

2024 Course Catalog



"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."

- Plutarch

Keep the fire of knowledge burning this June with a Cicero Prep Summer Academy course!

Online registration begins **March 4th**. Early Registration closes and prices increase after **May 12th**. Registration closes **May 31st or when classes are full**. Classes run Monday through Friday from **June 3rd to 28th**.

For questions relating to Summer Academy courses or enrollment, please contact <u>Ms. McClanahan</u>, Assistant Dean of Academics.

All Cicero Prep Summer Academy courses will be run in-person. If you are concerned for any reason that in-person learning will not meet your family's needs, please reach out and we will work with you to find the right solution for your family.

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Enrichment Courses

Expand your horizons with these enrichment courses taught by Cicero instructors.

Register online by clicking here (registration opens March 4th).

| Course | Description | Schedule | Fee* *after May 12th |
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| PREP FOR PREP | Our most popular course. A carefully designed two-week course used to prepare students of all ages for the curriculum of Cicero Prep. Two identical sessions offered. First come, first served. | Session 1: June 3 - 14, M-F 8:30-10:30 AM Session 2: June 17 - 28, M-F 8:30-10:30 AM | \$250/\$275* |
| PREP MATH SKILLS | A highly-requested course which pairs well with Prep Study Skills. Learn and review the fundamental concepts necessary to excel in 6th-grade Math at Cicero Prep. Two identical sessions offered. First come, first served. | Session 1: June 3 - 14, M-F 10:30 AM-12:30 PM Session 2: June 17 - 28, M-F 10:30 AM-12:30 PM | \$250/\$275* |
| SUMMER SEMINARS | Keep your seminar skills sharp this summer! Join Mr. Kramer and classmates for in-depth discussions about interesting topics inspired by readings from great authors. Enjoy exploring these big ideas together. This course is available for rising 9th - 12th grade students and is available based on a minimum enrollment. | June 3 - 28, Tues./Thurs. 1:00 PM-2:30 PM | \$100/\$125* |

Credit Courses

The following courses meet the requirement for middle school promotion. These courses can help transferring students align with the Cicero curriculum, returning students to complete missed credit, or students who need support to build their academic skills. They are not intended to substitute for upcoming curricular coursework.

Great Hearts affirms the fundamental importance of a single track liberal arts education. As such, with rare exception, all students are expected to complete the same courses in a given year of study. This being so, it is important for students to come to a given year of study at Cicero Preparatory Academy with sufficient foundational knowledge for a year of study. Without the necessary prior experience, students will likely struggle to succeed academically at Cicero. We strongly encourage incoming students to prepare for study at Cicero in the summer prior to the start of their first academic year at Cicero. Please use the table below to determine how your student should prepare to begin at Cicero.

| Grade | Recommended Summer Study |
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| 6th | Prep Study Skills &/or Prep Math Skills |
| 7th and 8th | Summer Academy "Latin Fundamentals" or "Math Fundamentals" |
| 10th | Summer Academy "Algebra I" |

Register online by clicking here (registration opens March 4th).

| Course | Description | Schedule | Fee* *after May 12th |
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| ALGEBRA I | This course is available to all students who either need to retake the course or are new to the school. **An important note for incoming 10 th 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 8 th grade to enroll in this course. Additionally, the AASA and standardized tests for college admission expect students to have a certain proficiency in this subject. CREDIT AWARDED: 8 th Grade Math | June 3 -28, M-F 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | \$400/\$425* |
| MATH FUNDAMENTALS | This course is available to all students who either need to retake the course or are new to the school. The course covers the main concepts from our 6 th and 7 th grade math curriculum. Students who are struggling can use this to deepen their understanding. Students entering 7 th or 8 th grade at Cicero can use this to ensure that they are on track and prepared for the next level of mathematics. CREDIT AWARDED: 6 th , 7 th Grade Math | June 3 - 28, M-F 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | \$400/\$425* |
| PREP STUDY SKILLS REMEDIATION | This course is available by referral of a teacher or the Dean of Academics to all middle school students earning a D or below in History, Literature/Composition, or Science. It will give students focused practice in the habits of reading for information, note taking, homework & classwork completion, and seminar participation. | Session 1: June 3 - 14, M-F 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM Session 2: June 17 - 28, M-F 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | \$250/\$275* per Session |
| LATIN FUNDAMENTALS | Cicero Prep is not offering Latin Fundamentals this summer. New middle school students who need to take Latin I or returning 6th grade students who need to retake Latin I can register to take the course through Great Hearts Online. For Latin II options, please contact Ms. McClanahan, Assistant Dean of Academics. | Session 1: June 3 - 21 Session 2: June 27 - July 19 | \$250 |

Summer Academy Policies and Procedures

Course Guarantee: Cicero Prep reserves the right to cancel any course offering due to insufficient enrollment. All enrollees will be given at least one week's notice and refunded in full.

Homework: For credit courses in particular, optional homework may be assigned to strengthen student understanding 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 Cicero Preparatory Academy <u>Family Handbook</u>. Please click the link and review the policy. Exceptions are noted below:

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

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: Students may be dropped off at school as early as 8:15 a.m., and must be picked up no later than 15 minutes after their course ends. Parents should drop off and pick up students at the east entrance for Cicero Prep. If a family needs a student to leave class early, a parent/guardian should notify the Cicero Prep Summer Academy Director, Ms. McClanahan, 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 Cicero as outlined in the Cicero Prep <u>Family Handbook</u>. 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).

Refunds: Full refunds less a \$50 non-refundable deposit will be issued if a student withdraws prior to seven days before a session's first day. A 50% refund will be issued if a student withdraws prior to three days before a session's first day. No refunds will be issued after this. Classes cannot be prorated due to absence.

CLEP TESTING OPPORTUNITY

Attention High School Students:

The Cicero Prep College Counseling Department wants to help you earn college credit by taking a College Level Examination Program (CLEP) exam this summer. These exams serve the same purpose as Advanced Placement (AP) tests: allowing high school students to earn college-level credits for work they have done in their high school classes.

CLEP Tests are multiple choice exams affiliated with the College Board and are designed by college professors to give college credit to our students without the need to enroll in a regular course to receive credit. CLEP tests save time, money, and award college credit for what you have already learned in high school.

CLEP offers the following exams:

American Government French Language

Analyzing & Interpreting Literature History of the United States

Biology Humanities

Calculus Human Growth and Development

College Algebra Humanities

Chemistry Introduction to Psychology

College Mathematics Introduction to Sociology

College Composition Natural Sciences

English Literature Spanish Language

Precalculus

While thousands of colleges across the nation accept CLEP credit, you will want to make sure the college you are applying to accepts the exams you take. If you are unsure whether your school accepts the credit, please go to the <u>CLEP website</u> or contact your colleges' admissions offices.

Testing Location: There are many different testing centers which proctor these exams, however our college counseling department highly recommends you test at Arizona State University, as it is one of the main testing sites for these exams.

Follow these steps to earn college credit during your time here at Cicero:

- 1. Choose the exam you would like to take.
- 2. Meet with Ms. Edmonston as a part of college counseling.
- 3. Work with Ms. Edmonston to create your CLEP account & register for exams.
- 4. Select a testing center for the exams
- 5. Schedule and place the order!

Once you receive the score report from the testing center, you can work with Ms. Edmonston to send your score to your colleges of choice. If you are interested or have any further questions, please contact <u>Ms. Edmonston</u> in the College Counseling department.