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*Renaissance Kids®*

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ENRICHMENT CENTER

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2011-2012

# Course Catalog



Dear *Renaissance Family*,

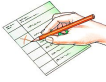




*Renaissance Kids* is a unique program that encourages students of all ages to explore and love a variety of academic pursuits. Whether they are exploring the wonders of science, absorbing the beauty and history of art, or challenging themselves with advanced literature and mathematics, the students will be forever captivated by a love for knowledge. Each and every course reflects the *Renaissance Kids*' philosophy that learning should be exciting and challenging.

With all my love,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Anna J. Rubin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent initial "A" and "R".

Anna J. Rubin

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# Group Class Information

CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

At Renaissance Kids Enrichment Center we strive to suit every schedule. We form new groups at your request. For any other math and reading enrichment group, test preparation or private tutoring, please call to arrange a convenient time.

## ENRICHMENT GROUP FEES

The following dates and prices apply for group classes unless otherwise indicated. Payment for Enrichment Groups is by the semester. Groups are limited to five students.

WE DO NOT PROVIDE ANY MAKE-UP CLASSES.

<b>FALL 2011 GROUP PRICES</b>	<b>9/12/11 – 12/16/11</b>
Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday	\$ 1030 (14 WEEKS)
Thursday or Friday	\$ 960 (13 WEEKS)

<b>SPRING 2012 GROUP PRICES</b>	<b>1/9/12 – 6/8/12</b>
Monday	\$ 1240 (17 WEEKS)
Tuesday, Thursday, or Friday	\$ 1450 (20 WEEKS)
Wednesday	\$ 1520 (21 WEEKS)

**Call to Register! (310) 207-4225**

For more information, you can also check out our website.

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# ISEE Test Preparation

## INDEPENDENT SCHOOL ENTRANCE EXAM



This program is appropriate for all secondary school entrance exams.

### RENAISSANCE KIDS OFFERS 4 WAYS TO MASTER THE ISEE:

- *Group Classes* at Renaissance Kids are small in size, cost effective and result-oriented.
- *Online Group Classes* provide the same proven teacher-led curriculum delivered over the web, right to your home.
- *One-on-One* sessions at Renaissance Kids provide flexible and comprehensive ISEE preparation with all the benefits of individual attention.
- *Online One-on-One* sessions offer individual attention with at-home convenience.

Whichever option you choose, Renaissance Kids provides 20+ years of ISEE preparation experience and our unique patented computer technology.

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*“Dearest Anna and Frank,  
Wow. The ISEE was a lot easier than I expected. Renaissance helped me so much.”*

*7th Grader*

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### FALL ISEE GROUP PREPARATION STARTS SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

10 sessions + 2 (3 hour) practice exams\*

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday at 4 PM–7 PM

Saturday 9 AM–12 PM

Saturday 12 PM–3 PM

Saturday 3 PM–6 PM

Sunday 9 AM–12 PM

Sunday 12 PM–3 PM

Sunday 3 PM–6 PM

*\*Note: To maintain the integrity of our testing, Renaissance Kids, Inc. cannot release copies of the practice exams.*



# Test Preparation for the PSAT & SAT

Renaissance Kids' \*Stellar SAT\*™ course provides preparation for both the PSAT and SAT in small groups.

- **FALL PSAT & \*STELLAR\* SAT INTENSIVE**

4 Weeks (16 hours)

Saturday 9/3, 9/10, 9/17, 9/24 9 AM–1 PM \$1095

Sunday 8/28, 9/11, 9/18, 9/25 9 AM–1 PM \$1095

Prepares for the October 1, 2011 SAT I

Prepares for the October 12, 2011 PSAT

- **WINTER 7 WEEK \*STELLAR SAT\* INTENSIVE**

January 7 – March 4 (28 hours of instruction + 12 hours of testing)

Saturday or Sunday 9 AM–1 PM \$1795

Prepares for March 10, 2012 SAT I

- **WINTER/ SPRING 10 WEEK \*STELLAR SAT\* INTENSIVE**

January 28 – April 22, 2012

Saturday or Sunday 9 AM–12 PM \$1950

(30 hours of instruction + 16 hours of testing)

Prepares Students For the May 5, 2012 SAT I

**We also provide individual instruction for the SAT I, SAT II, and ACT exams, available both on site and online. Please schedule at your convenience.**

- **PREP-AHEAD! Fall/Spring SAT I Building Blocks Class**

This semester-long vocabulary and reading comprehension course provides an early intervention for students who don't love or have the time to read outside of school.

Students will have a jump start on the skills necessary for the PSAT and SAT.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 6–7 PM

***ASK ABOUT OUR COLLEGE COUNSELING PROGRAM!***

# Math & Reading Groups



IF YOU DO NOT SEE A CONVENIENT TIME, PLEASE CALL TO  
ARRANGE A GROUP AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.

*The following enrichment classes are available Monday through Friday  
and meet once a week.*

- **Pre-Pre-K Reading Readiness**

(ages 3–4 1/2)

10:30 – 11:30 AM

1–2 PM or 2–3 PM

If your child is flipping through picture books, he/she is ready to learn!

In this class your child will learn all the skills necessary to begin reading in a fun and nurturing environment.

- **Pre-Kindergarten Enrichment**

2–3, 3–4, 4–5 PM

This is a phonics-based course in which your child will learn to read.

- **Kindergarten Reading and Math Enrichment**

3–4 or 4–5 PM

Focus is on reading fluency, vocabulary, comprehension and basic math skills.

- **1st Grade Math, Reading, and Writing Enrichment**

4–5 or 5–6 PM

Students increase their skills and fall in love with learning.

- **2nd Grade Math, Reading, and Writing Enrichment**

4–5 or 5–6 PM

Students increase their skills and fall in love with learning.

- **Math Enrichment**

(Grades 3–6)

4–5 or 5–6 PM

We have 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th grade classes every weekday afternoon. The courses focus on advancing students, promoting self-confidence, and instilling a love for math.

- **Reading Enrichment**

(Grades 3–6)

4–5 or 5–6 PM

Students will strengthen their comprehension and vocabulary skills through exploration of advanced literature. Reluctant readers will be reluctant no more!



# Enrichment Classes

- **Shakespeare**

Introduce your child to the wonderful world of Shakespeare. Emphasis will be on an age-appropriate study of selected plays.

Tuesday (Grades 5 and 6) 5–6 PM

Friday (Grades 4 and 5) 5–6 PM

- **“The Author in Me”**

This course is designed to encourage children to be imaginative and adventurous in their writing.

Monday or Wednesday (Grades 3 and 4) 4–5 PM

Monday or Wednesday (Grades 5 and 6) 5–6 PM

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*The world is so lucky to have people like you and your family in it!*

*5th grade parent*

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- **Short Story Masterpieces**

This course is an antidote for television. Turn your child on to the joy of reading.

Tuesday or Thursday (Grades 3 and 4) 4–5 PM

Tuesday or Thursday (Grades 5 and 6) 5–6 PM

- **Greek, Roman, & Norse Mythology** — A Renaissance Kids Favorite!

This class will stimulate your child’s imagination and introduce him/her to the world of mythology. Along the way, students strengthen comprehension, vocabulary and analytical skills. Please call to inquire about days and times.

Tuesday or Friday (Grades 1 and 2) 4–5 PM

Tuesday (Grades 3 and 4) 5–6 PM

Thursday (Grades 5 and 6) 5–6 PM

# Enrichment Classes



- **ERB Test Preparation Review**

*Fall 9/12/11 – 12/4/11* (14 WEEKS) \$1,030  
Monday or Wednesday (Grade 3) 4–5 PM  
Monday or Wednesday (Grades 4 and 5) 5–6 PM

*Winter/Spring 1/9/12 – 5/9/12* (15 WEEKS) \$1,100  
Monday or Wednesday (Grade 3) 4–5 PM  
Monday or Wednesday (Grades 4 and 5) 5–6 PM

- **Verbal Workshop for Fifth and Sixth Graders**

This course is designed to increase your child’s vocabulary and to improve his/her reading comprehension. The course provides the skills necessary for success on the verbal portions of the ISEE and ERB.

Wednesday or Friday 5–6 PM

- **Ways of Thinking: an Exploration into Problem Solving for Young Minds**

This class focuses on mathematical word or story problems that require strategy and creative decision-making. It will explore important skills useful in all future studies. We especially recommended this class for students who intend to take the ISEE course in sixth grade.

Monday or Wednesday (Grades 4 and 5) 5–6 PM  
Tuesday or Thursday (Grades 4 and 5) 4–5 PM

- **Parlez-vous français?**

Beginning French for ages 3-6. (No reading necessary.)  
Monday, Wednesday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday 4–5 PM

- **¿Se habla español?**

Beginning Spanish for ages 3-6. (No reading necessary.)  
Monday, Wednesday, Tuesday, Thursday or Friday 4–5 PM



# Enrichment Classes

For Middle and High School Students

## • Literary Analysis

This course is designed to hone the skills necessary for analyzing middle school and high school literature.

Monday or Wednesday (Grades 7 and 8) 5–6 PM

Tuesday or Thursday (Grades 9 and 10) 6–7 PM

## • Writing Workshop

(Grades 7-9)

This indispensable course is a step-by-step guide through the writing process. It provides the student with the skills necessary for success in all high school courses.

Tuesday or Thursday 5–6 PM

Monday or Wednesday 6–7 PM

## • Algebra Enrichment

This course is designed to provide the student with a competitive edge.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday 6–7 PM

## • Pathway to Honors (Spring Only)

January 9 — May 5, 2012

\$ 1,045

This is a multi-faceted pre-algebra course focusing on three objectives for your child:

–*Scoring high* on the private school placement exams for seventh grade

–Getting a *head start* on the seventh grade curriculum

–Most importantly, providing your child with a *strong conceptual framework and appreciation for mathematics*.

For many students, this class has fostered a love of math that has carried them through the high school honors track.

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday 6–7 PM

Friday 5–6 PM

Online option available Monday or Wednesday 6-7 PM

# Enrichment Classes



- **Get Personal: The Ultimate College Essay**

11th and 12th grades

Learn the art of writing a personal essay for college applications. The skills learned in this class apply to all academic essay writing.

Sundays (5 weeks, 10 hours)

2–4 PM \$695

- **For the Sake of Argument: Approaching the Argumentative Essay**

7th – 10th grades

This course will focus on the argumentative essay. Students will analyse both strong and weak arguments and then practice presenting their own compelling arguments in a well-written fashion.

Thursday

5–6 PM

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*“I consider myself very fortunate to have found Renaissance Kids. I honestly believe that I would not be where I am today if it were not for all of your individual contributions to my life. Ever since the ERB’s all of you have had such a large impact on every aspect of my academic life.”*

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- **Renaissance Kids Study Skills Seminar**

7th – 12th grades

Organizing and prioritizing helps students make the most of their academic opportunities. Much of academic success depends upon adapting the student’s study methods to his or her teacher’s criteria. This class helps students set up good habits during the critical first weeks of the new school year. Using proven techniques plus modern technology, we help the students develop a strategy that works for them. No more forgotten homework assignments or crumpled papers at the bottom of the bag!

Wednesday (5 weeks)

5–7 PM \$695



# Private Tutoring

## FOR STUDENTS GRADES 7 & UP

Algebra	Spanish
Geometry	Latin
Algebra II	French
Precalculus	Hebrew
Calculus	Russian
History	Study Skills
Physics	SAT I & II Preparation
Chemistry	ISEE Preparation
English	College Counseling

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*“Anna!!! You were right!!! I got in!! Thank you all soooooo much for all of your help and support! I cannot believe I got into Princeton!!!! Thaaaank you!!!!!!”*

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## FOR ELEMENTARY AGE STUDENTS

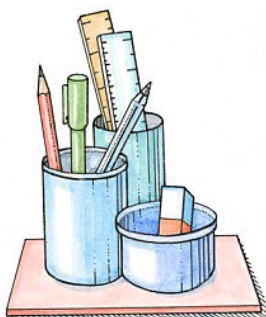
Math  
Reading  
Languages  
Writing  
ERB Preparation  
ISEE Preparation  
Test-Taking Skills  
Study-Skills

Renaissance Kids seeks to provide enrichment and support for all of your academic needs. Please inquire if the subject you seek is not listed above.

# Calendar

## 2011 Fall

September 5	Fall session begins
September 28	Closing at 5 PM
September 29	Closed for Rosh Hashanah
October 7	Closing at 5 PM
October 8	Closed for Yom Kippur
October 1	Spring 2012 Registration Opens
November 24–27	Closed for Thanksgiving
December 16	Last Day of Fall Classes
December 17 – January 2, 2012	Closed for Winter Break



## 2012 Winter/Spring

January 3	Spring Classes Begin
January 16	Closed for Martin Luther King Day
February 20	Closed for Presidents' Day
March 24 – April 8	Closed for Spring Break
April 9	Classes resume
May 28	Closed for Memorial Day
May 1 – June 24	Summer Registration
June 8	Last day for Spring Group Classes
June 25	Summer Session Begins



# Adult and Parent Classes

- **Parent Guide to High School Applications**

Is your oldest child applying to secondary school? Don't know where to begin? In this two hour seminar, we'll walk you through the application process, highlighting the important elements.

Tuesday, September 18th	6 PM – 8 PM	\$175
Thursday, September 20th	10 AM – 12 PM	\$175

- **Parent Guide to College Applications**

Is your oldest child applying to college? Don't know where to begin? In this two hour seminar, we'll walk you through the application process, highlighting the important elements.

Friday, September 14th	10 AM – 12 PM	\$175
Wednesday, September 12th	6 PM – 8 PM	\$175

- **Math Fundamentals Review for Adults**

Would you like to help your kids with their homework, but you can't remember pre-algebra or even the basics? This class will cover everything you may have forgotten or never learned.

Tuesday 4 weeks (8 hours)	6-8 PM	\$550
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- **Advanced Topics in Math**

This course may cover Algebra, Geometry, Trigonometry or Calculus depending on request.

Thursday 4 weeks (8 hours)	6-8 PM	\$550
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## Policy Regarding Private Sessions

As Renaissance Kids, Inc. enters its twenty-first year, we continue to find ourselves faced with the problem of maintaining the high quality of our educational enrichment environment at reasonable prices. We are therefore continuing the policy that has been in effect since September 1996.

Those families wishing to reserve a defined weekly time slot will be asked to commit for an entire semester (not including national or major religious holidays as specified in our calendar) and to prepay the session fee. During this period these families may elect to cancel, with no charge, any three of the sessions—provided that they have notified Renaissance Kids by 5 PM of the previous business day.

Families wishing to obtain private lessons without the commitment described above, may schedule lessons on an “as needed” basis. Payment must be made at the time of scheduling. Once a session is scheduled, NO CANCELLATION will be permitted for any reason. There are currently three methods by which payment may be made:

- Payment may be made in person at our premises at the time of scheduling.
- A credit balance may be deposited in advance from which appropriate amounts will be deducted at the time of scheduling.
- Payment can be made by VISA or MASTERCARD.

The rationale behind these policies is simple. In order to attract and retain the best educational staff, we need to respect their time and pay them quality rates. Therefore, we can no longer allow families to reserve limited time and then arbitrarily cancel. This practice has the effect of unfairly requiring the teacher to be committed and “on call” without the associated financial commitment from the family.

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*"Genius without education is like silver in the mine."*  
Benjamin Franklin

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