AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS



2022-23 TRIMESTER 1

AFTER-SCHOOL AT WESTERLY

Westerly hosts a robust array of after-school options for students in Kindergarten through Grade 8. From our daily after-school program which provides homework assistance, crafts, and games, to enrichment classes, private music lessons, intramurals, and team sports. Our portfolio of programs has something for everyone.

About the Programs

While some programs run for the entirety of the year, the offerings generally shift around the end of each trimester, providing new opportunities for students to enrich their time on campus. Updates and opportunities are also shared in the *Wildcat Weekly* newsletter to keep families up to speed with all the great options for their children.

Please take a moment to review the Trimester 1 offerings.

Register for all programs here.

Questions? Send us a note: afterschool@westerlyschool.org

Trimester 1

September 6 - November 18, 2022

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WILDCAT

Wildcat After-school Program

Wildcat is Westerly's daily after-school program, rooted in supporting each child's academic, social, emotional, and physical development. Led by the Wildcat team, students will have the opportunity to expand their school day with homework support, enrichment projects, outdoor play, and creative expression. Activities are built with the goal of allowing students to pursue their passions balanced with the discovery of new ones, all in a healthy and safe environment.

Schedules are subject to vary by grade, but will typically follow a framework with the following components:

- Homework Help/Reading
- Snack
- Outdoor/Movement Play
- Enrichment Project
- Supervised Free Play

Wildcat Program Fees

We offer three options for Wildcat payment:

1) TRIMESTER PLAN - \$ 980

Pre-Registration is required for this option*. Tuition covers unlimited Wildcat participation throughout an entire trimester.

2) WILD PACK - \$300 (on-going)

Pre-Registration is required for this option*. Tuition covers participation for 10 separate days of Wildcat for any duration of time (pupil-free days and holidays excluded). Families may purchase multiple Wild Packs. Families may also share a Wild Pack amongst siblings. (ie. Siblings staying on the same day of the week would count as 2 days under the same Wild Pack).

3) DROP-IN RATE - \$35 per child for the day

Pre-Registration is not required for this option. Your child may go directly to Wildcat after school. *Please note that all students who have not been picked up by 3:30 p.m. (M-Th) and 2:00 p.m. on Friday will be accompanied to Wildcat.*

• Families are strongly encouraged to purchase a Wild Pack to cover their unplanned drop-in days. The Wildcat Pack daily rate is significantly lower than the daily drop-in.

Register for Wildcat <u>here</u>.

SCHOOL DISMISSAL TIMES	
GRADE LEVEL	PICK-UP
KINDERGARTEN- 3RD GRADE	M-TH: 2:55-3:05 P.M. FRI: 1:25-1:35 P.M.
4TH-8TH GRADE	M-TH: 3:10-3:25 P.M. FRI: 1:40-1:55 P.M.
	vailable after 6:00 p.m. daily.

Wildcat Program Frequently Asked Questions

If my child is staying after school for an enrichment class or athletics, does this count as attending Wildcat, and would I need to use one of my "Wild Pack" visits?

If you pick up your child immediately after the enrichment class or practice, this does not count as Wildcat. We also offer a 30-minute grace period in case you are running late, so your child may stop by Wildcat during that time without using a Wild Pack or being billed for a drop-in. If your child attends Wildcat after an enrichment class or practice for more than 30 minutes, then this <u>will</u> count as using Wildcat for the day.

Does Westerly prorate the drop in fee?

We do not have a prorating option available for the drop in rates, however, we do offer a 30-minute grace period after dismissal. You will not be charged the drop-in fee for the first 30 minutes of Wildcat.

Do unused Wild Pack days roll over?

Yes, in the event that you have leftover Wild Pack days from the previous trimester, we will roll them over into the upcoming trimester. However, they will not roll over year-to-year.

ENRICHMENT CLASSES

About Our Enrichment Classes

Complimenting the daily Wildcat program is a series of enrichment classes offered throughout the school year. These trimester-long classes, usually meeting one day per week, focus on a specific area of interest. Enrichment classes are offered by both partner organizations and Westerly faculty/staff.

The cost for these programs is separate from the Wildcat After-school program. Drop-ins and prorating are unavailable for enrichment courses. Pre-registration for the entire trimester is required.

Trimester 1 Enrichment Courses

• BRICKS4KIDZ

A hands-on adventure using LEGO bricks! Kids explore fundamental principles of science and engineering by building models with our fun-filled plans and kits. Our S.T.E.M.-based program fosters creativity, boosts self-esteem, improves fine motor skills, develops problem-solving abilities, and promotes teamwork and cooperation.

The theme of the class is Transportation. If you like planes, trains, and automobiles, then this unit is for you! Each week, students will build motorized models of a dragster, a railroad crossing gate, an airplane, and more. Explore the history of transportation, from horse and buggy and trains to the development of the automobile and flight. Lots of building fun ahead with motorized models of a train, car, dragster, and airplane!

Grades: K-4 Price: \$220 Time: 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. Dates: Wednesday, Sept. 21, 28, Oct. 5, 12, 19, 26, Nov. 9, 16

• WEBREAK

Our beginner breakdance classes are for students who have little to no dance experience and are designed to teach the fundamental aspects of breakdancing in a fun and safe environment! WeBreak teaches through our very own proprietary curriculum, focused on learning moves, self-expression, building confidence, and developing a positive environment through helping one another. Students will learn the fundamentals of Breakin': Toprock, Footwork, and Freeze. The course will teach them coordination, showmanship, musicality, and how to cooperate with peers in a fun environment, while learning a bit about the history of Hip-Hop and Breakin'. The final day of class will be capped off with a choreographed performance with each student demonstrating the moves that they've learned.

Grades: 1–5 Price: \$240 Time: 3:15 – 4:15 Dates: Thursday, Sept. 22, 29, Oct. 6, 13, 20, 27, Nov. 10, 17

• ART & JUSTICE

Journey with us through pivotal moments in history as we explore and utilize art as the lens and tool of social justice across the world's continents. We will learn how to analyze and identify similarities and differences of global culture, and examine a variety of creative, artistic media in this adventurous 8-week course. Students will explore different art mediums, such as painting, drawing, collage, and mosaic to discuss and create art projects that showcase social justice themes of equality, diversity, bullying, gender equality, hate of yesterday and today, and more

Grades: 3-8 Price: \$216 Time: 3:15 - 4:15 p.m. Dates: Tuesday, Sept. 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25, Nov. 8, 15

Register for Enrichment Classes here.

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ATHLETICS

Team Sports

Competitive athletics offer an invaluable opportunity to teach our students the value of sportsmanship, teamwork, and the importance of healthfully managing life's wins – and defeats. Our Wildcats participate in an athletic league along with neighboring schools. More details regarding the Athletics schedule below will be shared following an Athletic League meeting in September, at which the schedule for the year will be set.

The 2022-23 athletic programs will include:

Middle School Co-ed Flag Football (Fall) Middle School Girls Volleyball (Fall) 4-8th Grade Boys Basketball (Winter) 4-8th Grade Girls Basketball (Winter) 5-6th Grade Girls Volleyball (Winter) 3rd-8th Grade Co-ed Track & Field (Spring) Middle School Coed Soccer (Spring, TBC) Middle School Boys Volleyball (Spring, TBC)

Price: \$45 (a one-time athletic fee that will cover the athlete's entire year)

Register for Team Sports here.

Intramurals

Supplementing our athletics league is an array of intramurals programs, providing students the opportunity to learn and practice fundamentals of the game, along with application in a game setting through scrimmages.

Soccer

Grades: K-1 Price: \$75 Time: 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. Dates: Thursdays, Sept. 15, 22, 29, Oct. 6. 13. 20, 27

Soccer

Grades: 2-3 Price: \$75 Time: 3:15 - 4:00 p.m. Dates: Tuesdays, Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25

Football

Grades: 4–5 Price: \$75 Time: 3:15 – 4:00 p.m. Dates: Tuesdays, Sept. 13, 20, 27, Oct. 4, 11, 18, 25

Register for Intramurals here.

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AFTER-SCHOOL MUSIC LESSONS

Immerse yourself in the art of music with Westerly's private after-school music lessons! Offered by the Westerly Music Department, we strive to present fun, dynamic, and diverse instruction in vocal and instrumental music. It is our goal to instill a passion for music in our students, while helping them build confidence and grow in their chosen craft.

Lessons are open for the first trimester and available to students in 5th through 8th grade who wish to play the following instruments:

- Voice
- Strings
- Piano
- Brass (trumpet, french horn, trombone, euphonium, tuba)

Before you register*: Families should first email Mr. Patrick Lenertz

(<u>Plenertz@westerlyschool.org</u>) or Ms. Susan Geiser (<u>sgeiser@westerlyschool.org</u>) to ensure scheduling can be arranged. Once scheduling has been set, you may register and pay online.

Lessons are 30 minutes each and are purchased in packages of 6 sessions.

Register for Music Lessons here.

