

Charles River School Auxiliary Programs

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2024-2025

Joy of Childhood Throughout the Day

Children have opportunities to play in small groups, simulating a neighborhood playgroup. Multi-age grouping enriches personal relationships among the children and provides opportunities to develop new perspectives and ideas.

Early Birds: Before School Care

Charles River School offers before-school care, free of charge to all families, beginning at 7:30 a.m. each day. Located in the Library, the Early Birds program is staffed by faculty members. Students can choose a quiet activity or book to read.

Extended Day: After School Care

The Extended Day Program (EDP) at CRS is an extension of the school day, and the EDP staff reinforces a strong sense of continuity for students. Our program equips children with the freedom to make individual and group choices and stresses the development of interpersonal social skills and the importance of building community.

EDP provides children with both the structure of directed activities and the opportunity to make their own personal choices during free time, during which children have time to play, interact, and communicate in positive ways.

Throughout the program, we encourage children to make creative choices that will enhance their personal growth. As a part of EDP, we offer optional enrichment activities several times a week in areas including STEM, martial arts, dance, and the creative arts.



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Enrichment Classes

Each season, we offer a variety of enrichment classes in the afternoons for an additional fee. These activities give students an opportunity to explore a new interest or take a deep dive into an area of interest. Classes are age-based and have included: STEM Lab, Martial Arts, Theater, Dance & Improv, Arts & Crafts, Entrepreneurship, and more. Below is a sample of enrichment offerings.

Mondays: Chess Wizards

Chess Wizards is a premier chess education company providing fun, informative, and challenging chess lessons to students in PreK-8th grade. Our program is made for children at every step of their chess journey – no matter the skill level – with classes that build upon each other, starting with the basics and moving toward more advanced lessons as your child progresses from one session to the next. Chess Wizards teaches children how to problem solve, think critically, win graciously, and accept defeat with dignity and sportsmanship. Students will be divided into groups according to their chess experience. Each student has the chance to participate in a mini-chess tournament. This class is open to students in K – 5. The cost is \$350 for the 7 sessions.

Tuesdays: Junior Bakers

Does your child enjoy exploring new flavors and creating tasty treats? Our Blending Basics program introduces young enthusiasts to the art of making smoothies, dips, and more. Students will learn to blend a variety of nutritious and delicious recipes from around the globe. Our sessions are packed with fun, offering kids the chance to learn blending techniques, understand safety protocols, and enhance their culinary vocabulary. Join us for a blending adventure where your child will discover how simple ingredients can be transformed into exciting and healthy creations! This class is open to students in K – 5. The cost is \$350 for 7 sessions.

Wednesdays: Martial Arts with Master Liam

Liam Gutmacher is the proud owner of LG Martial Arts, a Taekwondo school located in Norwood, MA. He offers an exciting Martial Arts program that brings a unique, engaging, and beneficial experience to our students! The program is a hybrid of Taekwondo and Gymnastics that focuses on the skill development of students while simultaneously building character. Throughout the program, students learn physical, social and emotional education that, when paired with Martial Arts training, truly builds champions of mind and body! This class is open to students in Grades 1 – 5. The cost is \$350 for the 7 sessions.



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Thursdays: Weird Science TV!

Put on your lab coats and secure your goggles- it's time for some whacky science with CinemaKidz! From mixing magic potions and making a slime monster come to life with stop motion, to building bottle rockets and tin foil boats- anything is possible in Weird Science Television! Working together in lab teams, kids will learn, then demonstrate and show others how to make mind-blowing experiments and more for their kid-run science show. Using their science skills, these creative kids will create their own Bill Nye-inspired TV show! This class is open to students in Grades PreK – 1. The cost is \$400 for the 8 sessions.

Fridays: Minecraft Engineering using LEGO® Materials

Venture into the world of Minecraft in our unique LEGO® experience. Get ready to build your base, craft your tools, use your mine cart to harvest raw resources, and battle to stop the Ender Dragon from ending the world. Come explore the endless possibilities of LEGO® with a trained Play-Well instructor. This class is open to students in PreK – 2. The cost is \$350 for 8 sessions.

Private Music Lessons

Offerings include piano, guitar, ukulele, bass, drums, violin/viola, and voice lessons. Lessons take place after school from 3:00 – 5:30pm once per week. Length of lessons range from 30 – 60 minutes.

Students in Pre-K to Grade 8 may participate. Vocal lessons are recommended for Grades 5-8. For PreK/K interest, we ask that families contact [Mica Moellering](#), Head of Performing Arts, before signing up.

Chorus

All CRS students in Grades 4-8 are also welcomed to join Chorus at no additional fee. For more information, please contact [Mica Moellering](#), Head of Performing Arts.



Auxiliary Program Fees

- EDP is billed based on the number of days per week a child is enrolled, and the length of time the child is in attendance.
- Billing is by trimester, aligning with our athletic schedule
- Students may drop in on non-registered days for a daily fee

Pricing for the 2024-2025 Year

Number of Days	Yearly Cost 3:15 - 4:30 PM	Yearly Cost 3:15 - 6:00 PM
One Day	\$860	\$1,715
Two Days	\$1,720	\$3,430
Three Days	\$2,580	\$5,145
Four Days	\$3,440	\$6,860
Five Days	\$4,300	\$8,575
Drop in rate: \$40/day		\$80/day

*Auxiliary programming prices for the 2025-2026 school year will be set in the spring of 2025.

Families who receive financial aid will have their EDP prorated based on the percentage of financial aid they receive.

Please contact Adam Brewer, Director of Extended Day Program, at edp@charlesriverschool.org with any questions.

