



VISTA VERDE



Winter A.C.E. Classes

Session Dates: **January - March 2010**

Online Registration: <http://www.acewise.org>

Registration Starts: **Saturday January 16, 2010**



AT-A-GLANCE

REMINDERS:

FLEX ACCOUNTS

Did you know that the IPSF-ACE office will provide receipts for dependent care documentation upon request? Please contact Katrina Herrera at (949) 265-6408 or kherrera@ipsf.net and provide her with the parent's name, child's name, address, phone number and location of ACE class attended (Vista Verde School).

CLASS CONFIRMATIONS

Everyone who registers for an ACE class will be notified by e-mail. To ensure that you receive our messages, please add VistaVerdeACE@gmail.com to your address book.

IPSF

Our ACE program is sponsored by the Irvine Public Schools Foundation, in cooperation with the Irvine Unified School District. The IPSF exists to make sure that our schools get the funding they need, so your child gets the education he or she deserves.

Class	Day	Start	Sessions	Grade	Fees
Farsi	Mon	1/25	13	Farsi I or equiv	\$250
Clay Time	Mon	1/25	6	1-4	\$90
Fun & Games w/ Ms. De Frank	Mon	1/25	6	1-4	\$65
Spanish I	Mon	1/25	13	1-4	\$250
Chess	Tue	1/26	8	K-6	\$145
Musical Theater Jr.	Tue	1/26	8	K-2	\$88
Science w/ Ms. De Frank	Tue	1/26	8	3-8	\$125
SWARM	Tue	1/26	6	3-8*	\$85
Hindi	Wed	1/27	16	1-6	\$275
Game Design	Wed	1/27	8	3-6	\$160
Young Rembrandts	Wed	1/27	8	1-6	\$125
Pink Panther	Thu	1/28	8	1-8	\$140
Spanish II	Thu	1/28	16	Spanish I or equiv	\$275
Musical Theater	Thu	1/28	8	3-8	\$88
SWARM	Fri	1/29	6	3-8*	\$85
Tennis	Fri	1/29	6	K-4	\$125

**Tues - recommended for 3-5; Fri - recommended for 6-8*

Full description and details of our ACE classes can be found at http://www.acewise.org/_uploads/Vista_Verde_school_brochure.pdf

GENERAL INFORMATION

HOW TO REGISTER:

Registration will be done on a first come – first served basis and enrollment is subject to class availability. Irvine students are eligible to attend ACE classes at any ACE school, space permitting.

- A. Log onto www.acewise.org
- B. Click on “Parents”
- C. Click on “Create New Profile” to create a log-in and password for yourself.
- D. Once you have successfully created a parent profile, you will be directed to log in.
- E. Click as directed to register a new student. You will need to create a student profile for each child.
- F. To continue enrolling, click on enroll.
- G. Select the class your student is enrolling in.
- H. You may either check out or continue enrolling in another class.
- I. After successfully checking out, you will receive an email receipt listing the class(es) in which your student is enrolled.
- J. To enroll another child, go back to the Home Page and log in again.

If you are unable to complete, or are uncomfortable with, the online registration process, please contact your ACE coordinator.

CLASS AGE LIMITS: In order to develop classes suitable for a particular age range, we specify age limits in the brochure. However, ***exceptions are possible*** since children display different levels of maturity and ability. Please email your ACE coordinator if your child is interested in a class but doesn't fit the printed age profile.

CLASS LOCATIONS: Class locations will be identified in the class confirmation.

CLASS CONFIRMATIONS: Everyone who registers will be notified by e-mail. *To ensure that you receive our messages, please add VistaVerdeACE@gmail.com to your address book.*

CLASS CANCELLATIONS: We do our best to accommodate all students who sign up for ACE classes. In order to keep class fees as low as possible, we must set a minimum enrollment number for each class to cover the class expenses. If the minimum enrollment is not met, the ACE Program reserves the right to cancel the class and return all registration fees. You will be notified of any cancellations before the first scheduled day of class.

REFUNDS: Tuition is nonrefundable unless the class is cancelled by ACE. If your child registers late, misses classes or withdraws before the end of the session, you are still obligated for the full fees for that session. You are eligible for a prorated tuition refund or credit only if your child with-draws due to serious illness or injury, corroborated by a note from your child's doctor. All refunds are subject to a \$25 non-refundable program fee. Please be advised that refunds may take up to one month to process. If you wish to apply for a refund, please email your ACE Coordinator.

FLEX ACCOUNTS: Receipts for dependent care documentation are available on request. Please Katrina Herrera at (949) 265-6408 or kherrera@ipsf.net with parent name, child's name, address, phone number and location of ACE class attended.

SNACKS: Your child is always welcome to bring a personal snack. Snacks will **not** be provided by ACE. Please call your ACE Coordinator immediately if your child has severe food allergies.

TRANSPORTATION: Getting students to and from class is the responsibility of parents. In the first week of classes, ACE site monitors will attempt to locate registered students who are not present in their class. After that week, however, we expect that the students will know where they should go. If your child has difficulty remembering to go to class, you might want to escort him/her or contact another child in the class so your child has a “buddy” to provide a reminder about class.

ACE students must be picked up immediately after class.

Arranging pick up is the responsibility of parents. School staff, ACE instructors and ACE volunteers are not responsible for your child after class. After class dismissal there will be a five minute grace period for pick-up. Students who are not picked up on time may be removed from the ACE program at the discretion of the IPSF-ACE Program Director.

CONDUCT: Normal classroom conduct is expected of all ACE students and we generally have very few problems with the behavior of our students. Children displaying unacceptable behavior will be issued a “Behavior Citation.” If a second citation is necessary, the child must speak to the school principal and may be dismissed without refund. Likewise, if a parent displays unacceptable behavior, his or her child(ren) may be dismissed immediately and without refund.

PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP: Irvine Public Schools Foundation (IPSF) sponsors the district-wide ACE program in cooperation with the Irvine Unified School District. For further information about the ACE program at other schools, please call IPSF at (949) 651-8128.

Chess

An experienced chess master teaches chess concepts in a fun way to help your child develop critical thinking and memory skills, confidence, sportsmanship, patience and problem solving. All students receive a workbook and have the opportunity to win prizes in a chess tournament.



**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VC309

Grades K-6

Tue
3:00-3:55

1/26-3/23

Fee: \$145

NOTE: There is no class on March 9.

Clay Time

Ms. Aviva is a former kindergarten teacher who will show your student different hand-building techniques and how to glaze and decorate their projects. Why clay? Clay

- Provides the opportunity for fine motor skills development,
- Encourages manual dexterity,
- Allows children to learn about creative processes (clay changes form when fired),
- Is developmentally appropriate, and
- Is fun!



Not only will kids enjoy the process, but they will also have something special to take home!

**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VCT309

Grades 1-4

Mon
3:00-3:55

1/25-3/22

Fee: \$90

NOTE: There is no class on Feb. 8, Feb. 15 and March 8.

Farsi

The Khayam Persian School Foundation wants to teach your child the elements of our beautiful Persian language! This ACE class teaches speaking, reading and writing. Increase the power of your Persian language! Only students who took last term's Farsi class (or who have an equivalent knowledge of Farsi) may take this class.

**Class size is limited to 14 students.

#VF309

Farsi I or equiv

Mon
3:00-3:55

1/25-6/7

Fee: \$250

NOTE: There is no class on 2/8, 2/15 and 3/8. The last day of class before spring break will be 3/22. After the spring break, classes will begin again on 4/19. There is no class on 5/31.

Fun & Games with Ms. De Frank

Games are fun! Our very own (and very popular) Ms. De Frank will teach your child Hangman, card games, charades, and more. Students will have fun in a friendly, funny and nurturing environment.

**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VG309

Grades 1-4

Mon
3:00-3:55

1/25-3/22

Fee: \$65

NOTE: There is no class on Feb. 8, Feb. 15 and March 8.

Game Design

This class allows students to develop, design, debug and distribute their own 2D games. Using special software, students create their game without having to learn actual programming. They can also put their own music, video, animations and photos into their games with a simple click. Students work together with their instructor to develop a game as a group. Don't just play – play your own game!



**Class size is limited to 10 students.

#VGD309	Grades 3-6	Wed 1:30-3:00	1/27-3/24	Fee: \$160
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NOTE: There is no class on March 10.

Hindi

This class is a continuation of last term's Hindi class and is designed for students who have taken last term's Hindi class or who have an equivalent knowledge of Hindi. This class teaches the beautiful Hindi language through songs, stories and lessons. Your child will learn to say Hindi words (including colors, numbers and days of the week) and to write Hindi characters. An estimated 500 to 600 million people speak Hindi -- shouldn't your child?

**Class size is limited to 7 students.

#VH309	Grades 1-6	Wed 1:30-2:30	1/27-6/9	Fee: \$275
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NOTE: There is no class on 3/10. The last day of class before the spring break will be 3/24. After the spring break, class will resume on 4/21. On 5/26, class will be held from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.

Musical Theater

"Rockin' Around Broadway" is coming to the Vista Verde stage! This musical review will let our thespians perform a mix of popular Broadway songs from musicals set in the 50s and 60s like Grease, Bye Bye Birdie, Jersey Boys, Little Shop of Horrors, and Hairspray. Our own popular music teacher, Ms. Larsen, will help your students prepare for a performance on the last day of class. This isn't just a music class -- training will be provided in singing, dancing, and acting. Come join in the fun!

**Class size is limited to 15 students.

#VD309	Grades 3-8	Thu 3:00-3:55	1/28-3/25	Fee: \$88
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NOTE: There is no class on March 11.

Musical Theater Jr.

"Rockin' Around Broadway" is coming to the Vista Verde stage! This musical review will let our youngest thespians perform a mix of popular Broadway songs from musicals set in the 50s and 60s like Grease, Bye Bye Birdie, Jersey Boys, Little Shop of Horrors, and Hairspray. Our own popular music teacher, Ms. Larsen, will help your students prepare for a performance on the last day of class. This isn't just a music class -- training will be provided in singing, dancing, and acting. Come join in the fun!



**Class size is limited to 15 students.

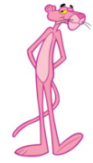
#VM309	Grades K-2	Tue 3:00-3:55	1/26-3/23	Fee: \$88
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NOTE: There is no class on March 9.

Pink Panther

Eric Teitelbaum, co-creator of the Pink Panther comic strip, is back with all new lessons for the new year! Are you intrigued by cartoon drawing? This workshop will introduce young artists to secrets of drawing comic strips, super heroes, caricaturing, humor writing and more. All drawing materials will be provided. Step-by-step activities cover:

- Basic shapes, faces, expression
- Designing original characters
- Cartoons in motion: Walking to running
- Humor writing – talking bubbles
- Comic strips, super heroes, greeting cards
- Animal characters: From dogs to dinosaurs



**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VPP309	Grades 1-8	Thu 3:00-3:55	1/28-3/25	Fee: \$140
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NOTE: There is no class on March 11.

Science with Ms. De Frank

May the force be with you when enrolling in Science Lab Instructor Ms. De Frank's Force & Motion ACE class. Discover what makes an object in motion stay in motion & an object in rest stay by experimenting with flying canisters, marble vortex slides, pulleys & frigits. Students earn hour credit for attendance towards recognition stamps as well as take home items to continue the science fun at home.

**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VSD309	Grades 3-8	Tue 3:00-3:55	1/26-3/23	Fee: \$125
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NOTE: There is no class on March 9.

Spanish I

This class is a continuation of last term's Spanish 1 class and is designed for students who have taken last term's Spanish 1 class or who have an equivalent knowledge of Spanish. Learn Spanish the fun way!!! Students will be introduced to basic vocabulary, colors, numbers, days of the week, greetings, and other vocabulary related to school, home and community. Students will learn songs, play games, and listen to stories -- all in Spanish!!!

**Class size is limited to 16 students.

#VS309	Grades 1-4	Mon 3:00-3:55	1/25-6/7	Fee: \$250
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NOTE: There is no class on 2/8, 2/15 and 3/8. The last day of class before spring break will be 3/22. After the spring break, classes will begin again on 4/19. There is no class on 5/31.

Spanish II

The Conversa Program aims to instill a love for Spanish and emphasizes the importance of understanding other cultures in a fun, active and natural way. They use a method called Total Proficiency through Reading and Storytelling, allowing them to teach grammar, reading and writing along with conversation in much the same way children acquire their first language. The program gives students the chance to demonstrate their success in class as they begin to understand and produce the language. Our students also learn culture, traditions and customs from Spanish-speaking countries through music, games and crafts. Only students who took last term's Spanish II class (or who have an equivalent knowledge of Spanish) may take this class.

**Class size is limited to 10 students.

#VSP309	Spanish I or equiv	Thu 3:00-3:55	1/28-6/10	Fee: \$275
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NOTE: There is no class on 3/11 because of Parent Conferences. The last day of class before the spring break will be 3/25. After spring break, class will start up again on 4/22. Class will be held from 1:30 to 2:30 PM on 5/27.

SWARM

Mr. Widén is buzzing back to play SWARM!!! Come play this fast and exciting outdoor sport. Mud, sweat, and fun are key elements of this game, which involves two teams of "insects" and lots of running around! Our teams fill up quickly, so register early! Water bottles, athletic shoes, and comfortable clothes are essential!

**Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VST309	Grades 3-8*	Tue 3:00-3:55	1/26-3/2	Fee: \$85
#VSF309	Grades 3-8*	Fri 3:00-3:55	1/29-3/5	Fee: \$85

Tennis

This program was designed specifically for elementary and middle school students to gain the fundamentals of tennis in a comfortable and nurturing school environment, while having fun with their friends. All classes are taught by Chris Naamani, a tennis instructor for more than 20 years. Small, junior, and regular sized racquets are available for students to use during class, if needed. Come join the fun on the Vista Verde playground!



**Class size is limited to 10 students.

#VTF309	Grades K-4	Fri 3:00-3:55	1/29-3/5	Fee: \$125
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Young Rembrandts

Young Rembrandts believes that anyone can, and should, learn how to draw. Join us this winter as we draw fun subjects such as a unique country snowman or a beautiful snowy birdhouse. We will learn about perspective, balance and the use of color while creating our own versions of fun subjects. As spring approaches we may even find time to draw a big rabbit relaxing in an oversized chair and our individual perspectives of a Peter Max, a famous artist known for his cartoon-like style. We provide all of the materials. Join us and be amazed at the things you CAN draw!!



**Class size is limited to 10 students.

#VY309	Grades 1-6	Wed 1:30-2:30	1/27-3/24	Fee: \$125
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NOTE: There is no class on March 10.