



Needham Community Education

NCE

MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT OPTIONS

LATE FALL 2018

Session Dates:

November 26th thru January 18th

Needham Community Education is pleased to offer high quality after school enrichment opportunities for High Rock and Pollard Middle School students. **NCE Middle School** classes are taught by Needham Public School staff, community members, as well as other qualified professionals, and are designed to give students a chance to connect and learn beyond the classroom in a fun, engaging, and relaxed environment. Classes will be held at POLLARD Middle School. Have a sixth grader attending High Rock Middle School? No problem! NCE offers transportation to Pollard. Come join the fun!

REGISTRATION opens November 8th at 12p.m.

Go to <http://www.schoolpay.com/link/NCELateFall2018Middle>

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Needham Community Education

Needham Community Education (NCE) is an office of the Needham Public Schools and combines a number of out-of-school time programs into one administrative office. Programs are self-sustaining and include elementary and middle school after school programs, Adult Education, Summer Explorations and other summer programs, Kindergarten Enrichment (KASE) and more.

Through **NCE MIDDLE SCHOOL** we hope to provide quality lifelong learning experiences that are accessible to middle school students. We seek to offer interesting educational, cultural, and skill-building classes at a reasonable cost. To view this catalog online, please visit our website at www.needham.k12.ma.us (click on Community Ed). Call us at 781-455-0400 x235 for more information, or to offer suggestions for courses or teachers.

Contact Information: School Administration Building, 1st Floor
1330 Highland Avenue
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Website: http://www.needham.k12.ma.us/community_ed/nce_middle
Office Hours: 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday

NEEDHAM NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Needham Public Schools do not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or disability, and ensure that all students and employees have equal rights of access and equal enjoyment of the opportunities, advantages, privileges and courses of study.

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**Please note the start and end dates for some classes differ as noted in the class descriptions.*

CLASS DETAILS *(in alphabetical order)*

3D PRINTING AND MODELING

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

ToysInBox Instructor

3D printing is the future. Create 3D models and bring your creations to real life! In this project-based hands-on class, you'll learn the basics of 3D modeling in Tinkercad and use 3D printers to make 3D print(s) that you can take home after each lesson.

POLLARD

WEDNESDAYS: 7 weeks, 3pm-4pm

Dates: Nov 28th – Jan 16th (No class 12/26)

Fee: \$215

ACTING AND IMPROV FUN ^{NEW!}

Grades: 7 & 8

Ms. Kristen Mazzocchi, Drama Instructor

Do you like (or love) to act and perform and want to learn new skills? Are you funny and want to learn more about improv comedy? This class will combine improv games, improv scenes and scripted scene work to teach basic acting skills in a fun and relaxed environment.

POLLARD

WEDNESDAYS: 6 weeks, 3:15pm-4:15pm

Dates: Dec 5th- Jan 16th (No class 12/26)

Fee: \$79

ACTING AND IMPROV FUN ^{NEW!}

Grades: 6

Ms. Kate Donnelly, High Rock Specialist

Do you like (or love) to act and perform and want to learn new skills? Are you funny and want to learn more about improv comedy? This class will combine improv games, improv scenes, and scripted scene work to teach basic acting skills in a fun and relaxed environment.

HIGH ROCK

THURSDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:45pm-3:45pm

Dates: Nov 29th- Jan 10th (No class 12/27)

Fee: \$79

ADVANCED MINECRAFT – Modding, Redstone, and More

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Empow Studios Instructor

Join your fellow Minecraftians for a weekly class of game design, world creation, exploration, and modding madness! When it comes to discovery and education within Minecraft, the options are truly limitless. We stress designing, building, and creating as opposed to strictly 'playing' the game. We encourage growth and learning through the Minecraft platform, which engages children to learn because of their love for Minecraft. Students will work with scripting, landscape design, modding, command blocks, architecture, and more. These techniques will enable kids to experiment with coding techniques, work together to create a LAN game, design and build mechanical devices, and learn about different types of automation, all in a virtual world for real-world applications.

POLLARD

FRIDAYS: 7 weeks, 3pm – 4pm

Dates: Nov 30th – Jan 18th (No class 12/28)

Fee: \$190

BLAST: BABYSITTING LESSONS AND SAFETY TRAINING

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Natick Visiting Nurse Association Instructor

The **BLAST (Babysitter Lessons and Safety Training)** program provides training in pediatric first aid, household safety, and the fundamentals of childcare. In addition, this course helps prepare children to interview for a babysitting job, select safe and suitable games and activities, prevent accidents, and begin babysitting safely and competently. Topics covered include: feeding, burping a baby, spoon-feeding, crying, and preparing for bed, behavioral problems, and discipline.

POLLARD

MONDAY: 1, 3hr session, 3pm-6pm

Date: January 28th, 2019

Fee: \$79

CROSSFIT KIDS

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

ONE Nation Fitness Staff Member

Using a combination of calisthenics, running, rowing, jumping, throwing, carrying, pushing, pulling, climbing and lifting (the stuff we used to call 'playing') we encourage kids to LOVE exercise. We use age-appropriate skills, challenges, and loads. Some of our favorite games, American Ninja, relay races, obstacle courses, dodge ball, and capture the flag are blended with traditional fitness movements to make class fun for the kids! We challenge kids in a progressive way that builds their confidence!

POLLARD

WEDNESDAYS (for Grades 7 & 8): 7 weeks,

2:50pm-3:50pm

Dates: Nov 28th – Jan 16th (No class 12/26)

Fee: \$125

HIGH ROCK

FRIDAYS (for Grades 6): 7 weeks,

2:20pm-3:20pm

Dates: Nov 30th – Jan 18th (No class 12/28)

Fee: \$125

ENGINEERING DESIGN WOODSHOP: BEGINNERS AND ADV BEGINNERS

Grades: 7-8

Mr. Dan Cournoyer, Engineering Design Teacher & Instructional Technology Specialist, and Chuck Dowe, Pollard Special Education Teaching Assistant

If you enjoy creating things, using tools, and working with wood, join us for this woodworking and design class to develop your skills and work on projects of your own choosing. You will gain basic woodworking skills as well as engineering design skills as you tap into your creativity to design and build unique projects in this fully hands-on class. Each student will learn tool and shop safety as they gain confidence in handling first hand tools and then power tools. To ensure safety, students must be able to follow directions carefully, and handle tools as instructed. As you work on your projects, you will learn about various building materials, and use math, science and engineering processes to aid your work. Join us to build, create, and learn! Limited to 10 students.

POLLARD, Room 224

TUESDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:50-4:50pm

Dates: Nov 27th – Jan 15th (No class 12/25 & 1/1)

Fee: \$205

FILM CREATION ^{NEW!}

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Mr. Joshua Yankell, Needham High School Technology Specialist

LIGHTS, CAMERA, ACTION! Come join us for an afternoon of movie-making magic! You will act, direct, edit and produce, while learning the ins and outs of iMovie. Become the envy of all your friends while learning how to add eye-popping special effects, amazing transitions, and your favorite songs as a soundtrack. Bring your imagination, creativity, and ideas for your movie!

POLLARD

TUESDAYS: 6 weeks, 3:00pm-4:00pm

Dates: Nov 27th – Jan 15th (No class 12/25 & 1/1)

Fee: \$79

INDOOR SPORTS AND GYM GAMES

NEW!

Grades: 6

Mr. Drew Dorsey, High Rock Instructor

Get your body moving and have some fun with Mr. Dorsey at High Rock on Tuesday afternoons. Each week this class will expose you to a wide range of fitness and activities.... work up a sweat with dodgeball, work together with team building activities and more. You'll build endurance, improve your agility, enjoy physical challenges and, most importantly, have fun. Come get your sweat on!

HIGH ROCK

TUESDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:45pm – 3:45pm

Dates: Nov 27th – Jan 15th (No class 12/25 & 1/1)

Fee: \$79

LOTUS YOGIS

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Blue Lotus Healing Arts Instructor

Movement, thus yoga, is essential for preteen's fast-growing bodies. Yoga provides this age group with essential life tools: fosters body awareness; gives them a sense of achievement and empowerment; helps them to discover themselves, bolsters self-belief; provides them with connections/relationships, communication and trust; boosts their self-esteem and self-confidence. This class is alive with cool upbeat music, partner and group poses, and creativity, ending with relaxation and massage.

BLUE LOTUS HEALING ARTS

945 Great Plain Ave, 2nd Floor

MONDAYS: 6 weeks, 3:00–4:00pm

Dates: Nov 26th – Jan 14th (No class 12/24 & 12/31)

Fee: \$129

SNACK ATTACK! **NEW!**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Ms. Quintiliani

Do you love to be crafty, cook, and enjoy new snacks? This is the class for you! Come join in on the fun of designing your own recipe book and creating delicious snacks that you can take on the go! **Allergy Alert: Children will be eating and working with food products during this course. Please alert us to any food allergies when registering.**

POLLARD

THURSDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:50pm-3:50pm

Dates: Nov 29th – Jan 10th (No class 12/27)

Fee: \$130

THE SPORTS REPORTERS **NEW!**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Adam Cavalier, High Rock Instructor

Do you love to talk sports and read the sports section? Yes? Then this class is designed for you! During this class students will learn about journalism and create a weekly sports periodical. Students will gather research, analyze stats, and hone interview techniques and persuasive arguments. Come share your love of sports and learn how to write about them!

POLLARD

MONDAYS: 6 weeks, 3:00pm-4:00pm

Dates: Nov 26th – Jan 14th (No class 12/24 & 12/31)

Fee: \$80

TABLE TENNIS

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Ms. Kelly Robinson

Come one, come ALL! Let's play table tennis! We will run through the basic rules and guidelines of table tennis. Students will play, play, play! Students will have the opportunity to play single and double matches with their classmates. All levels are welcome!

POLLARD

TUESDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:50pm-3:50pm

Dates: Nov 27th – Jan 15th (No class 12/25 and 1/1)

Fee: \$70

VIDEO GAME DESIGN

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Empow Studios Instructor

Kids love playing video games, but they have even more fun playing games designed by them and their friends! Video Game Design encompasses storytelling, pixel art, and object-oriented programming, all through a user-friendly, 2D game design platform. Our non-violence policy keeps the games cringe-free and shareable once the kids bring their games home for you to play!

POLLARD

MONDAYS: 8 weeks, 5:00pm-6:00pm

Dates: Nov 26th – Jan 14th (No class 12/24 & 12/31)

Fee: \$195

WEIGHT TRAINING

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Ms. Bethany Crowe, High Rock Instructor

Students will learn the fundamentals of weight training, including mastering technique and control, while also developing a better understanding of their personal wellness. This coed class is open to all interested middle schoolers.

POLLARD

THURSDAYS: 6 weeks, 3:30pm-4:30pm

Dates: Nov 29th – Jan 10th (No class 12/27)

Fee: \$90

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Registration opens on September 14th at 7am. All registrations (with the exception of scholarship registrations) must be made online through School Pay: <http://www.schoolpay.com/link/NCEFall2018Middle>. Please note that some classes fill quickly. Registrations are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register early to avoid being closed out. **No refunds will be made once a registration is processed.** Classes may be cancelled by NCE due to low enrollment, so please register early. Classes cancelled by NCE will be refunded in full. Refunds will be made by check and may take up to three weeks.

Scholarship assistance is available to students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch (one class per student each session). To request a scholarship, please contact NCE at 781-455-0400 x235.

Wait Lists: If you would like to add your child to a wait list for a full class, please email Alyssa Handler, at Alyssa_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us. Include the class name, location, your child's name, and your best daytime phone number(s).

Please note that no nurse will be on duty during NCE Middle School programs, and staff members have no access to medications, including EpiPens and inhalers. If your child requires an EpiPen, please deliver an EpiPen and a copy of your child's Allergy Action Plan to the NCE Middle School On-Site Coordinator on the first day of the program. If these items are not provided, staff will call 911 in the event of an apparent allergic reaction. If your child will be bringing his/her inhaler, please provide the On-Site Coordinator with a note indicating 1) that your child can self-administer and 2) that you have provided the school nurse with a copy of the medical order for the inhaler.

If the Needham Public Schools are closed or released early due to inclement weather, after-school classes will be cancelled. Make-up classes will be scheduled if possible.

All school policies outlined in the school Student Handbook apply to NCE Middle School classes.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL INFORMATION

High Rock students attending NCE Middle School Enrichment Programs are eligible for bus transportation to Pollard. If a student possesses a bus pass, he/she should ride his/her assigned bus to Pollard. If a student does not possess a bus pass, he/she will be advised (at dismissal time) as to which bus to board. Supervision will be provided for High Rock and Pollard students from 2:20-2:50pm. Students will be met in the lobby area and brought to the cafeteria to have a snack (brought from home), relax, and start homework if they choose. Students should NOT be wandering the halls before the NCE classes! An on-site coordinator will be available each day of classes to provide support for the classes, and to ensure an orderly dismissal. Students may walk home or get picked up after their after-school class.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please feel free to contact:
Needham Community Education Office, 781-455-0400 x11235 or x11222
e-mail: Alyssa_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us

LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES

ATTENTION: If you speak a language other than English, language assistance services are available to you free of charge. Contact Student Support Services at 781-455-0400 x213 or penny_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us for assistance.

ATENCIÓN: Si usted habla un idioma que no sea el inglés, hay servicios de asistencia lingüística disponibles gratis. Contacte Servicios de Apoyo para Estudiantes al 781-455-0400 x213 o penny_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us para que le ayudemos.

ATENÇÃO: Se fala um idioma diferente do Inglês, os serviços de assistência linguística estão disponíveis gratuitamente para si. Entre em contato com os Serviços de Apoio ao Aluno através do número 781-455-0400 x213 ou penny_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us para obter assistência.

ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы не говорите на английском языке, для вас доступны бесплатные сервисы на вашем языке. Обратитесь в службу поддержки студентов по телефону 781-455-0400 x213 или по email penny_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us.