



East Silver Spring
PTA | Parent-Teacher
Association

PANDA CLUB

AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

PTA Panda Clubs are Open for Registration!

The ESS Panda Club is an after-school enrichment program sponsored by the ESS PTA. Panda Club offers after-school activities in three sessions during the school year: fall, winter, and spring. Clubs include everything from karate to science to language to dance and more!

Winter 2019 / 2020 Registration and Start Dates:

Registration opens: Wednesday, November 27th

Registration closes: Wednesday, December 18th

Classes begin: Week of January 13th

Registration:

- You can register and pay **online** at the ESS PTA website www.esspta.org/panda-clubs
- You can also register using the **form below**. Payments can be in cash, check, or money order made payable to ESS PTA.

Scholarships: You can request a scholarship by using the form below by **Wednesday, December 18th**.

Please consider making a donation to Panda Club. Donations can be made online or in cash, check, or money order made payable to ESS PTA. Any amount is greatly appreciated!

Panda Club Policies

- **Club Times:** Clubs will meet once a week from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm on a designated day. Late pickups may incur a **\$20.00** fee. Frequent late pick-ups may result in dismissal from the program without a refund.
- **Student Cancellations/Refunds:** All refunds will be made via check from the PTA. There will be no refunds offered after the **1st week of programs**.
- **Provider Cancellations:** While we will make every effort to reschedule classes cancelled due to unexpected MCPS or ESS closings, we cannot guarantee that every class can be made up. We cannot offer make-up classes or refunds due to a student's inability to attend class.
- **Student Behavior:** In order to keep our club fun and safe for everyone, all students are expected to follow ESS school rules while attending PANDA CLUB after school enrichment classes. Parents will be contacted after each time there is a behavioral problem that cannot be remedied in the class. East Silver Spring PTA reserves the right to remove your student from a program.

PANDA CLUB REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete and return this Registration Form (and Scholarship Form, if applicable) with payment to the front office or your child's teacher **by no later than Wednesday, December 18th**. Checks or money orders should be payable to **ESS PTA**.

(PLEASE PRINT)

Child's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Homeroom Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Home (or Cell) Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Phone : _____

Allergies? _____

_____ My child will be picked up by _____

_____ My child will go to aftercare.

_____ My child will walk home alone (Must submit letter to school/Panda Club)

Parent or Guardian Signature: _____

Please complete the registration on the reverse.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR PANDA CLUBS

CLASS (grade range) <i>*See class descriptions below</i>	DAY	COST *	SUB-TOTAL
Incredible Forces (K-2)	Mondays	\$115	
Art & Science Experiments in Creativity (3-5)	Mondays	\$140	
Karate (K-5)	Tuesdays	\$140	
Step Team (3 - 5)	Tuesdays	\$90** (requested donation)	
Spanish (K -2)	Wednesdays	\$115	
Spanish (3 - 5)	Wednesdays	\$115	
Drama Club (K - 2)	Thursdays	\$95	
After School Acting (3 - 5)	Thursdays	\$95	
Basketball (K-2)	Fridays	\$70	
Math Games (3 - 5)	Fridays	\$50 (requested donation)	
PANDA CLUB DONATION (Any amount greatly appreciated! Thank you!)			
Total Enclosed: \$			

*Price includes a fee to cover administrative costs. Any fees in excess of costs will be added to the Panda Club scholarship fund.

**During the previous session, this class was offered free of charge. In order to ensure broad participation in this class, it has no required payment for this term. So that we may cover the costs of the program, the ESS PTA appreciates donations from those who are able.

Please contact Halimah "Lima" Abdullah and Jessica Campese at pandaclubs@esspta.org or call at 410-443-2640 for additional information.

CLASS DESCRIPTIONS FOR PANDA CLUBS

Day and Dates	Class Name / (Provider)	Description	Grade Range	Course Fee	Category
Mondays Jan: 13 Feb: 3, 10, 24 Mar: 2, 9, 16, 23 Snow Day: March 30 No class: Jan 20, 27 Feb 17	Incredible Forces (Big Learning)	What does friction have to do with a rolling YoYo? How do wheels and axles work together? How does the size of a wheel change the distance it covers? What can you move with a pulley? Make a circuit bug out of a clothespin and learn how a Bristle Bot moves?	K – 2	\$115	STEM
	Art & Science: Experiments in Creativity (CREATE Arts Center)	Join us at the intersection of art and science, chemistry and creativity, imagination and experimentation as we explore new materials and learn how to incorporate scientific principles into the creative process. Using science as our guide, we will create our own materials and use them to make original works of art. Bring your curiosity and your creativity; lab coats are optional! <u>All levels of experience.</u>	3 - 5	\$140	STEAM
Tuesdays Jan: 14, 21, 28 Feb: 4, 11, 18, 25 Mar: 3 Snow Day: Mar 10	Karate (Kaizen Karate)	This karate program offers safe, structured training that teaches students the proper form, style, and technique. Classes are tailored to student's individual needs and help them to grow to their fullest potential. Karate not only focuses on instruction but also provides valuable lessons related to respect, discipline, motivation, self-control, confidence and continual improvement. This is a non-sparring class.	K – 5	\$140	Wellness
	Step Team (Mr. Fisher)	Students will learn the history and fundamentals of stepping-- which has roots in African dance and originated in the U.S. with historically black fraternities and sororities. Stepping routines incorporate rhythm and sound through a mixture of footsteps, spoken word, snapping and handclaps.	3 – 5	Suggested Donation \$90**	Wellness
Wednesdays Jan: 15, 22, 29 Feb: 5, 12, 19, 26 Mar: 4 Snow Day: Mar 11	Spanish (Big Learning)	Students in the “Amigos y Amigas” program will keenly focus on introductory level Spanish speaking and writing skills. Students will practice familiar routines, play games, learn the traditions and customs of another country, sing songs, communicate with special guests and taste new foods –all in the target language. Lessons will adjust for students needing more advanced instruction. Classes will include exciting games, lively songs and dialogues, challenging workbook activities and much more, to help students actively practice what they learn – while having fun.	K - 2	\$115	Language
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Thursdays Jan 16, 23, 30 Feb: 6, 13, 20, 27 Mar: 5 Snow Day: Mar 1	Drama Club (Roundhouse Theater)	Explore the various theatrical disciplines, including acting, design, and directing. Young artists explore the theatrical world, build artistic skills, and collaborate with their peers to bring stories to life. Session concludes with a sharing for family and friends.	K - 2	\$95	Art
	After School Acting (Roundhouse Theater)	Enter the world of make believe, where you can be anyone you want to be. Led by Round House Theatre teaching artists, students will learn the basics of acting, improvising, and interacting with people on stage. An excellent class for anyone interested in performing in future school plays. Session concludes with a sharing of work for family and friends.	3 - 5	\$95	Art
Fridays Jan: 17, 31 Feb: 7, 14, 21 Mar: 6, 13, 20 Snow Day: Apr 4 No class: Jan 24 Feb 28	Basketball (1 Up Handles)	After School Basketball with 1 Up Handles Inc is a fun upbeat class that provides students the opportunity to learn basketball or enhance prior experience through skills and exciting games. Boys and girls will learn the importance of teamwork, attention to detail, and sportsmanship. All are welcome!!	K - 2	\$70	Wellness
	Math Games (ESS PTA Volunteers)	What do Dance Dance Revolution, Pokemon card battles, Tetris, Chess, and Monopoly all have in common? Find out in this new course aimed at getting kids moving and improving their math skills. This PTA led class will work on critical thinking strategies, addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, patterns and more. Kids will have fun playing appropriate games for their math levels, explore new games each week, and show off their skills in an end of session math tournament.	3 - 5	\$50 Scholarship donation requested	STEM & Wellness

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Panda Club Scholarship Guidelines & Application

The goal for PTA Panda Club scholarship is to supply equal opportunities to children at East Silver Spring Elementary School for PTA sponsored Panda Club after school enrichment programs. The following are some guidelines that help the PTA distribute any scholarships awarded for Panda Club programs in a fair and responsible manner while maintaining the privacy of the scholarship applicant as best we can.

We will assume that anyone applying is in need of a scholarship and will not ask for verification.

o All scholarship applications are due by Wednesday, December 18th.

- o Panda Club Scholarship recipients are selected by the Panda Club Coordinators. Preference may be given to those families who are members of the PTA. Other considerations include previous participation in the program, ability to participate, and additional support that can be provided by the family.
- o You can request a partial scholarship or a full scholarship. **If you are able to contribute some portion of the class fee (and are applying for a partial scholarship for the remainder) please contribute that portion with this form.** If we are not able to provide a scholarship for the remainder, your contribution will be returned in full via check from the PTA.
- o The Panda Club Coordinators will do their best to accommodate each applicant's first choice of classes, but class preference cannot be guaranteed. Please indicate two or three clubs of interest to the student.
- o Please email pandaclubs@esspta.org with any questions.
- o There are a **limited** number of scholarships available.

Scholarship Request for PTA Panda Club Programs

Please complete this form, put it in a sealed envelope addressed to the PTA Panda Club, and turn it into your teacher or the main office. All information will be kept confidential. You will be notified about whether the scholarship will be provided by no later than Monday January 6th. Panda Clubs will begin the week of January 13th.

Name of Student: _____ Grade & Homeroom Teacher: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone & E-mail: _____

Name of Panda Club(s) that Interest you: _____

Are you a member of the PTA? (Preference will be given to PTA members) ___ YES ___ NO

Is this the first time that your child has participated in Panda Club? ___ YES ___ NO

Have you received a Panda Club scholarship before? ___ YES ___ NO

Can you arrange for someone to pick up your child by 5:00 when the clubs end? ___ YES ___ NO

Today's Date: _____

Barring normal reasons for absences, you child is expected to attend all Panda Club classes.