



*“Education is not the filling of a pail,
but the lighting of a fire.”
- Plutarch*

Keep the fire of learning alive this June with a VPA Summer Academy course! Our offerings range from enrichment courses, to our 6th-grade academic camp, to Great Hearts credit courses. Explore on the pages below, and **register online by clicking here**. *Registration closes June 1.*

All classes run Monday through Friday. For policies and procedures, [click here](#). For questions relating to Summer Academy courses or enrollment, please contact [Mr. Thoits](#), Director of Operations.

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6th-Grade Academic Camp

We are pleased to offer a series of lively, engaging courses designed to help prepare students to start prep classes in 6th grade, taught by veteran prep faculty.

These courses are for students entering the 6th grade ONLY. Returning students or those looking to reinforce skills in math or English are encouraged to try one of our Online Practice options, to work with a teacher on individualized study.

[Register online by clicking here.](#)

Course	Description	Schedule	Fee
READINESS CAMP	This course is designed for middle school students new to Veritas, in order to familiarize them with the school's culture and Socratic practices. It is a good opportunity to practice and form classroom habits and note-taking skills through short lessons, readings, and exercises.	June 4- June 15 8:00 - 10:00 AM	\$120
COMP CAMP	This is a reading, writing, and grammar course; students will read and discuss a short novel, as well as write their own narrative, descriptive, and analytical compositions.	June 4- June 15 10:00 AM - 12:00	\$120
MATH CAMP	In this course, students review and practice essential math skills with a veteran prep teacher.	June 18 - June 29, 8:00 - 10:00 AM	\$120
LATIN CAMP	This course offers an experience of the spoken Latin language for beginners and enthusiasts. No prerequisites are required--be prepared for a lively and interactive experience! <i>Archway students, keep your Latin skills fresh! New to Great Hearts? Start here!</i>	June 18 - June 29, 10:00 AM - 12:00	\$120
ALL FOUR COURSES	Participate in the full camp program, all four courses at a reduced rate. <i>(Four-hour day includes built-in breaks between classes, when snacks may be consumed.)</i>	June 4 – June 29, 8:00 AM – 12:00	\$400



Online Practice

Sharpen skills using online resources, on school laptops and at home. Instructor will be on site to work with students on school laptops at the scheduled time, and students will be given login info they may also use to work at home. Attendance in person at the first session is required for orientation, but afterwards students may attend as needed.

[Register online by clicking here.](#)

Course	Description	Schedule	Fee
TYPING SKILLS (All)	Using the Typing Quest program on our student laptops, students will work at their own pace to hone their typing skills.	June 4 - June 29 12:30 – 1:30 PM	\$60
KHAN MATH PRACTICE (All)	Students will practice and sharpen math skills using online resources through the Khan Academy website.	June 4 - June 29 12:30 – 1:30 PM	\$60
ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (All)	Students will practice reading comprehension and writing skills using online resources.	June 4 - June 29 12:30 – 1:30 PM	\$60
ALL THREE ONLINE PRACTICE	Students will receive guidance to set up login and make use of all the online resources listed above, with supervised access to student laptops throughout the month.	June 4 – June 29 12:30 – 1:30 PM	\$125



Enrichment

Expand your horizons with these enrichment courses, taught by Veritas instructors.

[Register online by clicking here.](#)

Course	Description	Schedule	Fee
STUDIO ART (MS)	This is an in-depth tutorial in acrylic painting. Supplies included in fee.	June 4 - 8 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM June 11 - 15 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
STUDIO ART (HS)	This is an advanced open-studio course including painting, etching, and drawing. Supplies included in fee.	June 4 - 8 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM June 11 - 15 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
INTRODUCTORY SPANISH (HS)	This weeklong course is a fun way to begin studying the Spanish language or refresh your memory about fundamentals--no previous experience required.	June 4 - 8 8:00 AM - 12:15 PM	\$125
ELEMENTARY SPANISH (HS)	This weeklong course is for those who have some basic Spanish experience, usually having taken at least a year of Spanish, and are interested in reinforcing and building on those fundamental skills.	June 11 - 15 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$125
INTERMEDIATE SPANISH (HS)	This weeklong course is for those who have taken at least a year of Spanish and are interested in reinforcing and building on those fundamental skills.	June 18 - 22 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$125
ADVANCED SPANISH (HS)	This weeklong course is for those who have taken at least two years of Spanish and are interested in reinforcing and building on those skills.	June 25 - 29 8:00am - 12:00 pm	\$125



Credit Courses

The following courses meet the VPA standard for high school credit or middle school promotion. These courses can help transferring students align with the Veritas curriculum, and returning students to complete missed credit. But they are not intended to substitute for upcoming curricular coursework.

[Register online by clicking here.](#)

Course	Description	Schedule	Fee
ALGEBRA I (HS)	<p>**An important note for incoming 10th grade students: Because all students enroll in Algebra II, students who have not taken Algebra I or demonstrated success in Algebra I will need to enroll in Algebra I in summer school. We also strongly encourage all students who struggled in Algebra I in 8th grade to enroll in this course. Additionally, AZMerit and the standardized tests for college admission expect students to have a certain proficiency in this subject.</p>	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
PRE-ALGEBRA (MS)	This course is for prospective 8 th graders, who either need to retake the course or are new to the school.	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
ALGEBRA II/TRIG (PRE-CALCULUS)	This course will offer a comprehensive review of the key pre-calculus components of the Algebra 2/Trigonometry course. Core topics will include: manipulating algebraic expressions, equations and inequalities; development, interpretation and graphing of functions (linear, quadratic, polynomial, rational, radical, exponential, logarithmic); and introductory trigonometry (triangle, unit circle, graphing). This is geared toward students who are in need of reinforcement and review of the pre-calculus skills initially covered in the Algebra 2/Trigonometry course, and also those students planning to take the Algebra 2/Trigonometry course in the fall, but would benefit from previewing and practicing some of the course material prior to the start of the school year.	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
AMERICAN/AZ HISTORY (HS)	This course will investigate the question of “What is an American?” in a series of discussions on founding documents, speeches, poems and songs from the founders to Martin Luther King. Special emphasis will be put on understanding the regime outlined by the Constitution and Bill of Rights, and the debates over the meaning and extent of democracy, federalism and equality in American history. This includes Arizona history. <i>Fulfills VPA graduation requirements.</i>	June 4 - 29 12:30 PM – 4:30 PM	\$350

INTRO LATIN	This course offers students an introduction to our basic Latin sequence. For students who transfer into Veritas at the 7th Grade, it will offer a beginning foundation in Latin. For students who transfer in during high school, it fulfills the VPA graduation requirement.	June 4 – 15 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM	\$250
LATIN I (MS)	This course is for students transferring to Veritas in the 7th grade, in preparation for the Latin II course they will take in the fall. It is also for those who need to re-take the class.	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
LATIN I (HS)	This course fulfills VPA high-school graduation requirement and is for those who transfer to VPA during high school, as well as those who need to re-take the class. <i>Fulfills VPA high-school graduation requirement.</i>	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350
SPANISH (HS)	This course is for those needing to retake the course or prepare to transfer to VPA after 9 th grade. <i>**Important note for incoming 10th/11th grade students:</i> <i>Because of the accelerated pace of our Honors Spanish curriculum, even students who have taken Spanish at another school are strongly encouraged to consider taking the summer class to fully prepare to enter the 10th or 11th grade Spanish classes. If the 4-week class is not feasible, see options for Language Enrichment above.</i>	June 4 - 29 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	\$350

Summer Academy Policies and Procedures

Homework: For credit courses in particular, homework may be assigned from each class meeting. In order to cover the essential concepts of a year-long course, instructors will clearly communicate student expectations in this area.

Dress Code: Students must wear their school uniforms to summer school. All other policies regarding personal appearance are governed by the VPA [Dress Code](#). Please click the link and review the policy. Exceptions are noted below:

NOTE: *students from other Great Hearts' academies (including those coming from Archway) are welcome to wear their current uniforms but will otherwise be held accountable to Veritas dress code standards.*

Students new to Great Hearts may opt to [order their uniforms](#) or may wear other clothing that fits with the uniform code (a polo shirt, for example, without the school's crest would be appropriate for summer classes).

For studio art classes working with paints and other materials, students are permitted to wear non-uniform modest clothing, in accord with the Athletic Practice and Outdoor Field Day Dress Code in the [VPA Dress Code](#).

Alumni are welcome to attend summer courses, upon completing appropriate registration. Dress code for alumni participants, apart from art classes (noted above) is business casual.

Snacks are not provided by the school during the summer; please be sure to send snacks with your child if they need them during the day.

Pickup & Drop-Off: For morning classes, students may be dropped off at school as early as 7:45 am, and must be picked up no later than 15 minutes following the end of their registered course(s). Parents should drop off and pick up students at the **south courtyard** for Veritas Prep, at the gates. If a family needs a student to leave class early, a parent/guardian should notify the VPA front office at least 24 hours ahead. Students will not be released from class without parental notification.

Students with Allergies and/or Medications: Please be sure to accurately and thoroughly fill out all allergy information using the form in the front office. Please note that you must provide the front office with any medication (clearly labeled with name and instructions) prior to your child attending the first day of their summer school class.

Behavior: Students are expected to behave in a manner consistent with the behavioral expectations of Veritas as outlined in the VPA [Family Handbook](#). Please click the link and review the policy. Students removed from a class or activity for disciplinary reasons will jeopardize their continued enrollment in the program as well as their registration fee(s).

Payment and Refunds: Contact [Mr. Thoits](#) with questions about scholarships and payments. There is a "Pay Later" option at online checkout: please note that *all payments must be completed no later than one week before the scheduled start of the first class*, or students will not be allowed to attend. Courses may be refunded for any reason up to one week before the scheduled start of the first class. Refunds requested after the start of a course are not guaranteed and may be pro-rated.