



2026

## Summer Semester

Rising Grades 7-12

June 8-June 26 and July 6-July 24

**(No classes on Friday, June 19, and week of June 29-July 3)**

*\*Disclaimer: If any of our course offerings do not meet the minimum enrollment requirement, the class will be canceled, and your registration fee will be refunded.*

**If your family qualifies for Free or Reduced lunch, the Course Fee is reduced to \$90 (Ceramics Basics Camp is excluded from this discount).**

Complete the [application here](#) if you think you may qualify. **You must apply each year to qualify for Free and Reduced status.**

### Grades 7-8

**\$250 for 60-hour intensive classes**

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#### MATH

The junior high math summer program has two tracks:

##### Course 1 (*incoming 7<sup>th</sup> grade*)

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: TBD*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – June 26)**
- The three-week intensive Course 1 program focuses on bringing students to the appropriate level needed to continue to the next grade. This program covers the entire book and is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Course 1 throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program.

##### Course 2 (*incoming 8<sup>th</sup> grade*)

**8:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Hollyann McCann*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – June 26)**
- The three-week intensive Course 2 program focuses on bringing students to the appropriate level needed to continue to the next grade. This program covers the entire book and is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Course 2 throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program.

For more information on Summer Semester Courses contact: Matt Van Wieren at [MATT.VANWIEN@THEVANGUARDSCHOOL.COM](mailto:MATT.VANWIEN@THEVANGUARDSCHOOL.COM) or (719) 471-1999 x 449

**ENGLISH (current 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders)**

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Theresa Ward*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – June 26)**
- This three-week program covers is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete 7th or 8th grade English throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program. Note: This course may only be taken once during your junior high career.

**LATIN I (current 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders)**

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Kirsten Jaqua*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 - June 26)**
- This three-week program is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Latin I (in any capacity) throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program. Note: This course may only be taken once during your junior high/high school career.

**Grades 9-12**  
**\$250 for 60-hour intensive classes**  
*(All 60-hour classes are semester credit courses)*

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**MATH**

**COURSE 3 (incoming 9<sup>th</sup> grade)**

**8:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.**

- *Instructor: Matt Van Wieren*
- **Six weeks/60 hours total (June 8 - July 24)**
- The six-week intensive Course 3 program focuses on bringing students to the appropriate level needed to continue to the next grade. This program covers the entire book and is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Course 3 throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program.

**ALGEBRA 1**

**10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Matt Van Wieren*
- **Six weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – July 24)**
  - **CREDIT RECOVERY (applies to one semester)**
- The Six-week intensive math program will be individualized for participants and focuses on bringing students to the appropriate level needed to continue their math sequence. Space is limited.

**ALGEBRA 2**

**12:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Matt Van Wieren*
- **Six weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – July 24)**
  - **CREDIT RECOVERY (applies to one semester)**
- The Six-week intensive math program will be individualized for participants and focuses on bringing students to the appropriate level needed to continue their math sequence. Space is limited

## MUSIC HISTORY

### 9-12 grades

- **\*\*\*Virtual/Online Format\*\*\***
  - *Instructor: Michael Robinson*
  - **Six weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – July 24)**
    - **Graduation Required Fine Arts Credit**
  - This one semester course is designed to help the student begin to understand the essential elements of classic western music history through an analysis of both the objective reality of music history and the subjective understanding of the student's personal musical style. Self-reflection and critical thinking from a musical perspective is enthusiastically encouraged in this class. While we will study music from pre-history to the present, this course is required for graduation.

## ART HISTORY

### 9-12 grades

- **\*\*\*Virtual/Online Format\*\*\***
  - *Instructor: Leighla Beteta*
  - **Six Weeks/60 hours total (June 8– July 24)**
    - **Graduation Required Fine Arts Credit**
  - This is a one-semester course that offers a chronological survey of Western art from the dawn of civilization to the modern era. Although there is an effort to involve students with images and ideas that lie outside the Western tradition, the larger context in which these images are discussed is Western. The course combines proper historical techniques and procedures with an emphasis on the unique position and role played by the artist and the work of art, its context, and the critic. Special attention is given to our interpretation of a work of art based upon its intended use, audience, and role in society. The course will also focus on how works of art shaped, and were shaped by western social, political, economic, and intellectual history.

## STAINED GLASS AND MOSAIC

9-12 grades

- **8:00 A.M - 12:00 P.M.**
  - *Instructor: Leighla Beteta*
  - **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – June 26)**
    - **Elective Credit**
    - This course aims to help students expand their knowledge of art techniques and mediums through learning and mastering the basics of stained glass and mosaics. Students will utilize previous art knowledge and skills and expand upon them in their projects. Students who wish to advance their art skills to prepare for a collegiate or professional future in art will be better prepared through this class. Students have a choice between creating a stained-glass piece and a mosaic piece for the summer class.

## LATIN I (*current 9th graders*)

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Kirsten Jaqua*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 - June 26)**
- This three-week program is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Latin I (in any capacity) throughout the school year or placement test. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program. Note: This course may only be taken once during your junior high/high school career.

## SPANISH I (*current 9<sup>th</sup> graders*)

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: TBD*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (June 8 – June 26)**
- This three-week program is appropriate for students who did not successfully complete Spanish I (in any capacity) throughout the school year. This course will include a focus on both grammar and spoken activities to ensure a solid foundation of the Spanish language. A readiness test will be administered at the conclusion of the program. Note: This course may only be taken once during your junior high/high school career.

## **HISTORY**

**8:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Alex Pirkle*
- **Three weeks/60 hours total (July 6 – July 24)**
- This three-week summer history course will be offered in July and is designed to provide students with one semester of credit recovery for either Classical or European History. The first half of each class will cover the broad outlines of Western Civilization—from prehistory through the early modern period. The second portion of the class will focus on strengthening essential research skills, including source evaluation, thesis writing, annotated bibliographies, and topic-sentence outlines.

## **CERAMICS BASIC CAMP (Grade 7-Adult)**

**9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.**

- *Instructor: Emily Tigges*
- **One week/15 hours total (July 20-24)**
- **Price: \$250**
- Experience a week of ceramic basics and leave with beautiful artwork! Students will learn how to work with clay and create a texture platter, a game board, how to use the wheel (and mini wheel!), glazing, and many other techniques.