

# **Book List & Class Descriptions**

6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> Grades

# Students may take the Block of 3 Classes and add any Optional Classes to the Block

This is the place to find all the books you need for classes at OliveTree for 2022-2023! Books can be purchased from local retailers: Probasco's and Salt & Light in Greeley.

# Please be mindful to purchase book editions as listed

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\*OliveTree reserves the right to cancel classes if minimum enrollment is not met

# 6<sup>th</sup> GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

#### SCIENCE

# Book to purchase: Exploring Creation with Human Anatomy & Physiology Book to purchase: Anatomy Note-taking Journal apologia.com

ISBN #978-1-935495-14-7 ISBN #978-1-935495-15-4

No Testing – there will be a few in class guizzes.

Scientific experiments and projects in class, such as testing bacteria content around the house, finding their blood type, creating a cell model from Jell-O and candy, and building a stethoscope! Students read the chapter and test at home. Class discussions and Labs are done in class. Students provide textbooks. The journal is uniquely designed to correspond with every assignment and activity in the course book, providing you with a record of your student's scientific endeavors throughout the year.

#### LOGIC

#### Book to purchase: None

Logic will do more to teach the students to think clearly, reason well, and spot errors in the reasoning of others, than any other activity. A good grasp of the concepts taught here will help the students in many areas of life. In this class, we will be discussing informal reasoning and logic. We will talk about good reasoning and bad reasoning. We will be exploring some different thought process in reasoning and critical thinking skills such as analogies, word games, sudoku, fallacies, red herrings and other logic games.

#### ART

#### Book to purchase: None

An art class just for 6th graders! Students will learn to express themselves through various art techniques and mediums. Hands on activities in groups allow students to enjoy their peers as they unleash their creativity.

# **6<sup>th</sup> GRADE OPTIONAL CLASSES**

# FUNDAMENTALS OF MATH

# **Book: Supplied by Teacher**

Since homeschooled students come from many different math curriculums, we highly recommend students take this FUNDAMENTALS class to ensure they have the skills to move forward and be successful in math in Pre-Algebra and High School. This class will cover methods of attack; learning to think methodically and logically, neatness, speed drills, math facts, review of multiple number addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; long division, fractions, decimals, percent and how to interpret word problems. For 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders.

#### **BOOK CLUB**

#### Book to purchase: None

Book Club students will build reading and analytical skills by reading aloud and discussing a book, working together to help understand the text. Students will engage in vocabulary and comprehension questions as well as character development and biblical lessons. Class discussions give students a chance to ask questions and voice opinions. Along with reading a book together, each student will have a chance to read a book of their choice and present a book report for the class. Teacher supplies read aloud books.

# 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

# SCIENCE LAB 7 – Please note new edition!

Book to purchase: Exploring Creation with General Science 3rd edition Book to purchase: Solutions and Tests Book to purchase: Student Notebook ISBN 978-1-946506-57-3 ISBN 978-1-946506-28-3 ISBN 978-1-946506-30-6

# apologia.com

This course covers such topics as the scientific method, designing experiments, simple machines, archaeology, geology, paleontology, biology, and human anatomy and physiology. There are many hands-on experiments done in class. This class is the Lab portion only. Students read the chapter and test at home.

# WRITESHOP 1

# Book: WriteShop 1 (Kautzer, Oldar) 5<sup>th</sup> edition writeshop.com, Demme #7062

WriteShop I teaches students to write descriptive, informative, and narrative compositions. Students will use their observations and experiences to write strong well-developed paragraphs that include complex sentences of varying lengths. Working independently, students are given clear objectives and tools that will help improve brainstorming, writing, and self-editing skills.

# **EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION**

## **Book: None**

With the benefit of a classroom setting, students will engage in oral and written exercises designed to improve basic and advanced communication skills. Each child will learn how to individually as well as corporately work together to prepare various speech assignments.

# 7<sup>th</sup> GRADE OPTIONAL CLASSES

# PRE-ALGEBRA meets Tuesday and Thursday for 30 weeks

# Book to purchase: Math U See Pre-Algebra Level Up Base Set (all materials for parent, student) mathusee.com

With students coming from many different math curriculum's, we highly recommend students take the Pre-Algebra class at OliveTree to prepare for high school math at OliveTree. Please ensure your student is ready for Pre-Algebra by taking this placement test (copy URL below and paste in your browser) http://mathusee.com/placement/assessments/pre-algebra-placement-assessment/

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# MS ART CLASS Book to purchase: None

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# 8<sup>th</sup> GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

## SCIENCE LAB 8 - Please note new edition!

Book to purchase: Exploring Creation with Physical Science 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition Book to purchase: Solutions and Tests Book to purchase: Student Notebook ISBN 978-1-946506-51-1 ISBN 978-1-946506-52-8 ISBN 978-1-946506-54-2

#### apologia.com

The text discusses such topics as the atmosphere, the hydrosphere, weather, the structure of the earth, gravity, environmentalism, the physics of motion, Newton's Laws, and astrophysics. The author concentrates on the myths generated by the hysterical environmentalist movement. There are many hands-on experiments done in class. This class is the Lab portion only. Students read the chapter and test at home.

## **COMPOSITION 8**

# Book to purchase: WriteShop 2 (Kautzer, Oldar) 5<sup>th</sup> edition writeshop.com, Demme #7066

WriteShop 2 teaches students to write and edit persuasive, compare/contrast, and descriptive essays. Students work on the components of an essay, including thesis statements, while also learning to work within a time limit. In each lesson, students will apply skills, such as outlining and use of parallel sentence construction as they brainstorm, outline, edit, and revise their compositions resulting in well-structured and polished writings.

## WORLDVIEW Book to purchase: Supplied

The first semester will be invested in an overview of Christianity. The second semester will be spent considering other religions in light of a Christian Worldview. We will be interacting with Bible passages and John Blanchard's book, *Right with God*, as well as regular dialogue about current events from a Christian worldview. *So What's the Difference*, by Ridenour will be used second semester. No text to purchase – OliveTree supplies books.

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## ALGEBRA 1 meets Tuesday and Thursday for 34 weeks

Book to purchase: Math U See Algebra 1 Level Up Base Set (materials for parent and student) mathusee.com

Algebra 1 is offered to students who have completed Pre-Algebra (see High School list for book and description).

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## VOCAL ENSEMBLE MS/HS Book to purchase: None

Students will learn to sing together and in parts culminating in at least 2 performances during the school year.