

Wylie Preparatory Academy

Upper School Enrichment

Junior High Enrichment

JH Art:

This course reinforces a simplified artistic vocabulary and builds a greater understanding of how to compose a successful piece of art. Students will be exposed to a variety of media and techniques including drawing, painting, and 3-dimensional art. Students are challenged to grow and develop their individual artistic ability. History is introduced through artists and art period studies relating to the art elements being taught. Through this class, students begin to discover their unique talents and interests and how to use them to glorify the Master Creator.

JH Music:

This music class will continue the skills introduced in previous courses. Students will continue to refine their stage, vocal and instrumental abilities. They will deepen their understanding of musical theory and performance

Computer Pathways:

This computer course introduces students to basic keyboarding and computer skills. At the beginning of the year, students will concentrate on learning how to type correctly and become comfortable with the computer. As the year progresses, they will continue their knowledge of basic keyboarding and discover how to apply this knowledge through exposure to various computer applications including: word processing, spreadsheets, and power point.

Dance (on Fridays only):

Dance is designed for those interested in learning the basic fundamentals of dance. This class will include the vocabulary of dance movement, creative expression through movement, awareness of space, time, and energy as design factors in dance composition, fitness principals, and development of self-confidence through the use of the body as an expression instrument, dance history and appreciation of dance as an art form.

Theatre:

Theatre Arts is designed for the student who is interested in learning basic acting concepts, basic production concepts, voice, movement and characterization. Students will explore the production process through performance of classroom scenes and skits emphasizing learned skills in concentration, creativity, improvisation, and pantomime. These skills are learned through games, physical exercises, mental exercises, and writing exercises. The first semester will cover improvisation, pantomime, mime, stage dance, vocal development, and acting theory. The second semester will include acting, acting theory, and structures and varieties of drama, musical theater and theater history.

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Photography:

This course will be a study of design elements and principles through the media of photography. Students will work with traditional black and white photographic techniques, as well as up-to-the-minute computer digital image manipulation. Students will use a variety of types of cameras, from constructed cameras to digital and 35mm cameras.

High School Enrichment

High School Art:

Students will take basic art skills and grow them into advanced skills. The students start with pencil and move into more advanced mediums while building a portfolio. All work is original. Photography is often used to begin the creative process. This class explores different artists, their work, and how to build a concept from start to finish. Students continue to discover their unique talents and interests and how to use them to glorify the Master Creator. Instructor approval may be required.

High School Music:

This course will continue instruction in music and stage performance, as well as be instructed in multi-media presentations. A study of music genres as well as a history of music element will also be included in this course. Other opportunities at school functions as well as outside the school will be essential in achieving the goals of this course.

SAT/ACT Prep Class (Fall Semester Only):

Students learn and practice proven skills, strategies, and procedures that enable them to maximize their score on both the SAT and ACT college entrance exams. The instructor also works to identify each student's unique challenges, concerns, and problem areas in order to improve the student's testing confidence and ultimate success. This class is for students who are serious about developing and maximizing their understanding of the assessment areas of these tests and desire to sharpen their reasoning skills in order to achieve their testing goals.

College and Career Planning (Spring Semester Only):

This course will help students begin their search for college and career identification and selection. It will include taking interest and skills tests and/or surveys, working on resume writing, acquiring letters of recommendation, discussing and practicing the college application process and scholarship applications. Students will also have the opportunity to visit local college campuses, listen to speakers and representatives from a variety of colleges and universities and investigate those institutions.

Yearbook:

Students in this class will be members of the yearbook production staff. The course is designed to expose the student to the skills of photography, journalism and page production, and to assist him/her in acquiring the responsible attitude necessary to meet the demands of a production schedule and a publication deadline. Students will work in teams to complete a 75-page yearbook ON TIME!

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Audio Visual Design (Fall Semester Only):

This course is an introductory study in the field of Film Making and Broadcast Journalism.

Topics include: storyboarding, script writing, proper sound techniques, lighting for video, and video camera basics. Projects include: commercials, on camera interviews, short documentaries, and a full-scale production.

Apologetics (Spring Semester Only):

People have many reasons for rejecting the Christian faith. Some may admire Christ but dislike His followers. Others find it difficult to accept any faith that claims to be the only way to God. Why would anyone limit themselves to only one of the world's great religions? If the Christian faith is the true path to God, what is the evidence for this? This course will examine the credibility of its founder, the reliability of its book, its explanations for life, its impact on society, and its offer of salvation.

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Dance (Spring Semester on Friday)

Dance I is designed for those interested in learning the basic fundamentals of dance. This class will include the vocabulary of dance movement, creative expression through movement, awareness of space, time, and energy as design factors in dance composition, fitness principals, and development of self-confidence through the use of the body as an expression instrument, dance history and appreciation of dance as an art form.

Study Hall:

Each day during regular school hours, a study hall area will be open for students remaining on campus but not enrolled in a class. Students may register for any hour of study hall during this time frame, but may not register for more than two periods on the same day. Registration in a study hall is required for any student 1st – 10th grade expecting to be on campus but not in class during school hours.

Athletics:

Please see the offerings on our Athletic home page.