

The Meadows School

2011 Summer Program Catalog

June 6-July 1

(class schedules vary)



- ◆ Summer session course descriptions
- ◆ Faculty list and e-mail addresses
- ◆ Credited and non-credited courses available
- ◆ Registration form included (center of catalog)

Welcome

Dear Families:

Each summer, The Meadows School offers a limited summer program designed to meet the needs of new and continuing students. Courses vary in length and may be academic, exploratory, or athletic in nature; some are offered for credit, but most are for skill building and talent nurturing. All of the School's summer program courses are designed for the able and ambitious Meadows student as a way to grow between School years.

Please note that all of these courses are taught by The Meadows own highly capable and professional faculty and coaches, each of whom is trained to stimulate enthusiasm and focus on knowledge and skills development.

We hope that the schedules fit in with your family's summer plans, and we look forward to having you join our summer program rosters.

Sincerely,

Henry L. Chanin

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Head of School

Administration 2010-2011

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There is a maximum enrollment limitation for some courses. To reserve your spot, we strongly recommend that you enroll as soon as possible. Space availability is limited to first come, first served.

Attendance Statement

Students whose families are planning trips, camps, or other activities during Summer Program sessions should not enroll this summer. Students must plan to be present for all sessions barring emergencies or illness. Students are advised to talk to the individual instructor if they are going to miss any time during summer sessions.

Most classes are held Monday through Friday unless noted.

The *Summer Program Catalog* and registration form may be reprinted from the School's website:
www.themeadowsschool.org.
Click on "Academics & School Life," then "Summer Program."



**The Meadows School 2011 Summer Program Coordinator:
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History/Social Studies

Government and Current Affairs (Honors) (0.5 credit)

Teacher: Mr. Gary Handley

Grade Levels: rising 11-12

Dates: June 6-July 1 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 8:00 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$1,000.00

Description of class:

Political science is more complex than a mere examination of the mechanics of government. Involved are many disciplines such as sociology, anthropology, psychology, history, business and marketing, statistics, law, and so on. Our lives are guided from cradle to grave by government action. Our entertainments, educational systems, work environments, foods, medicines, living environments, and even our status in society are all linked to the policy-making process.

An appreciation will be gained through copious study of the Constitution, an examination of the structure of American government, a broad and historical look at civil liberties, civil rights, public opinion (its uses and abuses), elections and campaigns, political advertising, interest group politics, political parties and ideology, the three branches of government, the federal bureaucracy, and the policy formulation process. Moreover, there will be considerable focus on American political culture to assure that students will be conversant with respect to the key players in the American "punditocracy." Lastly, special attention shall be given to the more recent controversies and issues of the day. In lieu of a textbook, topical readings will be used to survey more analytically the above topics and grant students the opportunity to critique and consider their own points of view. Class discussion and participation are highly encouraged.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Mathematics

Algebra I/Advanced Topics (no credit)

Teacher: Mr. Mohamad Mehdi

Grade Levels: rising 9-10 (Students going into Geometry, Algebra 2, or Algebra 2/Trig)

Dates: June 6-July 1 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Cost: \$1,000.00

Description of class:

This course will help students refresh their Algebra 1 and pre-algebra skills in order to be better prepared for Geometry and/or Algebra 2. Covered are such concepts as graphing of linear, quadratic, and rational functions; solving

systems of equations; factoring of quadratic equations, exponential rules, radicals, rational expressions; and topics from Algebra 2. In addition, these concepts will be explored on the graphing calculator.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials:

- Students are required to bring graph paper, notebook, pencils.
- Students are required to bring a TI-83 or TI-84 Plus graphing calculator.
- Textbook provided by instructor.

Foreign Language

Elementary Chinese I (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Maggie Chen

Grade Levels: rising 1-4

Dates: June 6-June 23 (Monday-Thursday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$600.00

Description of class:

Join the class for a summer of fun, games, crafts, songs, and poems while learning Chinese. This course is designed for students with little or no previous knowledge of Chinese. Students will learn basic daily-used conversation in each class. Students will be expected to develop the four language skills of speaking, listening, and basic reading and writing, as well as an appreciation of Chinese culture. The instructor, a native speaker of Chinese, will expose students to the Chinese culture with a variety of activities. Chinese resources will be used to introduce and reinforce second language concepts. This class will incorporate singing, dancing, creating arts, and acting into learning a fun, second language.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Elementary Spanish I (no credit)

Teacher: Mr. Luciano Valle Torres

Grade Levels: rising K-2

Dates: June 6-June 23 (Monday-Thursday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$600.00

Description of class:

¡Hola amigos! Join us for a summer of fun, games, crafts, songs, and piñatas, all the while learning Spanish! This course is designed for students with little or no previous knowledge of Spanish. Students will learn basic grammar in an oral/aural context in each class. Students will be expected to develop the four language skills of speaking, listening, and basic reading and writing, as well as an appreciation of Latin American culture. The instructor, a native speaker of

Spanish, will expose students to the Spanish culture and fun and engaging activities. Rockin' Amigos resources will be used to introduce and reinforce second language concepts. This class will incorporate singing, dancing, creating art, and acting into learning a second language.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Elementary Spanish II (no credit)

Teacher: Mr. Luciano Valle Torres

Grade Levels: rising 3-5

Dates: June 6-June 23 (Monday-Thursday)

Time: 12:50 p.m.-3:50 p.m.

Cost: \$600.00

Description of class:

¡Hola amigos! Join us for a summer of fun, games, crafts, songs, and piñatas, all the while learning Spanish! In this class students will build upon their knowledge of Spanish to become well-prepared for the upcoming year. Students of Elementary Spanish II are expected to enhance the four language skills of speaking, listening, reading, and writing. This class will introduce the subjunctive mood, compound tenses, prepositions, and basic conversational skills. Speaking the language is greatly stressed at this level. Students will learn basic grammar in an oral/aural context in each class. The instructor, a native speaker of Spanish, will expose students to the Spanish culture and fun and engaging activities. Rockin' Amigos resources will be used to introduce and reinforce second language concepts. This class will incorporate singing, dancing, creating art, and acting into learning a second language.

Prerequisite: Elementary Spanish I or equivalent

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Science

Summer Science Fun (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Carol Shubinski

Grade Levels: rising 1-4

Dates: June 6-June 16 (Monday-Thursday)

Time: Noon-2:00 p.m.

Cost: \$400.00

Description of class:

This summer camp class will feature hands-on activities involving earth science, life science, and physical science. Students will participate in activities that develop important skills for later science learning. They will be making messy mixtures and icky, sticky concoctions such as slime and oobleck. Other activities will help students discover the secrets of magnets. Students will

design a parachute for an “astronaut egg” to learn about the principles of force and motion. This time of year will be great to use the energy of the sun to make sun prints and even a snack! Students will explore the science behind making ice cream and get to eat what they make. They will learn about insects and other “bugs” that live in the Las Vegas area by using nets and bug boxes to collect them. Join the class for these and other hands-on science activities that will help students discover that science can be fun!

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Athletics

Basketball Skills Camp 2011 (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Stephanie Heller

Guest Instructor: Mr. Bill Baddeley

Grade Levels: rising 5-9 (boys and girls)

Dates: June 13-June 17 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$200.00

Location: The Meadows School Gymnasium

Description of class:

This is an instructional camp focusing on developing the offensive and defensive fundamentals of basketball. Campers will learn how a team concept and individual attitude impact the game of basketball while developing a confidence and love of the game. From beginning to end, campers will be exposed to a high level of instruction and motivation that will assist beginners and experienced players alike. Camp will also feature daily prizes for all contests and a camp T- shirt for each camper. The guest instructor, Bill Baddeley, is the director of the National Basketball Camp for boys and girls in Scotland. He has coached abroad for nearly 20 years, and this session will be the fifth basketball camp he has instructed at The Meadows School.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Lifetime Fitness (0.5 credit)

Teacher: Mr. Frank DeSantis

Grade Levels: rising 9-12

Dates: June 13-July 1 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:30 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$500.00

Location: Key Fechser Fitness Center at The Meadows School

Description of class:

This course will focus on the student’s awareness of fitness through lifetime

activities. Lifetime sports and an introduction to fitness (e.g., walking, core strengthening, etc.) will be discussed. Learning about lifetime fitness training is a vital part to a healthy and productive life. Proper technique of exercises, program development, and total awareness to lifetime activities will be covered. This class will be one-fourth of the PE requirement for graduation.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Shorts, tennis shoes (iPod is optional)

Summer Fun and Games Camp (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Shana Marek and Mrs. Melissa Wolfbrandt

Grade Levels: rising 2-5

Dates: June 6-June 10 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.

Cost: \$200.00

Location: Lower School

Description of class:

Come launch water balloons across the football field and compete in scavenger hunts and slip-and-slide contests. Join us for a week of your favorite ball games and water sports. Outrageous activities, including parachutes and belly bumpers, are being offered for rising second through fifth grade students.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Volleyball Skills Camp 2011 (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Stephanie Heller

Grade Levels: rising 5-8 (girls only)

Dates: June 6-June 10 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$200.00

Location: The Meadows School Gymnasium

Description of class:

This camp is focused on introducing proper technique of the basic fundamentals of volleyball, such as passing, serving, setting, blocking, and attacking while incorporating offensive and defensive schemes to be used in team competition. The Meadows volleyball camp will offer each athlete the opportunity to develop physically, mentally, and socially and will provide each camper with a meaningful experience through exposure to the fundamentals of the game. From beginning to end, campers will be given a high level of instruction and competition that will assist beginners and experienced players alike. Camp will also feature daily awards along with a camp T-shirt for all campers.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Fine and Performing Arts

Exploration of Musical Theatre (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. Jessica Gaylor

Grade Levels: rising 6-9

Dates: June 6-June 17 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$300.00

Description of class:

This musical theatre class will explore a range of musical theatre styles throughout history. Scene/song selections from various musical favorites will be chosen to perform during class time. Students will touch on musical theatre fundamentals in dance, music, and acting. This class emphasizes the exploration of characters in musical theatre using the different performing tools. Students will learn how to “act the song” and use dance to express the emotion of a character. Exploration of musical theatre takes a deeper look into characters created in presentational theatre.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Improv for the Stage (no credit)

Teacher: Mr. Timothy Burris

Grade Levels: rising 6-9

Dates: June 6-June 17 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 10:30 a.m.-noon

Cost: \$300.00

Description of class:

The purpose of this course is to provide an understanding of the fundamentals of theatrical improvisation and a guide to improvisational choices through the use of theatre games and exercises. This course will emphasize artistic perception and creative expression. It will promote understanding of aesthetic valuing, historical and cultural awareness, and the interconnections of the arts and other disciplines. Performing improvisation trains students in the fundamental skills of the theater arts, including techniques of acting, body control, voice, diction, pantomime, character creation, projection of ideas and emotions, and acting of improvisational scenes.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

Middle School Technical Theatre (no credit)

Teacher: Mrs. E'Dawn Severance-Burris

Grade Levels: rising 6-9

Dates: June 6-June 17 (Monday-Friday)

Time: 9:00 a.m.-10:30 a.m.

Cost: \$300.00

Description of class:

This intensive summer class will introduce students to the basic uses of set construction tools, basic faux painting techniques, and creation of props. Materials that may be used include cordless screw gun, chop saw, plywood, PVC pipe, sponges, and Styrofoam

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided

The Meadows Summer Art Camp 2011 (no credit)

Teacher: Ms. Andrea Perkins

Grade Levels: All grade levels may enroll in all sessions

Beginning: rising K-2

Intermediate: rising 3-5

Advanced: rising 6-8

Dates: Session 1: June 6-June 10 (Monday-Friday) **Time:** 8:30 a.m.-noon

Session 2: June 6-June 10 (Monday-Friday) **Time:** 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Session 3: June 13-June 17 (Monday-Friday) **Time:** 8:30 a.m.-noon

Session 4: June 13-June 17 (Monday-Friday) **Time:** 1:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.

Cost: \$250.00 per session

Description of class:

This is a creative camp designed to enhance and grow each young artist's abilities. Artists will be exposed to a vast array of different materials, including chalk, oil pastels, plaster, air-dry clay, watercolors, acrylic paints, photographic, and much more. This art camp is both fun and educational, with the focus being to cultivate a familiarity with art history, an understanding of technique, and a sense of adventure in each artist, helping him/her find his/her own voice and giving him/her creative freedom.

Prerequisite: None

Textbooks/Materials: Provided



No Quit Summer Tennis Camp! **(no credit)**

CONTACT MR. TIM BLENKIRON DIRECTLY TO REGISTER FOR THIS CAMP

Teacher: Mr. Tim Blenkiron

Phone: 702-468-8741

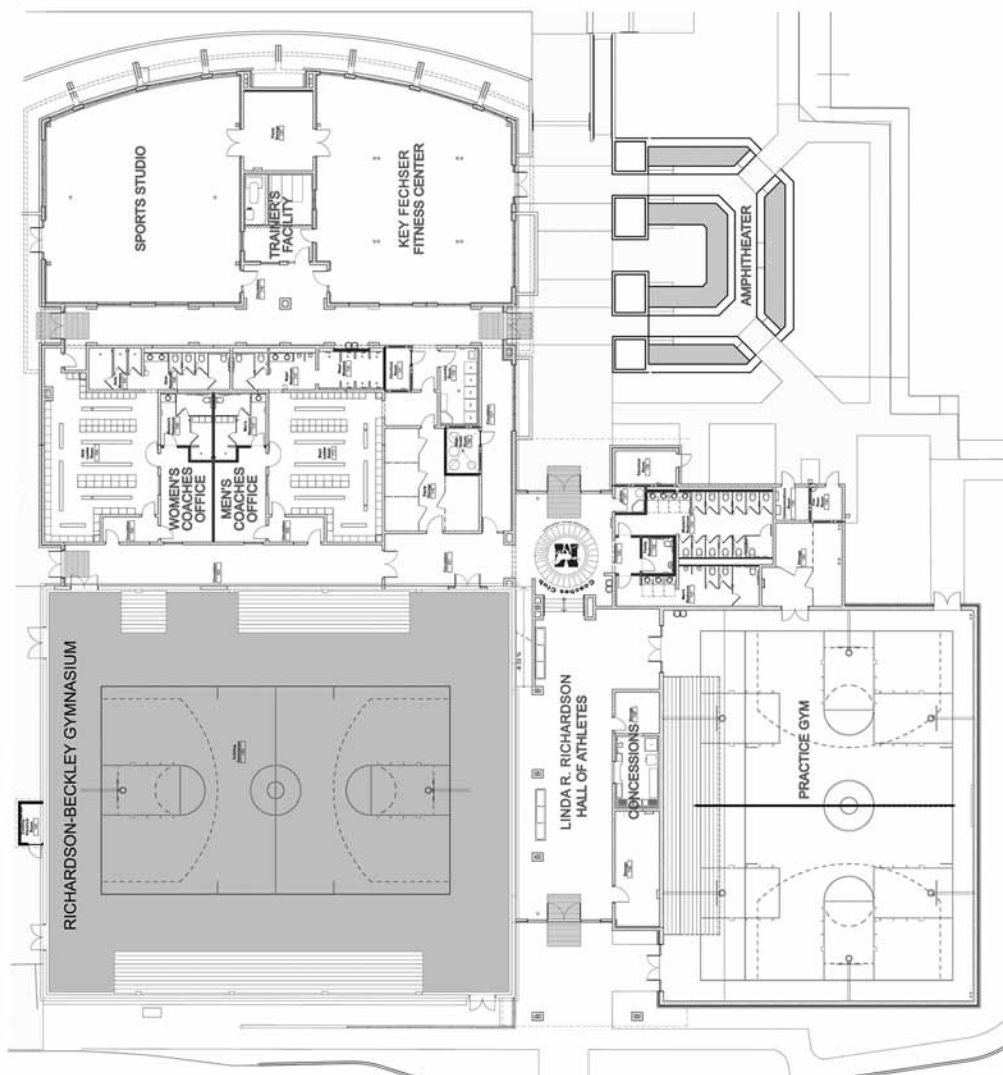
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Description of class:

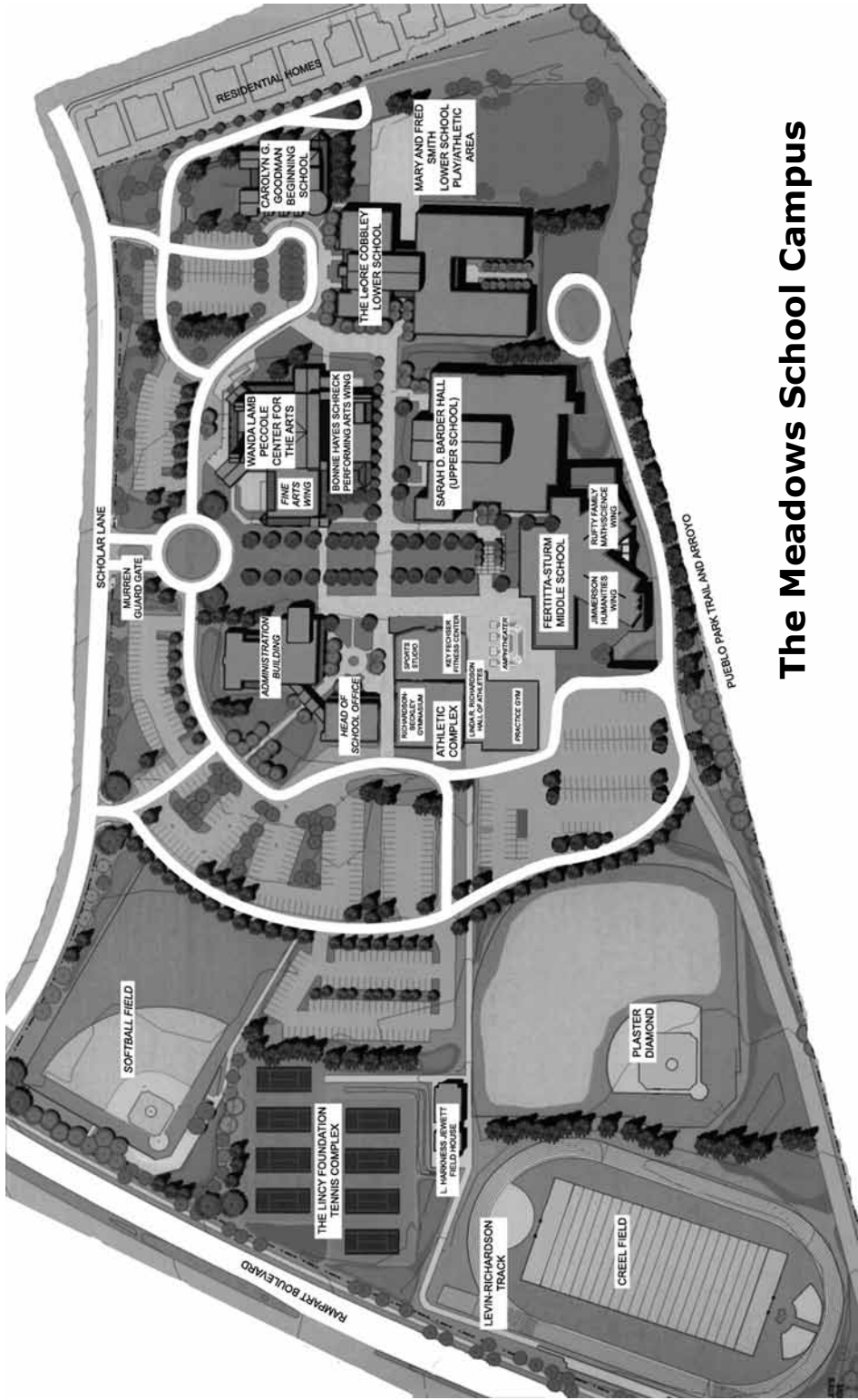
Each week campers take part in comprehensive training lessons with fun, experienced, and friendly coaches. Campers with little or no experience will work on fundamentals and learn how to score and play a match. Advanced players will work on fundamentals, strategy, and point play, including a mini tournament every Friday. Lunch is provided every day, and each day is finished with 30 minutes of cross training on The Meadows field.

Faculty List and E-mail Addresses

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Upper School History/Political Science Instructor
BA University of Utah
MA University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- Mrs. Stephanie HellerSHeller@themeadowsschool.org
Middle School PE/Health Instructor/Coach
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- Mrs. Shana Marek.....SMarek@themeadowsschool.org
Lower School Physical Education Teacher
BS University of Arizona
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MS University of Phoenix



Athletic Complex Facility



The Meadows School Campus

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