After School Activity Course Descriptions
Fall 2012

Art Around the World! – Discover many different cultures and artists from around the world by creating beautiful works of art. Painting, drawing and sculpture activities planned! There will be a supply fee of $5 per child. (Maximum – 10 students)
For more information: mickeyjurewicz7@gmail.com

Band – Learn how to play an instrument! Grades 5-8 encouraged to sign up. Please contact Krista Johnson directly if interested.
For more information: monk2miles@comcast.net

Blumenkranz – Blumenkranz offers the opportunity to discover the phenomenon of dance in many settings, ethnic and historic variations. Children can enjoy both the aesthetic and athletic side of dancing. Children will learn both Austrian and German dances as they represent TCGIS at performances within the school and in conjunction with cooperative partners such as the GAI, International Institute of MN (Festival of Nations), etc. Dance experience is not required, your willingness and commitment are what matters!
For more information: vsolakhau@tcgis.org or theresaborgren@yahoo.com

Chess – Chess is not only a fun and eternally challenging game, but it also increases mental discipline, strengthens logical thinking and helps students to learn to focus their attention. Depending on the skill of the students in the class, we will learn the basics and progress to intermediate and advanced strategies. (Maximum – 20 students)
For more information: sstephenson@tcgis.org

Computers – Students choose from a range of age-appropriate activities, including online games, web applications, typing, homework completion and multimedia tools. Hands on and fun! All ages accepted. (Maximum- 18 students)
For more information: kstephens@tcgis.org

Creative Dance – Creative Dance will use many styles of music, props and movement, and some traditional dance steps and patterns will be introduced. Dancers will use their imaginations as well as their bodies in every class as we 'play' with the idea of dancing like insects or ice cubes. Dancers must wear shoes for safety please. (Maximum- 20 students)
For more information: theresaborgren@yahoo.com

Fantasy Role Playing – Please see front desk for a copy of the class description. (Maximum- 8 students)
For more information: sstephenson@tcgis.org

Games – In this after school activity we will play together. We will do traditional German group games as well as everything that is fun to do in a group, like "telephone" or simple ball games. (Maximum – 12 students)
For more information: mengerchristiane@hotmail.com

Handicrafts – We will do some seasonal handicrafts, like pumpkins for Halloween or Christmas decoration in the winter. We will try to offer a large variety of handicrafts for the students. (Maximum – 15 students)
For more information: mengerchristiane@hotmail.com

Hip Hop – In this hip-hop dance class the dancers will learn many moves from basic to intricate and there will be a presentation at the end of the session. Fun dance music and warm-up and cool down in each lesson. Dancers must wear shoes for safety. No sandals, clogs nor boots please. (Maximum- 20 students)
For more information: theresaborgren@yahoo.com

Junior Blumenkranz – (grades 2-4) Children will learn some dance routines, focus primarily on folk dances and historic dances and prepare a program for St Martin's Day, Carnival of Cultures and also Festival of Nations. (Maximum- 20 students)
For more information: vsolakhau@tcgis.org

Neue Deutsche Welle – This group sings and plays German rock songs – and sometimes even writes them! They work towards a performance at the end of the session.
For more information: sstephenson@tcgis.org

Performance Choir- Students will sing German hits from Classics to Pop. Performance possibilities throughout the Twin Cities.
For more informations: Herbert@artsvienna.comcastbiz.net

Poetry A-Z – Read and write different forms of poetry, and create illustrations to go with the poems! Grades 4-8 encouraged. (Maximum-8 students)
For more information: cynmillbea@hotmail.com

Rhythmic Gymnastics – (Maximum- 20 students)
For more information: tcr@tcrhythmic.com

Soccer – Students will learn basic soccer techniques and will scrimmage against their peers. Children should wear good sport shoes! (Maximum- 25)
For more information: martin.smollich@gmx.de

Spanish/ German Tutoring – Your child can get their homework done before they ever leave school! Frau Neugebauer, our 6th grade intern, will help children with either German or Spanish homework.
For more information: lena_neugebauer88@web.de

Stories and Stretching – We will read stories and "stretch" our bodies and minds with yoga poses, writing, coloring and crafts. Class stories will have themes like seasons, siblings and more. Kids will make their own laminated picture book to take home on December 14th. There will be a one-time $3 fee for copies and laminating payable to instructor.
For more information: dmperchyn@juno.com

Strings – The main focus of our group is to have fun making music together. This class is aimed at beginning strings learners. Newcomers welcome!
For more information: leifhp@gmail.com

Swimming Lessons – Students will be taught water safety skills as well as improving their swimming ability. Please fill out YMCA form. (Maximum- 16 students)
For more information: sam.blue@ymcastpaul.org

Woodworking – Pound and cut with hammers and saws. Students learn and practice basic woodworking skills with hand tools. Projects have ranged from bird houses to play houses to modern art. (Maximum – 20 students)
For more information: sstephenson@tcgis.org