



Needham Community Education

# NCE

# MIDDLE SCHOOL PROGRAMS

## MIDDLE SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT OPTIONS

### SPRING 2019

**Session Dates:**

**April 2<sup>th</sup> to June 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Needham Community Education** is pleased to offer high quality after school enrichment opportunities for High Rock and Pollard Middle School students. **NCE Middle School** classes are taught by Needham Public School staff, community members, as well as other qualified professionals, and are designed to give students a chance to connect and learn beyond the classroom in a fun, engaging, and relaxed environment. Classes will be held at POLLARD Middle School. Have a sixth grader attending High Rock Middle School? No problem! NCE offers transportation to Pollard. Come join the fun!

**REGISTRATION opens March 22<sup>th</sup> at 7am.**

**<https://www.schoolpay.com/link/NCEMiddleSchoolSpring>**

**2019 Registration ends on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, at 12pm.**

# Needham Public Schools

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## Needham Community Education

Needham Community Education (NCE) is an office of the Needham Public Schools and combines a number of out-of-school time programs into one administrative office. Programs are self-sustaining and include elementary and middle school after school programs, Adult Education, Summer Explorations and other summer programs, Kindergarten Enrichment (KASE) and more.

Through **NCE MIDDLE SCHOOL** we hope to provide quality lifelong learning experiences that are accessible to middle school students. We seek to offer interesting educational, cultural, and skill-building classes at a reasonable cost. To view this catalog online, please visit our website at [www.needham.k12.ma.us](http://www.needham.k12.ma.us) (click on Community Ed). Call us at 781-455-0400 x235 for more information, or to offer suggestions for courses or teachers.

Contact Information: School Administration Building, 1st Floor  
1330 Highland Avenue  
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Office Hours: 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday

## NEEDHAM NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Needham Public Schools do not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, sex, gender identity, religion, national origin, sexual orientation or disability, and ensure that all students and employees have equal rights of access and equal enjoyment of the opportunities, advantages, privileges and courses of study.

# Spring 2019

April 2<sup>th</sup>, 2019 to June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2019

*\*Please note the start and end dates for some classes differ as noted in the class descriptions.*

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## CLASS DETAILS

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### **BLAST: BABYSITTING LESSONS AND SAFETY TRAINING**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*Natick Visiting Nurse Association Instructor*

The **BLAST (Babysitter Lessons and Safety Training)** program provides training in pediatric first aid, household safety, and the fundamentals of childcare. In addition, this course helps prepare children to interview for a babysitting job, select safe and suitable games and activities, prevent accidents, and begin babysitting safely and competently. Topics covered include: feeding, burping a baby, spoon-feeding, crying, and preparing for bed, behavioral problems, and discipline. This is a fun class with baby mannequins to diaper and feed!

#### **POLLARD**

**TUESDAY:** 3:00pm-6:00pm

Date: May 22<sup>th</sup>

Fee: \$79

### **BATTLEBOTS**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*iCode Instructor*

This course is designed to introduce the basics of Robotics and Design of Combat Robots to students. Using the Lego EV3 Mindstorms students will build a combat Robot. At the end of the course, the teams will compete against each other in the robot arena!

#### **POLLARD**

**WEDNESDAYS:** 8 weeks, 3:00pm-4:00pm

Dates: April 10<sup>th</sup> – June 5<sup>th</sup>

(No class April 17<sup>th</sup>)

Fee: \$220

### **CROSSFIT KIDS**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*ONE Nation Fitness Staff Member*

Using a combination of calisthenics, running, rowing, jumping, throwing, carrying, pushing, pulling, climbing and lifting (the stuff we used to call 'playing') we encourage kids to LOVE exercise. We use age-appropriate skills, challenges, and loads. Some of our favorite games, American Ninja, relay races, obstacle courses, dodge ball, and capture the flag are blended with traditional fitness movements to make class fun for the kids! We challenge kids in a progressive way that builds their confidence!

#### **POLLARD**

**WEDNESDAYS:** 6 weeks, 2:50pm-3:50pm

Dates: April 10 – May 22

Fee: \$115

### **CUPCAKE DECORATING**

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*Ms. Cindy Carson*

Cupcakes are the most fun baked item today for both kids and adults. Each week your child will learn how to use a pastry bag and create fun cupcake creations that they can eat or bring home. After learning the basics, we will create Cheeseburger Cupcakes, Doggie Cupcakes, Floral Cupcakes, even Animal and Snowmen Cupcakes. It will be tons of fun!

#### **POLLARD**

**WEDNESDAYS:** 6 weeks, 2:50-3:50pm

Dates: April 3<sup>th</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>

(No class April 18<sup>th</sup>)

Fee: \$145

## INTERACTIVE CIRCUITRY

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*Circuit Lab Instructor*

Get connected as we explore how to make computers work for you. We will use the latest tools: Arduino (for building interactive hardware devices) and Raspberry Pi (for learning about computers and coding) to design hands-on projects ranging from LED light shows to touchless musical instruments to wearable computers, all in the name of taking ideas and making them real. Participants have access to a comprehensive library of parts and equipment, and experienced Circuit Lab instructors who can help them create the devices of their dreams.

### POLLARD

**THURSDAYS: 8 weeks, 3:00pm–4:30pm**

**Dates: April 4<sup>th</sup> - June 6<sup>th</sup> (No class 4/18 & 5/23)**

**Fee: \$195**

## ENGINEERING DESIGN WOODSHOP: BEGINNERS AND ADV BEGINNERS

Grades: 7-8 Only

*Mr. Cournoyer & Mr. Dove, Pollard Instructors*

If you enjoy creating things, using tools, and working with wood, join us for this woodworking and design class to develop your skills and work on projects of your own choosing. You will gain basic woodworking skills as well as engineering design skills as you tap into your creativity to design and build unique projects in this fully hands-on class.

### POLLARD

**TUESDAYS: 6 weeks, 2:50-4:50pm**

**Dates: April 9<sup>th</sup> – May 21<sup>th</sup>**

**Fee: \$205**

## OUTDOOR GAMES AND RUNNING

Grades: 6, 7 & 8

*Ms. Beth Crowe, High Rock Instructor*

If your child is searching for some energizing fun and outdoor games to play, look no further. Come join Ms. Crowe to run, play, and exercise. This coed class is open to all interested middle schoolers.

### POLLARD

**THURSDAYS, 6 weeks, 3:30-4:30pm**

**Dates: April 11<sup>th</sup> - May 30<sup>th</sup>**

**(No class 4/11 & 5/23)**

**Fee: \$85**

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## PROGRAM INFORMATION

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**Registration** opens March 22<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 7am. All registrations (with the exception of scholarship registrations) must be made online through School Pay at <https://www.schoolpay.com/link/NCEMiddleSpring2019>. Please note that some classes fill quickly. Registrations are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis. Register early to avoid being closed out. **No refunds will be made once a registration is processed.** Classes may be cancelled by NCE due to low enrollment, so please register early. Classes cancelled by NCE will be refunded in full. Refunds will be made by check and may take up to three weeks.

**Scholarship assistance is available** to students who are eligible for free or reduced lunch (one class per student each session). To request a scholarship, please contact NCE at 781-455-0400 x235.

**Wait Lists:** If you would like to add your child to a wait list for a full class, please email Alyssa Handler, at

[Alyssa\\_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us](mailto:Alyssa_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us). Include the class name, location, your child's name, and your best daytime phone number(s).

**Please note that no nurse** will be on duty during NCE Middle School programs, and staff members have no access to medications, including EpiPens and inhalers. If your child requires an EpiPen, please deliver an EpiPen and a copy of your child's Allergy Action Plan to the NCE Middle School On-Site Coordinator on the first day of the program. If these items are not provided, staff will call 911 in the event of an apparent allergic reaction. If your child will be bringing his/her inhaler, please provide the On-Site Coordinator with a note indicating 1) that your child can self-administer and 2) that you have provided the school nurse with a copy of the medical order for the inhaler.

If the Needham Public Schools are closed or released early due to inclement weather, after-school classes will be cancelled. Make-up classes will be scheduled if possible.

All school policies outlined in the school Student Handbook apply to NCE Middle School classes.

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## ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL INFORMATION

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**High Rock students attending NCE Middle School Enrichment Programs are eligible** for bus transportation to Pollard. If a student possesses a bus pass, he/she should ride his/her assigned bus to Pollard. If a student does not possess a bus pass, he/she will be advised (at dismissal time) as to which bus to board.

**Students must check in with the NCE On Site Coordinator at Pollard.** An on-site coordinator will be available each day of class to provide support for the classes and to ensure an orderly dismissal. The coordinator will greet students in the Pollard Lobby and escort them to the cafeteria to await the start of the NCE program. There, they are free to relax, enjoy a snack (brought from home), and begin homework, if they choose. Students may walk home or be picked up at the end of class.

If you have any questions regarding registration, please feel free to contact:  
Needham Community Education Office, 781-455-0400 x 11235 or x11222 or e-mail:  
[Alyssa\\_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us](mailto:Alyssa_Handler@needham.k12.ma.us)

## LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE SERVICES

**ATTENTION:** If you speak a language other than English, language assistance services are available to you free of charge. Contact Student Support Services at 781-455-0400 x213 or penny\_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us for assistance.

**ATENCIÓN:** Si usted habla un idioma que no sea el inglés, hay servicios de asistencia lingüística disponibles gratis. Contacte Servicios de Apoyo para Estudiantes al 781-455-0400 x213 o penny\_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us para que le ayudemos.

**ATENÇÃO:** Se fala um idioma diferente do Inglês, os serviços de assistência linguística estão disponíveis gratuitamente para si. Entre em contato com os Serviços de Apoio ao Aluno através do número 781-455-0400 x213 ou penny\_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us para obter assistência.

**ВНИМАНИЕ:** Если вы не говорите на английском языке, для вас доступны бесплатные сервисы на вашем языке. Обратитесь в службу поддержки студентов по телефону 781-455-0400 x213 или по email penny\_belezos@needham.k12.ma.us.