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American Community Schools

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LEARNING COMMONS AFTER SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS

2018-2019

(Semesters 1 and 2)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

ACS Athens Mission Statement:

ACS Athens is a student-centered international school, embracing American educational philosophy, principles and values. Through excellence in teaching and diverse educational experiences, ACS Athens challenges all students to realize their unique potential: academically, intellectually, socially and ethically — to thrive as responsible global citizens.

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ACS ATHENS: L.C. AFTER SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



The Learning Commons After School Enhancement Program (ASEP) is a program that extends learning beyond the school day and provides a supportive environment for our students at ACS Athens. The program is designed to help students develop a strong sense of their own learning processes and to provide them with a strong academic, social and emotional foundation for their schoolwork. All of the programs described in this guide have been designed to improve and maximize each student's learning potential. All of the courses are led by instructors who have the knowledge and expertise to enhance learning. Students will learn to apply basic skills and learning strategies to their work in their academic classes, so that they may be successful. In order to best meet the needs of individual students, these After School Programs have been designed with sensitivity to grade levels, age groups, and diversity issues. The Programs target discrete student needs and give emphasis to specific learning outcomes in mathematics, reading and writing, and completion of homework, depending on the programs followed.

What really makes the difference is the way in which these programs are delivered. To enhance what we have identified as key elements of high performance, the LC After School Enhancement Programs utilize curricula and teaching methods that make learning a student-first activity.

Each After School program is staffed with qualified personnel, maintaining a ratio of one adult for a maximum of 4 students.

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ACS ATHENS: LC AFTER SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS 2018-2019

Elementary School Schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
16:00-17:30	Homework Support Organizational Skills Math Support	Homework Support Reading / Writing Support	Homework Support	Homework Support Math Support	*Homework Support *Available upon request and sufficient student interest

*****Please note: additional Programs may become available and will be advertised later in Semesters 1 and 2*****

Admission to the AFTER SCHOOL ENHANCEMENT PROGRAMS is limited to students who have been directed or recommended as follows:

- 1. As condition of admission to ACS Athens**
- 2. At the directive of the Principal**
- 3. At the directive of the Child Study Team (CST)**
- 4. At parental request after CST review**

Elementary School
ACS Athens Homework Support Program
A program designed for students in all grade levels

The After-School Homework Support Program is designed to enhance knowledge, skills, and understanding of core concepts through enriching learning opportunities that complement the school day. The goal is to link the after-school program with students' learning experiences in the classroom in order to improve their academic achievement.

Students will benefit in measurable ways from the additional support they will receive from this program. Instructors and students will have use of the library and online resources as necessary. Emphasis will be given to reinforcing skills such as good study habit development, organizational techniques, skills and strategies for managing and completing homework assignments, test taking strategies, and time management strategies for planning ahead. The goal is for students to return home with as much of their homework or Missing Assignments complete as possible, leaving them time for leisure activities and family pursuits.

Sessions for Elementary School students will run daily from 16:00 - 17:30.

****Elementary School students must be picked up by their parents/guardians at 17:30 from the front steps of the Elementary School Building.****

Elementary School students are not allowed to ride the after school late buses.

Program cost per Semester:

Elementary School: 2 ninety-minute sessions per week - 900 euro
4 ninety-minute sessions per week - 1,200 euro

The Program's Instructors will:

- Provide homework support.
- Ensure that the academically-linked activities are engaging.
- Give students the opportunity to gain the confidence they need to become successful and independent learners.
- Work with students in small groups of up to 4 students.
- Provide updates to parents via e-logs at the end of each session.

Location: ACS Athens Learning Commons - at the Hasib J. Sabbagh Library

SESSION SCHEDULES
Elementary School

Dates: *Daily from 16:00 - 17:30 (Bold indicates Fridays) red indicates 2nd semester*

October: 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 29, 30, 31
November: 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 19, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30
December: 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21
January: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 28, 29, 30, 31
February: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, 19, 20, 21, 25, 26, 27, 28
March: 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 12, 13, 14, 15, 18, 19, 21, 26, 27, 28, 29
April: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16

May: 2, 3, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 27, 28, 29,

Activity Name / Title

MATH SUPPORT PROGRAM

Day(s): Tuesdays & Thursdays
Time: 16:00-17:30
Location: ACS Athens Learning Commons -
at the Hasib J. Sabbagh Library

Description

The After-School Math Support program will support students who face difficulties in mathematics. This program will support the students' individual needs through revision and personalized, hands-on instruction.

Instructor:

Mondays: To be confirmed - **Thursdays:** To be confirmed

Schedule

(October 2018 – May 2019)

Mondays

October: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
November: 5, 12, 19, 26
December: 3, 10, 17
January: 7, 14, 21 (end Semester 1)
January: (Start Semester 2) 28
February: 4, 11, 18, 25
March: 4, 18
April: 1, 8, 15
May: 6, 13, 20, 27

Thursdays

October: 11, 18, 25
November: 1, 8, 15, 29
December: 6, 13, 20
January: 10, 17, 24 (end Semester 1)
January: (Start Semester 2) 31
February: 7, 14, 21, 28
March: 7, 14, 21, 28
April: 4, 11
May: 2, 9, 16, 23

Program Cost per Semester: €500

Minimum Number of Students Required per day option: 2

Activity Name / Title

READING SUPPORT PROGRAM

Day(s): Tuesdays

Time: 16:00-17:30

Location: ACS Athens Learning Commons -
at the Hasib J. Sabbagh Library

Description

The After School Reading Support Program is designed to assist students that are struggling with the English Language at the reading, writing, and oral levels, in order to obtain the necessary skills to be successful in the Language Arts discipline. The focus of the program at all School levels is to provide awareness through the use of various means, and to expose the students to meaningful literature of various genres. The program also includes a grammar component which will address correct sentence structure and organization in writing. Our goal is for our students to develop a love for reading and writing by providing a strong foundation in the English language.

Instructor: To be confirmed

Schedule

(October 2018 – May 2019)

Tuesdays

October: 2, 16, 23, 30

November: 6, 13, 20, 27

December: 4, 11, 18

January: 8, 15, 22 (end Semester 1)

January: (Start Semester 2) 29

February: 5, 12, 19, 26

March: 5, 12, 19, 26

April: 2, 9, 16

May: 7, 14, 21, 28

Program Cost per Semester: €500

Minimum Number of Students Required: 2

Activity Name / Title

STUDY / ORGANIZATION and TEST-TAKING SKILLS

Day(s): Mondays

Time: 16:00-17:30

Location: ACS Athens Learning Commons -
at the Hasib J. Sabbagh Library

The Study/Organizational and Test-Taking Skills Program aims to provide students with the ability to manage their time and workload effectively and efficiently, which will in turn improve their overall academic performance.

Students will learn several time-management, organizational and study methods. Students will have the opportunity to discover which skills and tricks suit their individual needs and will be shown how to apply them successfully. Furthermore, they will obtain knowledge on various strategies, which will enhance their performance and make studying easier and therefore more pleasant. In the second phase of the course, students learn how to prepare for tests, how to take tests of all types and formats (meaning: oral, true/false, essay, short answer, math, multiple choice, and even open-book tests), and how to assess their performance as well as themselves after the test in order to improve for next time. Furthermore, test-anxiety, a factor that has enormous influence on test performance, is addressed and alleviated.

As a result, students are expected to attain the skills necessary to feel confident with studying in order to transform their most dreaded activity into a manageable task!

****The Study and Organizational Skills Program runs for one full Semester before re-starting. Students having completed the Program can opt for 'On-Track' meetings the following Semester.****

Instructor: To be confirmed

Schedule

(October 2018 – May 2019)

Mondays

October: 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

November: 5, 12, 19, 26

December: 3, 10, 17

January: 7, 14, 21 (end Semester 1)

January: (Start Semester 2) 28

February: 4, 11, 18, 25

March: 4, 18

April: 1, 8, 15

May: 6, 13, 20, 27

Program Cost per Semester: €500

Minimum Number of Students Required: 3

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ACS Athens: LC After School Enhancement Programs *Elementary School*

Registration Information

Programs	Days and Time	# of Sessions (Semester 1)	Cost (Semester 1)
□ Homework Study Program	2 sessions / week	≈28	€ 900
□ Homework Study Program	4 sessions / week	≈55	€ 1,200
□ Math Support Program (once a week)	Tuesdays <u>or</u> Thursdays 16:00-17:30	≈15	€ 500
□ Math Support Program (twice a week)	Tuesdays <u>and</u> Thursdays 16:00-17:30	≈30	€ 1,000
□ Reading Support	Tuesdays 16:00-17:30	≈15	€ 500
□ Study / Organizational & Test- Taking Skills	Mondays 16:00-17:30	≈14	€ 500

REGISTRATION FORM

Please fill out the information below for the activity(ies) of your choice in order to reserve a space for your child or register on line Payment must be made by following the School Bank information <http://www.acs.gr/school-banks> for the After School Enhancement Programs account, no later than **Friday, September 21, 2018**. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Marietta Garbis at 210-6393200 ext. 302 or at: garbism@acs.gr). If enrollment does not reach the minimum number of participants required for a Program to run, the Program will be cancelled, you will be notified, and your tuition will be reimbursed.

Student's Name: _____ Grade Level: _____

Parents' / Guardians' Names: _____

Parents' Email Address: _____

Phone #/s: Home: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Program(s):

1. _____ Tuition _____
2. _____ Tuition _____
3. _____ Tuition _____

Total Amount :

_____ €

Thank You!

***** IMPORTANT*****

Signups by telephone will **NOT be accepted.**

Help us make our procedure as efficient as possible.

THANK YOU!