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# STAR Nova



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## Westwood Nova 3

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January 30-March 24, 2017

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# STAR Education



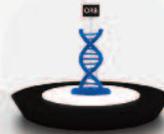
## Look Who's On Our Team for S.T.E.A.M. Education: Thomas Suarez



PING  
location  
compass



WiTag  
smartphone laser tag



ORB 3D Printer

### Check out: Thomas' Youtube Feature & Apps!

YouTube



Featured on **BBC** World Horizons

<https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=RmgeiSBAXCU>

It's not uncommon to see teenagers glued to their smart phones, swiping over social media sites with the agility of ninjas. But for 17-year-old, Thomas Suarez, being on his phone is all about business. Suarez taught himself coding at the age of 7, developed his first iPhone app at age 9, and gave his first TED talk at 12-years-old, which has been watched over 4.9 million times on TED and YouTube, and translated into 37 languages: [http://www.ted.com/talks/thomas\\_suarez\\_a\\_12\\_year\\_old\\_app\\_developer](http://www.ted.com/talks/thomas_suarez_a_12_year_old_app_developer)

Suarez is also the Founder and Chief Engineer of CarrotCorp Inc., a technology company that creates mobile applications for Apple iOS, Android, Google Glass and smartwatches, develops 3D printing systems and provides advanced consulting in engineering and technology. Suarez has been a guest speaker all over the world and recently returned from Cancun, Mexico, where he was the keynote speaker at ASOFOM, a conference for top-level bankers and financiers about how to support and encourage tomorrow's young innovators. He was also invited by the royal family of Saudi

Arabia to speak at the MiSK Global Forum, an initiative to empower the youth of the region to become global citizens and to lead the way for the sustainable development of Saudi Arabia.

STAR: What led you to start coding?

TS: I've always been fascinated by technology. For as long as I can remember I've tinkered with it, even taking apart old VCRs to see how they worked. Initially, I was interested in developing for the Mac platform, and then when the iPhone came out, I wanted to develop apps for it. Through online tutorials and experimentation, I taught myself iOS development skills.

STAR: Did you understand coding right away or did it take some practice?

TS: My coding journey has always been about experimentation. I learn best with a hands-on approach. At the time, there wasn't anywhere to go for someone my age to learn coding, so it was really about trial and error. Without trial and error, I wouldn't be the developer I am today.

STAR: How did you get the opportunity to speak at TEDx and end up on TED.com?

TS: There was a TEDx event in Manhattan Beach and the education foundation was involved with the planning of it. They had heard about me, and the app club (app city) I had started at my middle school, and invited me to speak. The TEDx talk went extremely well and they ended up publishing it on TED.com due to the high demand for it.

STAR: How did you become involved with STAR?

TS: At a Google IO viewing event I attended in 2013, I met a STAR representative. We began to discuss AppCity and all the exciting programs STAR was doing with technology and that's when I formed a working relationship with STAR. It's been awesome ever since.

STAR: Where do you want to be in 10 years?

TS: In the future I would love AppCity and coding education to become prominent, and I look forward to developing and working with upcoming technologies.

**WESTWOOD STAR NOVA 3**  
**STAR NOVA DATES: JANUARY 30, 2017 - MARCH 24, 2017**

Welcome to the STAR NOVA Program! STAR NOVA invites ALL students to enroll in NOVA classes that are taught by experienced instructors who are specialists in their field.

**HOW TO REGISTER**

You can REGISTER ONLINE!

<http://westwood.starinc.org>

If you are unable to register online, please contact your site director to obtain a registration form. Please note, NO PHONE CALLS will be made to let you know you are enrolled, unless classes are canceled or full.

**NOVA MEETING PLACE: CAFETERIA TABLES**

**GETTING TO YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS**

**Kindergarten**

Kinder students enrolled in the 1st hour of classes after dismissal will be picked up from class by a NOVA staff member.

**1st - 5th Grade**

Students will meet their NOVA teachers at the Cafeteria Tables.

**AFTER YOUR STAR NOVA CLASS**

Students will need to be picked up at the Cafeteria Tables.

**K-1st grade** students who are not in an after school childcare program MUST be checked out by a parent, legal guardian, or person authorized by their parent.

**2nd-5th grade** students will be released to the yard. Please be on time to pick up your child because STAR is not responsible for your child before and after class.

**REGISTRATION FEE**

A \$10 fee is required for each student PER SESSION to cover insurance and registration costs. This fee is non-refundable and is not applicable toward the cost of the classes.

Students CURRENTLY enrolled in the STAR Galaxy Program DO NOT pay the \$10 registration fee.

**ABSENCES**

Please contact your STAR NOVA Director if your child will be absent.

If your child is absent from school, it is school policy that he/she cannot attend STAR NOVA that day.

**REFUND POLICY**

1. No refunds of any kind will be given after the first week of attendance.
2. We reserve the right to cancel any class due to insufficient enrollment. Should such an event occur your money will be credited.
3. Tuition will not be refunded if your child misses a class, quits, or is asked to leave due to disruptive behavior.

**BEHAVIOR POLICY**

STAR NOVA reserves the right to dismiss students whose behavior proves disruptive to other participants. In such cases a consultation will be held with all relevant parties before any action is taken. No refund will be offered in such cases.

**SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships are available on a sliding scale basis. Scholarship paperwork MUST be submitted by **January 27, 2017**, along with a check for 50% of the total fee INCLUDING REGISTRATION FEE. Please see your STAR NOVA director to inquire for more information.

**If you have any questions, or for information about school closures and minimum days contact your STAR NOVA Director at (310) 863-4623 and westwood@starinc.org**

**Important Note: 3rd- 5th Grade Classes**  
**"All STAR classes incorporate advanced enrichment curriculum for 3-5th graders to appropriately challenge and creatively stimulate our older STAR students."**

**STAR MONDAYS**

**GYMNASTICS FUNDAMENTALS**

Learn to roll, cartwheel, and somersault your way to great body fitness. Students will warm up properly with breathing, stretching exercises, and physical conditioning. You'll have a blast while you practice and master basic gymnastics techniques and moves in a safe environment. Your parents' jaws will drop when you show off your gymnastic prowess at the end of the session demonstration.

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K,1 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$135**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/20/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017**

**ROCKSTAR MUSIC EDUCATION**

Grab your, drumsticks, grab your guitars, and join the band with RockSTAR Music Education, the most popular after school Rock 'n' Roll education program in Los Angeles. Professional rock musicians teach kids how to play the guitar, bass, drums, keyboards, compose songs, and perform classic Rock 'n' Roll hits. Students will delve into the depths of chord structure, note value, rhythm, lyric composition, songwriting, and how to read and write guitar TAB music! Additionally, participation in this groundbreaking class harnesses the cognitive, social and creative benefits of music education in a format that is perfect for EVERY child. With celebrity support from rock icons such as Slash, Santana, Rod Stewart, BB King, and Gene Simmons, this is a guitar-wailing, bass-thumping, drum-crashing experience You won't want to miss! As if that wasn't amazing enough, every student who enrolls will perform LIVE at our annual Battle of the Bands in Hollywood! All instruments are provided and NO previous experience is required to participate.

**NOTE: Limited to 7 students maximum. This class is a two-session commitment. All students are committed for this amount of time to allow for the HIGHEST quality performance possible!**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( 1-5 )**

**4:30 PM - 6:00 PM ( 1-5 )**

**Fee: \$450 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 5/22/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017 4/10/2017**

**ART MOVEMENT: COLOR FIELD PAINTING**

New York City was vibrating with artistic energy during the 1950s. Color Field Painting offered a new style for artists who wanted to establish color as the main subject for painting. New York based artists like Mark Rothko and Frank Stella used patterns, geometric shapes, and organic forms to reference imagery of nature and emotions. In this class, we will look at works by Color Field artists and create our own amazing abstract works using pastels, watercolors, and paint. You'll have a field day! Art classes are fun but can get messy. Please dress your child appropriately.

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$135**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/20/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017**

**LANGUAGE: CHINESE MANDARIN LANGUAGE FUNDAMENTALS**

Learning Chinese Mandarin has never been so much fun and easy. Students will learn the Chinese Mandarin Language fundamentals through a variety of fun, engaging, and hands on activities. They will learn about the culture's music, food, dance, traditional games and much more. Join us in this full of fun language learning roller coaster and have a blast learning Chinese Mandarin without leaving the classroom!

**NOTE: To foster language retention, the Chinese Mandarin Language Fundamentals Class is a two-session commitment.**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$435 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 5/22/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017 4/10/2017**

**ESCAPE THE ROOM: MISSION UN-ESCAPABLE**

Agents: Here's your mission (should you choose to accept it): Secure our top secret files and protect them from enemy agents with puzzles and riddles! Put your problem-solving mind to the test with our course on the latest craze to sweep the country -- escape rooms! Students will experience an escape room designed by their teachers and learn how to write and crack cryptic codes with numbers, colors, sounds, anything! Then they will take what they learned and apply their own creativity to make their own escape room for their parents to test their wits against.

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1,2 )**

**Fee: \$135**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/20/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017**

**SCIENCE: ZIP! BLIP! WHIZ! BLINK!: THE BIG BRAIN CONNECTION**

Here's your chance to really get the most out of your brain! Dive into your head and examine the brain, as you learn how your mind and body work together. Explore your taste buds, as you find out how to trick your brain into thinking salty is sweet! Use your smarts to build an amazing neuron that really lights up! Don't blink! or you might miss the all-new, mind-blowing optical illusions happening right in front of your eyes. This brand new class increases brain power and includes take-home, brain-boosting activities for parents and students!

**Note: Some lessons include food products. Please contact [science@starinc.org](mailto:science@starinc.org) or let your site director know if your child has any food related allergies so we can best accommodate your child.**

**Day: Monday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-2 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$135**

**Date: 1/30/2017 - 3/20/2017**

**No Class: 2/20/2017**

**STAR TUESDAYS****ROCKSTAR MUSIC EDUCATION**

Grab your, drumsticks, grab your guitars, and join the band with RockSTAR Music Education, the most popular after school Rock 'n' Roll education program in Los Angeles. Professional rock musicians teach kids how to play the guitar, bass, drums, keyboards, compose songs, and perform classic Rock 'n' Roll hits. Students will delve into the depths of chord structure, note value, rhythm, lyric composition, songwriting, and how to read and write guitar TAB music! Additionally, participation in this groundbreaking class harnesses the cognitive, social and creative benefits of music education in a format that is perfect for EVERY child. With celebrity support from rock icons such as Slash, Santana, Rod Stewart, BB King, and Gene Simmons, this is a guitar-wailing, bass-thumping, drum-crashing experience You won't want to miss! As if that wasn't amazing enough, every student who enrolls will perform LIVE at our annual Battle of the Bands in Hollywood! All instruments are provided and NO previous experience is required to participate.

**NOTE: Limited to 7 students maximum. This class is a two-session commitment. All students are committed for this amount of time to allow for the HIGHEST quality performance possible!**

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( 1-6 )**

**3:30 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1-6 )**

**Fee: \$450 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 5/23/2017**

**No Class: 4/11/2017**

**SPORTS: SOCCER STARS**

It's all in the feet! In this once-a-week session of Soccer STARS, develop an understanding of more complex soccer techniques and strategies as you sweat your way toward becoming a soccer SuperSTAR. Balance a ball on the tips of your toes and flip it up to the top of your head. Study game situation soccer drills, rules, positions, and formations to make your best moves in any soccer match.

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K,1 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$140**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

**GIFT-MAKING: GARDEN OF HANDMADE DELIGHTS**

Think Spring, and be inspired by the gardens around you as you let your talent bloom creating vibrant gifts to share. We will be making decoupage frames and boxes, a bunny softie with its very own carrot pouch, a garden fairy flower headband, a tie dye silk scarf, and a butterfly covered tote bag. Come join us in the garden of possibility!

**NOTE: Limited to 10 students maximum.**

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

**LANGUAGE: PERSIAN 101**

Nova presents a taste of the Persian language and culture! Taught by a native speaking instructor, students of all levels will learn the basic Persian Language Fundamentals through a variety of enriching cultural and everyday activities such as games, songs, and dance to encourage verbal communication that makes learning a second language fun, relatable, and engaging while at the same time being exposed to the rich Persian culture. Join us in this full of fun language learning roller coaster and have a blast learning Persian without leaving the classroom!

**NOTE: To foster language retention, the Persian Language Fundamentals Class is a two-session commitment.**

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$435 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 5/23/2017**

**No Class: 4/11/2017**

**MUSIC: BEGINNING KEYBOARD**

Travel the world of piano on a journey across the keyboard, learning to read music and play pieces from a variety of cultures and times. Our experienced teachers will cover everything from Bach to the Beatles in an all-encompassing musical adventure. You'll perform as part of an ensemble, working with professional musicians and each other! This class runs year-round with an end of the school year STAR Keyboard Concert! Continuing students will be kept together.

**NOTE: Limited to 8 students maximum.**

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

**ROBOTICS: ANIMAL HABITAT RESCUE**

Get your rescue bots ready to help baby sea turtles, create conservation areas, and rebuild the bamboo forest! Design solutions to real-world science and technology challenges through programming and building attachments for Wonder Workshop's Dash and LEGO Mindstorms robots. Using the LEGO Mindstorms kit, students will apply the Engineering Design Process as they prototype their attachments. This session, students will build meaningful relationships with their peers as they work in teams to complete challenges from actual robotics competitions, and learn about how robotics and technology can be used to benefit both humans and animals.

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students per class.**

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**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K,1 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

### STAR ECO STATION: DO WE SEE WHAT YOU SEE?

Ever wonder what the world looks like through animal eyes? Discover how some animals can see in the dark, how some use their eyes independently, and how some animals don't use their eyes at all! Compare and contrast the different sizes, shapes, and colors of exciting animal eyes. It's a whole new way of looking at the world!

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$150**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

### SEWING: SPRING FASHIONS

Make your own line of fashionable clothes this Spring in this sewing class. Create a fabulous ruffled maxi skirt that's handmade and tailored for you. Create a designer shirt to match and even a belt too! Learn all about sewing and stitches to make amazing creations. Wow your friends and family with your creative collection! Develop sewing matching basics, make pattern layouts and construction techniques, make friends while making beautiful custom creations. Get ready to show your collection off at the end of the session party!

**Day: Tuesday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( 1-5 )**

**2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$240**

**Date: 1/31/2017 - 3/21/2017**

### STAR WEDNESDAYS

#### BASKETBALL STARS

Take it to the hoop with an alley-oop! Our spirited coaches will teach you fresh ball-handling skills, game strategies and passing techniques to bring your game to the next level. Try your new moves during in-class scrimmages that leave you feeling like a pro. Focus your training and game day skills in this popular STAR class! Your team will even prepare to compete in our STAR basketball tournament at the end of the session.

This is a two-session commitment that culminates in a basketball tournament. All fees include tournament fees, t-shirt and a medal.

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K,1 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**Fee: \$280 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 5/24/2017**

**No Class: 4/12/2017**

#### DANCE: HIP HOP

Hip-Hop Hooray! Bring your best moves and come prepared to learn super fly street beats, improvisational styles and even integrate some of the latest break-dance moves into your very own music video choreography. Get up on your feet -- or your hands-- to get down to these hip-hop beats!

**NOTE: This class is a two-session commitment.**

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$260 (2 session fee)**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 5/24/2017**

**No Class: 4/12/2017**

#### STAR MINECRAFT SAGA: ESCAPE FROM ATLANTIS!

After a plane crash in the Atlantic Ocean, you and your fellow Minecrafters find yourselves trapped in the mysterious underwater city of Atlantis. Survival will depend on learning to master the magic and technology the Atlanteans left behind. Escaping will be harder: though the Atlanteans have long-since disappeared, something in Atlantis is still alive. . . and it doesn't want to let you go. This is a sandbox-style Minecraft Saga adventure set in an abandoned underwater city. Students will work together to explore the lost city of Atlantis, discover its secrets, and find a way to escape to the surface.

**NOTE: As this is an advanced Minecraft adventure, students should have experience with Minecraft before joining this class. Limited to 12 students maximum.**

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**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 1-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/22/2017**

### POPSTAR

A 5-6-7-8! Which PopSTAR to emulate?? Your little PopSTAR will learn vocal technique, choreography and the importance of teamwork while having a blast in this 8 week session that concludes in a final performance.

After a quick physical and vocal warm-up (safety first) the REAL fun begins. The PopSTARs get to choose their repertoire, learn the moves, sing and dance! You're invited to the final performance but please don't leak the details to the paparazzi!

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$215**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/22/2017**

### ART: CLAY STUDIO

Roll into our clay studio to join one of our most popular classes! Students in this "clay-zy" class learn the basic methods of clay sculpting by molding, rolling, and carving to design and create amazing works of art. Students transform a simple slab of clay into fascinating creatures, pop art inspired foods, or adorable animals with their very own hands! This class always offers exciting projects for new and continuing students. Art classes are fun but can get messy. Please dress your child appropriately.

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$160**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/22/2017**

### LITERACY: DUNGEONS & DRAGONS

Do you and your band of wizard friends have what it takes to defeat the dragon and release the villagers from her fiery reign? Are you ready to solve puzzles, hunt for treasure, and battle dungeon goblins all without leaving your classroom? Then Dungeons & Dragons is for you! Unleash your imagination to create custom characters who you will lead through adventures of your own creation! Cross your fingers, roll the dice, and prepare for battle! You and your fellow heroes will explore the belly of Moody Mountain, collecting gold, trading items, and uncovering the secrets in the dark. Watch your health points, though! After all, there's a dragon hiding around here somewhere...

**Day: Wednesday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-1 )**

**Fee: \$140**

**Date: 2/1/2017 - 3/22/2017**

### STAR THURSDAYS

#### NON-CONTACT MARTIAL ARTS

High-kick your way to better health! Discover the magic of martial arts as you get a great workout, refine your hand-eye coordination, and boost your self-confidence. Harness the energy of martial arts in a non-contact environment as you develop a sense of discipline and self-respect. At our final class, bring family and friends to cheer you on for a special demonstration.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-2 )**

**Fee: \$130**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

#### NON-CONTACT MARTIAL ARTS

Grace and discipline are your keys to success! Our black-belted trainers will foster the skills, concentration, and self-control you'll need to succeed in the world of martial arts. Perform a martial arts demonstration that will wow your family and friends at our final class presentation.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 3-5 )**

**Fee: \$130**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

### STAR ECO STATION: DO WE SEE WHAT YOU SEE?

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**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$150**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

**CHESS: CLASSICAL CHESS (ALL LEVELS)**

Classical chess is the oldest way to play the royal game. This class will focus on the fundamentals of piece movement and strategy. Using games from classical geniuses such as Paul Morphy, Roy Lopez, and Capablanca, kids will learn that the game of chess is not about taking all of your opponent's pieces, but about taking the right pieces, at the right time, to win in as few turns as possible. Students will study chess puzzles that will improve tactics, pattern recognition, and spatial memory. This class is appropriate for students of any age or ability and builds critical thinking skills while lengthening attention span. In addition to the regular class, students will also play on an in-class chess team and participate in a tournament against all of our schools at the end of the session. Chess is the easiest international language to learn. It is a bridge between people from all countries, cultures, and ages. Give your child a head start in learning one of the world's most beloved games.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$136**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

**ART: EMOJIS -THE NEXT LEVEL**

Get ready for more fun in this dazzling art class. Back by popular demand, we developed new lessons for students who love emojis. We will design keep-sake items such as hats and notebooks as well as learn techniques to sketch and paint emojis. This class is perfect for new and returning students who want to continue learning how to use a wide range of media and create fun-filled emoji features and compositions. Art classes are fun but can get messy. Please dress your child appropriately.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$150**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

**CULINARY ARTS: HEALTHY SEASONAL WINTER DELIGHTS**

Lets warm our bodies with healthy comfort delights and seasonal fruits and vegetables to make delicious recipes. We will be creating savory and sweet dishes using vegetables like butternut squash and carrots; and fruits like bananas, and pineapples while discovering how these healthy foods can create yummy treats like butternut squash soup, carrot muffins, banana bread and pineapple tarts. Students will learn how to combine these different fruits, and vegetables to create the perfect winter time meals.

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:30 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$240**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

**IDEA LAB: CARE OF MAGICAL CREATURES**

What amazing creatures can we bring to life with LEGO bricks? Challenge your imagination as we play with fantasy to explore real environmental issues. Build animal hospitals, refuges and other solutions to help save our favorite creatures: real and imagined. This session, construct with LEGO bricks, K'Nex, Zome and other tools and let creativity open the doors to your own ability to invent and create. Each week is devoted to building fun and exciting projects that develop young minds in areas such as problem-solving, critical thinking, visual-spatial reasoning, creativity, and teamwork! Challenge your mind and expand your possibilities.

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Thursday**

**Time: 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$140**

**Date: 2/2/2017 - 3/23/2017**

**TENNIS STARS**

Serve it up! In this class you'll use drills to reinforce the basics, focus on more complex maneuvers like overhead serves, creating topspin, and getting a great workout. Build upon your tennis know-how as you master the rules and mechanics of an official tennis match. Deliver crushing overhead serves, focus on your fancy footwork, and educate yourself in tennis etiquette – one of the best lessons in sportsmanship you'll ever learn. At the end of the session, compete in a full set of tennis!

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Friday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$145**

**Date: 2/3/2017 - 3/24/2017**

**MISSION TO MARS: ENGINEERING TO LIVE ON MARS!**

3, 2, 1... blast off! Get ready for the mission of a lifetime as you design and create everything needed to live on Mars. Design a high flying rocket that can not only take us to Mars but also withstand the landing impact. Build a structure that can withstand Mars' harsh weather, engineer a way to grow and clone your own food for your journey and use the limited materials you have to design your own water-seeking rover. Discover if you have what it takes to be an Aerospace Engineer and thrive on Mars!

**NOTE: Limited to 12 students maximum.**

**Day: Friday**

**Time: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )**

**Fee: \$150**

**Date: 2/3/2017 - 3/24/2017**

**YOGA & CHOCOLATE**

Awaken your senses with the power of yoga and dark chocolate! Relax body and mind as you explore fun animal poses. Our master yoga instructors play yoga-themed games designed with everyone in mind to develop balance, self control, and confidence. Enjoy a nutritious dark chocolate snack that is proven to be great for the heart and circulation! Namaste!

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**Fee: \$140**

**Date: 2/3/2017 - 3/24/2017**

**MAGICIAN'S APPRENTICE**

Junior Magician Academy: Magician's Apprentice Enter the world of Magic and become a part of the over 5,000 years of tradition and prestige. Whether you are new to magic, or have been honing your skills for some time, the Junior Magician's Academy will bring your skills of entertaining through magic to a new level. Students will develop dexterity, presentational skills and greater confidence all while learning centuries old secrets from the STAR Master Magicians. The class will conclude with a fun performance for friends and family. Students will leave class with a newfound confidence in their abilities, a sense of community, and a passion for all things magic!

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# STAR Eco Station



## STAR Eco Station Needs Your Help: Auction Items Please



### Auction Items

Electronics, Home Goods, Gift Cards

### STAR Eco Station Wish List

Simple Green cleaner

Sponges

Cotton Balls

Q-Tips

Disposable Gloves

Environmentally Safe Dish Soap

Blankets

Towels

Pet beds

Now that we have gotten through holiday season and entered the New Year, you may find yourself looking around your home wondering how you are going to make room for all of the extra gifts you accumulated. Don't worry, STAR Eco Station can take them off your hands and you can contribute to a worthy cause.

The STAR Eco Station is a non-profit rescue so we are always looking for help in providing the best care possible for all of our rescued animals! In an effort to help raise funds to support the facility we are planning an auction. All money generated by the auction will go directly towards the care and well being of all the animals, as well as help in the construction of a brand new enrichment area for our bobcat!

Generating funds for the daily care of over 200 rescued animals is already a steep hill to climb, so when extra projects come up it really stretches our resources. It is time for our bobcat, Lulu, to receive a new home to live in to help improve her quality of life. So if you receive gifts that just aren't you, or that you already have, think of us and donate so we can auction them off to help with the construction of her new enclosure.

In addition, we are always in need of a variety of cleaning and first aid supplies that are used in the care of our animals. Some things the STAR Eco Station is constantly in need of are Simple Green cleaner, sponges, cotton balls, Q-Tips, disposable gloves, environmentally safe dish soap and

cleaners. Lots of our animals like soft and cozy things to cuddle up with, so any clean clothing, towels, blankets or pet beds will also go a long way. If you have any other items you are thinking about donating to the STAR Eco Station but are unsure if it is something that can be used, feel free to contact us.

Happy New Year from all us at the STAR Eco Station and thank you all for your continued support, keepin' it wild!

For more information please email us at [ecostation@starinc.org](mailto:ecostation@starinc.org) or call us at 310-842-8040

# Nova Session 3: January 30 - March 24, 2017



## MONDAY

## TUESDAY

## WEDNESDAY

## THURSDAY

## FRIDAY

**GYMNASICS FUNDAMENTALS**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K,1 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )

**ROCKSTAR MUSIC EDUCATION**  
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( 1-5 )  
4:30 PM - 6:00 PM ( 1-5 )

**ART MOVEMENT: COLOR FIELD PAINTING**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )

**LANGUAGE: CHINESE MANDARIN LANGUAGE FUNDAMENTALS**  
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( K-5 )

**ESCAPE THE ROOM**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1,2 )

**SCIENCE: ZIP! BLIP! WHIZ! BLINK!: THE BIG BRAIN CONNECTION**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-2 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )

**ROCKSTAR**  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( 1-6 )  
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1-6 )

**SOCCER STARS**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K,1 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**GIFT-MAKING**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**LANGUAGE: PERSIAN 101**  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( K-5 )

**MUSIC: BEGINNING KEYBOARD**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**ROBOTICS**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K,1 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )

**STAR ECO STATION**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**SEWING: SPRING FASHIONS**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( 1-5 )  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( 2-5 )

**BASKETBALL STARS**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K,1 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 2-5 )

**DANCE: HIP HOP**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )

**STAR MINECRAFT SAGA: ESCAPE FROM ATLANTIS!**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 1-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( 1-5 )

**POPSTAR**  
3:00 PM - 4:30 PM ( K-5 )

**ART: CLAY STUDIO**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )

**LITERACY: DUNGEONS & DRAGONS**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 2-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-1 )

**NON-CONTACT MARTIAL ARTS**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-2 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( 3-5 )

**STAR ECO STATION**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**CHESS**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**ART: EMOJIS -THE NEXT LEVEL**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**CULINARY ARTS**  
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM ( K-5 )  
3:30 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )

**IDEA LAB: CARE OF MAGICAL CREATURES**  
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM ( K-5 )  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )

**TENNIS STARS**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )  
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM ( K-5 )

**MISSION TO MARS: ENGINEERING TO LIVE ON MARS!**  
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM ( K-5 )  
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**STAR EDUCATION PRESENTS**

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**THE 6TH ANNUAL**

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