



Southwestern College

Y.E.S. Academy

For Students Entering Grades 4-10

Summer 2025 **Youth Excellence & Success Academy**

Location: All classes are held at Southwestern College - Chula Vista Campus, 900 Otay Lakes Rd. A welcome letter, with classroom numbers, will be provided 1-2 weeks prior to the beginning of each course.

Monday-Thursday

Session I:

June 16 - June 27

(No class:
6/19, 6/20, 6/27)

Session II:

June 30 - July 11

(No class:
7/3, 7/4, 7/11)

Enroll Today!

Registration now open!

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Y.E.S. Academy

This year, the Youth Excellence & Success (Y.E.S.) Academy celebrates 48 years!

Inspiring Young Minds Through Career Exploration & Interest

The Y.E.S. Academy provides a well-rounded approach that helps students develop a sense of identity and purpose while also preparing them for future educational and career success. This mission, we hope, will create new discoveries and decisions leading to each student's own unique pathway for success.

Why Join Y.E.S. Academy?

This summer, students entering grades 4–10 can explore exciting careers, discover new hobbies, and build real-world skills in a fun and supportive environment! Our structure two-track program allows students to:

Explore Career Paths – Hands on experiences in creative & technical fields

Pursue Personal Interests – Fun courses that spark creativity and self-discovery

Grade Levels

Our sessions this year are designed for students entering grades 4–10, with special volunteer opportunities available for those in grades 11 and 12. We welcome all students to get involved and find a way to participate!

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Class Times

Morning: 9 AM – 11:30 AM

Afternoon: 12 PM – 2:30 PM

Fees

Course Fee: \$185 per class

Writers Café Fee: \$40 per (students enrolled in a.m. & p.m. sessions, can register for the Writer's Café (see section))

T-Shirt Fee: \$14 per student



Registration Opens Thursday, April 24, 2025!

Register online by scanning the QR code or visit:

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Writer's Café

Students enrolled in both the morning and afternoon sessions of Y.E.S. Academy, students are invited to join our **Writer's Café** during lunch. This provides a designated space on campus where students can enjoy their meal in a supervised setting.

We recommend that students attending both sessions **bring a packed lunch or snacks**, as meal breaks will be part of their schedule.

Refund & Cancellation Policy

We do our best to avoid canceling classes, but sometimes it's necessary due to low enrollment. A full refund will be made if SWC Y.E.S. Academy cancels a class, we will notify you at least (5) business days in advance, and offer either a full refund or an option to transfer to another course (pending availability). If you have registered for a class, and you cancel at least three (3) business days prior to the start of the class, you will receive a full refund of the class fee. You are not eligible for any refunds beyond the three-day period. No-shows are not eligible for a refund. T-shirt sales are final – no refunds or exchanges.

T-Shirts

Y.E.S. Academy t-shirts can be purchased during your online registration by visiting the menu tab "Y.E.S. Academy T-Shirts". T-shirts cost \$14 each and **must be ordered by MAY 19, 2025.**

Looking for Leaders!

11th & 12th Graders



Looking to fulfill your high school community service hours, while building leadership, teamwork, and communication skills? Want to enhance your college applications and explore potential career paths?

Become a Volunteer Y.E.S. Academy Teacher Assistant

- Gain real-world experience
- Be a role model for youth
- Develop problem-solving leadership skills
- Connect with your community in a meaningful way

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Time

8:30 AM – 3 PM

Ready to join, submit your application by scanning the QR code or visit:

bit.ly/yesacad_volunteer



Please email the Y.E.S. Academy Coordinator at swcyesacademy@swccd.edu for further details.

Course Offerings

What's Included?

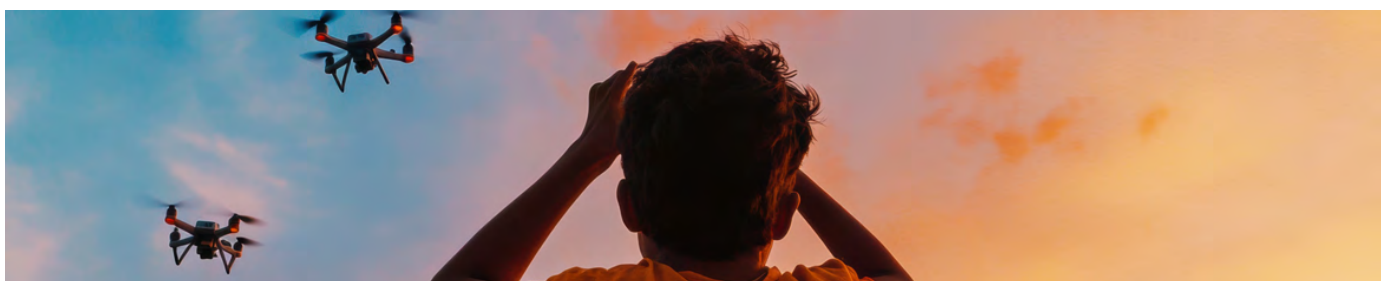
- All course materials & supplies
- Expert instruction & hands-on projects
- A fun, engaging summer learning experience!

Choose from Career Exploration & Personal Interest Classes!

Course Title	Category	Session	AM/PM	Instructor	Description
The Art of Cartoon Caricature Sketch (4th-10th)	Personal Interest	I & II	AM/PM	E. Roeder	Create fun, exaggerated caricatures while improving drawing skills! Students learn how to draw traditional and non-traditional cartoon characters by applying foundational art techniques, while drawing caricatures from historical cartoon characters.
Modern Band (Beginner & Intermediate) (4th-8th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	I & II	AM/PM	B. Collins	Play in a band, learn instruments, and jam with friends! Beginner-Intermediate - Learn basic skills on guitar, ukulele, bass, piano keyboard, percussion, and vocals!
The Filmmaker's Playground: Crafting the Commercial (4th-10th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	I & II	AM/PM	A. Duran	Unleash your creativity in this hands-on filmmaking class! Bring your ideas to life in a fun, collaborative environment—no experience necessary.
Musical Theater Dance (4th-10th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	I	AM/PM	K. Jennings	Express yourself through Broadway-style dance routines!
Broadway Musical Spectacular (4th-10th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	II	AM/PM	K. Jennings	Get ready to shine on stage! In this high-energy class, young performers will dive into the world of Broadway with singing, dancing, and acting.
Part I: Melody Makers - Learn to Read & Play Piano (4th-9th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	I	AM/PM	N. Rodriguez	Discover the basics of piano playing and music reading! This is a two-part summer course
Part II: Melody Makers - Learn to Read & Play Piano! (4th-9th)	Career Exploration: Arts, Entertainment, and Design	II	AM/PM	N. Rodriguez	Continue your musical journey by expanding your piano skills and deepening your music expression in Part II.
Pottery: Creating with Clay (4th-10th)	Personal Interest	I & II	AM/PM	A. Sanchez	Pinch, pull, coil and slab, and have messy fun transforming a raw lump of clay into your most imaginative creations.
Design Lab: Lego and Makey Makey (4th-6th)	Career Exploration: Information Communications and Technology	II	AM/PM	M. Hughes	Build and code interactive Lego creations!



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Bloom Creators: Exploring the Art & Business of Floral Design (4th-10th)	Career Exploration: Agriculture	I & II	AM/PM	B. DeSol	Explore the creative process of turning flowers into stunning works of art while learning the fundamentals of running a flower shop and launching your own floral business.
Asian Cultures in Asian America through Crafts, Food, and Dance (4th-10th)	Personal Interest	I & II	AM	J. Ramirez	Experience different Asian cultures and learn how they are connected to Asian American identity
Part I: Drone Zone - Soaring into STEAM (6th-9th)	Career Exploration: Information Communications and Technology	I	AM	K. Villiquette	Learn the basics of drone technology and flight!
Part II: Drone Zone -STEAM (6th-9th)	Career Exploration: Information Communications and Technology	I	PM	K. Villiquette	Take your drone skills to the next level with new challenges!
Wood is Good - Intro to Beginner Woodworking Skills (7th -9th)	Career Exploration: Construction	II	AM	W. Ferguson	Learn woodworking basics and create your own project!
Beginning Touch Typing: The Fun Way! (4th-8th)	Personal Interest	I	AM	A. Rodriguez	Are you tired of typing with two fingers? Then this class is for you!
Microsoft Word for Kids (4th -8th)	Personal Interest	II	AM	A. Rodriguez	Master the basics of Word for school projects & presentations!





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