



# VISTA VERDE



## Spring A.C.E. Classes

Session Dates: **April - June 2010**

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

Registration Starts: **Saturday April 24, 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](mailto: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](mailto: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
Clay Time	Mon	5/3	4	1-5	\$80
Chess	Tue	5/4	6	K-6	\$110
SWARM	Tue	5/4	6	3-8*	\$85
Game Design 2	Wed	5/5	6	3-6	\$130
Color Me Mine	Wed	5/5	6	K-6	\$115
Pink Panther	Wed	5/5	6	1-8	\$110
Math Olympiad	Thu	4/29	6	3-4	\$125
SWARM	Fri	4/30	6	3-8*	\$85
Tennis	Fri	4/30	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](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](http://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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

#VC409	Grades K-6	Tue 3:00-3:55	5/4-6/22	Fee: \$110
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*NOTE: There is no class on June 8 and June 15.*

## 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.

#VCT409	Grades 1-5	Mon 3:00-3:55	5/3-5/24	Fee: \$80
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## Color Me Mine

Ceramics painting becomes an avenue to fine art with this delightful class. Each week students will get to paint their own creations. Projects use non-toxic paints and will be baked to make them permanent works of art. All supplies are included.



\*\*Class size is limited to 20 students.

#VCMM409	Grades K-6	Wed 1:30-2:30	5/5-6/9	Fee: \$115
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*NOTE: On May 26, class meets from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.*

## Game Design 2

Enrollment for this class is limited to students who were in last session's Game Design 1. 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.

#VGD409	Grades 3-6	Wed 1:30-3:00	5/5-6/9	Fee: \$130
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*NOTE: On May 26, class meets from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.*

## Math Olympiad for 3rd/4th Graders

Nurture and engage the student's interest in math and develop lifelong analytical, logical and critical thinking skills. Students will be guided to explore the patterns and correlations between the numbers, develop better number sense and discovering the beauty of mathematics. Students will gain better understanding of math concepts instead of mechanically carrying out the procedures. Students will be able to more easily apply the math concepts into in-depth creative problem solving.

\*\*Class size is limited to 10 students.

#VMOT409	Grades 3-4	Thu 3:00-3:55	4/29-6/10	Fee: \$125
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**NOTE: There is no class on May 27.**

## 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.

#VPP409	Grades 1-8	Wed 1:30-2:30	5/5-6/9	Fee: \$110
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**NOTE: On May 26, class meets from 3:00 to 4:00 PM.**

## 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.

#VST409	Grades 3-8*	Tue 3:00-3:55	5/4-6/22	Fee: \$85
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**NOTE: There is no class on June 8 and June 15.**

#VSF409	Grades 3-8*	Fri 3:00-3:55	4/30-6/11	Fee: \$85
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**NOTE: There is no class on May 28.**

## 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.

#VTF409	Grades K-4	Fri 3:00-3:55	4/30-6/11	Fee: \$125
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**NOTE: There is no class on May 28.**