

Unique, Stand-Alone Enrichment Programs



AlphaBEST Education's EnrichZONE provides schools and programs with an array of enrichment offerings that can be customized to meet your community's needs and interests. Our EnrichZone clubs are designed to expand students' horizons and offer a world of talent exploration and skill discovery. Classes are held one day per week for one hour and are taught by trained AlphaBEST Education instructors. Each enrichment offering can last up to ten weeks. We process all fees and payments and manage all instructor and vendor contracts.



**Inspire,
Engage, Discover
and Learn Through our
ENRICHZONE
Programming!**



Enrich Arts Zone

AlphaBEST Idol

Grades 2-5

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Got talent? Want to be a contestant on our own version of "American Idol™"? Maybe the thought of being a judge or host is more your style? Or, perhaps, behind the scenes of the television show is what intrigues you. Whatever your interest, there is a place for you in "AlphaBEST Idol!" Learn how to direct, produce, edit film and perform your way to stardom, with the final product being an actual taping of your very own "AlphaBEST Idol" show!



Eat Your Art Out

Grades K-3

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Want to create art that's good enough to eat? You will use fruits, veggies, cookies, candy and other tasty food assortments to create your own edible art masterpieces. Come learn how to get creative with food by decorating, painting, and designing your very own food creation. Artwork can be consumed in class or taken home. No peanut or tree nut products are used.

Bon Appétit!

Culinary Kids

Grades K-5

Maximum Enrollment: 12

Are you the next Emeril Lagasse or Rachael Ray? Learning to cook is a great way for kids to learn about nutrition and healthy eating. This class offers hands-on fun creating, tasting and exploring a variety of kid-friendly healthy recipes. It doesn't matter if you know a little or a lot about cooking because this program is about having fun in the kitchen, trying new foods, and learning to create tasty treats. We'll make everything from breakfast to dinner, and more! Cooking is an adventure...so come join the fun!



Making Masterpieces

Grades K-5

Maximum Enrollment: 20

"Every child is an artist. The difficult part is how to remain an artist once he or she grows up." -Pablo Picasso

Calling all young Picasso's! Art is a way to communicate how we see the world. Come learn about art styles and create your own masterpieces following various artistic trends, such as romanticism and impressionistic art, while using different colors and painting techniques. You will also observe artists' work and interpret and express it in your own style using various mediums. (Monet, Picasso & Van Gough)

You Can Dance!

Grades 1-4

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Step it up and find your beat to the music! You will learn how to do the moves to many popular dance songs set to various musical styles. Short routines and basic dance moves will be taught so that you develop a natural rhythm and increase your dance skills. You will explore different styles of dance (including jazz/hip-hop) that incorporate upbeat, child-friendly music. The class will culminate with a group performance of your new dance moves for family and friends.

Drama Works

Grades 2-5

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Are you serious about theater? Come sharpen your performing arts skills through play production, teamwork and the experience of working on sets and props. You will begin by playing drama games and end with a small skit production. You will be exposed to all aspects of creative arts in this engaging club.



Y.A.C. (Young Actors Club)

Grades K-3

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Do you like acting? Come develop your skills and confidence by acting in scenes, short skits and learning monologues. This unique class is for young actors who want to learn projecting techniques, memorization capabilities, and performance skills. This program will include acting games, improvisation (acting without a script) and using creativity and imagination to create different characters. No prior experience is necessary. All you need is enthusiasm and a desire to perform, and you will learn the skills to land the part!

Let's Get Crafty

Grades K-3

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Do you enjoy making things with your hands? If you're artsy, crafty or a bit of both, this club is for you! Come join the fun and learn to make a variety of things using a range of techniques, tools, materials and ideas. The theme each week is inspired by nature, other artists and the participants. Activities include painting, drawing, sketching, collaging, sculpting, and printing. A full range of activities will be available for each new session.

Enrich STEM Zone

STEM education has become a critical focus of educators nationally as we seek to create creative, critical thinkers and the next generation of innovators. AlphaBEST Education takes pride in our unique, cutting-edge STEM and Technology Arts programming developed in partnership with some of the nation's leading STEM experts.

**Access to school computer labs is necessary.*

Hands On Engineering

Grades K-5

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Do you think like an engineer? Come learn about various engineering disciplines all while creating your own innovations. You will be exposed to various hands-on engineering experiences using a variety of building materials. On teams, you will test your designs and learn creative problem solving. Compare designs with other teams and make adjustments to come up with the best construction techniques. Teams will take on real-life engineering challenges that explore concepts in physics, architecture and mechanical and structural engineering.

Jr. Crime Scene Investigation

Grades K-2

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Do you love mysteries and solving puzzles? Come learn how to crack codes, find clues, and play detective games. Each week you will be challenged with a new investigation and will put clues together to become a super sleuth. Young investigators like you are encouraged to develop your skills of observation and creative thinking; investigate the scene of a crime; analyze evidence by means of chemistry; use biology to learn more about a crime; and analyze documents to solve it.



Crime Scene Investigation

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Calling all investigators! Have you ever wondered whether the forensic science you've seen on TV is anything like the real thing? There's no better way to find out than to roll up your sleeves and do it yourself. You will learn about forensic evidence, lifting fingerprints and other ways to crack crimes by examining evidence. Each week you will discover a new forensic technique and gather evidence to solve mysteries. Learn practices similar to what FBI agents use. Add up the clues and the mystery is solved!

Our Selection of Unique and Engaging Programs

Kid Chemistry Lab

Grades K-3

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Want to explore the world of cool chemistry through experiments? Come learn about atoms, acids, molecules, electrons, metals, catalysts and all kinds of interesting chemistry mixtures and solutions. You will conduct hands-on science experiments to understand the world around you. See, hear, smell, and touch what science is all about! We will create acid/base solutions, observe chemical reactions, combine chemicals to create invisible gases and investigate all sorts of physical changes. *all "chemicals" child safe non-toxic

Robot Discovery*

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Like to put things together and understand how they work? Want to build your very own robot? You will learn the fundamentals of sensors, gear drives, basic electronics, logic, reasoning, block diagrams, programming and schematics. This program is ideal for any budding scientist, so come discover your "inner engineer"!! Robots go home after the completion of the program.



Bee Bot Robot Discovery

Grades K-2

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Want to learn how to program a robot to solve fun, engaging problems? This collaborative robot discovery program enables you to program and interact with the award-winning Bee-Bot floor robot. Come learn to control, give directional language and program the Bee-Bot to do all sorts of things on the discovery mat. The Bee-Bot is a wonderful tool that will teach you how to work on teams cooperatively, solve problems and think critically.

Aviation Rocketry

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 18

Let's take flight! Have you ever wanted to launch a rocket or build your own plane? Do you wonder how planes fly? Join us for an exciting adventure in aviation and rocketry! You will build a variety of flying machines using construction tools and everyday materials while learning and participating in the history and science of flight. So come and work in teams to design a future space ship using spacecraft engineering principles and build and launch a model rocket.



Junior Nature Rangers

(ECO Adventures)

Grades K-5

Maximum Enrollment: 25

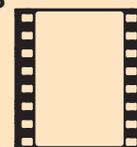
Attention all nature loving kids! Do you go nuts over nature and animals? If you like to get outside, explore habitats and meet new animal friends, then this is the club for you. You will get to use an explorer pack filled with navigation tools like an expedition magnifier, collection jar, field guides, and a field journal for you to record your findings. You will also get to touch and learn about a variety of interesting animals, their habitats, survival strategies and relationships with humans. So put on your mud boots and let's go explore the rich plant and animal life right outside the door.

Animation Discovery*

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Want to create your own animation videos? Through stop motion animation (digital filmmaking) you will be able to bring inanimate objects to life. Utilizing software developed by a leading university team, you will be able to create your own digital videos using basic materials. An animation film festival will be held during the last class for you to showcase your video creation.



Digital Art Discovery*

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 15

Want to learn how to draw with your computer mouse or stylus and bring a doodle to life? Using *Animation-ish* software through Fable Vision, your team will work together to create an animated image for a web page. This program links art, digital animation and technology by introducing you to an easy-to-use tool that bypasses traditional presentation software programs and employs a variety of digital environments and media.

Game Design Discovery*

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 20

Are you a gamer? Do you dream of creating and playing your very own game design? Well, playing a game is very different from creating one. Through dynamic, individualized tutorials, you will go from a "passive" game player to becoming an "active" game creator! During a series of step-by-step lessons, you will author a prescribed computer-based game, which is yours to keep, to play and share with your friends.

Lego® Robotics Team*

Grades 3-5

Maximum Enrollment: 25

Do you enjoy Legos but want to take it to the next level? Come create working models of amazing machines and creatures, like a floatplane simulator, a hungry alligator or a pair of singing parrots. You will build LEGO® models featuring working pulleys, gears, motors and sensors, and connect them to a computer and use basic programming code to bring your imaginative creatures to life.



Lego® Architect

Grades 2-5

Maximum Enrollment: 17

Are you crazy about building with LEGOs? Come build with us and keep the Lego set you work on in each class! We focus on basic architectural building, creative design and different educational themes, and offer a huge selection of models with many of the latest released themes. You will not only get to work on your own sets, but will also work in teams to build cities, bridges, and motorized cars/planes and explore the many creative possibilities of engineering with LEGO system team challenge sets. This is the only Lego class where you get to build what you have only dreamed of AND get to take your Lego sets home with you.

Enrich Literacy, Language & Culture Zone

AlphaBEST Language Zones are a cultural "appetizer". Completely different from an "in school" language program, AlphaBEST endeavors to open students' eyes and minds to the beauty of other languages and cultures, understanding how important it is to appreciate how other people live and speak.

Language Zone

Grades

K-2

3-5

Maximum Enrollment 20

Sign Language: Learn American Sign Language through this hands-on, engaging enrichment opportunity! You will learn colors, numbers, greetings and key phrases. In the end, you will put on a performance demonstrating your understanding through the interpretation of a song.

Chinese: Ni hao! Dive into the Chinese language and culture. Through conversation and art, you will be introduced to Chinese characters and their meanings, the significance of colors and numbers, and basic conversational phrases and beginning target vocabulary in Mandarin.

Spanish: Buenos Dias! Welcome to the exciting and vibrant Spanish culture and language. Cooperative learning activities and cultural experiences keep this program engaging and interactive. You will learn days of the week, months of the year, numbers, colors, family members' names, and much, much more. Basic conversation is an exciting part of this enriching program.

French: Bonjour! Welcome to the fun and carefree French culture. Cooperative learning activities and cultural experiences keep this program engaging and interactive. You will learn days of the week, months of the year, numbers, colors, family members' names, and much, much more. Basic conversation is an exciting part of this enriching program.

Chess Club
Grades 2-5
Maximum Enrollment: 18
Learn how to play the most popular game ever invented!! Come play the game of strategy and problem solving. **Beginner students** will learn: 1) All the chess pieces and how they move 2) Special moves (castling, en passant) 3) Key chess tactics such as Pins, Forks, Double Attacks, Skewers, Discovered Checks 4) Basic Opening Theory and Defense Strategies. Intermediate and **Advanced Students** will focus on Opening, Middle-game and Endgame Strategies. You will learn by analyzing famous chess games, solving checkmate puzzles and playing chess against each other. A tournament will be run for all the levels in the class.

**Potter Book Club and
Wizadry School**
Grades K-4

Maximum Enrollment: 18
Are you a Harry Potter fan? Do you want to mesmerize your family and friends as you become a magician? This club will allow you to unlock the magic of reading as you learn to do magic tricks. Come share your love for the author J.K. Rowling and the Harry Potter Series and practice a bit of magic as well with your Hogwarts classmates. Have fun playing a game of quidditch and enjoy making Harry Potter Glasses, Dragon Eggs and House Scarves. So wave your wand and enchant your friends and families as you learn amazing tricks and host a Potter performance for them at the last class!

Mind Zone
Grades K-2 and 3-5
Maximum Enrollment: 20
The MindZone curriculum - which is aligned to Common Core Standards - engages and motivates students to excel in Reading and Math. A blended learning approach is utilized, with direct explicit instruction in a small group setting to help students gain the academic confidence they need to succeed! This curriculum is based on the latest and greatest research and best instructional practices and requires students to take an active role in their own learning through the application of study skills and test taking strategies. Content and teaching methods are presented in developmentally appropriate relevant ways to reach and teach all learners.

Enrich Fitness/Sports Zone

Basketball
Grades K-2 and 3-5
Maximum Enrollment: 18
Come learn the fundamental concepts of basketball through the use of fun drills, exercises and scrimmages. Dribbling, passing, guarding (defense) and shooting skills will be developed and you will learn the rules of basketball. Scrimmages will be played to reinforce the skills you are learning, to promote teamwork, endurance and coordination.

Cheerleading
Grades K-2 and 3-5
Maximum Enrollment: 18
Cheerleading is the perfect outlet for enthusiasm and school spirit! This club is perfect for beginners and for those with some experience. You will be instructed on basic techniques of cheers, routines, and dance moves. All facets of cheerleading will be emphasized with a special focus on teamwork, safety and spotting techniques.

Golf Program
Grades K-5
Maximum Enrollment: 20
This program is great for both beginning and experienced golfers! You will learn everything about the game of golf using the school gym or outside facilities. Program covers swing fundamentals, etiquette, gross motor skills, visual perception, character development, focus, and coordination. You will swing with real golf clubs (all equipment provided) and hit what is called an ALMOST GOLF BALL. New students begin at the yellow level - one of 5 program levels. Each level covers new material so students learn new skills each session!



Martial Arts
(Tae Kwon Do/Karate)
Grades K-5
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Whether your goals are building self-confidence, self-defense, personal development or fitness, this program will take you there! The Martial Arts system (Tae Kwon Do/Karate) is a blend of traditional and contemporary martial arts that not only offers you an effective self-defense program but a means to personal development and discipline that can lead to success in other areas of your life, including leadership skills. Students learn how to become peak performers in the martial arts, and performing arts!

Fencing
Grades 3-5
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Beginner fencing focuses on basic fencing techniques through instruction and fun games. Come learn the value of self-discipline as you focus on building fencing skills. Fencing improves speed, agility, flexibility, reflexes, focus and concentration. Enjoy fencing while reaping the physical and mental benefits. All equipment is provided.
(Subject to fencing club in your local area.)

Tactical Game Play
Maximum Enrollment: 18
Grades K-4
You will participate in a variety of competitive sports and tactical games that encourage you to build endurance, speed, control, flexibility, agility, and coordination, while working as a team. The games we play will help you develop the ability to follow directions and work collaboratively in a supportive environment, while increasing your skills to compete in various competitive sports. This class is geared toward students with "extra energy" that love to run around and play active games outdoors!

Tennis Program
Maximum Enrollment: 15
Grades K-5
Developed in partnership with the United States Tennis Association (USTA), our tennis program focuses on instilling a passion for tennis, while promoting skill advancement & new achievement levels. It is held in the school gym using a five level skill development program including playing the real game! It is great for both beginning and experienced players and all racquets/supplies are provided.



Soccer
Maximum Enrollment: 20
Grades 1-4
What sport has running, kicking, shooting, passing, dribbling, blocking, lots of exercise and fun? Soccer! Students can enjoy soccer all year, while improving their soccer skills. Skills covered include direct & indirect kicks, offside, goal kicks, throw-ins, penalty shots & much more. Students play on competing teams while increasing their knowledge of strategy and soccer rules.



Testimonials: See What People are Saying about AlphaBEST

The AlphaBEST program is affordable, safe and very convenient for us. We love that this program is held at Chavez Elementary where our daughter Amara attends school. There is no need to bus her anywhere. It gives us a peace of mind to know our child is in good hands while we are away at work.

**Lewis and Tricia Bruno,
Parents of Chavez Elementary Student,
Little Elm ISD, TX**

I wanted to let you know how much my six-year-old daughter, Nora, is enjoying your French class on Tuesdays at Mitchell School. She looks forward to your class each week! Thank you for making her feel good about herself and for helping to improve her language skills. Her accent has improved since she started your class.

**Carolyn Guttilla, mother of Mitchell School
Language Zone Student,
Needham, MA**

I have been more than pleased with the care, character development and enrichment my daughter has received. As a parent and a teacher with WSFCS, I have been impressed with what AlphaBEST has to offer. Abby receives care and love, as well as truly exciting enrichment experiences.

**Patricia A. Gulledge, Parent and Teacher
Winston-Salem/ Forsyth County Schools,
North Carolina**

My kids are in aftercare three to five days a week, and being able to take an enrichment class one of those days was so exciting for them. They enjoyed the presenters and the lessons, and looked forward to it each week.

**Stephanie Eagan, Parent of
Mountview Road School Student,
Hanover, NJ**

AlphaBEST is a program that runs smoothly and independently, and provides our district's children with purposeful and meaningful activities in a secure environment during the critical after school hours. AlphaBEST employs exceptional leaders who are child-centered and academically committed to excellence.

**Sally Turner, M. Ed.,
Facilitator of Special Projects,
Frisco ISD, Frisco, TX**

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