



Cordley PTA Announces...

After School Clubs



Starting in October 2012, Cordley PTA's popular after school clubs will return! During this first semester, Language Club will run on Thursdays from 3:45 to 4:45 and Nature Club will run on Tuesdays from 3:45 to 5:00. We will enroll kids in the clubs on a semester basis in order to allow for twice as many kids to participate.

Privyet! Kon'nichiwa! Hello! Welcome to Language Club! Did you know that learning another language promotes intellectual growth and cognitive flexibility, increases a person's understanding of his/her native language, and opens the door to other cultures? This semester, our Language Club will give students an introduction to two important world languages—Russian and Japanese. Through stories, crafts, songs, and games, students will learn introductory lessons in both languages as well as geographical/cultural information. (The group will be split into two smaller groups by age and will switch languages at the midpoint of the semester.) The teachers will include students and/or staff from the University of Kansas Center for East Asian Studies and the Center for Russian, Eastern European and Eurasian Studies. (FYI -- We may have different languages offered through our second semester session.) *Language Club will meet on **Thursday afternoons from 3:45 to 4:45**. This Fall 2012 semester session will meet on the following dates: October 4, 11, 18, 25, November 1, 15, 29, December 6, 13. Note that no clubs will be held during the week of Thanksgiving. Specific dates and enrollment forms for the Spring Semester session will be available in December with the sessions starting in January. Fall 2012 Language Club Cost: 9 sessions @ \$4 each plus \$6 for materials fee = \$42 total fee for the one semester session.*



Environmental education boosts students' critical thinking skills and also encourages more responsible stewardship of the planet. Join the Prairie Park Nature Center staff in this exploration of our natural world. Nature Club's environmental programs will include live animal presentations, outdoor and indoor investigations, games, crafts, and other activities appropriate to the topic of the week. Sample topics include: Web of Life, Great Snakes, Nature's Recyclers, Great Migrations, Adaptations for Survival, etc. *Nature Club will meet on **Tuesday afternoons from 3:45 to 5:00**. This Fall 2012 semester session will meet on the following dates: October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, November 6, 13, 27, December 4, 11, 18. Note that no clubs will be held during the week of Thanksgiving. Specific dates and enrollment forms for the Spring Semester session will be available in December with the sessions starting in January. Fall 2012 Nature Club Cost: 11 sessions @ \$4 each plus \$6 materials fee = \$ 50 total fee for the one semester session.*

Questions about Cordley PTA Clubs can be directed to Dani Lotton-Barker (832-1948 or dlotton@usd497.org). Thanks!

Cordley PTA – Club Enrollment Form

To enroll your child in one or both of the *Cordley PTA Clubs*, please fill out this form and submit it with your non-refundable fees to the Cordley PTA collection box in the office; make checks out to Cordley PTA. Forms will be accepted until 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 26th. If there are more forms returned than available spots in a club, placements will be determined based on a lottery from all forms collected by the due date. If your student applied for a club last semester, but did not get in because of the lottery, he/she has priority enrollment in that club for the following semester. However, you must still complete and return an enrollment form by the Wednesday, September 26th deadline. Club rosters will be posted on the PTA Bulletin Board and parents will be notified through e-mail of club placement no later than Friday, September 28th. *Please be sure to check either the PTA Bulletin Board or your e-mail account listed below.* In order to assure an effective student/teacher ratio, Nature Club will be no larger than 20 students. Language Club will have two groups of no more than 20 students. A **limited** number of **partial** scholarships may be available based on need. If you believe you would qualify for a need-based scholarship, please indicate your interest in applying for one below.

*** Parents, please note that for each of these clubs, students must be picked up **no later than** the stated end time – 4:45 for Language Club, 5:00 for Nature Club. Students who are members of Boys and Girls Club will be able to return to Boys and Girls Club. However, for those families who are not members of Boys and Girls Club, **there will be no supervision of children after the end of club time. Families who participate in Cordley PTA Clubs must understand that they are responsible to pick up their children no later than end time on club meeting days.** *Enrollment in these after school learning experiences should be based on student interest and should not be considered day care. Adults supervising these clubs are not affiliated with the Lawrence Public Schools.*

Child's name: _____

Teacher: _____ Grade level: _____

Parent 1 name: _____

Parent 1 phones – Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Cell: _____ E-mail: _____ *

Parent 2 name: _____

Parent 2 phones – Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Cell: _____ E-mail: _____ *

*** Reminder...please check your e-mail on the 28th for news regarding your child's enrollment status in the clubs.**

Emergency contact (not a parent) name: _____

Emergency contact phones – Daytime: _____ Evening: _____

Cell #: _____

Please circle the club(s) in which you would like to enroll your child: Language Club
 Nature Club

A limited number of partial scholarships are available to help families in need. Please indicate here if you would like be contacted to discuss a partial scholarship for club fees. _____ Yes, consider me for a partial scholarship.

Pick-up/dismissal plans:

- My child is a Boys and Girls Club member and will be released back to the Boys and Girls Club staff after club.
- My child will be picked up by a parent or (please list any other approved adults who may pick up your child)

- My child has permission to walk home after club.

While snacks will not be a regular part of clubs, they may be used at times for special activities. If your child has any food allergies or needs, please indicate those here.

Please provide any information that would be important/helpful for instructors to know in order to help your child during club activities. (Ex: learning needs, mobility issues, etc.)

I have read and agree to the above conditions of Cordley PTA Club enrollment. Enclosed is the club fee.

Parent signature: _____ **Date:** _____