

# Winter 2026 Before & After-School Classes at Hammond Elementary

**Register early, programs fill quickly!**



## Chess

### Chess Club After School

#### Silver Knights Chess Academy [flickr](#)

All skill levels are welcome! Learn chess with Silver Knights Chess Academy! Formerly called Magnus Chess Academy, we've taught 10,000+ children to play chess in Howard County, including state champions, though most students are beginners looking to learn a new skill and have FUN. Class time is divided between lessons and practice games. Lessons range from the basic rules to advanced tournament strategies. Students have the opportunity to play in tournaments. All chess supplies are provided.

Info: Patrick Hughes, 410-313-4622 or phughes@howardcountymd.gov.

5-11 yrs Classes: 12

RP3322.605 Jan 27 4-5pm Tu \$265

## Cooking

### Cooking After School

#### with Club SciKidz: Culinary Creations

Do you love to cook? Enjoy being creative? Start by making some classics like grilled cheese and sugar cookies, but add a creative twist to turn each into a one-of-a-kind creation!

Discover how using different ingredients and quantities with base recipes (like pasta salad and salsa) allows you to create a dish that is tasty and delicious, and suited to individual tastes. Learn and practice kitchen skills and gain more cooking and baking basics.

Info: Adam Wienckowski, 410-313-4714 or awienckowski@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 \$20 materials fee

RP3301.603 Hammond ES Feb 13 4-5:15pm F \$125  
at Hammond MS



## Crafts & Fine Arts

### Abrakadoodle Art Before School

Wild About Art: Get ready to go wild with creativity! In this exciting art adventure, explore the amazing world of animals using different materials to create beautiful pieces of art. From furry friends to feathered flyers and underwater creatures, every week brings a new "wild" inspiration. Experiment with color, texture, and design while creating your own zoo of imaginative masterpieces. Discover why we're wild about art! Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 \$20 materials fee

RP0137.602 Jan 7 8:10-9:10am W \$125

### KidzArt After School [flickr](#)

Enjoy a fun, unique, confidence-building art experience. Our drawing-based curriculum delivers engaging and educationally rich, creative classes that amaze and delight. Create a new masterpiece each week while exploring a variety of artist-grade mediums every session (oil pastels, chalk pastels, watercolor, air dry clay, metal tooling, textured papers and more)! Curriculum never repeats so join us for ALL NEW projects every session, year after year!

Info: Adam Wienckowski, awienckowski@howardcountymd.gov.

Grades K-5 Materials included

RP0113.602 Feb 3 4-5:15pm Tu \$215



**No Class When Schools Are  
Closed or Have An Early Dismissal**  
Dec 24-Jan 2 • Jan 19 • Jan 22 • Jan 26 • Feb 4-6  
Feb 16-17 • Mar 3 • Mar 20 • Mar 30-Apr 6

**What To Do When Schools Are Closed  
or Have Early Dismissal**

[tinyurl.com/hcrpschoolsout](https://tinyurl.com/hcrpschoolsout)

**Howard County**  
Recreation & Parks



This information is neither sponsored nor endorsed by HCPSS or the school.

**Financial Aid:** 25-75% financial assistance available for Howard County residents that qualify. Information: 410-313-7275.

**Registration:** 410-313-7275, [www.howardcountymd.gov/rap](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/rap) or 7120 Oakland Mills Road, Columbia, MD 21046

**Refund Policy:** [www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/programs](http://www.howardcountymd.gov/recreation-parks/programs)

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## Language

### Spanish After School with International School of Languages

International School of Languages provides a well-rounded program to learn and improve your Spanish. Apart from the language, learn about the culture and traditions of countries where Spanish is spoken. Learn greetings and presentations, the alphabet, numbers, colors, shapes, animals, and more! Activities include conversation, music, flashcards, games, videos, art, and storybooks. Fee includes online resources for continued practice at home.

Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or [cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov).

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 Materials included  
RP3311.608 Jan 29 4-5pm Th \$155

## Music

### NEW! Learn Now Music After School: Beginner Ensemble

NEW class structure! It's teamwork, with a beat! Budding musicians, come participate in musical instruction, theory, musical games, special extension curriculum-based activities, musical listening excerpts, and more! Together, play as a band while learning collaboration, timing, and performance skills—all while having a blast. Choose a specific instrument at registration (**drums, guitar, piano, violin, or ukelele**). Fee includes rental instrument and required curriculum (music). Take instruments and music home in between classes. A rental agreement must be signed, and instruments must be returned in the same condition at the last scheduled class. Parents are responsible for the return cost and/or replacement of any unreturned/damaged instruments. Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or [cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov).

Grades K-5 Drums Classes: 6  
RP3360.618 Feb 2 4-5pm M \$165  
Grades K-5 Poppin' Piano Classes: 6  
RP3360.618 Feb 2 4-5pm M \$165  
Grades K-5 Groovy Guitar or Ukelele Classes: 6  
RP3360.618 Feb 2 4-5pm M \$165  
Grades K-5 Viva Violin Classes: 6  
RP3360.618 Feb 2 4-5pm M \$165



## Science, Technology & LEGO®

### Reptile Rangers - Scales, Tails and Shells with Medical Me

Join Medical Me staff for a super reptilian adventure! This interactive Reptile Rangers herpetology program is designed for those who are fascinated with snakes, lizards, turtles, frogs, and all things herpetological. Enjoy activities to engage and educate you about these incredible creatures in a safe and supportive environment. No live animals are used in this program. Info: Patrick Hughes, [phughes@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:phughes@howardcountymd.gov) or 410-313-4622.

Grades K-5 Classes: 6 \$35 materials fee  
RP3336.631 Jan 30 4-5pm F \$179

### Science Club After School with Club SciKidz

Participate in six signature **Science Olympiad** events including: Aerodynamics, Gummy Bear Long Jump, Operation Egg Drop, Rock Hound, Straw Tower, and Chemistry Concoctions. Little scientists, come learn and experiment with physics, aerodynamics, engineering, and chemistry. You may even bring home the Gold Medal of Science! Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or [cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov).

Grades K-5 Classes: 6  
RP3374.602 Feb 11 4-5pm W \$125

### NEW! Science Connections: People & Animals with LEGO® SPIKE Prime After School

Join Maria, Sofie, Leo, and Daniel on exciting adventures to see how people and animals make sense of the world! Discover how light helps us see; explore animal "super-tools" for survival; and learn how humans use and protect Earth's energy and resources. Become an inventor as you design clever solutions to share information and stay safe from Earth's powerful forces. Info: Carson Nickell, 410-313-4721 or [cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cjnickell@howardcountymd.gov).

Grades K-2 Classes: 6  
RP3255.603 Jan 20 4-5pm Tu \$125

## Sports

### Kiddie Soccer **flickr**

Ready to play the world's most popular game? Boys and girls meet on the field to learn dribbling, trapping, passing, shooting, defending and playing as a team in a fun environment. Info: Curtis Gore, 410-313-4705 or [cgore@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cgore@howardcountymd.gov).

5-7 yrs Classes: 6  
RP6700.604 Feb 12 5:05-6:05pm Th \$109

### After-School Soccer **flickr**

Boys and girls, learn and improve basic skills such as dribbling, trapping, shooting, passing, defending and playing as a team. Coaches use a variety of drills and games to make learning fun and exciting. Info: Curtis Gore, 410-313-4705 or [cgore@howardcountymd.gov](mailto:cgore@howardcountymd.gov).

8-10 yrs Classes: 6  
RP6701.604 Feb 12 4-5pm Th \$109

## CONCUSSION & SUDDEN CARDIAC ARREST INFO

Read concussion and sudden cardiac arrest information online at [www.hcrpsports.org/concussion](http://www.hcrpsports.org/concussion) and [www.hcrpsports.org/sca](http://www.hcrpsports.org/sca). Your review of this information is required by law before you are allowed to register for youth sports programs.