

ROBINSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

2025-26 SESSION 4

APRIL 13-17 AND

APRIL 27-JUNE 5

ELP offers fun and educational workshops after school for all RES Students

Register for workshops at Robinson ELP Workshops Session 4 even if you are not currently attending ELP.

Contact a RES ELP Site Director with questions at
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WORKSHOPS

Tabletop Games

Wednesdays Grades K-6
with Andre Gorostiaga



Join us for a fun-filled workshop where kids will explore the world of board and card games! Players will learn teamwork, problem-solving, and strategy through classic favorites and new games.

I have been coaching and teaching youth and adults about chess for the past 5 years and have been playing the game for even longer. Most consider me a chess master, but technically, I'm not there yet. My teaching style focuses on maintaining a light-hearted, energetic approach, yet remaining disciplined when necessary. Chess is all about making good decisions while having fun. This is my philosophy both at the board and in life.

Typical Schedule for workshop days:

3:00-3:30 Welcome/Circle, Movement & Snack

3:30-5:00 Workshops

5:00-5:30 Gathering and Parent Pick Up

Our workshop leaders design the workshop experiences just for ELP students. Please sign up only if your child is interested, will be at ELP that day, and can stay for the whole workshop.

Thanks for helping us make these opportunities meaningful!





MILO Bus

Wednesdays Grades K-6
with Jodi Pierce

Science on the Move! Get ready for a thrilling journey of discovery with science teacher Jodi Pierce aboard MILO (My Innovative Learning Opportunities), the traveling maker space bus!

Jodi's new catchphrases for this year are, "Just call me Ms. Jedi Frizzle!" & "Science is Magic that Works." A passionate STEM Educator, Jodi is thrilled to travel with MILO to schools sharing her fascination with the world. Her lessons are fun, dynamic, and designed to encourage students to ask questions, think critically, and solve problems.



Community Kindness Club

Fridays Grades K-6
with Kerry Lake



Join Mrs. Lake for the Community Kindness Club! Our sessions will center around brainstorming and implementing all manner of ways to spread kindness in our special school and town community of Starksboro. If you like to start a ripple of kindness and keep it going, please join us!

Kerry Lake currently teaches 2nd Grade at Robinson. She grew up in South Burlington and is an alum of Boston College and St. Mike's. She began her teaching career in 2000 here and then taught for a few years in Hood River, Oregon. Kerry returned to Vermont in 2013 to settle in Hinesburg with her husband and young son. Kerry's husband teaches 2nd grade also in Williston, and her son, Sawyer, is a junior at CVU. In her spare time, she loves to travel, read, tell jokes, bike, trail run, and listen to live music. Many of her ELP workshops include a global connection.



ELP afterschool workshops are thoughtfully aligned with the MAUSD "Portrait of a Learner" values.

Community Sailing Center Sailing Field Trip

ELP will be taking an all-district field trip to the Lake Champlain Community Sailing Center Floating Classroom on our May 6th Early Release Day. Participants in grades 3-6 can take part in a two-hour sailing program on Lake Champlain, where they split their time between hands-on STEM activities on land and sailing on keelboats with an instructor. Space is limited so be sure to let your site director know if you are interested!



community sailing center
lake champlain : burlington vermont

Join Our Team at the MAUSD Expanded Learning Program!

Are you passionate about transforming the lives of young people? The MAUSD Expanded Learning Program is always looking for dedicated adults to lead engaging afterschool workshops.

If you're ready to make a meaningful impact, we want to hear from you! Contact your school site director for more details.



Creation Studio

Wednesdays Grades K-6

with Trav Fryer and Leena Unger

Creation Studio is an open, flexible workshop where kiddos can explore different materials, experiment freely, and continue working on current projects from last session. It's a relaxed space to play, create, and follow your ideas wherever they lead.

Trav Fryer is an independent artist and co-owner of the tech cooperative Autonomic. A UVM Computer Science graduate, he runs community projects like Free Sha Voca Do and a monthly Repair Cafe, creating interactive art that encourages care for everyday objects.

Leena is a multidisciplinary artist focused on community creativity. She founded the UVM Arts Incubator and has performed with Bread and Puppet, Circus Smirkus, and Phish. She's excited to share the magic of animated papier-mâché puppets with ELP kids.

Nature Crafts



Tuesdays Grades K-2
with Robin Andresen

Nature is a great source of inspiration for art of all kinds. In this hands-on workshop, we will explore the textures, patterns and colors of natural things we find outdoors, and use them to make art. We'll build fairy houses, make leaf prints, seed mosaics, and more.

Robin is a Bristol-based naturalist and horticulturist. She loves working with plants as a gardener at Rocky Dale Gardens, and also uses plants for crafts like weaving baskets, natural dyeing, cooking, and whittling. She finds so much artistic inspiration in Vermont's forests and is excited to share it with the students in her workshop, Nature Crafts!

The MAUSD Expanded Learning Program provides safe afterschool and summer opportunities for children in grades K-6 to participate in a variety of activities that encourage play, movement, exploration, skill-building, and academic workshops aligned with MAUSD strategic goals.

ELP offers comprehensive afterschool centers at **Bristol Elementary, Robinson Elementary, Monkton Central, and Beeman Elementary Schools**, as well as afterschool opportunities for grades 7-12 at **Mt Abraham Union Middle/High School**, and K-6 Feb/April Vacation Camps.

Find more information at ['Families and Community'](http://mausd.org)

Youth Led: Forts and Games



Thursdays Grades K-6
with Lily Bessette and
Leah Butterfield

You've heads of Arts and Crafts, but have you heard of Forts and Games?! Join two first graders, Lily and Leah, as they erect structures out of blankets, pillows, and misc. objects all while engaging in imaginative play.

Lily and Leah are two best friends who have known each other since PreK. You can often find them toting around stuffies, being silly, and sticking up for each other. They are super excited to work together as workshop leaders for this last session!

Ecology and Pokemon: Creating a Vermont Pokemon Region



Thursdays Grades 3-6
with El White

El's Pokemon Workshop is back! This year's session will be aimed at an older crowd with the goal of building our very own Pokemon region inspired by Vermont. Unlike last year where we zoomed in on individual animals and Pokemon, this workshop will focus more on the bigger picture exploring concepts such as the food web through outdoor games and activities. The first half of the workshop will be spent learning about ecological concepts in the outdoor classroom while the second half will focus on designing our region.

Originally from South Carolina, El (they/she) is excited to be serving their second year at ELP as an Academic Enrichment Lead! When they are not talking to kids about weird bugs, they can be found playing with their three cats or starting a new craft project.

Movin' and Groovin'

Mondays Grades K-6
with Lindsay Bugbee



Warm-up, stretch and dance the afternoon away in this fun-filled, energetic dance class! Students will have the opportunity to practice creative movement and choreographed routines to a variety of dance styles.

Lindsay Bugbee grew up dancing from the age of 3 in Concord, NH. When in high school she was given the opportunity to assist teaching children's dance classes. She studied at the University of Vermont where she continued her practice of dance and graduated with a BS in nursing. Lindsay is looking forward to sharing her love of music and dance with all interested ELP students!

Paper Engineering: Flight

Mondays Grades K-6
with Deb Chamberlin



Paper Engineering will continue next session with a theme of "Airplane Design and Construction." Each week, (using recycled paper of course) we will fold, launch, and fly our handmade models of stunt planes, gliders, spinners, twirlies, and more. There will be plenty of opportunities for testing out the aerodynamics of our creations as we learn how to make the perfect model.

A graduate of UVM and St. Michael's, Deb Chamberlin retired after 25 years as a school librarian in the ANWSD. She also ran the Russell Memorial Library in Monkton, VT, and this is her 6th year as an ELP Leader in the MAUSD.