

Matthews Fall Enrichment Schedule 2022-2023

Mondays

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

- Ages: 12-19
- Time: Mondays, 11:05-11:50 AM
- Date: September 12, 2022- April 10, 2023
- Cost: \$400.00 year

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 be learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises. They will be create ASL sentences and sign different ASL dialogues while learning about the Deaf culture. They will learn about he 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.

For more information or to register, please contact Terry Moore signingmoorewithterry@gmail.com.

**All teacher credentials and experience is provided at the end of the class list.*

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

Ages: 12-19

Time: Mondays 12:00-12:45 PM

Date: September 13, 2021- April 11, 2022

Cost: \$400.00 year

This full-year class is designed as a foreign language course. This class is designed for returning Level 1 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 the colleges to teach American Sign Language (ASL).

The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises, creating ASL sentences and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the Deaf culture. In addition, they will continue to learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the Deaf community uses what you will be learning in class.

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

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WriteShop Jr. Book E - Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: 5th- 6th (reluctant 7th grader)
- Time: Monday 1:10- 2:00 PM
- Orientation - August 31, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBD)
- Class Dates- September 12, 2022- May 17, 2023
- Tuition Cost: \$515 per year for first child, \$465 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$51.88. Sibling discount available.

Writing = Fun in WriteShop Jr. E

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 (includes Skill Builder Worksheet and Grammar Guide Pack) can be ordered from teacher; Various Handouts; Dictionary and Thesaurus

To register: please visit www.thewriterstoolbox.info or email readtowrite@earthlink.net for forms. Students will not be registered in class until the registration form, deposit or payment in full and completed facility forms are received. Registration confirmation sent via e-mail upon receipt.

Please feel free to call Kyra Gartrell at (704)236-1249 or e-mail her at readtowrite@earthlink.net with any questions.

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Intermediate Writing, Level II- Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 8th - 12th (honors options)
- Times: Monday 2:10 - 3:10 PM
- Orientation - August 31, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBD)
- Class Dates- September 12, 2022- May 17, 2023
- Cost: \$565 per year for first child, \$515 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$58.13. 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 in- depth 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. Assignments are evaluated with helpful feedback and then graded. An honors option is available for this class.

Class Topics:

- Descriptive & Narrative Essays
- Concrete Language & Sensory Details
- Sentence Structures and Variations
- Grammar Review(active writing, pronouns, punctuation, agreement,etc.)
- Writing with clarity & good word usage
- MLA Research Paper
- Analytical essays (Compare & Contrast and Definition Essay)
- 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 (literary devices and vocabulary)

High School Credit: 1 credit

Prerequisites: Intermediate Writing-Level I or a readiness for 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; Write Ahead reference text by Thoughtful Learning (**new text**).; The Blue Book of Grammar – 12th ed. (**new edition**): Synonym Finder; Collegiate Dictionary /Thesaurus, and The Pearl by John Steinbeck.

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American Literature and Composition (1860-Present)- Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 8th to 12th Grade (honors option)
- Time: 3:20- 4:20 PM
- Orientation - August 31, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBD)
- Class Dates- September 12, 2022- May 17, 2023
- Cost: \$590.00 per year for first child, \$540.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class or monthly payment of \$61.25. Sibling discount available.

This full high school level English class will explore the seven (7) major literary periods (Native American, Age of Faith (Colonialism), Age of Reason, Romanticism, Realism, Modern and Contemporary. We will focus on how literature has shaped the American culture and how American culture has shaped literature. Students will engage in lively in-depth discussion that are both teacher and student led as they study literature of various modes such as: historical documents, specific accounts, poems, speeches, short stories, novel excerpts and full novels, which will include: ***The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin, Frederick Douglas: The Narrative of a Slave, The Autobiography of an Ex-Colored Man, Huckleberry Finn, The Jungle, Fast Food Nation (scan) and To Kill a Mockingbird***. All poems, short stories, speeches and documents will either be provided in class handouts or found on the internet. Extensive vocabulary, critical reading, critical analysis, critical thinking, and writing (possibly including a literary research paper) assignments are included. The American Literature & Composition class will expose students to over 25 authors and poets as well as almost 75 literary terms necessary for literary analysis and critical interpretation for various forms of literature and essays. In addition to learning to write various types of literary essays and papers, students will have projects, write and recite speeches and make presentations. Grammar and sentence structure, which focuses on topics addressed in the ACT and SAT test, will also be assigned weekly.

Required Texts: Write Ahead or Write for College (by Thoughtful Learning), and class novels as listed above. Instructional handouts for writing assignment, critical and close reading and grammar will be provided and distributed at orientation.

Assignments Include:

- ❖ Narrative, Expository, Persuasive and Literary Essays
- ❖ Descriptive writing – poetry & dramatic monologues
- ❖ Literary Critiques and Responses
- ❖ Literary Analysis
- ❖ Creating Commercials and dramatizations of scenes
- ❖ Speech Analysis and Presentation
- ❖ Literary Research Paper
- ❖ Study of poetry, novels, speeches, short stories, historical accounts, autobiographies, and letters

Style and Grammar will also be assigned from class handouts and on-line grammar program: as: www.grammarbook.com

Prerequisites: A good understanding of writing principles for the high school level and readiness to analyze literature

High School Credit: 1 English Credit

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Tuesdays

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

• Ages: 12-19

Time: Tuesday, 11:10 – 11:55 AM

Date: September 13, 2022 – April 11, 2023 Cost: \$400.00 year

This full-year class is designed as a foreign language course. This class is designed 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 the colleges to teach American Sign Language (ASL).

The students will continue learning the American Sign Language structure by learning new signs every week with classroom exercises, creating ASL sentences, and signing different ASL dialogues while learning about the Deaf culture. In addition, they will continue to learn about the different sign languages available today, what the differences are, and why the Deaf community uses what you will be learning in class.

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

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Signing for Fun (ASL) – Terry Moore

• Ages: 7-12

Time: Tuesday, 12:00 – 12:45 PM

Date: September 13, 2022 – December 13, 2022 Cost: \$125.00

This class is designed to teach your children a fun new language! We will learn and review new signs every week by playing games and learning a few songs to reinforce learning. This short class is a wonderful way for children to learn a new language and have fun doing so! It also provides the opportunity to see if they may want to take this as their foreign language requirement in High School, and this class, in turn, provides them the foundation to be ready to jump right in!

All materials are included, but a supplemental book is optional.

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Saxon Algebra 2 (twice a week)- Shawn Hill

- Time: 1:30 - 2:40 PM PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: August 29, 2022 - April 25, 2023
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) 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.

Are you tired of the constant daily battle when it comes to math time? 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! This class includes a review and expansion of Algebra I concepts, irrational and complex numbers, quadratic equations, functions, and problem solving. When a student successfully completes this class, they are prepared to take a college math course.

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.

To register please contact Shawn Hill by email at s_shill@msn.com or call 704-607-9092.

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Saxon Algebra 1 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill

- Time: 2:45 - 3:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: August 29, 2022 - April 25, 2023
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) 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.

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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

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Saxon Pre-Algebra (twice a week) - Shawn Hill

- Time: 3:55 - 4:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: August 29, 2022 - April 25, 2023
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) 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.

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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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Wednesdays

WriteShop© Jr. F- Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 5th to 6th / 7th grader /reluctant 8th grader
- Time: Wednesdays, 11:10 - 12:00 PM
- Orientation – August 31, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBA)
- Class Dates: September 7, 2022 - May 17, 2023
- Cost: \$520.00 per year for first child, \$470.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class or monthly payment of \$52.50. 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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Advanced Writing (High School) - Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 9th to 12th Grade (honors option)
- Time: 12:10 - 1:10 PM
- Orientation – August 31, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBA)

- Class Dates: September 7, 2022 - May 17, 2023
- Cost: \$590.00 per year for first child, \$540.00 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$61.25. 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 (can be ordered from teacher), Elements of Style by Strunk and White; The Synonym Finder by J.I. Rodale and The Writer's Toolbox: Using Rhetorical Devices to Improve Communication by Patricia Samuelson (can be ordered from teacher); and Write for College by Thoughtful Learning

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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Intermediate Writing, Level I - Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 7th- 10th
- Times: Wednesdays, 1:20 - 2:20 PM FULL / 2nd Session 3:40 - 4:40 PM
- Orientation - August 21, 2022 (Stallings Park, Time TBD)
- Class Dates- Mondays, September 9,2022 - May 17, 2023
- Tuition Cost: \$550 per year for first child, \$500 if paid in full on or before the first day of class. If desired, monthly payments of \$56.25. 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**® II 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: 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 (uses first half of text)– 5th ed. (can be ordered from teacher); Write on Course 2020 (7/8th gr.) and Write Ahead (8/9th + gr.) by Thoughtful Learning, The Blue Book of Grammar – 12th ed., Synonym Finder, and *The Prince and the Pauper* by Mark Twain (unabridged).

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Introduction to Writing - Writeshop I- Kyra Gartrell

- Grades: Advanced 6th- 9th Grade

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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 - New 5th ed. (can be ordered from teacher); Write on Course 20-20 (Thoughtful Learning); Synonym Finder; age/grade appropriate Dictionary

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

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Saxon Algebra 1 (twice a week) - Shawn Hill

- Time: 2:45 - 3:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: August 29, 2022 - April 25, 2023
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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

To register please contact Shawn Hill by email at s_shill@msn.com or call 704-607-9092

**All teacher credentials and experience is provided at the end of the class list.*

Saxon Pre-Algebra (twice a week) - Shawn Hill

- Time: 3:55 - 4:50 PM Tuesdays AND Thursdays (meets twice weekly)
- Date: August 29, 2022 - April 25, 2023
- Cost: \$650.00 (does not include books and supplies) 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.

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! This class includes a review and expansion of basic arithmetic concepts, fractions, decimals, percent, the order of operations, ratios, proportions, one and two-step algebraic equations. When a student successfully completes this class, they are prepared to take 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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Fridays

French For Beginners – Catherine Atwood

- Ages: 9-12 year olds
- Time: Fridays, 11:15 AM - 12 PM
- Date: September 9, 2022- May 5, 2023
- Cost: \$475 per year. Sibling discount available.
- \$100 non-refundable deposit at registration to hold the class spot

Required Texts: [Speaking French with Miss Mason and François](#) Purchase the book or pdf form, we will be using colored pencils to highlight/dissect the text weekly.

This course is an introduction to the French language and culture. Major topics include classroom objects, numbers, colors, the calendar, greetings, telling time, weather

expressions, common verbs, foods, the family, clothing, animals, basic prepositions, negative expressions, adjectives, and commands.

We will build vocabulary, work on basic syntax/grammar, literature/poetry and conversation. I use a living approach to learning a language, using songs and stories to capture the attention and interest of the students.

For additional information or to register for this class, please email catwood.nc@gmail.com

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French I – Catherine Atwood

- Ages/Grades: High School Students
- Time: Fridays, 12:15 PM- 1:15 PM
- Date: September 9, 2022- May 5, 2023
- Cost: \$525.00 per year. Sibling discount available.
- \$100 non-refundable deposit at registration to hold the class spot

High School Credit: 1 credit

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We will build vocabulary, work on basic syntax/grammar, literature/poetry and conversation/oral presentation. I will assign and grade assignments weekly. Each week's homework will include a listening and a written assignment. There will also be a special project/presentation at the end of each term.

I use a living approach to learning a language, using living material to capture the attention and interest of the students.

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Sewing Lessons (every other week)— Jordan Jenkins

- Ages 8-18 (ages are mixed in every class)
- Times: Bi- Weekly Fridays, 1:45 PM- 3:45 PM
- Dates: September 2 - November 11, 2022
- Every other Friday, meeting twice a month
Cost: \$225 Does not include sewing machine or materials. Please budget \$10-20 a month for material cost. Machines can be rented for \$35 for the full season or please bring your own.

Lessons at Sewing with Grace will introduce students to a wide variety of sewing techniques and provide a fun environment for creating new friendships! Projects are designed to grow with each individual's skill level while working at their own pace. Students will learn how to fully navigate their sewing machine, how to read a pattern, install a zipper, hem, problem solve and much more!

Suitable for boys and girls ages 8 years and up.

Projects will vary but include:

- wall hangings
- handbags
- pillows
- pajamas

For more information or to register please visit sewingwithgrace.weebly.com, email SewingGrace2@gmail.com or call 704-975-6316.

**All teacher credentials and experience is provided at the end of the class list.*

Saturdays

Sewing Lessons (every other week)— Jordan Jenkins

- Ages 8-18 (ages are mixed in every class)
- Two Class Times Available: Bi- Weekly Saturdays, 11:15 - 1:15 PM OR

1:30 PM - 3:30 PM

- Dates: September 3 - November 12, 2022
- Every other Saturday, meeting twice a month

Cost: \$225 Does not include sewing machine or materials. Please budget \$10-20 a month for material cost. Machines can be rented for \$35 for the full season or please bring your own.

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Teacher Profiles

Catherine Atwood: *I am a native French speaker from Montreal, QC, Canada. I hold degrees in Computer Science and Holistic Nutrition. I homeschooled my children and have been*

tutoring & teaching French for the past 10-yrs in private schools and co-op settings. I have a passion for the LORD and for teaching, music, cooking, exercise, as well as exploring different kinds of learning styles.

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 near Raleigh, NC and a son (married with our three 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 to over 4500 students.

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 I and Algebra II for 15 years. He also has taught Advanced Math for 8 years. Shawn and his wife Shannon have three children.

Jordan Jenkins is a home school graduate and the lead teacher and creator of Sewing with Grace. She has over 15 years of personal and professional sewing experience and has been teaching children & teens to sew since 2015. Her passion is to teach young minds the creative lost art of sewing and provide them the environment for making new friendships while learning together.

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 Degree in Interpreter Education who also works as her assistant in all classes. Terry has been teaching ASL at The Homeschool Room for the past 13 years and has also worked with Deaf children and has also worked with children and adults in other locations and in her church to learn ASL. She is eager to share the valuable and rewarding skills of signing with your children.

