

Silver SPRUCE Academy

2022-23 Spring Class Descriptions

Most classes limited to 25 students unless otherwise stated.



SEE CALENDAR FOR DATES

(C) = Continuous (Q1) = 1st Quarter (Q2) = 2nd Quarter

CONTINUOUS

(C) Terra Nova, PSAT (8/9), SAT Testing (CE)

We offer Terra Nova Testing through McGraw Hill for grades 3rd through 11th in April/May and assist homeschooling families in preparing for and registering for the PSAT and SAT. We can also provide scholarship and college preparation assistance. Tutoring in most subjects can be scheduled during Curriculum Education hours.

(C) Curriculum Education (CE)

Work with a certified teacher for up to 10 hours per year on core subject tutoring, supplemental classes, or extracurricular curriculum to enhance your homeschooling experience. Each session can be individualized towards each child's education. Individual sessions require a scheduled date and time with a specific teacher, please email to inquire.

MONDAYS

(C) Ski & Board Club [Wolf Creek Ski Resort]

Silver SPRUCE Academy is in collaboration with Wolf Creek Ski School for homeschooling families. Please see our website at <https://www.silverspruceacademy.org/wolf-creek-ski-club> for more information after Oct. 15th.

Tentative dates include:

Jan. 24	RSVP/PAY before Sun. Jan. 8	FAMILY Dates: Feb. 12, Feb. 26, Mar. 25, Apr. 1, Apr. 2, Apr. 8 Family members can ski for \$15 lift ticket w/ student that attended one or more lessons, includes 2 hr. lesson, and ski rentals. Snowboard rental is \$6 extra.
Feb. 28	RSVP/PAY before Sun. Feb. 12	
Mar. 28	RSVP/PAY before Sun. Mar. 12	

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TUESDAYS

(C) World Travel @ Home - (All Ages) Atlas and Activities Home Bag

Each student in the family looks through the book "World Reference Atlas" or "Children's World Atlas," then write about one of the places you would want to go on a trip to. Include the page #, why you picked the location from the Atlas, and what you would want to do on your adventure. Each student should also draw, color, or create a picture about the Atlas destination they choose! Bag is checked out for 1 week from Wednesday to Wednesday and counts for 10 hours of attendance.

(C) Antler Antics – (Ages 14-21 Grades 9-12, College)

Antler Antics is designed around each student’s individual learning needs to include tutoring, college dual enrollment, internships, budgeting, World Travel, PSAT/SAT tutoring, testing, etc. Three options are available to choose from:

	<u>Option 1- Full Day Program</u>	<u>Option 2 - 1/2 Day Program/Supplemental Study</u>	<u>Option 3 - Dual Enrollment/Internships</u>
9:00am	Mingle/Trivia/ Teen Scene	Planning	Planning
10:00am	Class 1	½ SPRUCE AM or PM	Dual Enrollment
11:00am	Class 2		
12:00pm	Lunch/Leaders/Exercise		
1:00pm	Class 3		
2:00pm	Class 4	½ Combination of Internship Dual Enrollment Tutor PSAT SAT World Travel Budgeting	Internship
3:00pm	SPRUCE UP		

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WEDNESDAYS

(C) Mini Moose Herd - (Youngest Group of Students)

Our Mini Moose Herd youth program offers a 6-hour day for students to enjoy social interaction, explore enrichment courses, and participate in group projects in classes. Funded students must enroll in the full day to participate. Taught by all teachers.

(Q3) Mini Moose Herd

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Saylor) Creating Comic Books

We will read comic books, learn from and observe their unique style of being written. We will then create our own comic book starting with building a main character with a goal, a problem in the way of the goal, and a solution to overcome the problem.

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Saylor) Tap Dancing

Last quarter, in Melodies and Motion, we discovered we can use our bodies and voices together. This quarter, we will make home-made tap shoes and learn the basic steps of tap. We will focus on the movement aspect and learn to come together to perform as an ensemble!

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/Natalie) Ribbon Art

SPRUCE inherited TONS of ribbon so let's make some fun projects with it! We will learn how to make a new project each week from weaving, tying, gathering, winding, rolling, twisting, and gluing ribbon into numerous incredible art forms.

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Amethyst) Dinos & Dragons w/Student Ellie

We will be learning about dinosaurs and dragons. We will do several activities and games to learn what they look like, what they might've eaten, and learn some fun facts as well!

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

Let's enjoy the outdoors (as often as weather permits) while refueling for the second half of the day. Bring your own lunch and snacks. Exercise your bodies, minds, and social skills with activities ranging from free play, organized sports, and other interactive activities.

1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Trudy) Beadwork

Stringing, looming or sewing beads together either in a pattern or making jewelry will definitely work on dexterity and/or craftsmanship.

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Trudy) Improv

Live at the Improv! By dressing up and using our imaginations, we will have fun seeing what situations we come up with.

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(Q4) Mini Moose Herd

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Saylor) Circus Talent Show

This class is preparation for the End of year Circus-themed Talent Show! We will collaborate with all the teachers and students of SPRUCE to create sets and costumes, hold auditions, rehearse, and be ready for a great end of year show!

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Saylor) Open-Air Art & Obstacle Courses

These classes will be a duo. In Open-Air Art, we will explore the outdoors then use what we find to create beautiful art! Obstacle Courses will be a series of indoor and outdoor obstacle courses, created for and by our Mini Moose Herd students!

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/Natalie) Colorado History

We all live in the state of Colorado but how much do we really know about it? Learn the history of this incredible state through fun games and activities by learning about the trades, agriculture, mining, and people that came before us to establish this incredible state!

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Natalie) A Bug's Life

Learn about the lives of super worms, lady bugs, caterpillars, bees, butterflies, and ants. These little creatures play a HUGE ROLE in the daily life of humans and the Earth! Understand their roles, family units, and watch some of them grow in our classroom.

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Trudy) 5 Senses

Sight, sound, touch, taste and smell are so important! SIGHT: colors, light, dark. SOUNDS: loud, sirens, quiet. TOUCH: sharp, hot, cold. TASTE: sour, bitter, sweet, salty. SMELL: pleasant, stinky. All complement each other for an overall experience.

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Trudy) Magic Tricks

There will not be any sawing the accomplice in half! However, we can see if we can figure how someone pulled a quarter out of another's hair, or which cup has the penny under it, maybe even some card tricks and see who we can surprise!

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(C) Moose Herd - (Intermediate Group of Students)

Our youth program offers a 6-hour program for students to enjoy social interaction, explore enrichment courses, and participate in group projects in classes. Funded students must enroll in the full day to participate. Taught by all teachers.

(Q3) Moose Herd #1 - Younger

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Trudy) Sewing

Sewing is a skill that never goes out of style, students will make an apron while learning straight stitches, hand sewing and for the really skilled, how to gather.

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Amethyst) World Cultures

Travel around the world to new countries every week. Study a new country, learn its location on the map and dive into the culture, people, and traditions.

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/Amethyst) Art w/Students Lydia & Elle

We will be doing several different projects while exploring different mediums; paint, oils, paper, and more.

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Natalie) Into the Wardrobe

Students love to play dress up, so we will venture into our dress up bins to explore our favorite characters, stories, super heroes, idols, and other topics while we practice our speaking skills in multiple silly scenarios, absolutely goofy adventures, and wonderful wardrobe wackiness!

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:45 (CLASS 5 w/Janna) Yearbook

Yearbook: Using graphic design, we will publish our school year's memories by creating unique personal pages, class pages, educational events, and other activities on our online yearbook program.

1:15-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Amethyst OR Natalie) Vision Boards OR CD Science

Vision Boards: Students will take photos from magazines or the internet and create vision boards to represent the things they want in their future (career, home, etc).

OR

CD Science: CD's do not have many uses in our current technology world, but we have many fun science and craft activities to do using them. Make a spinning top, hover balloon, optical illusions, moon wit stars mobile, and finally a rubber band car!

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(Q4) Moose Herd #1 - Younger

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Trudy) Circus Talent Show

What an opportunity to be anyone you want in the circus! Maybe not the Flame Thrower, or a Two Headed person, but how many somersaults can one student do, or maybe walk a tightrope, or juggle more than three balls, what fun to practice for the circus!

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Amethyst) Exercise

Each week we will learn a new exercise! We will explore different ways to exercise using videos that we will follow along to.

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/Amethyst) Journaling

We will have a weekly prompt to journal about, students can write or draw pictures. A word bank will be provided for each student to practice and learn words they struggle with.

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Saylor) Board Game Creation

Have you ever thought about what it takes to create a board game? We will go over the step by step process of making a board game and by the end of the quarter each student will have brainstormed, planned, and created their own board game!

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Natalie) Hide-n-Seek Art

Often things we are looking for are hiding in plain sight. We will look at puzzles, create our own investigation jar, observe animals in nature that play hide-and-seek, and enjoy fun games!

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Amethyst) Sell It!

Study entrepreneurship, advertising, and marketing. Pick a product, come up with an advertisement and marketing campaign for the item, and get the other students to want to buy your item!

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(Q3) Moose Herd #2 - Older

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Amethyst) Marine Bio

Learn about different marine life every week, cool facts and adaptations these animals have.

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Trudy) Quilting

Sewing blocks for a quilt will give students the ability to learn straight stitches and maybe do some appliqueing.

10:45-12:15 (CLASS 3 & 4 w/Janna) Yearbook

Using graphic design, we will publish our school year's memories by creating unique personal pages, class pages, educational events, and other activities on our online yearbook program.

10:45-12:15 (CLASS 3 & 4 w/Saylor) Ukulele OR Bucket Drumming

Ukulele Class: Exactly what it sounds like. We will learn about the instrument, proper technique, and how to play songs and chords!

OR

Bucket Drumming: Rhythm is a fundamental part of music. We will learn basic rhythmic and drumming skills and perform both classic and current songs!

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Natalie) Elements and Atoms

Using the current 118 known elements, students will learn about each one through class activities, art, experiments, and games. We will also create atoms, other substances by combining elements, and explore chemical reactions!

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Amethyst) Nailed It! Art Addition

Each week I will create a project that the students will try their best to recreate. Then we will judge to see whose re-creation was the closest to the original. We will be paying attention to detail, technique, and skill.

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(Q4) Moose Herd #2 - Older

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/Amethyst) Circus Talent Show

We will be getting ready for our end of year Circus Talent Show! We will be practicing and preparing our talents for the show as well as coming up with costume ideas.

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/Trudy) Money for Juniors

Learning how to spend, save, and make money doesn't have to be an issue. Dave Ramsey has been helping people become better money managers and you are never too young or too old for this class.

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/ Saylor) Bird Watching

We will learn about birds in the Bayfield area, seek out different species and identify them through the science of birding.

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/ Amethyst) Kid Congress

Create your own country including constitution, flag, passport, map, laws, and more!

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/ Amethyst) Career Days

Research and present the career we want in the future, including; where you'll work, responsibilities, uniform, and other career specifics.

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/ Natalie) Tissue Paper Art

Review book artists and create impressions of their illustrations using tissue paper including; liquid glue, stain glass, layering, pencil placing, and more!

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(C) Moose Posse – (Oldest Group of Students)

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(Q3) Moose Posse

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:45 (CLASS 1 & 2 w/Janna) Yearbook

Yearbook: Using graphic design, we will publish our school year's memories by creating unique personal pages, class pages, educational events, and other activities on our online yearbook program.

9:15-10:45 (CLASS 1 & 2 w/Natalie) Junk Yard Art

Many of our families have random containers with screws, bolts, nails, or other metal pieces or parts that do not have much use. Let's use our imaginations and turn those unused and unwanted parts into incredible Junk Yard Art!

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/ Trudy) Etiquette

Etiquette with Ms. Jennifer, a class to inform you which fork to use if there is more than one, proper skill in eating and drinking, how to tie a Windsor tie, formal situations when you need a corsage, and other questions answered for elevating your style.

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Trudy) Sewing w/Student Sarah

Sarah is going to teach different stitches, we will each make an eye glass case, and students will have the opportunity to design and sew costumes for the Greatest Show on Earth.

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Saylor) Swing & Line Dancing

We will learn the basics of swing dancing, as well as classic line dances and investigate the history of how they became popular!

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Saylor) Cooking from Scratch

We will use simple groceries to make food items from scratch. Learning this skill can save money, reduce unnecessary ingredients, and increase knowledge of nutrition!

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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(Q4) Moose Posse

9:00-9:15 Morning Mingle/Pledge

9:15-10:00 (CLASS 1 w/ Natalie or Janna) Circus Talent Show Planning or Ancestry

Circus Talent Show: Moose Posse will organize our end of year Circus Talent Show, the acts each student will sign up for, gather items needed for our performance, and prepare for our year end finale' to our 2022-2023 Spectacular SPRUCE Circus school year!

OR

Ancestry: Bringing the past into the present, let's find out where you came from! We will research our ancestors and learn their stories, create a family crest, and build a family tree.

10:00-10:45 (CLASS 2 w/ Natalie) 3 Amigos Class w/Students Raleigh, Grant, & Logan

Students will begin with an overview of all three classes taught by students Grant for 3-D Printing, Raleigh for Chess, and Logan for Cards/Games. Then they will rotate through each class at two weeks.

10:45-11:30 (CLASS 3 w/Trudy) Noxious Weeds

Noxious weeds have come here from different areas and have no predators which make it really hard for our plants to grow that are a little less hardy. Growing our own food is always a good idea and learning which are noxious weeds and which are beneficial is important knowledge to help the plants we are growing keep from getting squeezed out!

11:30-12:15 (CLASS 4 w/Trudy) Novel in A Year!

Most students have been working on a novel throughout this school year. Now is the time to put on the finishing touches; title, cover, etc. It will be interesting to see, depending on each student's direction.

12:15-1:15 Moosechief, Munchies, & Mayhem (w/Janna)

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1:15-2:00 (CLASS 5 w/Saylor) Book Club

What does it mean to participate in a book club? We will explore books, share ideas, and understand perspective based on our experiences during our Read-A-Thon. We will read a chapter of a chosen book weekly in class, and complete different activities and applications for each chapter.

2:00-2:45 (CLASS 6 w/Saylor) Outdoor Relays/Sports w/Student Jethro

Find your competitive side through relay races of all sorts. Let the games begin!

2:45-3:00 (CLASS Change to Homeroom) Moose Mingle/SPRUCE'n Up

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THURSDAYS

(C) Educational Events [Throughout Four Corners]

On most Thursdays there are Educational Events for homeschooling students and families to learn about area resources that are available to supplement curriculum education. Events are tentative. Most events require 1 parent chaperone. Additional guests invited for fees. An RSVP is required on every event 1 week prior to assist hosts in accommodating our group size. Events, location, and RSVP is listed monthly on website. Some events will have an associated fee required to RSVP that is non-refundable.

FRIDAYS

(C) Newsletter [Email, Facebook, Website]

A weekly newsletter is created by SPRUCE staff to keep you informed of upcoming classes, requested supplies, and educational activities your student/s are participating in. It is required that each family read the newsletter prior to coming to class on Wednesday to be prepared for that week's programming.