

Extra Curricular Creative Arts Program

Continuing Education

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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

WHAT IS THE EXTRA CURRICULAR CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM? The Extra Curricular Creative Arts Program (ECCA) is one of many programs offered through the Continuing Education Department of the OCDSB. The ECCA program offers a variety of artistic and creative instructional courses to elementary and intermediate school age children, ranging from technical skill-building courses to shorter introductory courses. The program is a fee-for-service program.

HOW LONG DO COURSES RUN? The ECCA program offers full-year as well as shorter introductory courses. Full-year courses generally run for 32 weeks, including two ‘**special event**’ days; Introductory courses generally run between 6-8 weeks and include one **special event day**, or **open-house**. Central registration for full-year courses takes place the first two weeks of September. Classes usually begin the third or fourth week in September and finish the first week in June. Shorter programs are on-going and commence at various times during the school year. Introductory courses are generally advertised through schools, with registration directed to ECCA-program central registration, and details also posted to our website - artsforkidsatocdsb.com

WHO CAN PARTICIPATE IN THE EXTRA CURRICULAR CREATIVE ARTS PROGRAM?

All elementary and intermediate school-aged students, from all schools, from all School Boards. All locations are available to all students. Parents who register their children in this program understand the program is unable to provide additional specialised resources or support.

WHEN ARE CLASSES OFFERED? Courses are offered outside of the regular instructional school day.

This may include over the lunch hour, during a nutrition break/recess, and after school – throughout the year.

After school classes run from immediately after school and up to 9pm, depending on registration.

Lunch hour classes and balanced day classes: minimum class sizes must be filled per course, per site, to provide consecutive instruction time; **after school classes:** at least two hours of consecutive instruction time, per course, per site is required. Classes take place once per week unless otherwise stated. **Note:** Students may be required to eat under the supervision of the instructor during the instruction time of others.

WHERE ARE COURSES RUNNING? In Ottawa-Carleton District School Board elementary schools where there is established community interest, available suitable space, a qualified instructor, and sufficient registration.

HOW ARE CLASSES STRUCTURED? Many courses offer Group, Semi-Private or Individual Class instruction. See under *Courses and Locations* or *Learning for Life* magazine for specific course descriptions, class types offered, class sizes, course and class duration, and fees.

WANT TO KNOW MORE?

Visit us on the web at artsforkidsatocdsb.com

- for detailed information
- Fall issue of *Learning for Life* Magazine, distributed to all Ottawa homes in August
- **Central Registration** Tel. (613) 239-2398 (first two weeks of September)
- **Information** Tel. (613) 239-2744, (613) 239-2747
- Visit in person Rm E121 at 440 Albert Street, Ottawa 8:30am-4:30pm weekdays.