



**K-8  
GRADE**

**Del Rio**

**Course Catalog**

**2026 - 2027 School Year**

**#BrickByBrick**

# Learning Labs Mission & Vision Statement

We offer homeschool families a variety of unique, year-long classes to enrich their educational experience. Our classes incorporate academics and the arts to inspire individual interests and passions. Our nurturing staff partners with parents to support educational progress in a safe environment that encourages positive social development.

## Curriculum Key



After each of our class descriptions, you will see a KEY like this:

All of our classes have elective content, and many include core content. See the explanation below to help you choose classes for your child.

E - Covers **ELA CORE** Requirements

e - Supplements **ELA AT HOME** Curriculum

M - Covers **MATH CORE** Requirements

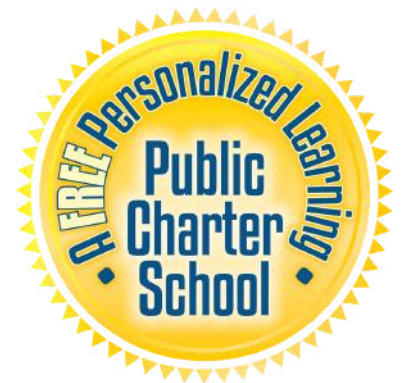
m - Supplements **MATH AT HOME** Curriculum

S - Covers **SCIENCE CORE** Requirements

s - Supplements **SCIENCE AT HOME** Curriculum

SS - Covers **SOCIAL STUDIES CORE** Requirements

ss - Supplements **SOCIAL STUDIES AT HOME** Curriculum



# Learning Labs Policies

When you enroll your child in a Learning Labs class, you will be asked to agree to the following:

[Learning Labs Parent Agreement](#)

\*Please read thoroughly before signing up for any classes.

Please see the [Student & Parent Handbook](#) for information about:

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Dress Code Policy- Pages 42 & 43

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Student Behavior Expectations and Discipline- Page 46

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# Del Rio

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# Del Rio Learning Labs Information

Our Del Rio Learning Lab provides enrichment and core academic classes for K-8 Homeschool, Montessori Voyage, and Venture students.

The Learning Labs help families connect with other independent learning students to create a strong support system. Families enjoy the non-traditional choice of independent study while benefiting from time-honored school activities. Our Del Rio location participates in activities such as school pictures, open houses, kindergarten and 8th-grade promotions, and other fun school events. Through events, outreach, activities, and guest speakers, learning lab students use the community as the classroom throughout the year.

The Learning Lab schedule is full of classes that offer hands-on, engaging activities that make learning fun! Students can choose classes that cater to their passions and interests, and/or choose classes that meet specific academic goals.

Please continue through the pages of this book to see the class offerings and descriptions for the 2026-27 school year.

**\*Venture and Montessori Voyage students are limited to one block per week.**

Classes are offered for K-8th grades on Tuesday & Thursday.

Morning Classes ~ 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Lunch ~ 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM

Afternoon classes ~ 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

For more information or to register for classes, go to [Springs Marketplace](#) on your MySprings Apps page.



Located at:

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The Del Rio Learning Labs is run by the Principal, who is responsible for safety, discipline, and the day-to-day operations at the student center. If you have specific questions about the school site, don't hesitate to contact the student center.

Learning Labs offerings and class schedules are created by our Homeschool Leadership team. For specific questions, you may contact:  
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# Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grades Class Choices



Tuesday 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Little Story Builders  
AND  
Building Champions: Sports & Fitness

Tuesday 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Game On: Think & Play!  
AND  
Imagination Stage

Thursday 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

Ultimate Builders Lab  
AND  
Curious Kids Club

Thursday 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

Sign & Shine: ASL for Kids  
AND  
Creative Kids Art Lab

[Register in  
Springs Marketplace](#)

Kindergarten - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students only have ONE OPTION in each block.  
You may sign up for one or two 2.5-hour blocks per day.

[One Page Schedule](#)

# Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## Tuesday AM Class Descriptions

### Little Story Builders

In Little Story Builders, young learners explore the joy of storytelling through reading, imaginative play, and creative activities. Students read a variety of short stories and texts, then develop confidence in expressing ideas, creating characters, and building mini-stories using words, drawings, and simple sentences. LEGO bricks help bring their stories to life as they build scenes and retell stories in a hands-on, visual way. Through games, collaborative storytelling, and hands-on exercises, students practice sequencing, vocabulary, narrative thinking, and creative expression while having fun sharing their ideas.

#### Projects--

- My Storybook: Students create a mini-book with short stories or illustrated adventures.
- Character & Setting Posters: Design characters and story settings to inspire their tales.
- LEGO Story Retell: Students build a scene from a story (read in class or created by them) using LEGO bricks and then retell the story in their own words.

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### Building Champions: Sports & Fitness

In Building Champions: Sports & Fitness, students develop skills in team sports, individual fitness, and overall athleticism while building confidence, cooperation, and resilience. Through games, fitness challenges, and skill-building activities, they practice communication, strategy, and sportsmanship. The class emphasizes strength, agility, endurance, balance, and coordination, helping students set personal goals and gain a lifelong appreciation for fitness.

#### Projects--

- Team Sports: Basketball, soccer, volleyball, kickball, and flag football
- Fitness Circuits: Obstacle courses, agility drills, jump rope challenges, and core strength exercises
- Personal Fitness Goals: Track and improve individual strength, speed, and endurance

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# Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## Tuesday PM Class Descriptions



### Game On: Think & Play!

In this fun class, students explore thinking, problem-solving, and teamwork through a variety of hands-on games. Using classic and modern board games, kids practice making smart choices, spotting patterns, and trying different strategies while having fun with friends. Students rotate through games like Connect 4, Qwirkle, Blokus, Candy Land, Tangrams, and Battleship, learning to focus, take turns, and be good sports.

#### **Projects--**

- Strategy Journals: Draw or write about what worked in each game and ideas for next time.
- Team Challenge Showcase: Work in small groups to design a new game! Students create rules, set up gameplay, and teach their game to classmates.

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### Imagination Stage

In this fun and interactive class, students explore social-emotional learning through drama, role-play, and imaginative play. Students build confidence, empathy, and communication skills as they act out different characters and real-life situations. Through skits, storytelling, and creative expression, students practice understanding emotions, solving problems, and working together in a supportive environment.

#### **Projects--**

- Emotion Skits: Act out different feelings and positive ways to respond.
- Role-Play Scenarios: Practice real-life social situations like friendship and teamwork.
- Creative Character Project: Create and perform a character showing thoughts, feelings, and actions.

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# Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## Thursday AM Class Descriptions



### Ultimate Builders Lab

In Ultimate Builders Lab, learners explore creativity, problem-solving, and teamwork through hands-on building with LEGO® bricks, Magna-Tiles, straw connectors, gears, and recycled materials. The class features rotating stations: a LEGO/Magna-Tiles design station, a straw connector engineering station, a gears and movement station, and a cardboard/recycled materials creation station. Students experiment with structured building, simple engineering, and open-ended creativity while developing fine motor skills, spatial awareness, and collaboration.

#### Projects--

- Vehicle Creations: Build moving cars, boats, or other vehicles using gears or wheels
- Fantasy World Builds: Create castles, space stations, or imaginary lands
- Problem-Solving Challenges: Build a structure to hold a specific weight or span a set distance
- Recycled Material Sculptures: Use cardboard, paper tubes, and caps to construct creative sculptures



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### Curious Kids Club

In Curious Kids Club, young learners explore the world through age-appropriate news, science, and social studies articles from Scholastic News. Students develop reading comprehension, curiosity, and critical thinking skills while learning about current events, animals, nature, and people around the world. The class blends guided reading, discussions, and hands-on projects, helping students practice identifying key ideas, asking questions, and expressing their thoughts through writing, drawing, and presentations.

#### Projects--

- News Journal: Students summarize a favorite story from each issue with words or drawings.
- Current Events Collage: Create a visual display of interesting topics from the magazine, including animals, places, and people.

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# Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

## Thursday PM Class Descriptions

### Sign & Shine! ASL for Kids

In this fun and interactive ASL class, young learners will explore the basics of American Sign Language while building communication skills, confidence, and creativity. Through songs, games, stories, and hands-on activities, students will learn to sign letters, numbers, colors, everyday vocabulary, and simple phrases. Lessons also introduce students to Deaf culture and encourage teamwork, listening, and expressive communication.

#### Projects--

- Alphabet Art: Create art projects incorporating fingerspelled letters.
- Classroom Sign Presentation: Students prepare a short signed story, song, or skit to perform for the class or families.

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### Creative Kids Art Lab

In Creative Kids Art Lab, students build foundational art skills while exploring their creativity through hands-on projects. Young artists will learn skills such as color mixing, cutting and gluing, drawing shapes, using lines, and creating patterns, while experimenting with painting, sculpture, and collage. Students will also learn about famous artists and their unique styles, using their work as inspiration for creative projects. Through fun and engaging activities, students will create original artwork and express their ideas and imagination.

#### Projects--

- Shape & Pattern Art: Create designs using shapes, lines, and repeating patterns.
- 3D Art Builds: Construct simple sculptures using classroom materials.
- Collage Creations: Design layered artwork using paper, textures, and found materials.

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# 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Choices

Tuesday 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

*Brick by Brick Readers Club*  
**AND**  
*Building Champions: Sports & Fitness*

Tuesday 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

*Game On! Logic & Strategy Games*  
**AND**  
*Imagination Stage*

Thursday 9:30 AM - 12:00 PM

*Ultimate Builders Lab: Engineering & Design*  
**AND**  
*Curiosity Crew*

Thursday 12:30 PM - 3:00 PM

*Sign and Shine! ASL for Kids*  
**AND**  
*Creative Artists Studio*

[Register in Springs Marketplace](#)

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[One Page Schedule](#)

# 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Tuesday AM Class Descriptions



## Brick by Brick Readers Club

In Brick by Brick Readers Club, students explore a variety of chapter books, short stories, and informational texts to build reading comprehension, critical thinking, and writing skills. Students analyze literary elements, themes, and characters, while also learning to identify key ideas, compare texts, and respond thoughtfully in writing. Through discussion, reflection, and creative projects, students connect stories and informational texts to real-world ideas and their own experiences, fostering a love of reading and curiosity about the world. Students also use LEGO bricks to retell stories, bringing characters, settings, and events to life in a hands-on, visual way.

### Projects--

- Reading Response Journals: Summarize chapters, reflect on characters and events, and ask questions about the text.
- Creative Response: Create artwork, dioramas, or alternate endings inspired by stories read.
- LEGO Story Retell: Build key scenes from a story using LEGO bricks and retell it in their own words.

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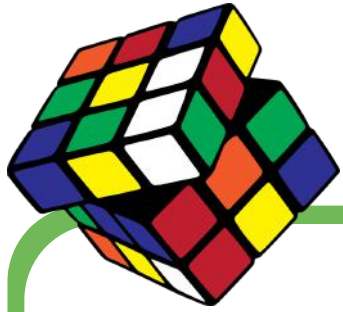
## Building Champions: Sports & Fitness

In Building Champions: Sports & Fitness, students develop skills in team sports, individual fitness, and overall athleticism while building confidence, cooperation, and resilience. Through games, fitness challenges, and skill-building activities, they practice communication, strategy, and sportsmanship. The class emphasizes strength, agility, endurance, balance, and coordination, helping students set personal goals and gain a lifelong appreciation for fitness.

### Projects--

- Team Sports: Basketball, soccer, volleyball, kickball, and flag football.
- Fitness Circuits: Obstacle courses, agility drills, jump rope challenges, and core strength exercises.
- Personal Fitness Goals: Track and improve individual strength, speed, and endurance.

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# 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Tuesday PM Class Descriptions

### Game On! Logic & Strategy Games

In this fun class students sharpen their critical thinking, problem-solving, and strategic planning skills through a variety of classic and modern board games. Students learn to think ahead, analyze patterns, and make smart decisions while having fun in a collaborative environment. Students rotate through games such as chess and checkers, Qwirkle, Blokus, Quarto, Mastermind, and Battleship, practicing logic, deduction, and creative strategy. The class also emphasizes sportsmanship, focus, patience, and adaptability, helping students grow both as thinkers and team players.

#### Projects--

- Strategy Journals: Reflect on lessons learned, winning strategies, and ways to improve.
- Team Challenge Showcase: Students will work in small groups to create their own collaborative game! They will design the rules, set up the gameplay, and teach it to their classmates.

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### Imagination Stage

In this fun and interactive class, students explore social-emotional learning through drama, role-play, and imaginative play. Students build confidence, empathy, and communication skills as they act out different characters and real-life situations. Through skits, storytelling, and creative expression, students practice understanding emotions, solving problems, and working together in a supportive environment.

#### Projects--

- Emotion Skits: Act out different feelings and positive ways to respond.
- Role-Play Scenarios: Practice real-life social situations like friendship and teamwork.
- Creative Character Project: Create and perform a character showing thoughts, feelings, and actions.



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# 4<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

## Thursday AM Class Descriptions



### Ultimate Builders Lab: Engineering & Design

In Ultimate Builders Lab: Engineering & Design, students explore creativity, problem-solving, and engineering through hands-on building with LEGO® bricks, Magna-Tiles, straw connectors, gears, and recycled materials. Students tackle complex building challenges, test structural designs, and experiment with motion, stability, and mechanics. Through guided and open-ended projects, students develop critical thinking, collaboration, and engineering skills while bringing imaginative designs to life.

#### Projects--

- Engineering Challenge Builds: Construct a bridge, tower, or vehicle that meets specific structural or functional requirements.
- Themed Design Project: Design a cityscape, space station, or invention using multiple materials and engineering concepts.
- Recycled Material Engineering: Use cardboard, tubes, and other materials to design functional or artistic structures.

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### Curiosity Crew

In Curiosity Crew, students become thoughtful explorers of the world around them by diving into engaging news, science, and social studies articles inspired by Scholastic News. Designed for older learners, this class builds strong reading comprehension, curiosity, and critical thinking skills while helping students make meaningful connections to real-world topics. Students will read and analyze age-appropriate articles about current events, science discoveries, animals, geography, and global communities. Through guided discussions and collaborative activities, they will practice identifying main ideas, supporting details, cause and effect, and point of view. Emphasis is placed on asking thoughtful questions, forming opinions, and clearly expressing ideas through speaking and writing.

#### Projects--

- News Journal: Summarize and respond to selected articles using written paragraphs, key details, and personal reflections.
- Current Events Collage: Create a visual and written display highlighting important topics such as global events, animals, cultures, and scientific discoveries.
- Mini News Report: Research and present a short current event or topic of interest, practicing clear communication and presentation skills.



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### Sign & Shine! ASL for Kids

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#### Projects--

- Alphabet Art (Fingerspelling Creations): Design creative artwork that incorporates fingerspelled words, names, or messages using ASL handshapes.
- Signed Story or Skit: Work independently or in small groups to create and perform a signed story, song, or skit, focusing on expression, clarity, and confidence.

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### Creative Artists Studio

In Creative Art Studio, students strengthen their artistic skills while exploring a variety of techniques, styles, and materials. Students will build on foundational skills such as drawing, shading, color theory, composition, and perspective, while experimenting with painting, sculpture, and mixed media. Students will also study well-known artists and art movements, using them as inspiration to create more detailed and thoughtful artwork. Emphasis is placed on creativity, craftsmanship, and developing a personal artistic style.

#### Projects--

- Artist Portfolio: Students compile a collection of their work showcasing growth in technique, creativity, and effort.
- Artist-Inspired Project: Students create a detailed piece inspired by a studied artist, applying specific techniques and styles.

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