

Winter 2025 Course Catalog



Winter Break is Coming!

Winter break is an excellent opportunity for students to reflect on the challenges of the fall and get a jump-start on the upcoming semester! Our team of teaching experts has put together a set of fun and engaging courses to make the most of the school break.

This year, students can:

- Get a head start on AP exam preparation
- Prepare for the SAT, ACT, or another standardized test
- Build core study skills and test-taking strategies

We are also excited to share 1-day enrichment workshops with our 6th–8th graders! See pages 5–8 for details. All of our courses are offered in-person and virtually, so students can join from anywhere in the world. Give us a call today at **(650) 331-3251** to collaborate on a program for your student!



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Winter Break One-Day Workshops

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Creative Writing Workshop

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Middle school students seeking to elevate their creative writing will love this one-day workshop!



Date: December 22nd, 2025

Location: 1122 Crane St, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Time: 12:30–4:00 pm

Date: December 22nd, 2025

Location: 1 Camino Sobrante, Ste 201, Orinda, CA 94563

Time: 1:00–4:30 pm

In this one-day creative writing workshop for middle schoolers, students will use Joseph Campbell's framework of the Hero's Journey to craft their own epic adventure story. They will brainstorm characters and plot points, write their draft, and receive feedback, leaving with a completed work of original fiction. Space is limited, so reserve your spot now!

ENROLL: Menlo Park

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To enroll, call (650) 331-3251, (408) 345-5200, (415) 419-8786, or (925) 278-6311

Math Games Workshop

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Middle school students will love solving math challenges and learning math games with friends!



Date: December 23rd, 2025

Location: 1 Camino Sobrante, Ste 201, Orinda, CA 94563

Time: 1:00–4:30 pm

In this one-day math workshop for middle schoolers, students will play a variety of fun and collaborative math games and puzzles designed to practice skills including number sense, problem solving, arithmetic, and more. Space is limited, so reserve your spot now!

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Study Skills Workshop

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Students in 6th grade and up will learn helpful skills that translate into better organization, time management, and more!



Date: January 2nd, 2026

Location: 1122 Crane St, Menlo Park, CA 94025

Time: 12:30–4:00 pm

Date: January 2nd, 2026

Location: 1 Camino Sobrante, Ste 201, Orinda, CA 94563

Time: 1:00–4:30 pm

In this one-day study skills workshop for middle schoolers, students will participate in fun and collaborative activities to practice core skills including organization, note-taking, scheduling, and more. Space is limited, so reserve your spot now!

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Mid-Year AP Exam Prep

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Improve your students' college apps with high scores on AP tests, scores that are measured against an objective standard and respected by colleges everywhere!



Students who start AP prep early have more opportunities to:

- Master more advanced skills needed for free-response questions
- Get better grades on class tests and final exams that feature AP-style questions
- Understand strengths and weaknesses to promote more effective studying

Mid-year AP prep starts with three to four 1-on-1 sessions and can be expanded depending on the student's needs and goals.

Academic Core Enrichment Courses

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Mathematics



This 1-on-1 Academic Core Enrichment (ACE) course is tailored to the student's skill level to provide the rigor necessary to improve students' math skills in a short period of time.

Our program focuses on:

- Solidifying foundational concepts
- Developing concrete problem solving strategies
- Learning how to think like mathematicians and not calculators
- Building confidence and skills

Though appropriate for students at any level, both those looking for challenges and struggling to keep pace, this program is especially valuable for providing students with a solid foundation and confidence.

Academic Core Enrichment Courses

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English Grammar



This 1-on-1 Academic Core Enrichment (ACE) grammar course improves the student's use of grammar by focusing on two core themes: structure and agreement.

Our program focuses on:

- Sentence structure
- Punctuation
- Subject-verb agreement
- Pronoun agreement
- Style

This course supplements students' innate "ear" for grammar with core rules and strategies for correct usage to allow students to improve the mechanics of their written assignments and spoken presentations.

Study Skills



Our 1-on-1 Academic Core Enrichment (ACE) study skills program focuses on:

- Time Management
- Note Taking
- Memorization
- Application
- Test Preparation

Improving study skills is helpful for all age levels, but especially for students who are at a point of transition or who are not achieving the results they want with their current strategies. Students will leave the course with a Study Skills Toolkit that they can use to adapt their study habits over time.



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Test Prep Tutoring

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Our test prep programs cover test-taking skills like timing, guessing strategy, and question interpretation!



Based on students' performance on their first practice tests, we also pinpoint content gaps and teach valuable concepts they may have missed in school.

Preparation is available for the following exams:

- High school entrance exams (ISEE, SSAT, & HSPT)
- SAT
- PSAT
- ACT
- GMAT
- GRE
- MCAT

Academic Tutoring

Our academic tutoring programs are customized for each individual student, whether they are struggling to keep up or eager to get ahead!



Courses include (but are not limited to):

- Elementary and Middle School (K-8) courses
- Math (Pre-Algebra through Advanced Calculus)
- English
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics
- Environmental Science
- Spanish and French
- History (US, European, and World)
- Government
- Macro- and Microeconomics
- Psychology
- Computer Science

For-Credit High School and AP Courses



AJ Tutoring is proud to partner with Cypress College Prep to offer 1-on-1 and small-group WASC-accredited courses in select subjects!



These courses fulfill A-G requirements for high school graduation and college admission and are tailored to the student's needs.

The program offers convenience, accessibility, and an individually-tailored learning pace to support students from various backgrounds:

- Students looking to advance to a higher-level course
- Students who do better in a 1-on-1 setting
- Students trying to recover course credit

For-credit courses are limited to select subjects and depend on whether your student's high school will accept outside courses for credit, but we're here to help you navigate the process. For details, email forcredit@ajtutoring.com.