

# WYLIE PREPARATORY ACADEMY

# **Elementary School Enrichment Course Descriptions**

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#### **Visual Arts (Grades 3-5)**

Wylie Prep visual arts courses are designed to introduce art from a Christian perspective. Using a variety of artistic media, including drawing, painting, and sculpture, students learn age-appropriate techniques and principles of good composition. These courses expose students to artists and periods in history as well as the Biblical, Christ-centered origin of art and creativity. In Elementary School, students focus on vocabulary, basic techniques, creative expression, and technical skills. These artists develop their unique talents and how to use them to glorify the Master Creator, shaping the culture through art.

#### STEM (Grades 3-5)

Reflecting the creativity and relational nature of God, students get experience with problem solving, critical thinking, cooperative group work, engineering challenges, coding, keyboarding, and introductions to robotics. Our developing thinkers learn design principles and explore problem solving while cooperating with a team.

#### Performing Arts/Music (Grades 3-5)

Wylie Prep Elementary performing arts and music courses introduce students to creative avenues of expression. These growing disciples learn different ways to glorify God through music, movement, creative expression, and dramatization. Basic music theory and music literacy are introduced, as well as theatrical expression, memorization, and evaluation. Students experience the opportunity to build confidence and creativity as they cooperate with others to perform in class and on stage, learning first-hand how the performing arts are a major part in shaping culture.

#### Foreign Language (Grades 3-5)

Wylie Prep Elementary foreign language courses introduce Spanish, Latin, and American Sign Language, focusing on language and culture with a missional perspective. Students see the creativity of God in the diversity of cultures and languages. In these interactive and engaging enrichments, students build a strong overall foundation for learning language and learn essential vocabulary and basic conversational speaking.

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## **Physical Training (Grades 3-5)**

Elementary students engage in an age-appropriate introduction to agility and physical endurance training. This is accomplished through coach led and developed physical training workouts, concentrating on building leadership skills and Christ-centered character development.

### Study Hall (Grades 3-5)

A monitored study hall is available for both enrichment periods. Students are expected to work on assignments as independently as possible. The study hall teacher is available to help with homework as needed.