



August 29, 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome to la Scuola for the 2019-2020 academic year. In the following pages you will review the after school offerings for both Middle School and High School students. The Program will run Monday through Thursday starting right after the regular school day. Each class will last one hour or more, depending on the schedule of the specific class. After School will start on Tuesday, September 24th and will run for the entire semester.

We are happy to offer a qualitative soccer class where students will not only play but will train in order to be ready to join La Scuola Soccer Team, which will compete this year in the PSAA (*Private Schools Athletic Association*) League. We have confirmed classes from last year, such as EmpaTheatre, Dance and Poetry, which will run until the Poetry Reading Event. Among the activities, you will also find the preparation class for SAT and academic support programs. The Global Management and Model UN classes will continue into the Spring semester and develop the curriculum over the entire school year. These two classes, along with the European Union/Euro Challenge Class, are part of La Scuola's special offering as a multicultural and international school that prepares students to engage in today's world. Participation in these classes will offer students an enriching experience and provide them with an advantage in their applications for college, as well as their professional and personal lives in the future.

Please find attached the list of all available classes, as well as the registration form. As you will see, the offering includes classes that are fee-based, while others are free of charge. However, in most cases, classes need a minimum of five students to enroll in order to form (SAT class requires a minimum of 6 students). To enroll your child, please complete the form and return it with a check for the full amount to the administration office by Friday, September 20th, 2019. You will be also able to sign up online through the Greater Giving website.

On behalf of all the instructors in the program, I would like to thank you in advance for your enrollment and cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Stefano Lanfredini

Coordinator of the After-School Program



LA SCUOLA D'ITALIA GUGLIELMO MARCONI

We are pleased to present our Fall 2019 Course Catalog, which includes a diverse selection of entertaining and exciting courses for our Middle School and High School students. We are confident these classes and workshops will pique the curiosity of students and parents alike and we look forward to guiding, enriching and promoting social and academic growth as an encore to the school day.

Philosophy

The After-School Program at La Scuola d'Italia is designed to enrich our students' academic experience after school hours, while being consistent with the La Scuola d'Italia philosophy. Cultivating students' minds, supplying them with a substantial fund of knowledge, and providing them with the basis for making sound ethical judgments are at the core of our mission. It is our commitment to value each student and to promote a sense of community and responsibility toward others. We strive to create a seamless transition from the La Scuola d'Italia school day into the After-School session, while taking the opportunity to offer unique classes in areas that might not be available in the daily curriculum. Our After-School Program fosters a serene environment where students feel safe and a part of the La Scuola d'Italia community.

Policies and Procedures

Questions? Email me at slanfredini@lascuoladitalia.org

Check-in and Attendance

- At school dismissal, After-School Instructors will escort students enrolled in their course to their respective classrooms.
- Our After-School Instructors will take attendance. Students are welcome to bring their own snack and eat it at this time. If you know your child will be absent, please email Stefano Lanfredini slanfredini@lascuoladitalia.org in advance.

Dismissal and Pick-Up

- Dismissal is dependent on each class schedule.

- Instructors will escort the students down to the gym where they will be met by parents/guardians.
- Parents/guardians should wait outside and once they see their child, he/she will be dismissed.
- We cannot release your middle school son/daughter to anyone without parental consent. Please include all acceptable pick-up parties on your child's registration form. If the person picking your child up is not on that list, we CANNOT release your child to him/her. If you anticipate that a person who is NOT on your list of authorized parties will pick up your child, please notify us in writing. Please note that this person will be required to show a picture ID at pick-up.

Absences

- Please email slanfredini@lascuoladitalia.org to report your child's absence. We cannot refund missed classes.

Schedule and Holidays

- After-School will be cancelled on dates the school is closed, on holidays, and on weather emergencies.
- After School calendar can be found on the parents calendar and will be held on all days unless indicated.

*We reserve the right to cancel classes with insufficient enrollment (minimum of 5 students). If a class is cancelled due to low enrollment, we will be happy to place your child in an alternative class or refund your tuition in full.

Registration

Fall Semester Registration begins Wednesday, September 4th, 2019. Registration is first come, first served. Class tuition paid in full will hold your child's spot in a selected class, where space is limited.

The After-School Fall Semester officially begins on Tuesday, September 24th, 2019.

Student Guidelines

Please review these guidelines with your child so that he/she may enjoy the After-School Program. All students are expected to:

- Respect others, their space, and their property
- Cooperate with After-School Program Supervisors and Instructors
- Remain with their instructors during classes, until a parent/guardian signs them out at pick-up

Unacceptable behaviors include disrespecting others and their space, failure to comply with directions, excessive horseplay, and inappropriate or violent physical contact. After-School Program Supervisors and/or Instructors may report incidents of unacceptable behavior to the parents/guardians of all children involved. The After-School Program Supervisors reserve the right to remove a student from the program for unacceptable behavior.

AFTER SCHOOL FALL SEMESTER
CONTACT INFORMATION FORM
FOR ACTIVITIES @ 406 EAST 67TH STREET

Name of Student: _____

Grade: _____

Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

E-Mail Address: _____

Day Phone #: _____

Emergency Contact & Phone #: _____

(if other than parent or guardian)

****Next to the class(es) you choose, write in parenthesis the name of your second choice in the case that the first choice does not meet the minimum enrollment requirements****

<u>Club(s) Selected</u>	<u>Fee Due</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
	<u>Total Fees Due:</u> _____

IMPORTANT INFO:

Please indicate all activities for which your child is registering, including those that are free of charge, by circling the appropriate amounts and adding up the total fees.

Please return all filled out registration forms by **Friday, September 20th, 2019** to Stefano Lanfredini with a check for the full amount, payable to "LA SCUOLA D'ITALIA"

FALL SEMESTER AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM - MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL

ACADEMIC YEAR 2019-2020 WEEKLY ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY
<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 EmpaTheatre Grades 9-12</p>	<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 Model UN Grades 9-12</p>	<p align="center">3:40 – 5:00 Poetry Grades 6-8</p>	<p align="center">3:40 – 4:40 European Union - Euro Challenge Grades 9-12</p>
<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 Soccer Grades 9-12</p> <p>September: 30 October: 21,28 November: 4,11,18,25 December: 2, 9,16 January: 6, 13</p>	<p align="center">3:45-5:00 College Level Reading - SAT Preparation Grades 9-12</p>	<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 Global Management and Leadership Grades 9-12</p>	<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 EmpaTheatre Grades 6-8</p>
<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 ESL Grades 6-12</p>		<p align="center">3:40 – 4:45 Contemporary Dance Grades 6-12</p>	<p align="center">3:40-4:40 Art Grades 6-12</p>
		<p align="center">3:40 – 4:40 ISL+Theater Grades6-12</p>	

- After-School will not take place on dates the school is closed, such as holidays. In the case of weather emergencies, parents and students will receive notice from the school.
- After-School will be held each regular school day, according to the parent calendar, unless otherwise indicated.
- Important dates to remember because of events that affect normal after school hours:

Sep. 26 MS Curriculum Night (no After School for MS students)

Oct. 9 Yom Kippur- School Closed

Oct. 14 Columbus Day

Oct. 25 Professional Development (no school for students)

Nov. 12 PTC Noon Dismissal (No After School)

Nov.27 Noon Dismissal – 28/29 Thanksgiving Break (No After School)

Dec 23 - Jan 3 Winter Break - no school

Jan. 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day- School Closed

Fall 2019 After-School Program Club's and Activities

1. EmpaTheatre Grades 6-12

Monday/Thursday

Developing empathy, active listening and emotional respect through theatre.

Emotional intelligence is the skill that allows us to understand and manage our emotions, as well as recognize them in others. It also helps us to establish positive relationships and make socially responsible decisions. Theatrical art can increase our emotional intelligence, bring us closer to our internal world, help us understand others' perspectives, improve our empathetic skills and establish healthy relationships. This afterschool class aims to help students develop their empathy skills and improving emotional respect through theatrical techniques. Practicing active listening, role-plays, improvisation, dramatization and discussion, students will have fun, give vent to their creativity and improve their emotional intelligence at the same time.

By: Massimo Zordan and Stefania Clementi

Cost: \$500 per semester

2. THE PLEASURES OF PLAYING AROUND: POETRY Grades 6-8

Wednesdays

The job of the poet, says Paul Valery, is not to experience the poetic state, but to inspire it in others. To write a poem, no expert trance is necessary . . . just a willingness to play—as recklessly as possible—with words and images. In the Poetry Club, we will practice playing like poets—hearing one word inside another, seeing one image hidden in another, and finding one poem beneath another. We'll also practice doing math like poets, for whom 1+1 always equals 3. Each meeting, we will try one or more writing exercises, share student work, and discuss great poems. And in our mishearings, imaginings, and errors of calculation, we will make serious poetry and learn how to make other poets' techniques our own. **All texts will be provided (no need to buy extra books).**

By: Mary Giaimo

Cost: \$300 per semester

3. Model UN Grades 9-12

Tuesdays

In this program students learn about the United Nations system and the most important global issues. Part of the program will be directed at preparing for the Model UN. More broadly still, students will be exposed to college-level instruction about global economic, political, social, and scientific issues which will affect their future studies and careers. The program aims to expose participating students to the significant challenges that governmental decision-makers have to confront both in the United Nations system and domestically. On the basis of this knowledge, students are helped to improve their capability to communicate complex ideas and engage in effective debates.

By: Violaine Di Malta and Giuseppe Ammendola

Cost: Free of charge

4. Soccer Grades 6-8; Grades 9-12

Mondays

Soccer skills will be taught using drills and in-class games during all classes for the entire school year. Classes will be held in the 67th St. gym.

By: Coach John Palladino

Cost: \$600 Per Semester

5. Art Grades 6-12

Thursdays

The Art workshop taught by Prof. Pierce is an excellent way for students to end their day at school. Technical drawing, painting, and art history will be some of the elements covered.

By: Nels Pierce

Cost: \$350 per semester

6. Italian as a second language (ISL) and Theater Grades 6-8 Wednesday

The class will focus on improvisational exercises in order to improve students' Italian while having fun. The main goals are: boosting motivation through playful activities; increasing self-confidence and confidence in speaking the target language; facilitating acquisition through a safe, stress-free environment and a rich emotional experience. The workshop is structured in this fashion: input - improvisational performance - linguistic focus - back to performance.

Students must receive approval by their teachers.

By: Daniel Bellissimo and Massimo Jordan

Cost: Free of charge

7. English as a second language (ESL) Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12 Mondays

ESL is a great opportunity for new English language learners to enrich and improve their English language. This program features critical thinking exercises involving both reading and writing.

By: Christine Morga

Cost: Free of charge

8. Global Management and Leadership (College Prep) Grades 10-12 Wednesday

This is a unique enrichment program aimed at select and highly motivated students of II, III, and IV Liceo. The study of global management and leadership is crucial to students' future success in their university studies, career, and life. This exposure to university-level instruction and professional formation will also help students develop significant skills in: critical reading and thinking; information gathering, analyzing, and synthesizing; oral and written communication; collaboration; adaptability; creativity; innovation; and entrepreneurialism. On the instructional side, there is an emphasis on effectively integrating insights deriving from multiple disciplines, cultures, and languages. **Students must receive approval by the principal.**

By: Giuseppe Ammendola

Cost: Free of charge

9. Contemporary Dance Grades 6-12

Wednesdays

The dance after school will focus on the foundations of the Graham Technique. The students will learn the fundamental exercises and combinations from the Graham syllabus. The course is an opportunity to improve coordination, agility, posture and flexibility while having fun dancing.

By: Eva Giannini

Cost: \$450 Per semester

10. College Level Reading (SAT Prep) Grades 9-12

Tuesdays

*****Class requires minimum 6 students in order to start***** In this course, students are taught how to approach, dissect, and dominate difficult or abstruse reading passages – even when under pressure to do so quickly. Materials from a variety of sources make for an interesting and challenging class. Master the skill that will make everything easier. Classes will run 3:45pm-5:00pm (Tuesdays) and practice tests will take place 9:00am-1:30pm (Saturdays) following the schedule that will be confirmed during the first week. Below you can see the tentative schedule (**all Tuesdays with the exception of one Monday**):

practice test #1 Sat Sept 28

class #1 Tuesday Oct 1

class #2 Tuesday Oct 8

class #3 Tuesday Oct 15

practice test #2 Sat Oct 19

class #4 Tuesday Oct 29

class #5 Tuesday Nov 5

class #6 Monday Nov 11

class #7 Tuesday Nov 12

practice test #3 Sat Nov 16

class #8 Tuesday Nov 19

class #9 Tuesday Nov 26

class #10 Tuesday Dec 3

By: Applerouth Company

Cost \$600

11. European Union – Euro Challenge Competition Grades 9-12

Thursday

During the class, students will be exposed to the complexity of the European Union, from its beginning to our current days, including most notably the “Brexit” issue. The class will serve as a preparation for the Euro Challenge competition. Broadly speaking, the class will help students to learn how to critically examine the economic challenges facing Euro Area countries and identify policies to address such challenges. On account of these activities and the level of instruction, students will be able to build very strong college readiness skills and bolster considerably their college application resumes. Their future career prospects will be strongly enhanced by our emphasis on real world issues and country analysis. The competition is open to 9th and 10th grade students, who will compete for the Euro Challenge prizes. The other graders will support and help the team with their experience and knowledge. In the competition, teams of three to five students offer a presentation and should be ready to answer broad and specific questions connected to it. For their presentation, they must pick one member country of the “euro area” (among the 19 EU member countries that have adopted the euro), examine an economic challenge at the country level, and come up with possible policy solutions.

By: Giuseppe Ammendola

Cost: Free of charge

Monday to Friday: Music Courses at La Scuola

The Department of Music of La Scuola D'Italia promotes the practice, understanding and enjoyment of music, offering a broad array of educational opportunities with specialization in many instruments, performances, musicology, lectures, workshops and masterclasses.

In addition to La Scuola d'Italia music curriculum the Music Department offers an extra-curricular music program called "Music Courses at La Scuola" in individual classes of Piano, Guitar, Traverso Flute, Violin, Cello, Clarinet, Oboe, Voice and Choral activities.

Public student performances at the Steinway Hall in Manhattan and certificates of attendance and achievement will be distributed to our students at the closing day. A large music faculty join to the extra-curricular activity.

By: Stefano Miceli