



*“Education is not the filling of a pail,  
 but the lighting of a fire.”  
 - Plutarch*

Keep the fire of learning alive this June with a VPA Summer Academy course! Our offerings range from enrichment courses to Great Hearts credit courses. Explore on the pages below, and **[register online by clicking here](#)**.

All classes run Monday through Friday (except for Juneteenth). For questions relating to Summer Academy courses or enrollment, please contact [Mr. Cornell](#), program coordinator.

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## Enrichment

Expand your horizons with these enrichment courses, taught by Veritas instructors.

[Register online by clicking here.](#)

Course	Description	Schedule	Fee
<b>Pottery</b>	This course offers students from both the middle school and the high school with the opportunity to learn hand building and wheel throwing pottery techniques.	<b>Session A</b> <b>June 6 - June 16</b> <b>12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>  <b>Session B</b> <b>June 20 - June 30</b> <b>12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$300</b>
<b>Latin for Parents</b>	This course offers parents with an opportunity to get a brief taste of Latin at VPA with Mr. Cornell. No experience necessary.	<b>June 20</b> <b>1:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$20</b>
<b>Beginning Spanish</b>	<p>Note: Only open to students who have completed 9th grade or higher.</p> <p>This course is for students who would like to learn the foundations of Spanish or would like a taste of the VPA Spanish curriculum. This is the first two weeks of the full Spanish, credit course, and will focus on basic conversation and present tense verbs.</p>	<b>June 6 - June 16</b> <b>12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$250</b>
<b>Intermediate Spanish</b>	<p>Note: Only open to students who have completed 9th grade or higher.</p> <p>This course is for students who would like to review intermediate Spanish concepts and already know the foundations. This is the second two weeks of the full Spanish, credit course, and will focus on past tenses and the subjunctive.</p>	<b>June 19 - June 30</b> <b>12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$250</b>



## Credit Courses

The following courses meet the VPA standard for high school credit or middle school promotion, but may also be taken for remediation and reinforcing skills and concepts. These courses can help transferring students align with the Veritas curriculum, and returning students complete missed credit. *These courses are not intended to substitute for future curricular coursework.*

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Course	Description	Schedule	Fee	Credits
<b>PRE-ALGEBRA (MS)</b>	This course offers a reinforcement of basic pre-algebra skills. This course is for students who need remediation in 6th or 7th grade math.	<b>June 6 - June 30 8:30 - 11:30 AM</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>ALGEBRA I (HS)</b>	This course is for students who need remediation and/ or credit in Algebra.  <b>**An important note for incoming 10<sup>th</sup> grade students:</b> Because all 10th students enroll in Algebra II, students who have not taken Algebra I or demonstrated success in Algebra I will need to enroll in Algebra I in summer school.	<b>June 6 – June 30 8:30 - 11:30 AM</b>	N/A	<b>1.0</b>
<b>LITERATURE AND COMPOSITION (MS)</b>	This course is for both returning or incoming middle-school students who need to reinforce grammar, writing, or reading comprehension skills. We will read short, classic works of literature, write, imitate, and analyze. Grammar skills will be applied to writing clearly and reading effectively. This course is for students who need remediation in Middle School Literature and Composition.	<b>June 6 – June 30 8:30 – 11:30 AM</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>COMPOSITION CAMP</b>	This course is for rising 9th and 10th graders who need to refresh their essay writing skills. Students will outline, draft, and complete an essay. Students needing credit recovery for Humane Letters can earn 0.5 credits in English through this course.	<b>June 12-June 16 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	N/A	*
<b>LATIN I (MS)</b>	This course is for new students transferring to Veritas in the 7th grade, in preparation for the Latin II course they will take in the fall. It is also open to any returning 7th graders who need to re-take the class or to reinforce basic skills.	<b>June 6 - June 16 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	\$275	N/A

<b>LATIN II (MS)</b>	<p>This course is for new students transferring to Veritas in the 8th grade and should be taken in sequence with Latin I, in preparation for the Latin III course they will take in the fall. It is also open to any returning 8th graders who need to re-take the class.</p>	<b>June 20 - June 30 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$275</b>	<b>N/A</b>
<b>HONORS SPANISH (HS)</b>	<p>This course is for those needing to retake a HS Spanish course or prepare to transfer to VPA after 9<sup>th</sup> grade. It is also recommended for students going into Spanish II/III who need reinforcement in grammar.</p> <p><b><i>**Important note for incoming 10th/11th grade students: Because of the accelerated pace of our Honors Spanish curriculum, even students who have taken Spanish at another school are strongly encouraged to consider taking the summer class to fully prepare to enter VPA Spanish II/III</i></b></p>	<b>June 6 – June 30 12:00 - 3:00 AM</b>	<b>\$375</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>HONORS AMERICAN/AZ HISTORY (HS Full Credit)</b>	<p>This course will investigate the question of “What is an American?” in a series of discussions on founding documents, speeches, poems and songs from the founders to Martin Luther King. Special emphasis will be put on understanding the regime outlined by the Constitution and Bill of Rights, and the debates over the meaning and extent of democracy, federalism and equality in American history. This includes Arizona history. This course is for those who transferred to VPA after 9th Grade.</p>	<b>June 6 - June 30 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$375</b>	<b>1.0</b>
<b>HONORS AMERICAN/AZ HISTORY (HS Half Credit)</b>	<p>This course is for students who need to complete just one semester of the American History course listed above. Student may enroll in either Session A (corresponding to the Fall Semester) or Session B (corresponding to the Spring Semester). See further details above.</p>	<b>Session A June 6 - June 16 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>  <b>Session B June 20 - June 30 12:00 - 3:00 PM</b>	<b>\$275</b>	<b>0.5</b>

## Summer Academy Policies and Procedures

**Homework:** For credit courses in particular, homework may be assigned from each class meeting. In order to cover the essential concepts of a year-long course, instructors will clearly communicate student expectations in this area.

**Dress Code:** Students must wear their Great Hearts school uniforms to summer school. All other policies regarding personal appearance are governed by the VPA [Dress Code](#). Please click the link and review the policy. Exceptions are noted below:

**NOTE: students from other Great Hearts' academies** (including those coming from Archway) are welcome to wear their current uniforms but will otherwise be held accountable to Veritas dress code standards.

**Students new to Great Hearts** may opt to [order their uniforms](#) or may wear a solid color polo shirt with khaki or navy shorts/pants.

*Dress code for parent participants in the Latin class for parents is business casual.*

**Pickup & Drop-Off:** Students should be dropped off at the **South Courtyard** for Veritas Prep. Students may be dropped off as early as fifteen minutes before their class begins. Students should be picked up no later than 15 minutes following the end of their registered course(s).

The courtyard gates will close when classes start. Late arrivals should be dropped off at the **VPA front lobby area**. If a family needs a student to leave class early, a parent/guardian should notify Mr. Cornell at least 24 hours ahead. Students will not be released from class without parental notification.

There are bike racks near the front office where students may lock bikes. Students who walk or bike are allowed to enter/exit through the front lobby doors by the bike racks.

**Behavior:** Students are expected to behave in a manner consistent with the behavioral expectations of Veritas as outlined in the VPA [Family Handbook](#). Please click the link and review the policy. Students removed from a class or activity for disciplinary reasons will jeopardize their continued enrollment in the program as well as their registration fee(s).

**Payment and Refunds:** Contact [Mr. Cornell](#) with questions about scholarships and payments. There is a "Pay Later" option at online checkout: please note that *all payments must be completed no later than one week before the scheduled start of the first class*, or students will not be allowed to attend. Courses may be refunded for any reason up to one week before the scheduled start of the first class. Refunds requested after the start of a course are not guaranteed and may be pro-rated.

**Snacks/ lunch/ water** are not provided by the school during the summer; please be sure to send these with your child if they need them during the day.

**Students with Allergies and/or Medications:** Please be sure to accurately and thoroughly fill out all allergy information using the form in the front office. Please note that you must provide the front office with any medication (clearly labeled with name and instructions) prior to your child attending the first day of their summer school class.

**Students with In-School Accommodations:** Please contact [Mr. Cornell](#) if your child has an educational plan that will require any special accommodations during the Summer Academy.