



# 2023-2024 ELECTIVES GUIDE

MONDAY THURSDAY

**ART**

TUESDAY FRIDAY

FINE ARTS

Art will emphasize art terminology, techniques, and material handling skills for graphite, ink, pastel, and colored pencil renderings. Beginning concepts in color theory will be learned through the use of acrylic and watercolor.

*Supplies:* 9x12 sketch book (*required*), basic graphite pencil set, at least 1 large cardboard box (used for a project), & kneaded eraser

*Prerequisites:* None

*Homework:* Sketch assigned weekly outside of class

*Special Note:* 1 day out of class in May for Sketch Day

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**ADVANCED ART**

TUESDAY FRIDAY

FINE ARTS

Advanced Art will emphasize art terminology, techniques, and material handling skills for a variety of mediums. Students will continue to learn techniques and terminologies that were introduced in Art. Students will also learn about famous artists both past and current as well as build portfolios and have exhibition opportunities.

*Supplies:* 9x12 sketch book (*required*), graphite pencil set, kneaded eraser, & at least 1 large cardboard box (used for a project)

*Prerequisites:* One previous Art class

*Homework:* Sketch assigned weekly outside of class

*Special Note:* 1 day out of class in May for High School Sketch Day

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**WOODSHOP**

TUESDAY FRIDAY

PRACTICAL ARTS

Woodshop provides students the opportunity to plan and build individual projects using advanced construction techniques, proper tool adjustment, and safe tool use. Quality workmanship will be emphasized.

*Supplies:* Paper & 3-ring Binder. Students will need to provide wood and supplies for their larger projects. Wood for small projects will be provided.

*Special Note:* Students will be using power tools to construct woodworking projects.

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**CADET TEACHING**

PRACTICAL ARTS

Students will cooperatively serve educators at local grade schools. Calvary students do not have to be interested in teaching but should be motivated to help others and open to learning new ways to serve. Students will gain an appreciation and understanding of the responsibilities of being a teacher.

*Prerequisites:* Have completed 1 school year at Calvary

*Classwork:* Supporting teachers with day-to-day projects, assisting students with school work as assigned, designing and/or assisting with projects (may require preparation outside of the school day.)

*Special Note:* Application required. Cadet teaching students will regularly travel to other schools.

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**BAND**

TUESDAY FRIDAY

FINE ARTS

To the glory of God, the Calvary band will learn and perform instrumental music. Students will learn advanced techniques and skills through various genres including classical, jazz, and 20th century repertoire.

*Supplies:* Instrument & instrument supplies, Concert attire, \**Tradition of Excellence: Technique and Musicianship* by Pearson & Nowlin (\*Purchase from Palen Music or Capital Music for your instrument)

*Prerequisites:* Foundational knowledge of instrument

*Homework:* Instrument practice, Music Theory assignments

*Special Note:* 1 concert each semester and leadership in various Calvary athletic and worship events

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**CHOIR**

FINE ARTS

The Calvary choir seeks to worship God in singing. Students will learn about proper posture, breathing, and tone quality. They will sing music from a wide range of genres from classical to contemporary.

*Supplies:* Concert Attire

*Homework:* Organization and readiness for our concerts, Music Theory assignments

*Special Note:* Sing at 2 elementary chapel services each semester, 1 concert each semester, and graduation in May

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## CREATIVE WRITING

LANGUAGE ARTS

This course is intended to improve creative writing skills. Students will read and analyze short stories and essays of published authors and learn how to create captivating plots and characters in different genres. We will also tackle the difficult question of what it looks like to be a Christian writer.

*Supplies:* Journal/Composition notebook

*Special Note:* PR writing and opportunity to enter in writing contests.

## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

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FINE ARTS

Each student will learn the fundamentals of photography exposure and the manual settings on his/her camera. During second semester, he/she will learn basic Photoshop skills. At the end of the course, each student should be fully capable of taking quality photographs using his/her camera's manual mode.

*Supplies:* Camera which permits manual adjustment of Shutter Speed, Aperture, and ISO (Do NOT purchase a camera without being very certain of this ability!); SD/USB converter to transfer photos to PC

*Prerequisite:* Approval of camera by instructor or principal

*Homework:* Approximately 1 photo plan and 1 photo assignment per week

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## DANCE

FINE ARTS

Students will learn the posture, form, and rhythm for basic steps in swing, ballroom, English country, and line dances. Throughout the year, students will differentiate between East and West Coast swing dances and smooth and Latin style ballroom dances, along with demonstrating turns and varied sequences for the following: waltz, foxtrot, tango, cha-cha, rumba, hustle, swing, and more.

*Prerequisites:* None

*Attire:* Non-marking soled shoes firmly latched to foot (no street shoes or boots) with school approved uniform loose enough for active walking, lunging, and/or skipping

## FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCE

PRACTICAL ARTS

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A course designed to help students develop the essential knowledge and skills to make meaningful contributions to family and community. Students will learn and be given opportunities to practice interpersonal relationships, child development, home design and maintenance, basic sewing, car maintenance, and nutritional meals. The goal of the course is to lay the foundation for students to be well-balanced and productive adults.

*Supplies:* Work clothes and shoes for special class projects (gardening, painting, etc.)

*Homework:* Class projects including infant simulations and home design

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## HISTORY OF RECENT DECADES

SOCIAL STUDIES

This course will include 20th century world events and trends in the past four decades (1980s to 2010s). We will study important events, people, music, movies, technology, and pop culture.

*Prerequisites:* None

*Homework:* Weekly assignments (research, writing, and presentations)

## JOURNALISM

LANGUAGE ARTS

TUESDAY  
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Students will not only gain proficiency in interviewing, writing, and editing, but they will also implement these skills in print and digital mediums. In collaboration with other courses, such as Videography and Yearbook, students will produce a variety of news updates to present to the student body.

*Supplies:* Standard Chromebook or other laptop

*Prerequisites:* None

*Homework:* Weekly assignments (may involve interviews, script/newsletter writing, or attending Calvary events)

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## SERVICE LEADERSHIP

PRACTICAL ARTS

Service Leadership provides opportunities for students to enhance their creativity, communication skills, and collaborative skills while undertaking tasks to improve their communities.

*Prerequisites:* 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

*Homework:* leadership project, service project, activity log, and leadership book study

## VIDEOGRAPHY

FINE ARTS

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Students will have the opportunity to learn new skills in video production. They will learn how to produce various kinds of videos from start to finish by taking their own video clips and doing their own editing on various editing platforms. Videos include but are not limited to: family reels, retreat recap, business promotions, newscasts, Calvary promos, etc.

*Supplies:* Headphones, SD card, USB drive, video camera (only if you want to use your own, the school has three which the students may use)

*Homework:* Daily participation in class activities, daily editing assignments, weekly video submissions, group projects, and a final video project.