The mission of Excursions in Learning is to provide unique enrichment opportunities to gifted, high achieving and highly motivated students in the elementary and middle grades.

WHO: Students in grades K-8

DATES: Enrichment Classes: February 4, 11, 18, & 25 and Wizardry in the Kitchen: March 10, 17, 24, 31

TIMES: February Culinary Arts classes will meet 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
All other February Excursions classes will meet 9 a.m.-12 noon
“Wizardry in the Kitchen” will meet 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

TUITION: February one-session classes are $40. • Two-session classes are $80.
February culinary classes are $70. “Wizardry in the Kitchen” program is $300. (Materials fee included for both)

REGISTRATION: Registration is open on a first-come, first-serve basis. Payment must be received at time of registration. Registration can be faxed, scanned and emailed, or mailed via USPS. Parents will receive official confirmation of class placement and room locations via email only.

DISCOUNTS: (For February classes only) Early Registration Discount – save $5 per class, per child; registrations must be postmarked by 1/10/12.
Multiple Sibling Discount – save $5 per class, per child by registering two or more of your children. Forms must be submitted together.

REFUND POLICY: All refund requests must be written (email to ccappetta@mcc.commnet.edu). No refunds will be issued after 1/10/12.
Cancellations due to extreme circumstances after the refund deadline will follow the refund policy of MCC’s Continuing Education programs, found at: www.mcc.commnet.edu/students/depot/Refund-Policy-and-Refund-Appeal-Form.pdf

If your child’s first or second choice class cannot be accommodated, or MCC cancels a class you will receive a full refund.

CANCELLATIONS: MCC reserves the right to cancel or postpone a class and/or substitute instructors as needed due to unforeseen circumstances. If MCC cancels a class, registrants may transfer their fees to another class for the same semester, or receive a full refund. Registrants will be notified by phone or email if a class is cancelled.

POSTPONEMENTS & MAKE-UPS: Classes postponed by the instructor’s request or extreme weather conditions will be made up on Saturday March 3, 2012. Even if you have the slightest doubt for class cancellations due to extreme weather, please call the college at 860-512-3000, check our website www.mcc.commnet.edu, or listen to WTIC, WRCH or WZMX. If the MCC campus is closed or classes cancelled, all Excursions classes for that day are also cancelled and will be rescheduled on the make-up day March 3, 2012.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS: Excursions students are expected to be kind and respectful, to always try their best, and to follow instructions. Our goal is to provide a safe, encouraging and nurturing learning environment for children to explore their academic and artistic passions. CT Curriculum Standards and Framework can be viewed at: www.sde.ct.gov/sde/lib/sde/PDF/Curriculum/Curriculum_Root_Web_Folder/ctframe.pdf
A LETTER FROM THE COORDINATOR

Hooray for the 2012 Spring Semester of Excursions in Learning! We have 29 exciting classes to offer you — 20 are BRAND NEW and 9 are revivals of popular favorites!

As you browse through our catalog you may notice some changes. All Excursions classes now identify the CT Department of Education curriculum standards that they teach. These standards can be viewed in more detail on the CT Department of Education website. We’ve done this in hopes of highlighting the authentic educational value of our enrichment programming. I hope that you will join us for an exciting winter and spring full of new and interesting classes to explore! Please share this catalog and our new website with your family, friends and school community!

Sincerely,

Carleigh Cappetta, Coordinator of Youth Programs

FEBRUARY 4

Primary Grades
The Secret Life of Shells (Grades 1-3)
Wolf Tales and Trails (Grades K-2)

Elementary Grades
Amazing Mazes and Labyrinths (Grades 3-5)
Physics with Sir Isaac! (Grades 3-5)
Stage Makeup 101 (Grades 3-5)

Middle School Grades
Capture the Moment: Digital Photo Workshop (Grades 6-8)
Computer Game Design (Grades 6-8)
Cook Across Europe! (Grades 5-8)
Make a Mini-Movie (Grades 6-8)

FEBRUARY 11

Primary Grades
BH101: Bear Hair Basics (Grades K-2)
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Elementary Grades
Beyond Beads (Grades 3-5)
Shake it up with Shakespeare! (Grades 3-5)
The Violent World of Plants (Grades 2-5)

Middle School Grades
Cupid’s Chocolate (Grades 5-8)
Web Design (Grades 6-8)
Make a Mini-Movie (Grades 6-8)
Computer Game Design (Grades 6-8)

FEBRUARY 18

Primary Grades
Farming Frenzy: Exploring the Life of a Farmer! (Grades K-2)
That Song Bugs Me! — Exploring the Music Bugs Make (Grades K-2)

Elementary Grades
Cartoon Creations (Grades 3-5)
Explore the Coral Reef (Grades 4-6)

Middle School Grades
Baking from Scratch (Grades 5-8)
Hollywood Special Effects (Grades 6-8)
The Real Revolution (Grades 6-8)
Shakesperiement: A Shakespeare Workshop for Teens (Grades 6-8)

FEBRUARY 25

Primary Grades
Ooey Gooey Science and Art (Grades K-2)
Stories in Motion (Grades K-2)

Elementary Grades
Explore the Coral Reef (Grades 4-6)
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Middle School Grades
I Can Get It! - Audition Workshop (Grades 6-8)
Digitally Altered Photos: Solve the Mystery (Grades 6-8)
The Real Revolution (Grades 6-8)

NEW!

Wizardry in the Kitchen!

This course is for students completing grades 5-8 in the 2011-2012 academic year. Our Wizardry in the Kitchen class will incorporate themes found in J.K. Rowling’s Harry Potter series. Ignite your imagination! Strengthen your culinary skills, and have fun creating some mystical themed, delicious treats! Ever wonder what your favorite characters may have eaten at mealtime? Or what unique treats they may have snacked on at school? Would you like to create and taste butter beer? Then this class is for you! Join us in this mystical culinary adventure exploring one of this generation’s most beloved stories!

CRN #12388 4 Saturdays, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. MCC Bldg. LOWE 293
Fee: $300
This is a 4 session class; students cannot register for sessions individually.
Instructor: Diane Richards is a Family and Consumer Science Teacher at Terryville High School where she teaches culinary, life skills, and child development classes. She has a Master’s Degree from St. Joseph’s College in Instruction and Curriculum and is a certified instructor with the Association of Family and Consumer Science. Mrs. Richards is also an adjunct professor with the University of Connecticut Early College Experience program.

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Primary Grades

The Secret Life of Shells (Grades 1-3)
Meet a Knobby Keyhole, a Telescope Creeper or a Ribbed Clusterwink. Explore the briny deep through the many eyes and ears of a Noble Scallop. Battle the Fighting Conch! Evade the jaws of the Giant Clam and the fatal sting of the Geographer Cone. Dive into the wet world of animals known as mollusks, the legendary shell dwelling creatures! Then create your own shell dwelling inside a real sea shell. Lots of hands-on learning about shellfish and their ocean home! Aligns with CT Science Curriculum Standards: 1, 3, 4. CRN #12105 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP138 Fee: $40 Instructor: Winthrop Ford earned a Master's Degree in Science and has been a consultant, team leader and guest speaker and teacher in many public school enrichment programs. Mr. Ford's passion for making science fun is contagious.

Wolf Tales and Trails (Grades K-2)
Explore! Investigate! Analyze! Wolves have returned to Banff National Park in Canada. Like real scientists, we'll venture outside in search of wolves, and then how as we follow their tracks. Back in the classroom, we'll create life-size tracks and wolf-down edible versions of their prey. Make wildlife magnets and place mats to discover what really happened when the wolves returned to Banff! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 3, 5, & 6. CRN #12106 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP136 Fee: $40 Instructor: Linda Zajac is an award-winning freelance writer of science articles for children's magazines. She has developed these courses from research conducted for an article in the July 2008 issue of "Highlights".

Amazing Mazes and Labyrinths (Grades 3-5)
Learn to make your own mazes and labyrinths. Explore the difference between the two, and study famous examples from around the world! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: History 1, Visual Arts 2, 4, & 5. CRN #12107 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon, MCC Bldg. LRC B219 Fee: $40 Instructor: Linda Marchisio is a professional storyteller, published author, and educator for the talented and gifted. She has taught in West Hartford's gifted program, "QuEST"; and the advanced math placement program, "Math QuEST". She now works as a Library Media Specialist.

Physics with Sir Isaac! (Grades 3-5)
In the 1680’s, Sir Isaac Newton published a scientific paper on his observations about the way things move. These have come to be known as Newton’s Laws of Motion and are the basis for the study of mechanics. We will use everyday objects such as balls, tops and poppers to see if Newton’s Laws are true. We will experiment with toy cars to test the effects of friction, observe the effects of rotational momentum on a gyroscope and calculate the speed of wind-up critters. Sir Isaac would be so proud! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 11, 13, & 14. CRN #12108 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP137 Fee: $40 Instructor: Susan Harrington is a popular enrichment teacher in the area, who specializes in science and natural history enrichment classes. She has a BA and a Master’s Degree in Biology, as well as graduate course work in Education. Mrs. Harrington enjoys inspiring students to explore science in unique ways.

Stage Makeup 101 (Grades 3-5)
If you have ever seen the performers of CATS or the LION KING, you’ve seen how stage makeup can transform the actor into something special! Join us for a workshop that will change you from ordinary to magical, using basic stage makeup techniques. We’ll talk about types of makeup, design, application and lots of great examples. Then you’ll have a chance to try out a design for yourself! Wear clothes you don’t mind getting messy. Who knows what hidden character is waiting in you! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Theatre 3, Art 2 & 5. CRN #12109 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon, MCC Bldg. AST Auditorium Fee: $40 Instructor: Sharon FitzHenry is a professional actor, artistic director and certified teacher with more than 20 years of experience. A member of the Actor’s Equity Association and the Society of Stage Directors and Choreographers, she has directed dozens of productions with artists of all ages.

Middle School Grades

Cook Across Europe! (Grades 5-8)
Crepes, spatzle, ravioli? Take a culinary tour across Europe! Join Chef Rachael to create some of the most famous cultural dishes from European countries such as France, Italy, Germany and Spain! Bring home your culinary creations to share! CRN #11915 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (5 hour class) MCC Bldg. GPA GP213 Fee: $70 Instructor: Chef Rachael LaPorte is a graduate of Johnson and Wales University with a degree in Culinary Arts and a graduate of Central CT State University with a degree in Education. She has traveled across the country working as a chef in dozens of restaurants, mastering various styles of cooking. Having decided that teaching was her passion, Rachael returned to her alma mater, Windham Technical High School, to teach Culinary Arts and inspire the next generation of chefs.

Capturing the Moment: Digital Photography Workshop (Grades 6-8)
This photography workshop will cover the basics of taking pictures with a digital camera. You will learn how to carefully select your subject, visualize the results you wish to achieve, compose the photograph just right, and in the end, achieve those results you were seeking. This workshop is for any and all teens who are interested in learning how to take great photographs! Please bring a USB flash drive (at least 2GB) to save your work. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Visual Art 1, 2, & 5. CRN #12110 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. AST D211 Fee: $40 Instructor: Richard Hoyer is a fine art, portrait and location photographer, with more than 20 years of fun in the business. He is an adjunct faculty member at Manchester Community College, and also teaches photography at the Worcester Art Museum for youth and adults. His work is exhibited regularly at galleries around the state.

Make a Mini-Movie (two-day class) (Grades 6-8)
Class #1 of 2: Participate in all the action of real, live video production studio using MCC’s state-of-the-art facilities. In this two-session class you will work with a crew to write, film, edit and produce a five-minute movie and trailer. We will explore camera angles, shooting techniques, storyboards and use editing software to create your own movie. If you like to be in front of the camera, behind the camera or are interested in learning more about making movies, this is the class for you! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Theatre 1-4, Visual Art 1, 2, & 5. CRN #12111 1 Saturdays 2/4 & 2/11, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC B218 Fee: $80 Instructor: Behn Sikora is a Technology Education teacher at Silas Deane Middle School. He has a Bachelor’s of Science in Technology Education and Master’s Degree in Educational Leadership from Central CT State University. Mr. Sikora teaches Engineering, Electronics and Technology at SOMS and Robotics at Wethersfield High School.

Computer Game Design (two day class) (Grades 6-8)
Class #1 of 2: In this class, students learn the basics of game design using hands-on GameMaker projects that demonstrate sprites, animation, events, actions, collisions, sound, timing, variables, and more. By the end of the class, students will have two complete games that they can play at home and share with their friends. Prerequisites are basic computer skills, such as typing, using a mouse, and using Microsoft Windows. Please bring a USB flash drive (at least 2GB) to save your work. CRN #12121 1 Saturdays 2/4 & 2/11, 9 a.m.-noon, MCC Bldg. LRC B221 Fee: $80 Instructor: Clayton Walnum

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Primary Grades

BH101: Bear Hair Basics (Grades K-2)
Why do scientists need grizzly bear hair? We'll create a solid mixture when we mix the
same ingredients scientists use to attract grizzlies. Once the grizzly arrives, find out how its
hair is collected. Then discover the secret behind the special smell of the bear's fur. The smell
comes from glands that produce a scent to attract other grizzlies. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 6.
CRN #12112 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP136 Fee: $40
Instructor: Linda Zajac

Rainbows and Reflections (Grades K-2)
Explore the world of rainbows and raindrops! Students will make their own
CRN #12113 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP137 Fee: $40
Instructor: Susan Harrington

The Violent World of Plants (Grades 2-5)
Strange, smother, stab and poison! Uncover a plant world ripe with these techniques of
destruction. You'll discover the secret weapons of extermination hidden under the guise of the
peaceful New England woodlands, the sun-baked Arizona deserts, and the damp, lush world of the
Amazon rain forest. Learn how animals are forced to adapt to a world of constantly evolving plant
weaponry. Create your own "super plant" equipped with its own unique arsenal of weapons for
survival. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 4, & 6.
CRN #12115 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP220 Fee: $40
Instructor: Winthrop Ford

Beyond Beads: No more plastic beads! (Grades 3-5)
Learn to make your own beads for bracelets or necklaces. We will make rolled
paper beads that look lovely and scented beads that smell wonderful. Create lots of beads to
bring home! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Visual Art 2, 3.
CRN #12113 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP202 Fee: $40
Instructor: Linda Marchisio

Shake it up with Shakespeare! (Grades 3-5)
Skilled teacher and director Kirstin Kennedy will guide students through playful,
imaginative exercises that will challenge their creativity while opening their minds to the
world of Shakespeare! Students will explore the plot, characters and themes from some
of Shakespeare's most famous plays and then take on the role of "great storyteller" like
Shakespeare too! Class concludes with a performance "share" for family and friends. Aligns
with CT Curriculum Standards: Theatre 1, 2, 6-8.
CRN #12114 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP203 Fee: $40
Instructor: Kirstin Kennedy has a Master's Degree in Theatre Education from Emerson
College, and a BFA in Acting from Webster Conservatory for the Theatre Arts. She also
graduated from Interlochen Arts Academy with a high school diploma focused on the Theatre
Arts. Kirstin was the Director of Education at The Acting Loft in Manchester, NH before moving
to CT to work at Hartford Stage.

Middle School Grades

Cupid's Chocolate (Grades 5-8)
Did you know that chocolate has been in our hearts for centuries? Investigate
delicious history and work alongside Chef Rachael to create some delectable chocolate
creations—just in time for Valentine's Day! Bring home your creations!
CRN #11916 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. (5 hour class), MCC Bldg. LOWE L293
Fee: $70
Instructor: Chef Rachael LaPorte

Web Design (Grades 6-8)
What makes a website interesting and exciting? How can you make it interactive?
Learn to use links and hyperlinks, then import and edit graphics including icons and logos.
Make your site more sophisticated by using rollover graphics, flash text, java scripting and style
sheets. Post your new site to the internet. Please bring a USB flash drive (at least 2GB) to save
your work. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 14, Visual Art 1, 2 Tech Ed 7.
CRN #12116 1 Saturday, 9 a.m.-noon, MCC Bldg. LRC B220 Fee: $40
Instructor: Chris Buonacquisto is currently a Technology Education teacher at the Odyssey
Community School where he specializes in Media and Television Production. He is CT certified in
Technology Education (K-12) and has over 11 years of teaching experience.

Make a Mini-Movie (two day class) (Grades 6-8)
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to write, film, edit and produce a five-minute movie and trailer. We will explore camera angles,
shooting techniques, storyboards and use editing software to create your own movie. If you
like to be in front of the camera, behind the camera or are interested in learning more about
making movies, this is the class for you! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Theatre 1- 4,
Visual Art 1, 2 & 5.
CRN #12111 2 Saturdays 2/4 & 2/11, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC B218 Fee: $80
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USB flash drive (at least 2GB) to save your work.
CRN #12121 2 Saturdays 2/4 & 2/11, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC B221 Fee: $80
Instructor: Clayton Walnum has a degree in Computer Science and has been programming
games and other applications since the early 1980s. He's written many books on game
programming and graphics, including PC Picasso: A Child's Computer Drawing Kit. He is
currently employed as a technical writer at aolland-based software company.
Farming Frenzy: Explore the Life of a Farmer! (Grades K-2)
Have you ever wondered what it is like to be a farmer? Get an up-close look at the fascinating world of farming as we discover how to milk a cow, make butter, and raise a chicken! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 4
CRN# 12117 1 Saturday, 2/18, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP215 & GP216
*Meet in GP215 Fee: $40
Instructor: Ashley Pereira is currently completing her Master’s Degree in Secondary Education Biology at Eastern CT State University. She is also a recent graduate of the University of Connecticut with a B.S. in Animal Science. Ashley has been involved in a wide range of activities with young children including Mad Science, 4-H programs, and summer camps, and has a great interest in all kinds of science.

Cartoon Creations (Grades 3-5)
How many summer nights have you been kept awake by the buzz of mosquitoes or the chirping of crickets? Learn how these mini-musicians make sounds that can be heard for miles. Listen to their recorded sounds. Hear how famous human musicians have tried to copy insect voices. Compose your own “Bug Boogie” using recycled household items and real musical instruments! Combine science, music and movement and have fun learning! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Music 1, 2, 4, 6 Science 3, 5.
CRN# 12123 1 Saturday, 2/18, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP136 Fee: $40
Instructor: Winthrop Ford

Explore the Coral Reef (two day class) (Grades 4-6)
Class #1 of 2: Are you fascinated by the colorful world of the ocean? Then this is the class for you! A unique combination of science and art, this two session class will explore the tropical fish of the exotic coral reef and their role in the ecosystem. Along with learning some amazing facts about invertebrates such as coral, sea urchins, and sea stars, each student will choose a favorite fish and create a colorful paper-maché model to take home. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 5, Art 2, 3, 6.
CRN# 12125 2 Saturdays, 2/18 & 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP220 Fee: $80
Instructor: Ed Argenta is currently a Teacher Consultant with the Connecticut Geographic Alliance and a Nautilus Educator with the Sea Research Foundation. Mr. Argenta is a retired public school teacher, having taught Science at Vernon Center Middle School for many years before becoming the Science Department Head at Rockville High School where he taught Marine Science, Environmental Science, and Biology.

Middle School Grades

Baking from Scratch (Grades 5-8)
Do you love to bake? Come join Chef Rachael and strengthen your baking skills with this unique workshop in our state-of-the-art culinary facilities. Create many delicious treats to take home, including cinnamon buns with icing, garlic knots, mini stromboli, butter flake rolls and fruit danish. Everything is made from scratch!
CRN# 11873 1 Saturday, 2/18 & 2/25, 9 a.m.-2:00 p.m. MCC Bldg. GPA GP213 Fee: $70
Instructor: Chef Rachael LaPorte

Hollywood Special Effects (two day class) (Grades 6-8)
Ever wonder how moviemakers create those awesome effects in their movies? Well now you can learn the basics! In this two session class, students will use video cameras to capture the action and pro video editing software, green screens and other techniques to create the effects. Burn your own DVD and bring home your movie to share!
CRN# 12128 1 Saturday, 2/18, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC B214 Fee: $40
Instructor: Kirstin Kennedy

Farming Frenzy: Explore the Life of a Farmer! (Grades K-2)
Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 4
FEBRUARY 25th, 2012

Primary Grades

Ooey Gooey Science and Art (Grades K-2)
Get messy with science experiments! Build a volcano! Create some gak! Students will create experiments to explore how and why science reactions happen. Explore the use of new materials and experience the outcomes of these projects. This class also helps our young students practice their fine-motor skills. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 13, Art 2, 6.
CRN# 12129 1 Saturday, 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP136 Fee: $40
Instructor: Samantha Cyr is currently a teacher of the Hearing Impaired for Bloomfield Public Schools. She has a Bachelor’s Degree in Early Childhood Education and a Master’s Degree in Deaf Education and Aural Habilitation from the University of Hartford. She has experience teaching grades kindergarten through fifth.

Stories in Motion (Grades K-2)
Combine Theatre and Language Arts to bring your favorite children’s books to life! Students will explore the story Zen Shorts by Jon J. Muth, a tale about a Panda named Stillwater who helps three children explore many of life’s great questions. Students will re-tell these stories through drama and movement, emphasizing the main character’s change over time and the lessons learned. They will become an ensemble of storytellers in a circle story activity, find these characters in ourselves with a memory walk, and as a final presentation, use the tools learned to tell their own Stillwater Story. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Language Arts 1, 4 Theatre 1, 2, 6.
CRN# 12122 1 Saturday, 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP203 Fee: $40
Instructor: Ayla Kapiloff has a BA in Theatre and Education from Bennington College and a MAT in Elementary Education (certification K-6). She has classroom teaching experience as an educational actor and a Resident Teaching Artist with students ages 3-18. Ms. Kapiloff has also taught in cities across five different US states and in Italy. In addition to teaching, she is trained in studio dance, acting, voice, and loves arts and crafts.

Burrrr….And Fur! (Grades 3-5)
Do you ever wonder how animals survive the frigid winter? Explore how animals have adapted to survive the cold Connecticut winters through movement and art activities. Students will get messy with blubber, create their very own animal tracks, and make their own bird feeder to bring home. Bundle up! This class will go outside too! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Science 1, 3, 6.
CRN# 12130 1 Saturday, 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP215 & GP216, “Meet in GP215 Fee: $40
Instructor: Ashley Pereira

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CRN# 12125 2 Saturdays, 2/18 & 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. GPA GP220 Fee: $80
Instructor: Ed Argenta

Elementary Grades

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Middle School Grades

I Can Get It! - Audition Workshop (Grades 6-8)
In this acting audition workshop, students will learn how to prepare for a theatrical audition. Director and Actor’s Equity Union member, Sharon VanDine will give students a comprehensive breakdown of auditions skills and etiquette to make you look professional and polished for any audition! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Theatre 2, 5, 7.
CRN# 12132 1 Saturday, 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. AST Auditorium Fee: $40
Instructor: Sharon FitzHenry

Digitally Altered Photos: Solve the Mystery (Grades 6-8)
Don’t believe everything you see! Nearly every photograph that you see in print has been changed or manipulated in some way via the computer. Learn the skills and digital techniques that professional artists use to alter the truth and create fantastic works of art! In this class, young artists will learn the tools and techniques of Adobe Photoshop and create original artwork from photographs. Please bring a USB flash drive (at least 26GB) to save your work. Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: Visual Art 1, 3-6, Technology Edu 2.
CRN# 12131 1 Saturday, 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. AST D211 Fee: $40
Instructor: Richard Hoyer

The Real Revolution (two day class) (Grades 6-8)
Class #2 of 2: What really happened during our Revolutionary War? Was it really over taxes? Come explore the truth that the textbooks tend not to cover. Students will participate in activities that will bring this turning point in our history alive! We’ll study primary resources and create our own revolutionary war reenactment for an audience as our “final”. Bring your jackets! We will be going outside too! Aligns with CT Curriculum Standards: History 2, 3, & 8.
CRN# 12127 2 Saturdays, 2/18 & 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC A142 Fee: $80
Instructor: Brian Zawodniak

Hollywood Special Effects (two day class) (Grades 6-8)
Class #2 of 2: Ever wonder how moviemakers create those awesome effects in their movies? Well now you can learn the basics! In this two session class, students will use video cameras to capture the action and pro video editing software, green screens and other techniques to create the effects. Burn your own DVD and bring home your movie to share!
CRN# 12126 2 Saturdays, 2/18 & 2/25, 9 a.m.-noon MCC Bldg. LRC B207 Fee: $80
Instructor: Chris Buonacquisto

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Friend our coordinator: “Carleigh Learning Excursions Coordinator”
Spring 2012 Excursions in Learning Registration Form
Register one student per form. Please print clearly. (Photocopy as needed.) Refunds according to MCC policy.
For more information, call 860-512-2804.

Student’s name ________________________________________________________________  New Student? ☐ yes ☐ no
(Please print) last first

Male ☐ Female ☐ Birth Date ___________________________ Grade (11/12 year) ___________________________

Banner ID# (if known) __________________________________________ Social Security Number (optional) ___________________________

Parent(s) Name(s) __________________________________________ Home Phone ___________________________

Parent’s work number __________________________________ Parent’s cell number ___________________________

Home Address __________________________________________ (street)
(street) (city) (state) (zip)

Email for registration confirmation: ____________________________________________________________________________

In spaces below, list your child’s 1st and 2nd class choices.

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Total Fees: $__________

Four Ways to Register:
1. By mail: CE Excursions Registration, MCC, Great Path, MS #16, P.O. Box 1046, Manchester, CT 06045-1046
2. By Fax: using a MasterCard, VISA or Discover: 860-512-2801
3. By email: Scan completed forms and attach. Pay by credit card. Email to: ccappetta@mcc.commnet.edu
4. In person: at the Continuing Education office, LRC B147

☐ Check or money order (# _____________) enclosed.

Make check or money order payable to MCC.

I authorize the use of my ☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA ☐ Discover

Cardholder name (print) ___________________________ Cardholder signature ___________________________

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TUITION DISCOUNT OPTIONS
Save $5 per class (see info page)
Choose one option only:
☐ Early Registration (postmarked by 1/10/12)
☐ Multi-Sibling
(Email of Sibling) ___________________________

Discount for February classes only

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