

HM ACADEMY 2024

SATURDAY SCHOOL

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MONKEY ORGANIZATION**

At Helping Monkey, our mission is to enrich the lives of children and families in our community. We achieve this by providing free, high-quality Saturday programs. Our programs include academic support and a variety of activities such as art, dance, and choir. We believe in the transformative power of comprehensive education to foster creativity, cultural understanding, personal and communal growth. Our goal is to create an inclusive and supportive environment where every participant can explore their passions, develop new skills, and become a valuable member of the community.

INTRODUCTION OF FALL CLASSES 2024

ARTS & CRAFTS

Our classroom is a nurturing environment where every student is encouraged to be themselves and share their unique ideas. We believe that art is not just about creating beautiful pieces but also about understanding the world and communicating our thoughts and feelings. We offer limitless support for art material so students can approach the world of art without hesitation and difficulty of sources. Our class is designed to be a creative and adventurous space where every student can explore their artistic talents and express themselves freely.

Course Description: In our art class, we will:

- Experiment with various art materials and techniques.
- Learn about famous artists and their masterpieces.
- Develop skills in drawing, painting, sculpting, and more.
- Encourage creativity, imagination, and self-expression.

Materials Needed: Please ensure your child brings the following items to class:

- Happiness
- Healthy body and mind
- Excitement
- Any other specific materials will be communicated in advance

Taught by Jason Lee, Senior art director and organization leader, and Hayoung Lee and Joyce Kim as an assistant teacher.



CCM & K-POP DANCE

K-Pop is a global phenomenon that combines catchy music, dynamic choreography, and vibrant performances. Our K-Pop Dance Class is designed to bring the energy and excitement of K-Pop to our community, offering students a unique opportunity to learn and enjoy this popular dance style.

Class Details:

- **Instructor:** Kwak, a skilled modern dance director with extensive experience in working with children.
- **Location:** CHAM CHURCH SUNDAY SCHOOL LOUNGE

What to Expect:

- **Dance Techniques:** Students will learn fundamental dance techniques, improve their coordination, and develop their rhythm.
- **Creative Expression:** Encouraging creativity and self-expression through dance routines and improvisation.
- **Performance Opportunities:** End of semester performances to showcase the students' progress and talents.
- **Team Building:** Emphasis on teamwork, cooperation, and the joy of dancing together.

Who Can Join: Our Kids' Dance Class is open to children of all skill levels, from beginners to experienced dancers. No prior dance training is required—just a love for movement and a willingness to learn!

What to Bring:

- Comfortable dance attire
- A water bottle to stay hydrated
- A positive attitude and enthusiasm for dance!



KOREAN CULTURE

Our Korean Culture Class is designed to immerse children in the rich and vibrant traditions of Korea. Through engaging activities and hands-on experiences, students will explore various aspects of Korean culture, including language, history, manners, and traditional games.

Course Description: In our Korean Culture class, we will:

- **Respect for Elders and Manners:** Learn Korean honorifics, bowing, and respectful gestures.
- **Traditional Korean Games:** Explore and play traditional games like Yutnori and Jegichagi.
- **Hangul – Korean Alphabet:** Learn the history and practice of reading and writing Korean letters.
- **Korean Festivals and Holidays:** Discover major Korean holidays and create art or projects related to the festivals. Learn about Hanbok, its history, and its modern use in festivals.
- **The History of Korea:** Explore Korea's history, from the Three Kingdoms Period to the modern day, through storytelling, activities, and visual projects.

Who Can Join: Our Korean Culture Class is open to children of all backgrounds and experience levels. No prior knowledge of Korean culture or language is required—just a curiosity and enthusiasm to explore and learn about the rich traditions of Korea!

What to Bring:

- notebook
- pen
- A positive attitude and enthusiasm

Taught by Ehan Woo, educational director.

CHOIR

Our Kids' Choir Class is designed to inspire and nurture young voices through the joy of singing. This program offers children the opportunity to develop their musical talents, build confidence, and experience the magic of performing in a choir.

Class Details:

- **Instructor:** Yoonji Cho a skilled choir director with extensive experience in working with children.
- **Schedule:** Every Saturday from [Time] to [Time].
- **Location:** CHAM CHURCH CHOIR PRACTICE ROOM

What to Expect:

- **Vocal Training:** Students will learn proper vocal techniques, breathing exercises, and how to sing in harmony.
- **Musical Repertoire:** A diverse selection of songs, including classical pieces, folk songs, and popular music.
- **Performance Opportunities:** End of semester performances to showcase the students' progress and talents.

- **Team Building:** Emphasis on teamwork, cooperation, and the joy of making music together.

Who Can Join: Our Kids' Choir Class is open to children of all skill levels, from beginners to experienced singers. No prior musical training is required—just a love for singing and a willingness to learn!

What to Bring:

- Comfortable clothing suitable for singing and movement
- A water bottle to stay hydrated
- A positive attitude and enthusiasm for music!

LUNCH

As part of our commitment to caring for the whole child, we provide free, healthy lunches to ensure that every child stays nourished and ready to enjoy their activities. This is made possible through the generous support of local businesses in our community.



2024 fall

NY CHAM ACADEMY

FREE CLASS

Grade: 1 ~ 5 (Elementary only)

9/14 ~ 11/23 10:00am ~ 2:30pm (Every Saturday)

| Time | Class 1 | Grade | Class 2 | Grade |
|------------------|---------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 1) 10:00 ~ 11:00 | Art & Craft | 1 ~ 5 | | |
| 2) 11:10 ~ 12:00 | K-pop Dance | 1 ~ 2 | Korean | 3 ~ 5 |
| 3) 12:00 ~ 12:30 | Free Lunch | | | |
| 4) 12:40 ~ 1:30 | K-Pop Dance | 3 ~ 5 | Korean | 1 ~ 2 |
| 5) 1:40 ~ 2:30 | Choir (Music) | 1 ~ 5 | | |

TUITION AND ALL MATERIALS ARE FREE

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Q12, Q13, Q15, Q16, Q17, Q20A/B, Q25, Q26, Q27, Q28, Q34, Q44, Q65



SPRING SEMESTER REVIEW

ART CLASS

We organized two 50-minute art classes: one for lower-grade students and one for upper-grade students, with an average of 12 students participating in each session. During these sessions, students explored various painting tools and techniques, and many showcased their wonderful creativity with unique and imaginative art pieces.

However, we encountered some challenges with paint spillage on the floors and chairs. We promptly addressed this by cleaning up as much as possible, including the bathroom area. To prevent future messes and maintain a cleaner space, we plan to limit the use of paints in upcoming sessions and incorporate more crayon-based activities, which still allow students to express their creativity without the added cleanup.

K-POP DANCE

We held 3 dance classes, each with approximately 8 students. During the classes in the cafeteria, occasional use of the space by the church caused some disruptions to the sessions. To prevent further interruptions, we will move the dance classes upstairs to the Sunday School lounge, where we can ensure a more focused environment.

CRAFT CLASS

We organized two 50-minute classes—one for lower-grade students and one for upper-grade students—with an average of 12 students in each class. During these sessions, students engaged in various hands-on activities such as making ice cream, perfume, and soap. Additionally, we introduced origami as a creative exercise. For the fall semester, we decided to combine this class with the art class to streamline our offerings and provide a more integrated creative experience for the students.

ENGLISH AND MATH

Six students participated in this class. The students brought in their homework for assistance. Additionally, Ethan Woo, the educational director, provided consulting to the parents. However, due to low interest and participation, we have decided not to continue this class in the upcoming fall semester.



WHAT'S NEXT

Helping Monkey Organization is expanding our services to better support those in our community who are most in need. Our goal is to provide high-quality education and a variety of enriching experiences for the children in our community, particularly those who require additional support. To achieve this, we will actively seek additional funding from sponsors and government programs.

We warmly invite you to participate in any way that best suits your skills and availability. You can join our team to support directly with the children or assist in fundraising efforts.

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RESULTS FROM LAST YEAR

Helping Monkey Org. had been established in 2021.

| | 2024 | 2023 | 2022 | 2021 |
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| STUDENTS | 28 | 23 | 20 | 10 |
| CLASSES | 4 | 2 | 1 | 1 |
| FINANCE | N/A | 12K | 10K | 8K |

