Bennett Day Auxiliary Guide



Sample Bennett & Beyond Programming

Bennett & Beyonds SK/1st



Storyteller Acting | Monday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Create and recite different stories while performing them in a variety of different styles throughout the trimester! From classic tales to imagining their own versions of their favorite books, students will shine through different characters using puppets, green screen play, mask making, and more!



Zoo Explorers | Monday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Journey through the zoo right from BDS! Students will learn about different animals in this thrilling class perfect for your animal lover. They will explore different ecosystems full of unique animals while performing hands-on activities to teach them about the wild. Which animals will become new Bennett favorites?



Bennett Baseball | Tuesday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Hit the ball, round the bases, and score a home run with Coach Vevers in Bennett Baseball! Students will learn the fundamentals of Baseball through practice and games, wrapped up in a focus on sportsmanship. Batters up!



Open Art | Tuesday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Experiment with different materials each week in this art exploration class. Students will have access to clay, paints, sketching material, design programs, and more. Group projects will include mosaics and moss art. Students can also create their own masterpieces to take home or build upon throughout the weeks.



Fonseca Martial Arts | Wednesday (1:00 - 2:30 pm)**

Fonseca Martial Arts are excited to offer our Beginner Karate Program to the students at BDS! This program not only teaches the strong foundations of traditional Japanese Shotokan karate but also cultivates important life skills for children of all ages. Our emphasis on character development encourages children to be respectful, courteous, humble, and thoughtful of others.



CircEsteem | Wednesday (1:00 - 2:30 pm)**

Give your kids the opportunity to "clown around," while developing balance, flexibility, and hand-eye coordination. Students will learn tight wire walking, juggling, plate spinning, acrobatics, and clowning. Circus classes give every child the chance to shine in the center ring, building confidence and allowing students to work as a team.

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Bennett & Beyonds: SK/1st



Book Club with Connections Academy | Wednesday (TBD)

Students will begin each session with a themed Read-Aloud, followed by a grade-level appropriate phonics lesson and themed craft. Students will explore comprehension, writing, fluency, and phonological awareness through engaging stories. The class will be differentiated to all reading levels. Book Club runs for 1 hour between 12:30 - 3:00 pm and the timing will be determined based on enrollment numbers. The exact time frame will be communicated to families upon the start of class. AfterCare is provided when not in Book Club until 3:15 pm



Snapology: Foundational Engineering | Wednesday (1:00 - 2:30 pm)**

Does your child love to tinker and create new things? This program gives your student the tools they need to understand mechanical movement and the importance of simple machines. Test out their building skills, model new designs, and play games with friends. This program is sure to spark their engineering interests!



Little Scientists | Thursday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Put on your lab coat and goggles, this class is about to explode with fun! Each week, students will perform different science experiments with a variety of materials and leave understanding the reasoning behind it all.



Soccer with FC Blues | Thursday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

The FC Blues style of empathic coaching style focuses on growth mindset, self-efficacy – and a touch of mindfulness ("feel your feet...find your breath") to help create a learning environment for his student's bodies and minds. Learn the fundamentals of soccer while having a blast playing fun games and being active!



SWIFT Fencing | Friday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Engarde! Fencing is an exhilarating sport that can build strength, quick thinking, and mobility. Students will learn the basics of the sport and grow in the areas needed to become ready for a match. All skill levels are welcome!



Garden Club | Friday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Garden Club blends science, art, math, and fun into an exploration of nature! Students will learn about sustainability, ecosystems, habitats, and more. This hands-on class will focus on creative ways to garden while living in the middle of a city!

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Bennett & Beyonds: 2nd-4th Grade



Soccer with FC Blues | Monday & Friday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

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Sew Crafty | Monday (3:30 - 4:30 pm) and Wednesday (1:00 - 2:30 pm)**

Back by popular demand! Pick your stuffy pattern and learn how to hand-sew a stuffed animal of your choice. Students will learn how to hand-sew, thread a needle, and knot their projects properly. The advanced sewer might want to sign up for both days!



Mad Scientists | Tuesday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

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Basketball with Ms. Lipke (3rd & 4th Grade) | Tuesday & Thursday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Pick up a basketball and learn the basics of the sport with Coach Lipke! With an emphasis on sportsmanship and working as a team, your athlete will get practice in shooting, dribbling, and learning the rules of the game. Sign up for both days to get extra practice on the court or just one day of the week.



Architecture & Building | Tuesday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

One of Chicagos' next great Architects is waiting to be discovered! Explore a variety of ways to build using different materials to create new and exciting structures. Maybe a design will end up on our skyline!



Game Design | Wednesday (1:00 - 2:30 pm)**

Ever wanted to build your own games or apps? Love Roblox or Minecraft? Well, this is the class for you! In this course, students will learn the skills of a coder through conceiving, designing, and creating their own mobile app games. The resulting games can be shared online and texted to friends for them to play on their phones. It's a great way to combine learning with fun with becoming a game developer. You don't need any previous experience or special software to take this: all you need is your creativity!

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Creative Writing with Connections Academy | Wednesday (TBD)

This class is the perfect place for students to practice their writing skills, express themselves creatively, and learn the process of editing and revising! Projects they can anticipate working on include their self-authored book, creative animal research reports, exploring poetry, and fun letter writing! Creative Writing runs for 1 hour between 12:30-3:00 and the timing will be determined based on enrollment numbers. The exact time frame will be communicated to families upon the start of class. AfterCare is provided when not in Book Club until 3:15 pm.



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Movie Makers | Thursday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Lights, Camera... Action! Learn what it takes behind and in front of the camera to create a movie. From writing to recording to editing-- this class will have students working on all aspects of creating a film. Hollywood, here Bennett comes!



Rubik Cubes & Puzzles | Thursday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Challenge your brain with new twists and turns every week! From brain teasers to physical puzzles, to basic and extreme Rubik Cubes, your student will leave feeling smarter than ever! Who is up for the challenge?



Photography | Friday (3:30 - 4:30 pm)

Say Cheese! Each week students will explore the world through a new lens learning the difference between portrait, scenic, candid, and sports photography. They will use a combination of age-appropriate digital cameras, iPads, and will even get some film experience.

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