

INDIO CATALOG

2025 - 2026 SCHOOL YEAR

LEARNING CENTER 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: s, m, e
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 CENTER POLICIES

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

<u>Learning Center Parent Agreement</u>

Please read thoroughly before signing up for any classes.

Please see the **Student & Parent Handbook** for information about:

Cell Phone Use- Page 42

Dress Code Policy- Pages 42 & 43

Internet Use Policy- Page 44

Student Behavior Expectations and Discipline- Page 46

Student Support (Counseling & Special Education) - Pages 48-51

Parent Involement and Volunteering- Pages 112-113

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2025-26 Learning Center Calendar





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INDIO LEARNING CENTER INFORMATION

Our Indio Learning Center provides enrichment and core academic classes for 1st - 8th Homeschool, Montessori Voyage, and Venture students. The Learning Center helps 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 Indio location participates in activities such as school pictures, open houses, kindergarten and 8th-grade promotions, as well as other fun school events. Through events, outreach, activities, and guest speakers, learning center students use the community as the classroom throughout the year.

The Learning Center 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 2025-26 school year.

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

Classes are offered for K-8th grades on Monday & Friday.

Morning Classes ~ 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM Lunch ~ 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Afternoon classes ~ 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM

For more information or to register for classes, go to <u>Springs Marketplace</u> on your MySprings Apps page.



Located at: 81840 Avenue 46 Indio, CA 92201 (951) 225-7326

The Indio Learning Center is run by Principal Haroon Abdul Mubaarik, 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 Center offerings and class schedules are created by our Homeschool Leadership team. For specific questions, you may contact:

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1ST - 4TH GRADES CLASS CHOICES

Magic Tree House Book Club MONDAY 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM **AND Full Court Press Writing** The STEAM Team MONDAY 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM **AND All-Star Artists**



1ST - 4TH GRADE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

MAGIC TREE HOUSE BOOK CLUB AND FULL COURT PRESS WRITING

Is your student ready to journey through time with Jack and Annie? In this hands-on class, students will bring the Magic Tree House series to life through reading, writing, history, science, and art. As they explore different time periods and places, they'll develop a love for reading while strengthening their language arts skills. Through cross-curricular activities like historical map-making, science experiments, and creative art projects, students will connect literature with real-world discoveries in an engaging, interactive way! As growing writers, students will practice writing more detailed sentences, short stories, and personal narratives, developing skills in storytelling and expressing their ideas. They'll engage in fun writing prompts, drawing pictures to support their writing and boosting creativity. Students will focus on organizing their thoughts, using correct letter formation, punctuation, and capitalization. The class will highlight the joy of writing and reading as students build confidence in their abilities and grow as independent writers.

Major Projects:

- A Time Traveler's Scrapbook A creative keepsake filled with journal entries, drawings, maps, and facts from the time periods they explore.
- Magic Tree House Art Museum Students will have a portfolio of artwork related to the places and time periods of the books they've read.
- Narrative Collection Students will write and refine a series of personal narrative pieces, showcasing their growth as storytellers.
- Informative Research Presentation Students will research a topic of interest, write an informative essay, and present their findings to the class, incorporating visual aids to support their research.

THE STEAM TEAM AND ALL-STAR ARTISTS

Get ready for hands-on, interactive, and maybe even messy learning! In The STEAM Team, students will dive into the exciting world of science, engineering, math, and creativity through engaging experiments, building projects, and exploration. Each month will bring a new STEM challenge that sparks curiosity and creativity. Throughout the course, students will meet grade-level science and engineering standards, exploring topics such as forces and motion, material properties, and ecosystems. By combining creativity with critical thinking, students will strengthen their understanding of both scientific and engineering concepts while building valuable problem-solving skills.

In All-Star Artists, students will unleash their creativity in an art class designed to develop their skills through experimentation with different techniques, styles, and materials. They'll explore various forms of art, such as painting, sculpture, and collage, allowing them to express their ideas and reflections. Students will not only refine their artistic abilities but also learn how to convey their personal interpretations and creativity through their artwork.

Major Projects:

- STEAM Challenge Fair Work in teams to create a project that blends at least two STEAM fields and present it at a funfair-like event.
- Innovation Showcase Design and build a simple machine, musical instrument, or robot, using STEAM principles and present it to the class.
- Artistic Time Capsule Create a mixed-media self-portrait and artwork representing who they are now, including favorite colors, interests, and emotions.
- Hall of Fame Artist Report & Portfolio Research a famous artist and create artwork inspired by their techniques.

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5TH - 8TH GRADE CLASS CHOICES



The Literacy Lineup **AND** FRIDAY 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Full Court Press Writing CODE Champions** FRIDAY 12:00 PM - 2:30 PM **AND All-Star Artists**



5TH- 8TH GRADE CLASS DESCRIPTIONS

THE LITERACY LINEUP AND FULL COURT PRESS WRITING

In Literacy Lineup, students will explore a variety of genres through engaging texts from sources such as Scholastic Magazines and Epic Books. From nonfiction articles to fiction stories, they will build reading comprehension, critical thinking, and discussion skills. Through activities, vocabulary exercises, and writing reflections, students will deepen their understanding of the world and enhance their literacy abilities. In Full Court Press Writing, students will develop their writing skills by crafting longer, more detailed stories, personal narratives, and essays. They will focus on structuring their writing with clear organization, proper paragraphing, and correct punctuation, capitalization, and grammar. Creative writing prompts will allow them to expand their imagination and storytelling abilities, while peer collaboration will help them refine their skills. The class will emphasize building confidence in writing, helping students develop as independent writers capable of expressing complex ideas.

Major Projects:

- Genre Exploration Presentation Students will choose a genre (e.g., mystery, biography, science fiction) and create a multimedia presentation showcasing key elements, examples, and their favorite texts from that genre.
- Literacy Journal Students will keep a journal where they respond to readings, track new vocabulary, and reflect on themes, characters, and lessons learned throughout the class.
- Personal Narrative Collection Students will write and refine personal narrative pieces, showcasing storytelling skills.
- Informative Research Presentation Students will research, write, and present an informative essay with visual aids.

*Students taking this class will be required to bring their school-issued Chromebook to class every week.

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CODE CHAMPIONS AND ALL-STAR ARTISTS

In this hands-on coding class, students will dive into the exciting world of programming using platforms like Code.org, Scratch, and other coding tools. They will work in teams to design, build, and program interactive projects, applying key coding concepts such as loops, conditionals, and debugging. By the end of the course, students will have gained valuable experience in coding, logical thinking, and digital literacy, preparing them for future success in computer science and technology fields.

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Major Projects:

- Interactive Game Creation -- Design and code an interactive game using coding concepts.
- Digital Portfolio Presentation Students will compile and present a portfolio of their coding, robotics projects, and digital artwork.
- Artistic Time Capsule Create a mixed-media self-portrait and artwork representing who they are now, including favorite colors, interests, and emotions.
- Hall of Fame Artist Report & Portfolio Research a famous artist and create artwork inspired by their techniques.

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