

Yearlong Electives

Ceramics

Chorus

American Sign Language 1

ASB Leadership

World Languages through Blended

Learning

Teacher or Office Aide

Video Production

Art

Digital Photography

& Graphic Art

Photojournalism

Concert Band

Concert Orchestra

Symphonic Band

Symphonic Orchestra

Click the class to learn more.

<u>Trimester Wheel Electives</u>

Wheel #1

Wheel #2

Intro to Art

Exploratory Computers

Exploring Culinary Arts

STEAM

<u>Drama</u>

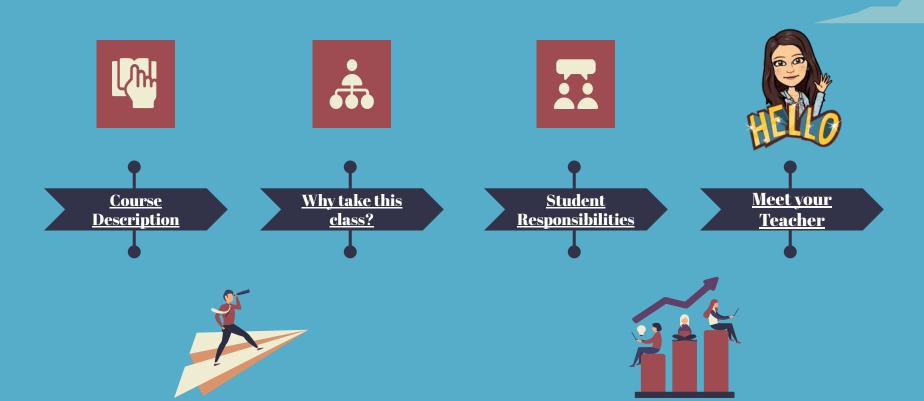
Speech & Debate



ASB Leadership

Develop, plan, & implement student activities to make school fun!

Click the links to see more about the class



ASB Leadership

- Leadership is a yearlong class
- Emphasis is on the development of school wide activities, which enhances self-esteem and school spirit within our school environment.
- Students learn about leadership styles and techniques, parliamentary procedures, budget planning and organizational skills.
- Leadership students work together to develop, plan, and implement a variety of student activities.
- Students who are successful in this course are motivated self-starters, willing to go the extra mile for the school, can work cooperatively and respectfully in committees, and have a positive attitude.



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Why take this class?

Build Leadership Skills





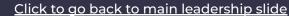
- → Teamwork
- → Creativity
- → Goal Setting
- → Planning
- → Kindness
- → Productivity
- → Compassion
- → Problem Solving
- → Advertising

Student Driven Class

This class is student driven, meaning its up to the students in the class to create the fun! They are the ones that create and implement all student activities such as events, spirit days, community service projects, fundraisers & more









Some Responsibilities of Students in

ASB Leadership



School Jobs

Line monitors, recycling, new Student Tours, morning announcements,



School Events

Create & implement events such as spirit days (every friday), lunch time games, dances, talent show & more!



Be part of filming and creating our newscast of events & important information



Service Projects

Create & implement service projects that help our school & community



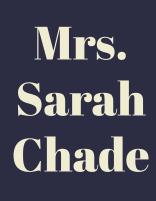
Creating posters, graphics for flyers/instagram promoting our events. Decorate the school.



Be the Role Model

Students in this class are the role models of the school & have high expectations of being respectful, tolerant, and courteous of others







Hello! So great to see that you are interested in leadership! We will have so much fun together next year!

Facts about me:

- Masters in Teaching from UC Irvine
- 5th year teaching at Venado Middle School
- I was in ASB through all of middle and high school

Art-Year long

Students will explore and develop understanding of a variety of artistic techniques and mediums.

Techniques will include drawing and painting, sculpture and ceramics.

Mediums may include graphite, charcoal, tempera and acrylic paint, watercolor, and more.

Students will also engage in developing academic literacy in the elements of art and principles of design, art history, careers, and criticism.

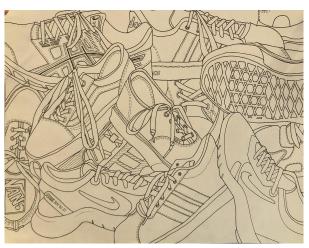
Students with all levels of artistic skill are welcome to join this class to explore, experiment, and create an artistic voice.

See examples of student work on the next slide



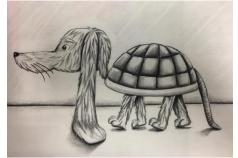














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Ceramics

Students will develop personal expression and creativity using the medium of ceramics.

Students will develop necessary skills to work with ceramics with emphasis placed on design, form, function, and artistry.





Student Work Examples













Digital Photography & Graphic Art

Introduces students to elements of art and principles of design through photography, photo editing and graphic design.

Students will learn proper usage and care of a digital camera, composition, and file management for creation of digital and print products.

They will explore and apply fundamental design concepts using programs such as Adobe Photoshop.

Previous enrollment in another art class is not required.

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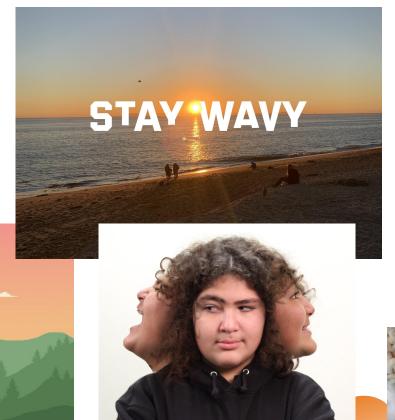














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Video Production

Students learn and utilize technology to create, produce, act, direct, and edit short videos.

Will be able to use digital editing to convey a message, tell a story, and achieve communication goals

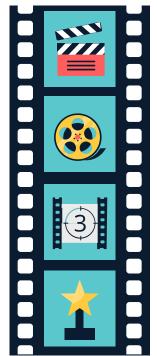
Projects include montages, parodies, PSA's, commercials, interviews, animation, and more.

In considering this elective students need mature behavior, strong work ethic, works well with others and time management skills.

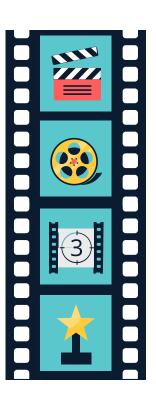




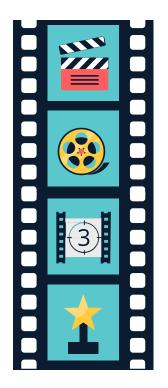
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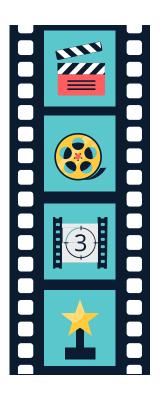




Stop Motion Example













Mrs. Adelman

Hello! So great to see that you are interested in the Arts! We will have so much fun in the class!
Little facts about me:

- Masters in Art Education
- 12 years teaching at Venado Middle School
- Owner of Wedding/Portrait Photography business
- Mommy to two super cuties: Grant & Kinsley



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Chorus

- Chorus is for all levels of students who love to sing and have
 FUN!
- We will sing classical, folk, foreign language, jazz, pop and Broadway music.
- 4 performances throughout the year.
- All students will participate in a Broadway Revue in May.
- All levels of singing and music reading welcome!
- There is also an opportunity for students enrolled in chorus to join our Jazz Ensemble. Click this <u>link</u> to find out more!

Click here to see Venado music alumni testimonials!

MUSIC DEPARTMENT VIDEO!





Concert Band

- Concert Band is for any level band student interested in having FUN and playing symphonic, movie, and pop music.
- Beginning wind, percussion players and non-music readers are welcome!
- Enroll in this class to play a wind or percussion instrument.
- Piano players are welcome and encouraged to learn a new instrument of their choosing.
- 4 performances throughout the year.
- Students may use their own instrument, rent, or borrow one from the school if available.
- There is also an opportunity for students enrolled in band to join our Jazz Ensemble. Click this <u>link</u> to find out more!

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Symphonic Band

- Symphonic Band is an advanced level class for students who want to have *FUN* playing a wind or percussion instrument, and perform symphonic, movie and pop music.
- 4 performances throughout the year.
- Students may use their own instrument, rent or borrow one from the school if available.
- Students must be recommended by their elementary or middle school music teacher.
- Symphonic band students perform in a district music festival in March.
- There is also an opportunity for students enrolled in band to join our Jazz Ensemble. Click this link to find out more!









Concert Orchestra

- Concert Orchestra is for any level string student who wants to have FUN playing symphonic, movie, and pop music.
- Beginning string players and non-music readers are welcome!
- 4 performances throughout the year.
- Piano players are welcome and encouraged to learn a new instrument of their choosing.
- Students may use their own instrument, rent, or borrow one from the school, if one is available.
- There is also an opportunity for students enrolled in orchestra to join our Jazz Ensemble. Click this <u>link</u> to find out more!

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Symphonic Orchestra is an advanced level class for string students who want to have FUN playing symphonic, movie and pop music.

- 4 performances throughout the year.
- Students may use their own instrument, rent or borrow one from the school if available.
- Students must be recommended by their elementary or middle school music teacher.
- Symphonic orchestra students perform in a district music festival in March.
- There is also an opportunity for students enrolled in orchestra to join our Jazz Ensemble. Click this <u>link</u> to find out more!

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MUSIC DEPARTMENT VIDEO!













- Jazz ensemble is for students who have an interest in jazz, latin jazz, funk, rock and pop music.
- A jazz student must be enrolled in the choir, bands or orchestras to be eligible to enroll in the Jazz Ensemble.
- The Jazz Ensemble is an IPSF class and meets during Zero Period before the school day starts; it is not an elective course as part of the students' schedule.
- Any and all instruments are welcome!
- 6 to 8 concert performances throughout the year.
- Jazz ensemble students perform in a district music festival in March.
- ALL Instruments welcome!!!
- Venado is 1 of **ONLY** 2 middle jazz ensembles in all of Irvine Unified!

Click here to see Venado music alumni testimonials!



Venado Music Alumni Testimonials

Sarah Nedderson, Trumpet Venado Music Alumni Concert Band, Symphonic Band & Jazz Ensemble Yoni Cohen, Percussion
Venado Music Alumni
Concert Band, Symphonic Band
& Jazz Ensemble



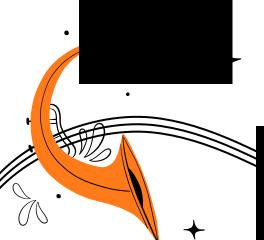


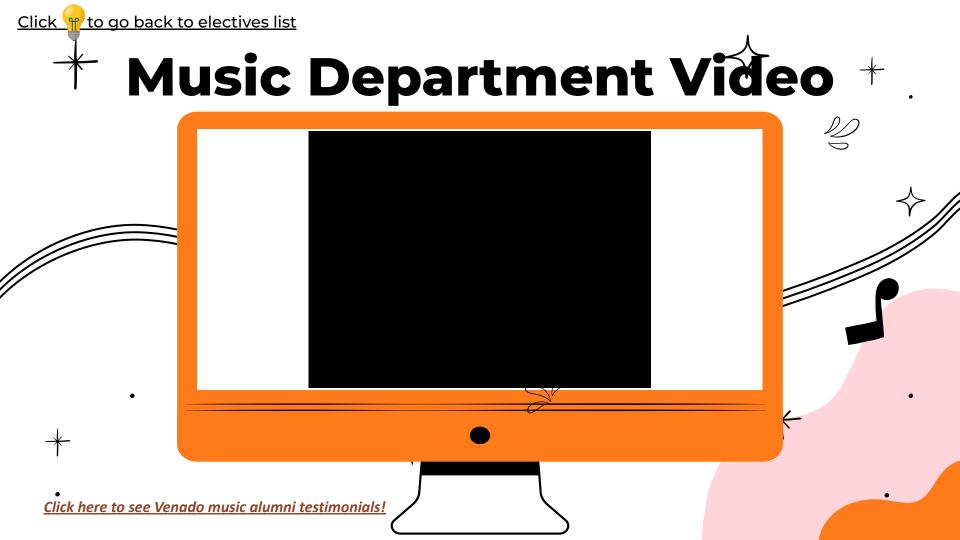
Genevieve Velarde, Voice Venado Music Alumni Choir











Mrs. Rebecca Venlet



Hello! So great to see that you are interested in MUSIC! We will have so much fun together next year!



- Received Bachelor Degree and Music Credential in Music
 Education from CSU Long Beach
- 10th year teaching at Venado Middle School
- 18th year teaching in IUSD
 - My main instrument is the French Horn & Trumpet
 Married for 18 years & Mommy to 2 super cute kids named
 Jimmy & Josephine









Field Trips & Opportunities

- 8th Grade trip to Disney Studio Soundtrack Workshop
- Instrumental & Choral Music Festivals
- Performances & collaboration with DF, GT & Irvine
 HS music departments
- District, County and State honor choir & orchestra audition opportunities
- Much, Much MORE!!

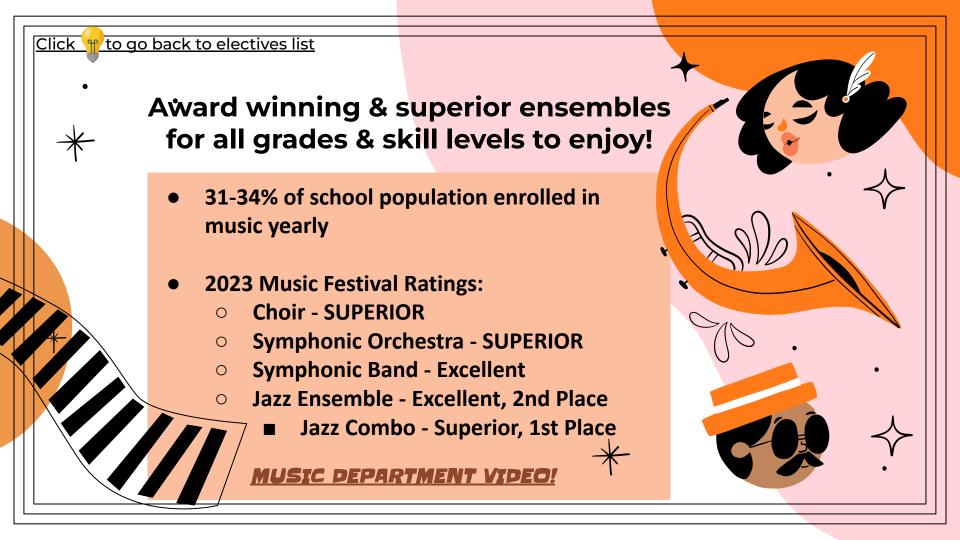














Photojournalism

Click the number to find out more about this class!

COURSE DESCRIPTION

CLASS CULTURE

COURSE OBJECTIVES

Ready to meet people

MEET YOUR TEACHER

Self **Motivated**

Creative

Willing to work hard



Course Description

Yearbook is a year-long course which will provide an introduction to the art and principles of digital photography and how to use original photography to tell a story. Students will learn to use different software applications, including PhotoShop, to enhance and manipulate photos.

With the help of publishing software, students will use their photography and writing skills to create the design and layout of our annual yearbook. Students should be proficient writing and in using computers, and have some experience with or interest in using photo editing and/or publishing software.

Because Yearbook students work collaboratively within groups and with the advisor to create the school yearbook, this course requires that students are creative, work well in a self-directed classroom, and are able to meet established timelines for completion of work. Students are responsible for using digital cameras to take pictures at school events and for using computers to design the yearbook, including layouts, photos, captions and more. Students enrolled in this class must be self-motivated and responsible for effectively managing their time.

CLASS CULTURE

GROWTH MINDSET

We embrace failure and intellectual risk-taking--the power of YET.

TEAMWORK

We work together as a team to accomplish tasks. Each team member is treated with respect and kindness.

EXPERT LEARNERS

We take ownership of our learning. Through trial and error, we will learn how we best learn and how to problem solve.



COURSE OBJECTIVES



Graphic Design

Collaboration

Leadership

Time Management

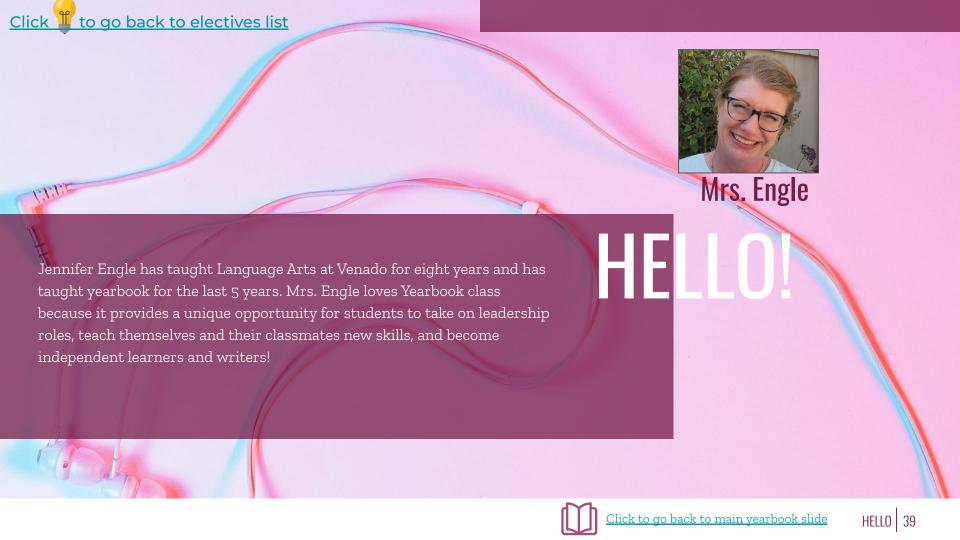


Photography

Computer Literacy

Journalism Writing







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Click the links below to learn more about ASL



Course Description



Top 5 Reasons to Learn ASL



Meet your Teacher

ASL Course Description



American Sign Language introduces basic conversational skills, as well as provides some insight into Deaf Culture and famous Deaf people. Students will learn basic signs, fingerspelling, and sentence structures that would be useful when interacting with deaf students at Venado and in the community. Through teacher modeling, sign videos, sign games, structured dialogues, and deaf/hearing student interactions, students will develop both receptive and expressive American Sign Language skills. Materials used in this class are the same ASL materials used at the high school and college levels throughout the U.S.





Click the links below to learn the

TOP FIVE REASONS TO LEARN ASL

AMERICAN SIGN **LANGUAGE**



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Reason

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You can talk with your mouth full.



Luis: "What are you doing today?"

Robbie: "I'm going to a baseball game."

Luis: "Nice, sounds like fun. Are you going with your family?"

Robbie: "Yes. What are you doing?"

Luis: "I want to sleep all day!"

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Reason

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You can talk under water.



Alex S: "Do you have a dog?"

Alex R.: "No, but I want a big dog. Do you have a dog?"

Alex S: "Yes, I have 2 dogs; one big, one small dog."

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Reason

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You can talk through windows.



Joseph: "What's your favorite candy?"

Victor: "My favorite is KIT KAT"

Joseph: "Oh, that's my favorite too. What is your favorite movie?"

Victor: "My favorite movie is Vivo."

Joseph: "Oh, I have never watched that

movie."

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Reason

2



Your conversations are not interrupted by loud environments.



Aissa: "Where are you from?"

Rei: "I'm from Japan. Where are you from?"

Aissa: "I'm from America. Where were you

born?

Rei: "I was born in Japan. Where were you

born?"

Aissa: "I was born in California - here."

Reason 1



You can make some new Deaf friends.

(Venado is home to 30 DHH students from all over Orange County.)



Maddox: "What is your name?"

Crystal: "My name is Crystal. What is your

name?"

Maddox: "Maddox. Nice to meet you."

Crystal: "Nice to meet you."

Mrs. Dicker

Hello! I'm so thrilled that you are considering ASL as your elective. This one year course could possibly inspire your future career!

Some facts about me ...

- I have worked for the Orange County Deaf and Hard of Hearing program for 27 years.
- I teach Reading and English to the DHH students at Venado and one ASL class for hearing students.
- I have been married for 27 years and am a proud 'mom' to my rottweiler, Carly, cockatiel, Walter, and horse, Sugarbear.
- A few of my favorite things are the Anaheim Ducks, Pepsi, and Shabu Shabu.

Meet your Teacher







Student Aide (8th grade only)

Are your helpful, responsible, trustworthy, and organized?

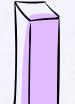
Do you demonstrate the HONOR Code? If so, Venado staff members need your help!

Student Aide - get approval from the classroom teacher you want to help

Library Aide - get approval from Mrs. Crammer Office Aide - get approval from Mrs. Charna









World Languages through IVA Blended Learning (8th grade only)

Want to learn another language?

Spanish 1

Korean 1

Chinese 1

French 1

San Joaquin School IVA Course Catalog (See pages 35-36)



Trimester Electives

Wheel #1

Intro to Art Intro to Culinary Arts Drama Wheel #2

Exploratory Computers STEAM Speech & Debate



Intro to Art-

Trimester Wheel #1 (Intro to Art, Exploring Culinary Arts, Sign Language)

Students enrolled in this elective will rotate and spend a trimester in each of the three classes: Intro to Art, Exploring Culinary Arts, & Sign Language.

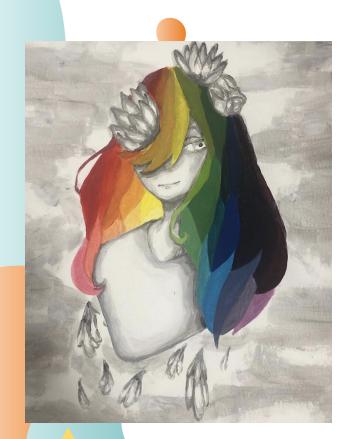
Intro to Art

- Students will be exploring a variety of artistic techniques and media while learning the elements and principles of art.
- Projects include drawing and painting, ceramics, watercolor, art history and appreciation, and more.
- This is a great class for all skill levels.

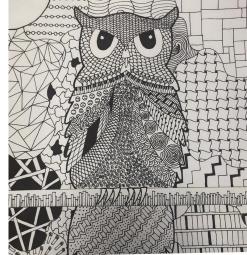
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Course Description

Meet your Teacher

Mhat we do in class

Click the links to find out more about this fun class!!

Course Description

In this class students will learn to create delicious dishes and desserts selected from a culturally diverse menu. In addition to learning the essential life skill of cooking, students will also learn about kitchen safety and sanitation, have opportunities to strengthen collaborative skills, and will gain an enriching and challenging hands-on learning experience.





Meet your Teacher

Hello! My name is Mrs. Baranski. I have been teaching math at Venado since 2012. I love combining my passion for math with my love for cooking. My goal is to help students learn basic life skills, while also teaching them the math behind cooking methods and techniques.





Click the numbers to find out more about this fun filled class!

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Class

Description

In drama, we become...

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Class Activity

Examples

Monologues!

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Find out past students experiences

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Meet your

Teacher

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In drama, we become

Screen writers

We write and illustrate original storyboards and comedic sketches!

Actors

We perform and learn to build our public speaking voices!



Film Critics

We watch films and analyze them for spine, structure, and theme!

Improvisers

We play games! Yes, games. Students learn to think on the fly and improvise scenes.



Monologue Examples!



Sumo - Motivational Speech



Laura - "The Breakfast Club"



Chloe - "School of Rock"

Student Testimonials: What is something you will remember 5 years from now after taking this



"In five years from how, I will always remember how this class has taught me to be a more confident speaker & presenter"

"The social interaction. This class has more talking and more fun than any other class. I have made a ton of new friends.

"The pantomiming. I loved the skits and the acting outside of the classroom. In a way, I got to 'get my hands dirty.' I just became more confident to ask questions or give responses"

Mr. Gamboa

Hello everyone,

I am super excited that you are considering Speech & Debate! Here are some facts about me

- ★ Received my bachelors degree in History and teaching credential from UCI
- ★ I have been teaching for 9 years
- ★ Happily married in 2020
- ★ I enjoy playing basketball, boxing and reading comic books





Exploratory Computers

Venado Middle Schoo Mrs. Cramme

What is Exploratory Computers?

Exploring Computer Science is designed to introduce students to the breadth of the field of computer science through an exploration of engaging and accessible topics. Rather than focusing on learning particular software tools or programming languages, the course is designed to focus the conceptual ideas of computing and help students understand why certain tools or languages might be utilized to solve particular problems. The goal of Exploring Computer Science is to develop in students the computational thinking practices of algorithm development, problem solving and programming within the context of problems that are relevant to the lives of today's students.

Students are introduced to the following activities/programs!

Google Docs, Sheets, Slides, Drawings, etc.

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JavaScript



Media & Advertisement

02





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Artificial Intelligence & Basic Gaming Theory

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Mrs. Crammer





I'm looking forward to meeting you!

Fun Facts:

- ★ I love traveling with my family
- **★** Running with my dog Lola-Bear
- ★ Watching basketball (especially the Lakers)
- ★ I grew up in Southern California and went to Long Beach State University with an M.A. in Library Science & Media Leadership. Go 49ers!













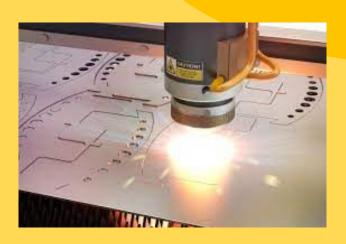


If you can dream it, you can build it in MS STEAM. STEAM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math. During the course, students will take thoughtful risks, engage in experiential learning, persist in problem-solving, embrace collaboration, and work through the creative process using various technologies. Students will have the opportunity to design, build and problem solve using CAD software, various coding languages, 3D printers, laser cutter, various robots, and Arduinos. We will also be exploring various STEAM careers and opportunities outside the classroom.



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A deep dive into problem solving and designing using 3D printers, laser cutter, VEX and link bots. We will also be exploring careers in STEM.

Speech and Debate

Learn how to properly communicate and exchange ideas



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What is Speech & Debate?

In this course, students will explore the various elements of speech and debate through various individual and collaborative formats. Students will learn public speaking strategies to help them deliver and write speeches on various topics and genres, such as informative, narrative, and persuasive, that can reach an audience. The class will also include a debating section that will allow students to collaborate with a team of their peers with the goal to prepare and deliver debates. By the end of this course, students will have further developed their critical thinking, speaking, listening, and research skills that will provide them with tools to better share their individual, unique voices with others.



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BY: MAANYA
CHHAJER



Four Skills That You Will Take Away From This Course



This course is dedicated to refining public speaking skills



Research

Expect to conduct scholarly research on topics to present.



Students will learn how to exchange ideas in an academic debate



Literacy

This course is designed for students to also read and analyze written speeches.



Mr. Meussner

Hello! So great to see that you are interested in Speech and Debate! We will have so much fun together next year!

Facts about me:

- Received Bachelors in Psychology from CSU
 Fullerton & a Masters in Teaching from UC Irvine
- I love going to see comedians and improvisors perform! I have seen many comedians' live.
- I gave my college's graduation speech in front of all of the psychology majors and their families



