

# NCLS After School Program Overview

NCLS after-school program is in Newtonville near NCLS Sunday School. Since 2023, we have provided children ages 5 to 12 with a nurturing afterschool experience with enthusiasm and professionalism, where we supervise their homework and provide a variety of enriching and creative activities they can participate in such as Mandarin, Mathematics, English, Robotics, Contemporary Painting, and so on. Our program offers children opportunities to develop social and problem-solving skills, improve their academic performance via our structured system and positive reinforcement, and offer the kind of flexibility that our students' families need. At the NCLS afterschool program, we provide effective instruction and differentiated tutoring for students' academic development, which connects to grade-level benchmarks, standards, and common core curriculum, the goal of the after-school program is to increase students' achievement through engaging, rigorous, and inspirational activities.

## Program Introduction

### **Mandarin**

Our Mandarin course is designed to accommodate learners of all levels, from beginners with no prior knowledge of Chinese to intermediate learners seeking to improve their proficiency. Students will develop essential skills in listening, speaking, reading, and writing Mandarin Chinese by using Ma Liping and Young Chinese textbooks as well as their homework help. The experienced teachers will guide students through engaging lessons that focus on practical communication in real-life situations, helping children build confidence and proficiency in Mandarin.

### **IXL Math**

We utilize the IXL Math learning course, an engaging and personalized online learning platform designed to help students excel in mathematics! The class offers comprehensive coverage of math concepts from Pre-K through high school, aligned with state and Common Core standards.

With these interactive practice exercises, we provide a dynamic learning experience tailored to each student's unique needs and learning pace.

### **IXL English**

We provide the IXL English learning course, an innovative online learning platform designed to enhance students' language arts skills and foster a love for literature and communication! It offers a comprehensive curriculum covering grammar, vocabulary, reading comprehension, writing, and more, tailored to students from elementary through high school levels. As children's first language, the class empowers students to excel in English learning.

### **Arts Painting**

This class is designed to introduce children to the exciting world of painting while encouraging self-expression, creativity, and confidence. Through engaging lessons and hands-on activities, students will learn fundamental painting techniques, explore different styles and genres, and create their masterpieces under the guidance of experienced art teachers.

### **Robotics**

We design this class to introduce children to the principles of robotics and computer programming in a dynamic and supportive environment. Students will learn how to design, build, and program robots using age-appropriate tools and platforms, allowing them to explore the fundamentals of robotics in a hands-on way. Through engaging projects, interactive lessons, and experimentation with robots and coding, children will embark on a journey of discovery, innovation, and fun!