

RAUC Electives Term I

RAUC Book Club with Ms. Musher in the Coaches' Corner Room 201

Every Soul a Star, Three Times Lucky, Because of Mr. Terupt... Have you heard of any of these fabulous books? Whether you have or haven't, join the student-led RAUC (Reading And Unique Conversations) Book Club. "We'll choose a book and read in a nook!"

Code Studio with Mr. Nerboso in Room 210

The Code Studio elective will be a space for students to explore their interest in computer coding. Students will work through Code Studio courses hosted by code.org to learn everything from coding basics to advanced java scripting.

Brain, Board & Card Games with Mr. Devlin and Mr. Paras in Room B226

Unlock the science behind the mysteries of why we say, eat, feel, and act as we do. Play some board & card games with your friend's as well!!!!

Student Government with Ms. Motto in Room 227

Do you have ideas for improving RAUC? Do you like working on projects with your peers? Sign up for student government! This is your chance to make a change in your school community. We'll work on goals to accomplish throughout the quarter or the year.

Science in the Media with Mr. Mahoney in Room 205

Students in this elective will participate in discussions breaking down various areas of science as presented by different media outlets including episodes of current scientific programming both on-line and cable television. This is an elective for those interested in the extreme sciences that are happening today worldwide.

The Simpsons and Pop Culture with Mr. Tobin Room 213

Do you really understand *The Simpsons*? Come watch classic episodes and learn about the references the show makes to movies, art, literature, historical events, and more.

Step Dance with Ms. Boadu in the Cafeteria

Stepping is a form of dance in which participants use their entire body to produce intricate rhythms and sounds. This African based art form is a fun way to use your feet, hands, and voice to send a message to your audience. If you are interested in trying something new that gets your body moving, then join step!

RAUC Strong! with Ms Gonzalez in Room 228

Is your social goal to make new friends? Are you noticing that there are already cliques around the school that make some kids feel left out? Are you wondering how you can include other kids in your friendship group? If you said yes to any of these questions, join this elective! Some activities will include: making maps of the social areas of our school, role play, discussion, and making a campaign to participate in the international Mix It Up at Lunch Day (it's a fun way to motivate kids to sit with different people at lunch and do activities). Together, we are going to do lots of fun things to break the borders and boundaries we see and feel. We are going to stand up for ourselves and others. We are going to have fun!

Origami-fun with Ms. Tatiana in Room 231

Origami is the art of paper folding. Folding origami gives you chance to sit down with your friends and interact while creating something. You can make cool (3-D) stuff with only a sheet of paper. For example, you can learn how to make a flower, ring, box, heart, or the traditional origami crane.

RAUC Morning News with Ms. Saillant in Room 212

Seeking dedicated writers with an interest in today's local and global headlines to join RAUC morning news team. Each Friday, student reporters will research, write, interview, and produce news packages for weekly broadcast to the whole school community. Limit of 10

Flag Football with Mr. Saveriano and Mr. McNulty Outside Field or Room 229

Do you want to get outside and breath in some fresh air? Do you have the urge to run around? Do you need to toss a football? Join us in ending our academic week by playing flag football. We will create teams, discuss strategies, and enjoy our time together playing America's favorite pastime. When the weather doesn't cooperate, we will create playbooks and watch football related documentaries in order to deepen our appreciation and understanding of the game.

Playwriting with Ms. Elguindy in the Auditorium

Have an idea that would make an awesome play? Love serious drama's or hilarious comedies? In this class we will work on the skills needed to write your original short play. Students can work alone or in groups to begin writing their scripts. The class will end with your script being read out loud!

ZENTANGLE with Ms. Lee in the Art room 216

Students will create simple yet intricate works of art using the Zentangle Method. This form of complex doodling celebrates mistakes as they can be the basis of new designs. This elective suits individuals who would like to quiet their minds and increase focus through a meditative art process.

Basketball with Mr. Trainor and Mr. Sanders Outside Courts or Room 230

We will learn about the history and basics of one of America's great sports, BASKETBALL. Students will engage in physical activity, fantasy drafting, and historical learning.

Parkour with Blake Outside in front of Gately or the Gym

Parkour, also known as freerunning or l'art du déplacement originally started outside of Paris in the late 1980's and has since become one of the fastest growing sports in the world. Parkour practitioners learn to navigate their environment and overcome mental and physical challenges in a safe and progressive manner in order to be able to move through any environment. Practitioners, known as traceurs, learn to look at their world through the unique lens of "parkour vision" to turn any environment into a playground for creative expression through movement and physical challenge. Classes are designed to accommodate a wide range of fitness and ability levels, and are all taught by ADAPT-certified instructors.

Fashion and Sewing with Ms. Bilodeau in Room 214

Come get creative right away! We have TONS of fabric and sewing materials and patterns to make all kinds of fashion items or to make something else you want to invent (RAUC flag, blankets, puppets - you name it!) Whether you have experience with fashion design or sewing or it is a new skill you would like to try out, you are welcome and you will be supported with materials and one on one guidance from the teacher! By the end of the term, you will have had time to make one item that you can take home.

Beginning Band with Mr. Wroge in the Band Room

If you have ever wanted to learn how to play the Saxophone, Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet, or Trombone this is your chance. You are welcome even if you already play an instrument and you want to learn how to play another one. Open to all 6th, 7th, and 8th graders. In this elective we will learn the fundamentals needed to be able to continue playing an instrument even after this elective is over.

Neighborhood Exploration with Mr. Oliveira in Room 231 and Surrounding Neighborhoods

Want to feel better, have more energy or just enjoy the outdoors? This elective requires students to walk around the surrounding neighborhoods of RAUC. Come prepared to walk in any type of weather (if safe). We will track the number of miles we walk over the duration of the elective.

Skateboarding with Mr. O'Connell in Gym/Outside

This is for students who want to learn to skateboard or improve their skills. Please bring your own skateboard. We only have 10 skateboards to lend. When you sign up, please indicate if you have your own skateboard.

Trivia Challenge with Ms. Spencer in Room 211

Interested in learning new and exciting facts about the world around us? Join our trivia elective where we play games and answer questions about everything from current events to biology and everything in between!

Photography club: Mr. Suchy room 232

Students will explore their school and their neighborhood and use photography to tell the story of the people and things that make up our community. Students will choose themes, head out into the community and take pictures that best capture a theme. They will share their best pictures with the rest of the group and eventually print and frame the work they are most proud of to create a small gallery.

*******Elective Sign Up Form*******

Please rank order from 1-10. Start with 1 for the elective you are the most interested in taking. Please fill all choices and give this to form to your Advisor.

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