writing experience through a love of writing or a prior writing curriculum.

Required Texts: WriteShop II (second half) (can be ordered from teacher), Writer's Inc., The Blue Book of Grammar - 11th ed., Synonym Finder; Collegiate Dictionary / Thesaurus, The Pearl by John Steinbeck for our literary unit.

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### **WriteShop© Jr. F- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 5th to 6th / 7th grader /reluctant 8th grader
- Time: Monday, 1:40 pm to 2:30 pm
- Orientation – August 12, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates: Mondays, August 12, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$500.00 per year for first child, \$441.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class or monthly payment of \$50.00. Sibling discount available.
- Writing = Fun in WriteShop© Jr. F

This class teaches students to write and publish fiction, non-fiction and poetry using a variety of games, graphic organizers, self-editing tools and arts & crafts. These hands-on classes will provide consistent instructions to unlock the budding writer and make writing an activity your students will ask for. Students will learn to plan, create, research, self- evaluate and publish their writing projects in a variety of forms, such as a booklet, matted copy with borders, lap book, flip book, accordion book, display board, and many

other forms. In addition to writing narratives in several genres, students will read and summarize a short story, write a literary response on a grade appropriate novel, write a personal story, create a book of poems, and research, write and present a report. Each 2 to 3 - week lesson will include grammar, journaling, and specific requirements for the lesson genre. Whether you have a more advanced child or one who is just learning the writing process, this flexible program will allow your child to work at their level and succeed. Student assignments are not graded at this level; instead, encouraging comment are made to encourage creativity and foster a love for writing. Each WriteShop Jr. class is independent of each other; there is no prerequisite.

- Lesson 1: Writing an Adventure Story (Using Concrete Writing to Add Realistic Story Details)
- Grammar: Parts of Speech & Parts of Sentences Review
- Lesson 2: Writing a Tall Tale (Using Figures of Speech to Create Unique Characters)
- Grammar: Figures of Speech (Simile, Idiom, Metaphor, Personification, Cliché)
- Lesson 3: Writing a Mystery Story (Using Descriptive Words to Add Interest to a Mystery)
- Grammar: Writing a Journal
- Lesson 4: Writing a Historical Fiction Story (Narrowing Topics)
- Grammar: Writing from various POV'S 1st, 2nd, 3rd, Ltd. Omniscient, 3rd POV Ltd. Omni.
- Lesson 5: Limericks (Poetry Unit - Using Rhyme and Meter)
- Grammar: Poetry Devices
- Lesson 6: Writing a Persuasive Letter (Using Strong Voice to Convince Readers)
- Grammar: Contractions and Confusing Words
- Lesson 7: Writing a Personal Narrative (Adding Sensory Details to a 5 Paragraph Story)
- Grammar: Writing 5 paragraphs
- Lesson 8: Writing a Story Summary (Summarizing the Main Idea and Supporting Details of a Short Story in 5 Paragraphs)
- Grammar: Using Apostrophes
- Lesson 9: Responding to Literature (Investigating Literature and Responding with Opinions)
- Grammar: Ways to Respond to Literature: Genre, Characters Plot, Comparisons
- Lesson 10: Writing and Presenting a Non-fiction Researched Report with basic MLA format on a National or World Monument
- Grammar: Using Commas

Required Texts: WriteShop Jr. Book F (part of group book order); Various Handouts; Grade Appropriate Dictionary and Thesaurus

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### **Study Skills for Middle and High School- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: 7 to 12
- Time: Monday, 2:40 pm - 3:40 pm
- Orientation – August 26, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates: Mondays, August 26, 2019- April 6, 2020
- Cost: \$375.00 per year for first child, \$350.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class monthly payment of \$55.00. Sibling discount available.

A student's success in education and life is influenced by his or her effective implementation of study skills. Learn to study smarter and not harder! In this self-discovery class, students learn to take responsibility for their learning and become excited about the vast potential available when they implement their unique learning styles and dominances that God has given each of them. Students excel and stay or become motivated when they have the right tools and techniques. Through an assessment process where students answer questionnaires / assessments on various topics (such as: learning styles, brain dominance, dominant intelligences, listening, critical reading and several more) to acquire a realistic picture of who they are, how they learn, and what they need to do to improve or maintain study habits for success, students will learn how to effectively acquire, understand, and comprehend information so they can "study smarter and not harder." This class will also address self- motivation, overcoming procrastination, using the precious gift of "time" wisely, note taking, concentration & memory methods and strategies to improve test taking skills (including those for the SAT & ACT – even 7th graders can begin preparing for these).

- Focused Topics of Study
- How to implement learning style and multiple intelligence bents for success in life
- Setting and tracking goals
- Establishing priorities
- Managing time
- Work through perfectionism
- Organization skills
- Procrastination
- Memorization

- Speaking and listening skills
- Reading and understanding texts
- Note taking
- How to study for tests

Texts: Study Power: Study Skills to Improve Your Learning text and workbook (or other text ordered by teacher); teacher handouts; Middle School or High School Planner ordered from teacher (for class unity and assignments).

High School Credit: 1 English Elective Credit

Prerequisites: a good understanding of writing principles necessary for writing self - assessment essays.

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### **Advanced Writing- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 9th to 12th Grade (honors option)
- Time: Monday, 3:50 pm - 4:50 pm
- Orientation – August 12, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates: Mondays, August 12, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$564.00 per year for first child, \$498.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$58.00. Sibling discount available.

This high school level course is designed to equip students with the skills, techniques, and confidence to write a variety of expository and persuasive essays to ensure competency for college level writing. The text for this class, *The Power in Your Hands: Writing Nonfiction in High School*, 2nd ed. by Sharon Watson is a fantastic book that features a variety of essay assignments for the beginner, intermediate and advanced high school level writer. The Advance Writing class is appropriate for the intermediate and advance (honors) level high school writer who has had a solid year or background in writing five paragraph minimum essays and is ready to write more in-depth papers of

350 to 1000+ (honors up to 2500+) word minimum papers. Each lesson offers specific step by step directions which go beyond surface formatting and stylistic techniques. Although these are important and will be required, this class will address essay clarity, unity, cohesiveness, logic and appeals as well as ask students purposeful questions so they can write with more depth and critical thinking. MLA style and research methods will be included in each assignment. The text includes sample paragraphs and papers from students and published literature as examples for modeling and analyzing. Students will also read essays, speeches and articles as source documents for assignments. Robust feedback is offered to help students grow in their critical thinking and writing skills as well as stylistic techniques. The class also includes a weekly study of rhetorical devices for students to identify and employ in their writing assignments. Rhetorical and literary analysis are also included this class to help students prepare for the SAT writing format. An honors component is available. This full high school English class is designed to cover 180 hours of work. There are sufficient assignments for 4 more hours of daily class work (one hours per day) plus homework (as students in traditional high school) per week.

- Essay / Topics:
- Opinion Essay
- Persuasive Essays
- Cause & Effect Essay
- Logical Paper
- Moral / Ethical Paper
- Emotional Appeal
- Process/Problem-Solution
- Position Paper
- Biography Project
- Personal Testimony Essay
- College Admission Essay
- Descriptive Essay
- Rhetorical Analysis of Speeches

Required Texts: The Power in Your Hands: Writing Nonfiction in High School 2nd ed. by Sharon Watson, Elements of Style by Strunk and White (can be ordered from teacher); The Synonym Finder by J.I. Rodale and The Writer's Toolbox: Using Rhetorical Devices to Improve Communication by Patricia Samuelsen (can be ordered from teacher; Optional Reference Suggestions: Writer's Inc. (9th & 10th grade) and Write for College (11th & 12th grade)

Prerequisites: Solid understanding of essay writing and basic understanding of high school level grammar.

High School Credit: 1 English Credit (180 hrs.) / Honors Component Available

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## **Tuesdays**

### **Saxon Algebra 1 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 10:15- 11:15 AM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

Are you tired of the constant daily battle when it comes to math time? Do you cringe when you hear the sighs coming from your child when you mention math? Are you at your wits end trying to scramble to find a way to explain those math concepts that you haven't touched in over 20 years? Then this class is what you have been searching for!! This class takes some of the drudgery out of math that is so common among our children. Your child will find math more enjoyable in a subject that for many is quite frankly unpleasant! When your child successfully completes this course, they will have the necessary foundation for some day approaching much higher math courses. This is a course that involves the mastery of various math concepts including operations with real numbers, solving equations and inequalities, polynomials, exponential operations, factoring, functions, systems of equations and inequalities, linear equations, and quadratic equations.

Textbook: Saxon Algebra 1, 3rd Ed./ Saxon Algebra 1 Test Book, 3rd Ed.

Supplies: 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils



**For more information or to register please contact Shawn Hill by email at [s\\_shill@msn.com](mailto:s_shill@msn.com) or call 704-607-9092.**

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### **Saxon Advanced Mathematics (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 11:25- 12:35 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

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Textbook: Saxon Advanced Mathematics, 2nd Edition/ Saxon Advanced Math Test Book, 2nd Edition

Supplies: Scientific Calculator 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils

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### **Saxon Algebra 2 (twice a week)- Shawn Hill**

- Time: 12:45- 1:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020

- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

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Textbook: Saxon Algebra 2, 3rd Edition/ Saxon Algebra 2 Test Book 3rd Ed.

Supplies: Scientific Calculator 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils.

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### **Pre-Algebra or Algebra 1/2 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 2:00- 2:50 PM Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Dates: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

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one and two step algebraic equations. When your child successfully completes this course, they will have the necessary foundation for approaching Algebra 1.

Textbook: Saxon Algebra 1/2, 3rd Ed./ Saxon Algebra 1/2 Test Book 3rd Ed.

Supplies: 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils

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### **American Sign Language (ASL) as a Foreign Language- Level 2- Terry Moore**

Ages: 12-19

Time: Tuesday, 3:10- 3:55 PM

Date: September 09, 2019- April 27, 2020

Cost: \$400.00 year

This full year class is designed as a foreign language course. It is for returning Level 2 students or those that have taken ASL in the past. All curriculum used in class is approved by the deaf community and is used in various colleges to teach ASL. The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises. They will be creating ASL sentences and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the deaf culture. They will learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the deaf community uses what you'll learn here.

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### **American Sign Language Level 1 (ASL) as a Foreign Language- Terry Moore**

- Ages: 12-19

- Time: Tuesday, 4:05- 4:50 PM

- Date: September 9, 2019- April 27, 2020

- Cost: \$400.00

This full year beginner level ASL is designed as a foreign language course. All curriculum used in class is approved by the deaf community and is used in various colleges to teach ASL. The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises. They will be creating ASL sentences and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the deaf culture. They will learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the deaf community uses what you'll learn here. There will be homework every week and quizzes on what they have learned. All materials will be provided.

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## Wednesdays

### **American Literature and Composition I (1500-1860)- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 8th to 12th Grade (honors option)
- Time: 10:15- 11:15 AM
- Orientation – August 21, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates: Wednesdays, August 21, 2019 -May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$564.00 per year for first child, \$498.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class or monthly payment of \$58.00. Sibling discount available.

This class includes an overview of literary periods (from 1500 to 1860), literature of various modes includes: historical accounts and documents, poems, letters, speeches, short stories, novel excerpts and three full novels (**The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin, The Scarlet Letter, The Narrative of a Slave, Frederick Douglass**) – It also includes extensive vocabulary, critical reading, critical analysis, critical thinking, writing (including a literary research paper with annotated bibliography), and style and grammar handouts as well as on-line grammar programs. In addition to learning to write various types of essays and papers, students will have projects, write and give several speeches and presentations (including commercials and a trailer for a “Survivor” episode based on an essay). We will also view snippets of relevant videos. Honor students will be required to include more elements in many of their assignments well as complete honors only assignments occasionally.

This class which utilizes **Read with the Best of American Literature Volume I** curriculum, establishes itself different from other curriculums by the following:

- 1) It uses a college text book **The Norton Anthology of American Literature** as its reading text to not only prepare students for college but also to equip them to take two AP exams or CLEP exams and exempt freshman English in college. It was written using the AP and CLEP reviews as guides.
- 2) It teaches hundreds of SAT/ACT vocabulary words and literary terms now found on the critical reading portions of these tests.
- 3) It exposes students to American literature authors and the historical time-periods they lived in.
- 4) It includes hands-on activities that appeal to all learning styles and other activities that bring the passages to life for these high school students.
- 5) It includes mainly whole books and whole works instead of a lot of small excerpts.
- 6) It uses literature that teaches, inspires and encourages the students to make critical and moral judgments.
- 7) Students learn 76 different literary terms necessary for literary analysis and critical interpretation for various forms of essays.
- 8) It was written by a high school English and literature teacher of 30 years and a home school mother of 20 years.

This full high school English class is designed to cover 180 hours of work. There are sufficient assignments for 4 more hours of daily class work (one hour per day) plus homework (as students in traditional high school) per week.

Prerequisites: A good understanding of high school writing principles for various types of essays (i.e. persuasive, compare/contrast, expository, etc.) and readiness to analyze literature

High School Credit: 1 English Credit

Required Texts: Read with the Best: American Literature, Volume I – 1500-1860; The Norton Anthology of American Literature Volumes A & B; Writer's Inc (optional reference text) - Elements of Style by Strunk and White, and novels for class as listed above.

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### **WriteShop Jr. Book E - Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: 5th- 6th (reluctant 7th grader)
- Time: Wednesday, 11:25 AM - 12:15 PM
- Orientation - August 21, 2019
- Class Dates- August 21, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Tuition Cost: \$492 per year for first child, \$434 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$49. Sibling discount available.

This class teaches students to write and publish fiction, non-fiction and poetry using a variety of games, graphic organizers, self-editing tools and arts & crafts. This hands-on class will provide consistent instructions to unlock the budding writer and make writing an activity your students will ask for. Students will learn to plan, create, self- evaluate and publish their writing projects in a variety of forms, such as a booklet, matted copy with borders, lap book, flip book, display board, and many other forms. Each 2 to 3 week lesson will include grammar, journaling, and specific requirements for the lesson genre. Whether you have a more advanced child or one who is just learning the writing process, this flexible program will allow your child to work at their level and succeed.

#### **Class Topics**

- **Lesson 1** : (Writing a Fable); **Grammar**: Sentences
- **Lesson 2** :Humor; **Grammar** : Kinds of Sentences
- **Lesson 3** : Adventure; **Grammar** : Compound Sentences
- **Lesson 4** : Science Fiction; **Grammar** : Compound Words
- Lesson 5: Mystery; Grammar: Dialogue
- **Lesson 6**: Concrete Poetry **Grammar**: Homophones & Homographs
- **Lesson 7**: Personal Narrative (intro to 5 paragraphs) **Grammar**: Five Paragraphs
- **Lesson 8** : Book Summary (5 pgph); **Grammar**: Prefixes/Suffixes
- **Lesson 9**: Book Report (5 pgph); **Grammar**: Parts of Speech Review
- **Lesson 10**: Expository Report (5 pgh); **Grammar**: Synonyms

Prerequisites: Basic understanding of elementary grammar and sentence structure.

Required Texts: WriteShop Jr. Book E (Skill Builder Worksheet and Grammar Guide Pack)(can be ordered from teacher); Various Handouts; Dictionary and Thesaurus

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### **Introduction to Writing - Writeshop I- Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 6th- 9th Grade
- Times: Wednesday, 12:25- 1:25 PM
- Date: Orientation- August 21, 2019
- Class Dates- Wednesdays, August 21, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$ 516 per year for first child, \$465 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$52. Sibling discount available.

This incremental, non-threatening approach to writing enables students to successfully enhance their writing skills by learning to write and edit compositions from various genres through engaging assignments. We will focus on mastering the fundamental building blocks of writing using hands on techniques, games, and a variety of activities. Students learn to write concise and explicit descriptive, informative, and narrative essays as well as expository reports. Each lesson includes a Skill Builder activity for students to practice new grammatical and stylistics skills that are incorporated in each lesson. A self-editing and proofreading checklist is included with each lesson to help students focus on lesson requirements, skills learned, content, composition, and mechanics. We will generally spend 2 weeks on each lesson except for our two (2) major projects; a 5 to 6 week Journalism unit where the students work in groups to create and produce an historical newspaper and a 6 week research report unit where students will research an animal, write an MLA style report and present it in class. All assignments are evaluated and graded.

#### Class Topics

- Descriptive Compositions
- Concrete language
- Sensory Details
- Skill Practice with "Skill Builders" for each Lesson
- Sentence Varieties
- Short Research Report (animal)
- Biographical Report
- Outlining
- Journalism (Historical Newspaper Unit)
- Narrative Compositions
- Point of View Compositions

Prerequisites: Basic understanding of grammar and sentence structure.

Required Texts: WriteShop I (can be ordered from teacher), Write Source 2000, Dictionary and Thesaurus

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### **Intermediate Writing, Level 1 - Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 7th- 10th
- Times: Wednesday, 1:55- 2:55 PM
- Orientation - August 21, 2019 (regular class time)
- Class Dates- Wednesdays, August 21, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Tuition Cost: \$524 per year for first child, \$463 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$53. Sibling discount available.

Writing assignments for the Intermediate Writing Level I classes are interesting, purposeful and engaging. Besides writing instruction, students will learn how to or continue to learn self -editing skills so they are less reliant upon their teachers and better able to confidentially produce quality work. This class will use the lessons 17, 18, 21, 22, & 23 in **WriteShop** <sup>©II</sup> curriculum and focus on style techniques in descriptive and narrative writing. Along with WriteShop lessons, student will focus on writing and responding to poetry, analyzing characterization using *The Prince and the Pauper* by Mark Twain, writing an expository researched paper using primary as well as secondary sources and an introduction to persuasive essay writing. Students are introduced to sentence types and other stylistic and grammar topics using several on-line grammar programs and handouts. All assignments are evaluated and graded.

#### **Class Topics**

- Sentence Construction
- Paragraph Development
- Descriptive Writing
- Narratives (various points of view)
- Sentence Varieties
- Poetry (reading and writing)



- Characterization using *The Prince and the Pauper* by Mark Twain
- Outlining
- Research Writing Project (report and presentation)
- Persuasion
- Grammar and Mechanics
- Information Literacy as it pertains to research

High School Credit: 1/2 to 3/4 credit (adding a few Literature units (ie. Progeny Press or Total Language Plus) and Vocabulary (ie Wordly Wise) will complete your English program)

Prerequisites : Introduction to Writing I or an understanding of word types and sentence structure.

Required Texts *WriteShop II* (first half) (can be ordered from teacher), *Write Source 2000* (grades 7 & 8), *Writer's Inc* (grades (grades 9 & 10), *Synonym Finder*, and *The Prince and the Pauper* by Mark Twain (any version that is unabridged)

**To register please visit [www.thewriterstoolbox.info](http://www.thewriterstoolbox.info)**

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### **WriteShop Junior D - Kyra Gartrell**

- Grades: Advanced 3rd- Average 4th -5th Grade- Reluctant 6th
- Times: Wednesdays, 3:05 PM- 3:45 PM
- Orientation- August 21, 2019
- Class Dates- August 21, 2019- May 13, 2020
- Cost: \$468 per year for first child, \$412 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$46. Sibling discount available.

This class teaches students to write and publish fiction, non-fiction and poetry using a variety of games, graphic organizers, self-editing tools and arts & crafts. This hands-on class will provide consistent instructions to unlock the budding writer and make writing

an activity your students will ask for. Students will learn to plan, create, self- evaluate and publish their writing projects in a variety of forms, such as a booklet, matted copy with borders, lap book, flip book, display board, and many other forms. Each 2 to 3 week lesson will include grammar, journaling, and specific requirements for the lesson genre. Whether you have a more advanced child or one who is just learning the writing process, this flexible program will allow your child to work at their level and succeed. Assignments are not grades, but encouraging comments are made to foster a love for writing.

- Lesson 1: Writing a Letter of Invitation. Grammar: Punctuation
- Lesson 2: Humor. Characters. Introduce self-editing. Grammar: Editing and Proofreading
- Lesson 3: Adventure. Plot and characters. Grammar: Nouns
- Lesson 4: Science Fiction. Setting (and characters and plot). Grammar: Pronouns
- Lesson 5: Mystery. Problem and Solution (and characters, plot, and setting). Grammar: Verbs
- Lesson 6: Haiku poetry. Creating a Book of Poems (Haiku, Cinquain, and Acrostic). Grammar: Adjectives
- Lesson 7: Folk Tales. Descriptive writing using concrete, sensory details to elaborate on folk tales. Grammar: Adverbs
- Lesson 8: Historical Fiction. Using verb tenses (Use characters, plot, setting, problem, & solution.) Grammar: Prepositions
- Lesson 9: Personal Narrative. Nonfiction. Grammar: Capitalization
- Lesson 10: Expository Writing. Write a factual article using simple research. Grammar: Using references
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Required Texts: WriteShop Jr. Book D (Skill Builder Worksheet and Grammar Guide Pack); Various Handouts; Grade Appropriate Dictionary and Thesaurus

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# Thursdays

## **Saxon Algebra 1 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 10:15- 11:15 AM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

Are you tired of the constant daily battle when it comes to math time? Do you cringe when you hear the sighs coming from your child when you mention math? Are you at your wits end trying to scramble to find a way to explain those math concepts that you haven't touched in over 20 years? Then this class is what you have been searching for!! This class takes some of the drudgery out of math that is so common among our children. Your child will find math more enjoyable in a subject that for many is quite frankly unpleasant! When your child successfully completes this course, they will have the necessary foundation for some day approaching much higher math courses. This is a course that involves the mastery of various math concepts including operations with real numbers, solving equations and inequalities, polynomials, exponential operations, factoring, functions, systems of equations and inequalities, linear equations, and quadratic equations.

Textbook: Saxon Algebra 1, 3rd Ed./ Saxon Algebra 1 Test Book, 3rd Ed.

Supplies: 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils

**For more information or to register please contact Shawn Hill by email at [s\\_shill@msn.com](mailto:s_shill@msn.com) or call 704-607-9092.**

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## **Saxon Advanced Mathematics (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 11:25- 12:35 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon

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Textbook: Saxon Advanced Mathematics, 2nd Edition/ Saxon Advanced Math Test Book, 2nd Edition

Supplies: Scientific Calculator 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils

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### **Saxon Algebra 2 (twice a week)- Shawn Hill**

- Time: 12:45- 1:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

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Textbook: Saxon Algebra 2, 3rd Edition/ Saxon Algebra 2 Test Book 3rd Ed.

Supplies: Scientific Calculator 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils.

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### **Pre-Algebra or Algebra 1/2 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill**

- Time: 2:00- 2:50 PM Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Dates: September 3, 2019 - April 21, 2020
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) This can be paid in two installments of \$325. There is a non-refundable \$150 deposit due upon registration which will reserve a place for your child in the class. This payment will serve as a portion of the tuition for the first semester of class.

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Textbook: Saxon Algebra 1/2, 3rd Ed./ Saxon Algebra 1/2 Test Book 3rd Ed.

Supplies: 1 inch 3-ring binder, 3 tab dividers, loose-leaf paper, graph paper, pencils

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## **Fridays**

**No classes currently scheduled.**

## **Saturdays**

### **Sewing Lessons (biweekly)— Jordan Jenkins**

- Ages 8-17
  - Times: Saturday, 10:15-12:15 PM
  - Dates: September 7 - November 16, 2019
  - Every other Saturday, meeting twice a month.
- Cost: \$200

This class will introduce students to a wide variety of sewing techniques such as quilting, patterns, appliqué, etc. Lessons are designed to grow with each individual's skill level while working at their own pace. Students are encouraged to exercise their creative freedom in every project.

Projects vary but will include:

- wall hangings
- handbags
- pillows
- pajamas

This is not just a project-driven class, but a skill-developing opportunity to learn.

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### **Teacher Profiles:**

**Kyra Gartrell** : *I have a BBA in Finance and worked in corporate finance for my first 8 years after college graduation. When our daughter was born, I began "Scribes and More," a home-based word processing business, where I worked for lawyers, doctors, and assisted foreign undergraduate and graduate students in writing papers and dissertations. Once sensing "the call" to homeschool, I transferred my love for teaching and the organizational skills I learned in the corporate world to beginning a co-op in Maryland where I taught for 9 year and edited the monthly Maryland home school newsletter for CHEN (Christian Home Educators Network).*

*I moved to Charlotte, my husband's hometown, in 2001 and continued to homeschool 2 more years. We homeschooled for eleven years and now have a daughter (married) who is a pediatric nurse practitioner in Greenville, NC and a son (married with our two precious grandsons) who is a Federal Agent in the United States Air Force. I have taught writing, literature, study skills and English classes in the Charlotte, NC metropolitan area since 2001.*

**Shawn M. Hill** *has a B.S. in Elementary Education from Bryan College. He has 20 years of classroom experience. He has his license to teach math in North Carolina. Currently, he works as a private/group tutor and homeschool tester. He has taught Saxon Algebra 1 and Algebra II for 15 years. He also has taught Advanced Math for 8 years. Shawn and his wife Shannon have three children.*

***Terry Moore*** is a certified Early Education Educator and past Homeschool Mom. She has studied at SPCC in Monroe, NC as well as ASL with Michigan State University. While homeschooling her own daughter, Terry has learned how important it is to teach children that learning can be fun.. Terry's daughter, Tasha, is now graduated from CPCC with an Associate in Applied Science Interpreter Education. Terry has been teaching ASL at The Homeschool Room for the past 9 years. She's also worked with children and adults in her church and other locations to learn ASL.

***Jordan Jenkins*** is a home school graduate that began learning to sew when she was 5. She had the pleasure of teaching alongside at Ruth's Sewing Academy for many years as well as at CPCC. For the last 5 years she's been sewing custom boutique dresses for Ruth's Sewing Room. Jordan has taught a variety of sewing classes through Hobby Lobby and also offers sewing classes in her home studio.