

Youth Arts Academy

Created in June 2010, the Pleasant Valley School District Youth Arts Academy is dedicated to providing 1st-8th grade students in PVSD with positive, creative and educational experiences in the arts. The fall session, taught by qualified instructors and supported by PVSD, SOKM and CICA focuses on visual and performing arts.

General Information

- Classes are open to 1st—8th Grade students in PVSD. See class descriptions for details.
- Classes are after school one or two days a week.
- Classes begin the week of October 9nd and end the week of June 7th.
- PVSD and SOKM have a limited number of instruments available for loan based on financial need.
- Our program only exists due to the generosity of families and individuals who donate. Below are the amounts that are needed in order for the program to be self-sustaining. Classes may be cancelled due to low enrollment.

* **\$400** Beginning Strings, String Orchestra, Introduction to Guitar, The Off Beats

* **\$300** Guitar Ensemble

* **\$280** PVSD Chorus

* **\$250** Art, Digital Music

You may donate using NeonPay during registration, by making a check payable to SOKM (Save Our Kids' Music) P.O. Box 2244, Camarillo CA 93011 or securely online using a PayPal account or credit card at www.sokm.net.

YOUTH ARTS ACADEMY REGISTRATION

**Online Registration
Starts September 30th
at 8am
at www.sokm.net**

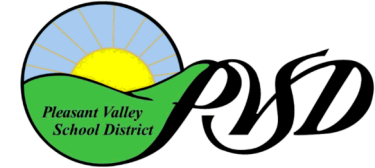
Registration Forms and Brochures available
at

www.sokm.net/yaa-classes
www.pleasantvalleysd.org

For YAA questions, please call
Music Program Voicemail
(805) 389-2100 ext. 1119 or
Email Betty Weyek at
bweyek@pleasantvalleysd.org

For PVSD Chorus questions
please contact
Joan Rust, Board Member - CICA at
(805)469-4161 or joan@rusts.net

**CLASSES BEGIN
THE WEEK OF
OCTOBER 9TH**



**2023-2024
Youth
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**Classes held at PVSEA
700 Temple Avenue**

Strings — Grades 4-8

Beginning Strings—Room C3

Wednesday & Friday 4:30-5:30p.m.

No prior music experience needed! Instruction is available for violin, viola, cello or bass. Students will need an instrument and “String Basics” Book 1 (method book).

String Orchestra - Room C3

Monday & Thursday 4:30-5:30p.m.

This is for students with at least one year of instruction on violin, viola, cello or bass. Students will use “String Basics” Book 1 and work on different styles of music from a variety of composers.

Digital Music - Grades 6-8

Monday 4:30-5:30p.m. Room D2

No experience required, but you will need your school Chromebook and a pair of headphones.

Create your own music to be used for your personal content, hands on experience with music equipment, and much more.

*Only 25 seats available

Guitar - Grades 4-8

Introduction to Guitar - Room D2

Tuesday & Thursday 4:30-5:30p.m.

The history of rock music is filled with artists who made musical fireworks through their guitars. You can too! Learn the basics and discover your inner rock star.

*Only 25 seats available

Guitar Ensemble - Room D2

Friday 3:30-5:00p.m.

This class is for students with at least one year of instruction on guitar and reading is helpful. Students will learn how to play solos, duets, and ensembles in a variety of musical styles. Collaborations with other instruments and performers is to be expected.

*Only 25 seats available

**Class held at Las Colinas Middle School
5750 Fieldcrest**

The Off Beats— Grades 5-8

Monday & Wednesday 3:30-4:30 p.m. Room D7

Students with experience on a band instrument may audition to join The Off Beats. This class focuses on jazz, pop and rock literature. Emphasis is placed on many performances and independent practice -- it is very important that all band members be at EVERY performance. Students who are proficient on piano, bass, or rhythm guitar and can read music proficiently are invited to audition as well. This class requires an audition.



**Class held at Dos Caminos
3635 Appian Way**

PVSD Chorus — Grades 1-8

Monday 3:30-4:30p.m. - MPR

Little Melodies - Grades 1-5

Grace Notes - Grades 6-8

The PVSD Chorus will offer two sections, Little Melodies and Grace Notes! Each section of the chorus will have its own repertoire but will collaborate for some rehearsals and musical pieces. All new singers and returners of various experience levels are welcome!

The purpose of PVSD Chorus is to provide high-quality choral training and performance opportunities for students in grades 1-8. Some of the performance opportunities PVSD Chorus has had are as follows: the Fall and Spring Concert, Camarillo Christmas Parade, singing with the CSUCI University Chorus, collaborations with local high school choirs, and performing with the Channel Islands Chamber Orchestra.

Students will grow musically through basic music fundamentals, rhythm recognition and function, expression and movement, and especially singing which includes voice technique and the value of performance itself.

*Only 60 seats available

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Art — Grades 4-8

Thursday 3:30-4:30 p.m. - MPR

Students will receive an introduction to various painting techniques while working with tempera and watercolor paints. In drawing, students will be introduced to various techniques of shading to create expressive works of art on a two-dimensional surface.

*Only 30 seats available