

Center for Classical Learning
7th and 8th FAQ
2020-21

Is this supplemental? Or would this be our entire curriculum?

It is designed to be the entire curriculum for the subjects to which you commit. The Block is History/Literature/Bible/Writing. Additionally, you can participate in Latin 1, science and/or math class.

What will a day look like?

It will be a time for recitation of memory, giving a "report", exercises that encourage whole brain learning, doing a science experiment, and discussing things pertinent to history time frame, stories read, and science topics.

Is this a drop off class or do I need to stay with my student?

You are welcome to stay as much or as little as you would like. Do what is best for your home school.

What history, science, and Bible will you be covering?

Like the high school classes this year, we will all be on the period of time from 1800 to present. History and literature and writing will be based on this time period. Bible will be the Life of Christ - a Harmony of the Gospels.

What texts will be used?

Kingfisher Encyclopedia of History for history.

For literature, a variety of readers available to buy or from the library.

For Bible, they just need a Bible.

There is no text for writing, but we use Institute for Excellence in Writing as our guideline.

See BOOKLIST button for more details.

What math and science will they be using?

Apologia Physical Science can be taken by the 8th graders who are also taking prealgebra (algebra ½) or above.

All others can take Apologia's General Science.

Algebra ½ will be offered. For those not ready for pre-algebra, a class covering Key to Percents/Key to Fractions/ Key to Decimals will be used to tune their skills so they can be ready for pre-algebra next year.

How big will these classes be?

They will be capped at 12 students.

Should/could my child bring a laptop?

No. This day is a time of interaction, discussion, relationships. Please do not bring any electronic device, pleasure reading book, or anything that will "block out the world". There

won't be time for it anyway.

What school supplies are needed?

The student will need colored pencils, notebooks.

Can we access these classes virtually?

With the advent of COVID-19, all Center for Classical Learning classes converted to virtual classes using Zoom. It remains to be seen if this will continue for the school year 2020-21, but the option remains available to any who would rather access the classes virtually, even if in-person classes are occurring.

Who is the tutor?

Mrs. Susan holds a BS from CMSU (now UCM). She has taught numerous coop classes thru the years and has facilitated CCL biology, chemistry, physics, and anatomy classes as well as facilitated the jr high classes with CCL since they began.

Mrs. Nina will be facilitating the maths.

What will it cost?

For the block course, \$450 for the year (3 hours once a week for 32 weeks). If you choose to do the math or science, add \$150 a year for each. For Latin, add \$75.00 a year.

Are discounts available?

No, but a payment schedule can be negotiated.

What if I have a struggling learner?

The time in class will be "hands on" and discussion for the most part. Ability to read will affect only the time of reading reports; otherwise it should not affect the student's participation in class. If necessary, the homework can be read to them and reading reports can be practiced at home.

*The whole brain exercises that are practiced each class period and sent home for homework are designed to help students' brains and bodies mature to overcome the areas of struggle. The classical method of education, which concentrates on improving memory and vocabulary, is a great way to learn in spite of specific learning struggles. See *The Struggling Learner* button for more information.*