



of Greater Santa Barbara

Santa Barbara Center Spring 2017 Class Schedule

1st-2nd Grades

MONDAY

Super Sleuths: What happened to Splat the Cat's duck collection? Why did "x" go missing from the alphabet? Who took Grandpa's teeth? In this class, girls will follow clues, check alibis, and solve the case. We will read clever and funny mystery stories—tales of puzzling disappearances, rhyming riddles, and daring rescues. Then girls will sharpen their detective skills as they solve some surprising mysteries in our very own library!

Imagineering Science: Have you ever wondered what it would be like to design and build cool contraptions for a major theme park like Disneyland? Taking up the mantle of "Imagineer", the girls will be given fun, creative challenges and activities that will introduce them to basics of physics, engineering, and teamwork. From roller coasters to edible cars, the girls will use their imaginations in order to create gadgets and gizmos fit for "the most magical place on Earth!"

It All Adds Up!: In this new and exciting class, girls will practice their math skills through art, literature, drama, movement, and indoor and outdoor games. Each girl will improve her basic math skills and learn new techniques that can be used equally well on the playground and in the classroom. Girls will also practice mathematical concepts in engaging ways, building their confidence in their math and reading abilities. Who knew math could be so much fun?

Simply Salads (2nd grade only): Salads are often considered healthy but less than inspiring in options. This class will change that myth and teach girls a wide variety of salads to make. The girls will be able to use their cooking skills to prepare some creative and new yet yummy and fresh salads.

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Eco Art: In this class girls will not only become artists, but they will become environmentalists as well! In this earth-friendly arts and crafts class, girls will be discovering their own artistic natures as they use recyclable, reusable, and nature's own found art materials for all of their projects. Come create and explore while learning to respect and care for the environment around you!

Be BOLD: The goal of Be BOLD is to increase participating girls' ability to be safer in their homes and communities by building their sense of personal power and engaging appropriate resources. Our girl-focused approach speaks to the issues girls ages six to eight face today and lays the foundation for addressing violence that girls may experience at later ages. Through engaging activities, each girl will learn about her own personal power, being safe in her community, what a friend is, being a friend, basic needs, bodily safety from abuse, and everyday people who help keep them safe.

Media and Me: Why do so many sugary cereal boxes have cartoon characters on them? When you buy a toy, does it always do what the commercial says it will do? Do the women in TV or magazine ads look like women you know in real life? In this class, girls will explore television, music, and magazines to learn how media can influence their lives. By the end of the course, they will have a great "ad-ucation!"

WEDNESDAY

Bright Futures—Cool Careers!: Did you know there is actually a job as an ice cream taster? You need to study science to get it. What skills would you need to become a kite designer or a pet photographer? Girls can become inventors, architects, marine biologists, computer programmers—or absolutely any career they can imagine! In this course, we will use literature—and field trips to job sites—to explore careers that match girls' interests—from animals to sports to science and beyond. Girls will fill out job applications, conduct an interview, and feel pride in landing the perfect job!

Gizmos & Gadgets: Get hands-on experience with science and engineering in this class. Build simple machines and test them out in experiments and activities. Learn all about inertia and Newton's laws of motion by building things like boomerangs, hovercrafts, parachutes, marshmallow catapults and more!

Just Dance!: Are you ready to dance? This class will give girls an opportunity to explore different types of dances from all over the world. Some styles of dance include: hip hop, modern jazz, salsa, merengue, ballet, zumba and many more. Each week girls will learn vocabulary relating to the moves they are learning, work on their motor skills and explore the cultural context of how different styles of dance and music began and have evolved over time.

Gymnastics: Tumble, cartwheel, and handstand your way to fun and fitness. Gymnastics offers a way to exercise, and learn several skills such as balance, concentration, and strength training. Gymnastics is a wonderful way to build self-esteem and great poise, and posture as well. They will stretch at the beginning of each class and then move on to the equipment and floor exercises. **There is an ADDITIONAL FEE to participate in the class (sliding scale fees apply). Because space is limited, payment is due at sign up-sorry, no exceptions.**

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Power Up: Girls have probably heard stories about SUPER HEROES with SUPER POWERS like SUPERGIRL, but have they ever eaten SUPERFOODS? In this class, girls will POWER UP through the exploration of very common SUPERFOODS as they learn why they are so important for them to incorporate into their daily diet.

GAMES, GAMES, GAMES!: If friendly competition is your game, then Games, Games, Games! is for you! Get ready to run and jump, crouch and crawl, spin and throw, as we challenge ourselves with movement and games of all sorts--from popular sports like soccer and basketball to some of the wackiest games you've never dreamed of. If you're all about getting out and staying active, then Games, Games, Games! is where you want to be!

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3rd-4th Grades

MONDAY

Girls Golf: Our partnership with the First Tee provides a wonderful opportunity for the girls to learn to golf. Girls will take lessons and practice their golf skills at the beautiful Santa Barbara Municipal Golf Course with a phenomenal golf pro Page O'Brien Jazinski. **This program is offsite and the girls will not return to the center until 5:30 p.m.** Girls must obey club policy, which requires them to wear a Girls Inc. t-shirt and closed toed shoes.

Just Dance!: Are you ready to dance? This class will give girls an opportunity to explore different types of dances from all over the world. Some styles of dances include: hip hop, modern jazz, salsa, merengue, ballet, Zumba, and more. Each week girls will learn vocabulary relating to the moves they are learning, work on their motor skills, and explore the cultural context of how different styles of dance and music began and have evolved.

Girls Who Code: Part Three (4th grade only): Girls in this class will learn the core concepts of computer science through projects and games based on their interests such as music, art, storytelling and more. Girls will work with computer science experts to learn coding and computer skills through games, logic and a variety of projects. Come learn what it takes to be a part of the growing field of women in computer science!

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Sea Scientist Seafari: With the help of Santa Barbara Channelkeeper, a local environmental group, we will “dive in” to a hands-on exploration of the Santa Barbara creeks, beach, and underwater kelp forest. The class will start and end with a trip from the Santa Barbara Harbor aboard Channelkeeper’s Research Vessel. Girls will watch divers descend and will view wildlife in the kelp forest via an onboard camera. **This program will go offsite every other week, and on those days the girls will not return to the center until 5:30 p.m.**

Jump Rope Math: In this exciting new class, girls will learn math properties and sharpen their addition skills in a whole new way. Jump Rope Math makes math fun by getting the girls outside and active, jump roping their way to the correct answers. Each girl will improve her basic math skills and learn new counting techniques that can be used equally well on the playground as in the classroom.

WEDNESDAY

Santa Barbara Museum of Art – The Art of Storytelling: Santa Barbara Museum of Art Teaching Artist Itoko Maeno focuses on the art of book illustration. Students will create own stories and characters, in pencil and paint, inspired by *David Wiesner and The Art of Wordless Storytelling*.

Surf Happens: Come experience the art and joy of surfing in this amazing class made possible through our partnership with Surf Happens! **We will be offsite each week and will not return to the center until 5:30 p.m.** Girls will need to bring a bathing suit, water bottle, and towel with them each week, but Surf Happens will provide the wetsuits and surfboards. Girls are required to have some basic swimming skills. There may be an additional fee associated with this class. Scholarships are available through the Surf Happens Foundation. Please see the front desk for additional details.

In Our Own Hands: This class is designed to enable girls to recognize themselves as leaders, to understand their rights and responsibilities, and to feel empowered and responsible for championing social changes. Girls will work as a team on a

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community action project by finding an issue of shared concern, determining changes that need to occur, and carrying out their plan of action.

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And the Award Goes to . . . What makes a book worthy of an award? Beautiful illustrations? Interesting or poetic language? An inspiring story? In this course, girls will participate in choosing the Cook Prize, the only national award honoring a children’s STEM picture book. Then girls will become library trailblazers as they choose the first-ever picture book winner of the Girls Inc. Strong, Smart, and Bold Award!

Media Smarts: Why do so many sugary cereal boxes have cartoon characters on them? When you buy a toy, does it always do what the commercial says it will do? Do the women in TV or magazine ads look like women you know in real life? In this class, girls will explore television, music, and magazines to learn how media can influence their lives. By the end of the course, they will have a great “ad-ucation!”

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5th-6th Grades

MONDAY

Media-Smart Youth: Eat, Think, and be Active!: This program will help girls better understand the complex media world and how it can influence their health. Developed by the National Institutes of Health, the Media-Smart Youth program encourages girls to eat healthy foods, be active, and think critically about marketing messages.

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Shelfies: What is a shelfie? It's like a selfie, only the photo is of a girl holding a book she loves. Girls in this class will read, read, read—and then take “shelfies” of their favorites to post on the library bulletin board. They will become reader leaders as other girls who are looking for great book recommendations check out the shelfies—and then check out the books!

Farm to Table: In this class, girls will be learning about food, farming, and money! Each week the girls will participate in activities ranging from budgeting at the

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Goleta Farmer's Market, cooking nutritious meals in the kitchen, and planting their own vegetables in the garden.

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Curie-osity Project Part 2: Experiment, explore, experience life at the university! In the winter quarter, girls visited the UCSB campus to meet scientists, conduct experiments, and do fun science activities. Each week they met a different female scientist at UCSB, visited her lab or research site. Girls interviewed the scientists, learned about STEM careers, and wrote about them. During the spring quarter, girls will publish a book about women scientists and engineers at UCSB! *This class is open only to girls who participated in the Curie-osity Project during the winter quarter. These girls will automatically be enrolled for spring quarter.*

THURSDAY

Lemonade Day: In this hands-on program, girls will learn entrepreneurship and economic literacy through planning, owning and operating their own small business - the iconic lemonade stand. In Lemonade Day, girls will set a goal, make a plan, work their plan and achieve success, while they build self-belief, a foundation that can lead them to new directions they may not otherwise have tried.

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Informed & In Charge: At the request of many of our girls, we will be offering a weekly class as a safe space for girls to discuss relationships and sexuality. Girls will learn the power of healthy relationships and have a safe space to ask questions regarding sexuality and body changes. Our trained facilitators will be pulling lessons from the Girls Inc. National curriculum, “Informed & In Charge,” which is geared towards empowering girls to make healthy choices rooted in accurate information. Please contact us if you would like more information.

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Debbie's Desert: Girls will ride on a simulated jeep trek through the desert in which travelers study the desert habitat and the plants and animals the habitat contains. Through multi-dimensional projects and experiments, girls will gather information to enhance their knowledge about the ecosystem of the desert!

WEDNESDAY

Snack Time: Focusing on math and literacy building blocks, girls will participate in hands-on activities and projects that deepen their understanding of phonics, sight words, word families, addition, subtraction, and telling time.

THURSDAY

ABC 1-2-3: Focusing on math and literacy building blocks, girls will participate in hands-on activities and projects that deepen their understanding of phonics, sight words, word families, addition, subtraction, and telling time.

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Celebrations: Have you ever wondered what other countries celebrate? Well, this class will open your eyes to all the fabulous holidays that other countries

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celebrate. The girls make an art project, play a game or sport that is popular for the holiday, or maybe cook some delicious food. Come and celebrate with us!

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