

Mahopac Middle School  
PTO Mini- Workshops  
Spring 2018

The Mahopac Middle Schools PTO will be offering 8 weeks of after-school mini workshops this spring, all taking place at the school from **3:00-4:00 pm** (unless otherwise noted). **Each workshop is grade level appropriate and you may register your child for as many workshops that are offered for his/her grade level.**

**Workshops begin in March and run through May. Please note the dates of each workshop as not all courses run certain weeks due to holidays, vacations, Washington, etc.... workshops are 8 weeks in total. We have tried to accommodate as many students as possible with the weeks we have chosen to run our workshops.**

Please see individual course descriptions for dates of programs.

**The registration will be online through a live google document. Registration will be accepted on a first come, first served option with a time stamp logged for each entry. Classes will automatically shut down online as they fill up so please submit your registration as quickly as possible to ensure your choices. You will see the live link information at the bottom of page 3 of this document. These links will turn on:**

**LIVE REGISTRATION WILL START ON WEDNESDAY 2/14 @ 8:00am**

**To Register:**

- 1. Complete one online registration page for each child even if you have siblings attending the same workshop.**
- 2. Complete one online registration page for each class that your child(ren) wish to take**
- 3. Complete the online waivers of liability**
- 4. Payment will be accepted through PAYPAL. A link to our PAYPAL account has been provided on the bottom of page 3 of this document.**

If you do not already have a PAYPAL account no worries, it is easy to access and you can use your checking account information or credit card information for a fast, easy, secure payment to the PTO. We ask that you please COMBINE all classes into one total and send payment through the PAYPAL link as soon as your child has been successfully enrolled in their classes. Please list the name of your child and the class(es) they are taking on the Paypal payment page. The page will come up showing that you are making a DONATION to the PTO, that information is correct. You should receive an email from Paypal to your email account within 24 hours confirming payment in the program(s). Failure to pay promptly will result in withdrawal of the course.

5. PTO membership is required to enroll in the workshops. Please pay your \$10 membership dues to the PTO prior to the start of the first class. You can access the membership information at:

<https://drive.google.com/open?id=0Byh383PwYR1hYVFTeFJiYURNMXVvNkhaLUZMM2EzNHI1SUdj>

6. If a class you would like is SOLD OUT, you may contact: Kathy Cuomo at [Cuomok@mahopac.org](mailto:Cuomok@mahopac.org) or [Cuomok@mahopac.k12.ny.us](mailto:Cuomok@mahopac.k12.ny.us) and be put onto a waiting list. Kindly include the following information in your email:

Students Name, Grade, Workshops desired, Day of week, Email address, Phone number. You will be placed on a waiting list in the order that emails are received. Do NOT send payment. If a space opens up you will be notified and then you can send payment, thank you!

7. Once you are registered for a class there will be no changing classes. Space is very limited and your spot has been reserved for that class.

**Please note:**

Class sizes are limited. Classes will be processed on a FIRST COME FIRST SERVED basis. Once a class is filled it will no longer appear on the live form. Please note that with live registration there is always an opportunity for error. If too many students accidentally get accepted into the program you will receive a phone call stating that the class is full and to please select another class. The

registration form will be time stamped with times so there is no uncertainty on who is first come first serve.

Insufficient registration will result in the cancellation of a class.

Refunds will not be given after the first class.

If there is a class cancellation for any reason, your child will be sent home at dismissal on his/her regular bus (unless they are staying for after school help from 2-3)

**The school district will not be providing late buses for these programs, parent pick up is mandatory.**

**All students applying for these programs either must stay afterschool from 2:00-3:00 with a teacher for after school help, the Homework Center, The Learning Center, or intramural sports. If your child goes home on the bus at the 2:00 dismissal it is a parent's responsibility to bring the child back for classes at 3:00.**

Any student who is found in the hallways, cafeteria or unsupervised between the hours of 2:00-3:00 will be spoken to by an administrator and parents will be notified that the student is on warning for the rest of the after school program. If a child is found unsupervised twice during the 8 week session the child will be dismissed from the program and no refund will be given.

All students must be picked up by an adult at 4:00 pm in the front of the Middle School. Students who are not picked up in a timely matter will be given a warning after the first instance and will be dismissed from the program after the second late pickup. Again, dismissal from the program will receive no refunds. Unfortunately, we have had multiple incidents of parents picking up more than a half hour late. Although we understand things come up this is a hardship for our instructors who are commissioned to work until 4:00. We will now be accessing a charge for late pick ups:

**4:15-4:25 = \$10.00**

**After 4:25 = \$25.00**

Prompt pick up at 4:00 is appreciated, thank you! Late charge fee's will be sent via email and expected in the form of a check at the next class. If payment is not made you will risk being dismissed from the workshop.

A student's behavior in these programs is expected to follow the same code of conduct as written in the Mahopac Middle Schools handbook. All families should be aware of this handbook and if another copy is needed please let us know. Failure to comply with the code of conduct will result in a warning from an administrator on the first instance with a phone call home and dismissal with no refund from the program on the second occurrence.

For additional information, please contact Kathy Cuomo at [CuomoK@mahopac.k12.ny.us](mailto:CuomoK@mahopac.k12.ny.us) or [CuomoK@mahopac.org](mailto:CuomoK@mahopac.org)

Live registration link Wednesday, February 14, 2018 at 8:00 am

## [Registration Link](#)

<https://goo.gl/UtuiXf>

[Pay Here](#) through **Paypal** (please remember to combine payments if possible)

<https://www.paypal.com/donate/?token=aGEeCrdFC1uFeCbX6ma4srLcDWMK1jPe7MnhNgr8gGLFjvVNsN88cJEt9akUoa3yRjXcmm&country.x=US&locale.x=US>

**MONDAY**

## **Archery Mixed Levels (3/19, 3/26, 4/9, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14 (2 hour field trip))**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructors: Dan Rode

Maximum Enrollment: 10 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Project Adventure Gym

This course is designed for those interested in learning archery. Students may have some experience, but none is required. The course will focus on safety and proper shooting form and mechanics. Please note that there is a field trip to Whortlekill Rod &

Gun Club in Hopewell Junction on 5/14. Transportation will be provided TO the club at 2:30pm, parent PICK UP is required at 5:00 from the club that day.

**\*ZERO TOLERANCE DISCLAIMER\*** Due to the nature of this course, any statements or actions made by students that imply or display unsafe behavior will result in the student being removed from the course without refund.

Cost: \$90.00

## **Culinary Class (3/19, 3/26, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14)**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Instructor: Melissa Nyikos

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Culinary Room 162

Want to learn to cook? Well this class is for you! Intro to cooking will teach the basic recipes that are simple and delicious! The idea is to encourage confidence in the kitchen using ingredients they are familiar with. We will stress kitchen safety, food safety and food presentation. This beginning-to-cook class is a perfect way to quench your young chef's thirst for culinary adventure and develop his or her appetite for future kitchen experiences.

Cost: \$115

## **MONDAY CONT....**

### **Golf Instruction (3/19, 3/26, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14( field trip)**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Instructor: Sean Lyons

Maximum Enrollment: 10 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Gym 4/5

This is a class for beginning/intermediate golfers who want to learn the basics of one of the greatest games ever created. Putting skills and iron play will be the focus of this workshop. Students will have the opportunity to win awards for hitting targets and improving their level of play. Participants will have fun and learn skills they can use throughout their lives. On the final day students can display their skills by playing for 3 hours at the Putnam National Golf Course.

Cost: \$100.00

### **LEGO Robotics (3/19, 3/26, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructors: John Faitakes

Maximum Enrollment: 10 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Tech classroom - Room 125

Students collaborate to create customizable, programmable robots from kits that contain hardware to build the projects and software to help make them move.

Cost: \$115.00

## **MONDAY CONT....**

### **Italian (3/19, 3/26, 4/9, 4/16, 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14)**

Grades: 6, 7, and 8th graders currently not enrolled in Italian through MMS

Instructor: Andrea D'Aprile

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Room 128

Vorresti imparare l'italiano? Would you like to learn Italian? Italian is a beautiful, musical language. Italy is the homeland of many parents, grandparents, relatives and friends of MMS students. Italy is a country with a rich history that is also currently a world leader in cuisine, art, sports, fashion, film and automotive industries. Learning Italian will help boost your English vocabulary. In the Italian language workshop, participants will learn basic vocabulary and phrases through games, songs, crafts, videos and partner conversations, along with a variety of Italian culture topics.

Cost: \$75.00

### **Singing Made Easy (3/12(note starts early), 3/19, 3/26, 4/13(note day change), 4/23, 4/30, 5/7, 5/14(performance))**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructors: Beth Saultz

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Chorus Room (Room 227)

Basic singing techniques will be taught. Students will sing songs of their choice. Individual and group songs will be available to choose from as well. Singing is made easy...and FUN!!! Choose our own songs or, if you need help with songs from a show you are in or will be auditioning for, get help with those too! Please

note that on the last class 5/14 there will be a performance for family and friends to attend.

Cost: \$85.00

## **TUESDAY**

### **Chess Mate (3/20, 3/27, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructor: Kathy Cuomo

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Classroom 230

A class for beginner/intermediate players. Chess teaches creativity, sharpens focus and concentration, and develops patience and thoughtfulness. Chess also promotes abstract thinking and rewards accurate analysis. Come play some casual chess and learn to plan ahead and devise a strategy. Skills needed in both school and life.

Cost: \$75.00

### **Fashion and Jewelry Design (3/20, 3/27, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15)**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Instructors: Amy Soto

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Room 231



Be a style maker! Learn the latest fashions and how to create your own designs. You'll learn the basics of fashion design through fun and exciting projects. Each student will receive a sketch book and colored pencils. We will use magazines, photographs, and other mediums as inspiration. Projects will include designing a dress and an "ugly sweater" as well as making a trendy choker and a cuff bracelet. You will be able to bring the jewelry you create home with you. All you need for this class is a flair for fashion.

Cost: \$115.00

## **TUESDAY CONT...**

### **German Club (3/20, 3/27, 4/10, 4/17, 4/24, 5/1, 5/8, 5/15)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructor: Gregory Brown

Maximum Enrollment: 20 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Classroom 234

Come join us on Tuesday's for a taste of German culture, language, geography and food. Enjoy traditional German celebrations all while increasing your language skills and knowledge.

Cost: \$75.00

## **WEDNESDAY**

### **Coding (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructor: John Faitakes

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: 222

Students will engage in learning programming basics utilizing a visual programming environment. Class will use basic drag and drop tile programming from code. Org and scratch. Students will utilise the google cs first coding curriculum to learn and create their own interactive story animations.

Cost: \$85.00

### **Delectable Desserts (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Instructors: Beth Smith  
Maximum Enrollment: 15 students  
Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
Location: Room 162

In this French desserts class just for kids, your aspiring little chef will not only indulge their sweet tooth, but will learn how to bake and create from scratch six delicious sweet French delights. With the help of the Chef we will also put together some seasonal recipes.

Students will learn kitchen fundamentals like how to follow recipes, measuring, mixing, monitoring cooking temperatures, and timing - and perhaps more importantly - kitchen safety. Then, we'll teach them all about the wonderful world of baking, including the techniques professionals use to ensure jaw dropping - delicious cakes, cookies, pies, tarts, breads and more.

Cost: \$115.00

## **WEDNESDAY CONT....**

**Design Engineering (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8  
Instructors: Tim Jordan and Jason Klock  
Maximum Enrollment: 12 students  
Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
Location: Tech classroom - Room 125

Enter the world of computerized material processing and 3d printing. During the eight weeks, you will be able to design and build a project that can have vinyl decals, plastic or wood signs, 3d printed toys, whatever your imagination can come up with (within reason) we can do. \*New students only, if you took this workshop in the winter please do not sign up again, thank you!

Cost: \$105.00

## **DIY Projects (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7, and 8

Instructor: Robin Faulkner

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: 142

You make it...you take it!

Join us for Session 2 of DIY! We made great projects and will continue with the spring theme. Painting, dipping strawberries, stamped note cards, spring centerpiece, bird houses, outdoor projects, home décor and back by popular demand .... homemade SLIME!

Cost: \$115.00

## **WEDNESDAY CONT....**

### **Group Sports Activities (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6 and 7, coed

Instructor: Jeffrey Hughes

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Gym 4/5

If you are interested in group sports activities come join Mr. Hughes on Wednesdays for a variety of sports fun! Activities will be determined week one when the class comes together and decides what they would like to play. Be it

basketball, McGee Ball, soccer, etc...we will all have a great time. Come join us for some fun!

Cost: \$75.00

## **Latin (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

Instructors: Andrea D'Aprile

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Room 128

More than 70 million people around the world know sign language. Knowing American Sign Language will boost your creativity and visual perception. You will be able to connect with and serve the American Deaf community and individuals with special needs. In the American Sign Language workshop, participants will learn basic signs, fingerspelling and facial expressions used to express ASL. Participants will learn ASL through games, songs, crafts, videos and partner conversations.

Cost: \$75.00

## **WEDNESDAY CONT....**

### **Mastering Google Apps and Ext. (3/14, 3/21, 4/11, 4/18, 5/2, 5/9, 5/16, 5/23)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructor: Kevin Reilly

Maximum Enrollment: 15 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Classroom G61

Learn the ins and outs of Google applications such as Docs, Slides, Forms, Drawings, Calendar, YouTube, and Keep. The session will focus on how to best use the apps to create presentations that will amaze your teachers and friends. In addition, students will learn all about the world of chrome extensions and how using a core set of them can help them become a more productive Googler. With the district roll out of 1:1 chromebooks this spring this workshop will teach children how to navigate through Google Apps for classwork, projects, etc.....

Cost: \$85.00

## **THURSDAY**

**Animal Dissection (3/8, 3/22, 4/12, 4/19, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24)**

Grades: 7 and 8 only (no 6th grade)  
Instructor: Kelly Kischak and Scott Hocutt  
Maximum Enrollment: 20 students  
Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
Location: Classroom 162

Do you love hands-on science activities? Are you interested in finding out more about how some living things compare to others? If so, then this after school activity just might be for you!!! During this program, you will be introduced to proper dissection technique. We will begin with learning about common tools and how to use them safely. Then the dissecting will begin! We will begin practicing by dissecting the reproductive structure of the plant, a flower! Food webs will be an important discussion as we look at owl prey inside an owl pellet. We will then discover the insides of creatures such as a worm to see why their anatomy is designed to help them survive, adapt, and make them essential to our existence on earth! We will also examine specific body parts too. Have you ever wondered how a muscle the size of your fist is responsible for pumping 2,000 gallons of blood a day? We will dissect a heart to show you how! We will also examine the 2nd most complex organ of the body, the eyeball! This little organ is composed of more than 2 million parts and requires an entire lobe of your brain to function properly. We will then end with internal exploration of a frog. Although not a mammal, this creature has many anatomical similarities to human structure and function and will amaze you!!! Be prepared to get your hands dirty and your mind blown by the diversity and complexity of living things!

Cost: \$115.00

## **Candy Making (3/8, 3/22, 4/12, 4/19, 5/3, 5/10, 5/17, 5/24)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8  
Instructor: Beth Smith  
Maximum Enrollment: 15 students  
Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm  
Location: Classroom 162

It's a rare kid (or adult) who doesn't like chocolate. Who hasn't dreamed of being Charlie in that Chocolate Factory, surrounded by a river of that sweet stuff? But while lots of us cook it's not often that we get to channel our inner Willy Wonka. We will be creating many masterpieces for the spring and Easter/Passover season. Come join us for some tasty treats!

Cost: \$115.00

## **THURSDAY CONT....**

**Floor Hockey (3/8, 3/22, 4/12, 5/3, 5/4 (please note this is a FRIDAY), 5/10, 5/17, 5/24)**

Grades: 6, 7 and 8

Instructor: Mike Woodrow

Maximum Enrollment: 12 students

Time: 3:00 – 4:00 pm

Location: Gym 4/5

Do you like hockey? Do you want to learn more about the skills involved in the sport and get a chance to play? This after school activity will focus on the skills needed to play and excel in floor hockey. Each class will have a focus of the day, with drills to improve that area and then a scrimmage. We will work on the following skills: stick handling, passing, shooting, and goaltending.

Cost: \$85.00



