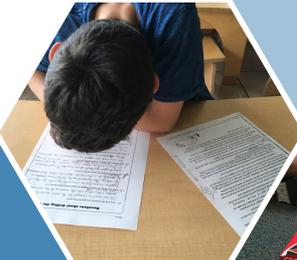
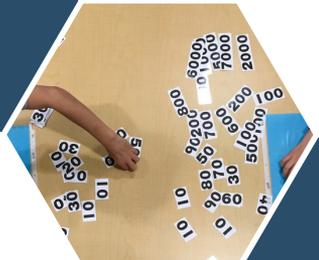


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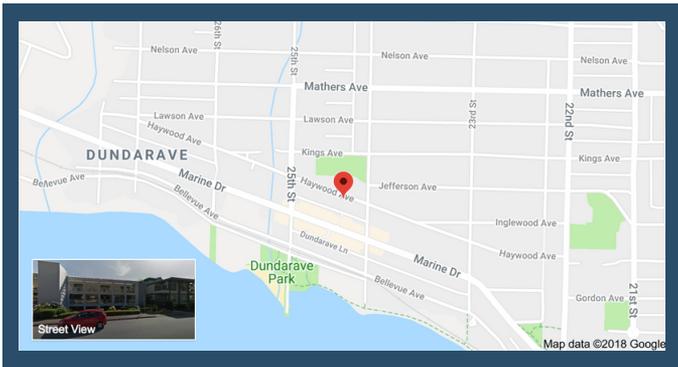


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## About Our Team: **SUPPORT. ENRICH. ENGAGE.**

At Aspire Math Academy our mission is to provide a supportive, enriching and engaging educational experience, which engenders progress, confidence and growth in our students.

We select our teachers on the basis of their academic attainment, aptitude and experience; we provide thorough and ongoing training to ensure that our teachers deliver our curriculum to your child in the most effective way. The safety and comfort of your child is of paramount importance to us; we thoroughly vet all of our teachers. Moreover, we can confidently say our teachers will not only teach lesson content well, but also provide fun and enjoyment.

In our math curriculum, we have adopted the Singapore Math® pedagogical approach for students up to Grade 8; the effectiveness of this method is attested in abundant research-based evidence. In our English language arts curriculum, we utilise a story-based approach with our younger students; again, the success of a story-based approach to reading, writing and language acquisition is well documented.

The Directors of Aspire Math Academy are qualified teachers who possess many years of teaching experience, including curriculum design and the provision of teacher training. We measure the quality of the learning experience provided by our teachers against that of top-performing international independent schools.

If you have further questions about what Aspire can offer your child, and what makes our programming unique and effective, please do not hesitate to contact us!



## Want More Information?

### Want to View Class Schedule?

For a complete list of class offerings, please visit our website. Alternatively, please email us at [info@aspiremathacademy.com](mailto:info@aspiremathacademy.com) and we will send details.

### How to Register?

To register please visit our website and complete the registration process. If you prefer to complete the process in person, you are welcome to drop by our learning centre or give us a call!



## Cancellation Policy:

### Private Lessons:

We do understand that plans change!

To maintain a level of flexibility, you are able to cancel or reschedule up to two lessons per term. We require 48 hours notice of any cancellations or requests to reschedule.

We will carry forward a credit into the following term for lessons that have been cancelled (not rescheduled) 48 hours in advance.

### Group Lessons:

If your child is unable to attend a scheduled group lesson due to illness or other commitment, your child can catch up on the lesson by attending one of our Homework Centre Drop In sessions at no extra charge. Please let us know in advance the day that your child will be attending the Homework Centre session, so we can reserve a place for your child.

Your child may make up a maximum of two group lessons per term in this way.

Changes effective September 10, 2018.

### Educational Camps:

Cancellation Policy: If your child is unable to attend the camp that you have signed up for, please notify Aspire Math Academy by email 14 days in advance. A \$25 administration fee will apply. Less than 14 days in advance will be subject to 100% penalty.

We do understand that unpredictable situations arise; if this is the case, do contact us!

# Elementary Programming

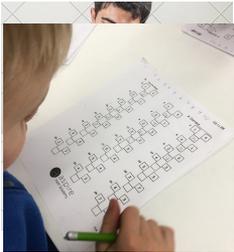


## Homework Centre Drop-in Program (All Subjects)

The Homework Centre program offers a supportive environment in which students are provided with individualized assistance across all school subjects in a small group setting (languages by special arrangement). Students are encouraged to bring in their school homework and textbooks; our skilled and knowledgeable teachers will provide clarification and additional practice with concepts and topics that are being covered at school, including mathematical and scientific methods, literary criticism and essay writing technique.

Teachers will also offer guidance in improving students' organizational and study skills and developing good independent learning habits. This will set students up for success in their studies even beyond Grade 12.

Students will be provided with computer access (or can bring their own laptop) and an individual study space.  
Maximum student to teacher ratio is 1:6.



## Private Tutoring (All Subjects)

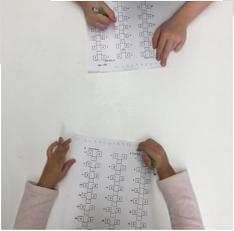
Aspire Learning Academy understands that all students are unique; this is why we have created our individualized tutoring program. We know that scheduling is a challenge for busy families; we can accommodate a range of times at a choice of several locations.

In-home tutoring is a further, flexible option; one of our teachers will come to your home to work with your child at a time that works best for your family.

Our program offers a superb educational experience for all students, including those that need an extra academic challenge outside of their regular class curriculum or simply need additional support to succeed in their classroom.

Our teachers are a powerful support system for your child's learning at school and support for you as parents.

*We offer two streams of math group lesson:  
Core Math and Custom Math.*

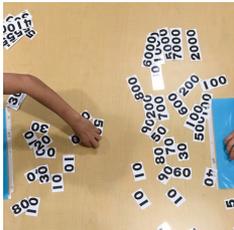


## Core Math Group Lessons

Core Math follows the Singapore Math® curriculum. The aim of the Core program is to establish a solid foundation of numeracy on which your child will be able to confidently build as topics are covered in class at school. The Singapore Math® program will equip your child with number fluency and flexibility, and a variety of tools with which to tackle a wide variety of math problems.

Children in Kindergarten to Grade 8 will benefit greatly from this program, as either a means to consolidate and revise math knowledge OR to push ahead in their understanding and number flexibility. Over the course of the academic year this program will complement the content of the BC Curriculum. This program ensures that children form a solid mathematical foundation that will endure throughout their school career.

1.5-hour sessions run every week on a termly basis; the maximum class ratio is 6 students per teacher. We advise that children attend 2 group lessons per week for optimum benefit.



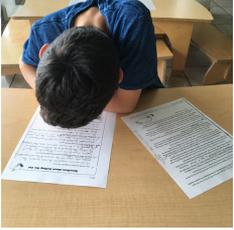
## Custom Math Group Lessons

Custom Math covers the same Singapore Math® curriculum content as the Core Math program but combines this with the flexibility to target topics that are currently being covered in school. We will adjust our programming so that your child receives an opportunity to either consolidate or get a head start with the math they are working on in school. We will communicate with you and with your child's regular school teacher regarding what content is being covered in school and/or any areas of weakness that require additional help. Our specially trained teachers will then adapt our programming and curriculum accordingly.

The Custom Math program can function as either an extra support mechanism or as a means of enrichment and additional challenge. For optimum benefit, we recommend this course for children in Grades 3-7.

1.5-hour sessions run every week on a termly basis; the maximum class size is 4 students per teacher. We advise that children attend 2 group lessons per week for optimum benefit.

*We offer two streams of English language arts group lesson: Core English and Creative English.*



## **Core English Group Lessons**

The Core English program builds a strong foundation in English language skills, including verbal expression as well as reading and writing skills. During each session students will work on developing their phonetic awareness, reading comprehension, writing, spelling, and knowledge of grammar and punctuation. Each student will work through materials suited to their attainment level, with the assistance of a specially trained teacher.

All material is differentiated to ensure that scaffolding is in place for students who need extra support and that extension and enrichment activities are available to challenge higher achieving students. We are able to accommodate children with additional learning needs.

1.5-hour sessions run every week on a termly basis; the maximum class size is 6 students per teacher. We advise that children attend two group lessons per week for optimal benefit.



## **Creative English Group Lessons**

The Creative English program extends learning well beyond the BC Curriculum. This is the course for aspiring writers and avid readers! Students will be introduced to a wide range of literature and inspired to explore and develop their writing techniques.

Lessons will be arranged around a particular topic for a set number of weeks during the term; topics will pull from different world literatures, epochs and genres and will provide ample opportunity to practice and expand students' repertoire of writing skills. Students will build a portfolio of written work to bring home at the end of each term.

The Creative program is for students who have an existing passion for reading and writing.

1.5-hour sessions run every week on a termly basis; the maximum class size is 6 students per teacher.



# Highschool Programming

## Homework Centre Drop-in Program (All Subjects)

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Students will be provided with computer access (or can bring their own laptop) and an individual study space.

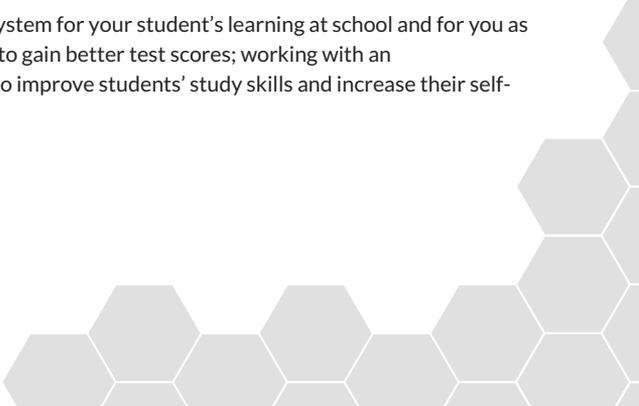
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In-home tutoring is a further, flexible option; one of our teachers will come to your home to work with your child at a time that works best for your family.

Our program offers a superb educational experience for all students, including those that need an extra academic challenge outside of their regular class curriculum or simply need additional support to succeed in their classroom. We will match your child's learning needs with one of our specially trained tutors, who will be highly qualified in the subject area in which your child requires assistance or enrichment.

Our teachers are a powerful support system for your student's learning at school and for you as parents. Not only do we help students to gain better test scores; working with an Aspire Learning Academy tutor will also improve students' study skills and increase their self-confidence.





## SSAT and SAT Preparation

The SSAT and SAT Test Preparation Courses offered by Aspire Learning Academy provide an opportunity to engage students in meaningful learning. Our teachers are warm, supportive professionals who have success in raising test scores and know how to make the classroom experience both academically enriching and enjoyable for the student.

Our preparation courses are effective and efficient because of the high level of customized teaching we provide. Study plans are adapted to the specific strengths and weaknesses of each child in the class.

We can prepare your child for success in testing, by helping them to understand the test format and timing, the types of questions they will see on the test, and the instructions that will be presented to them.

Your child will have the opportunity to work through real practice tests and receive feedback on their performance.

## Creative English Language Arts Group Lessons

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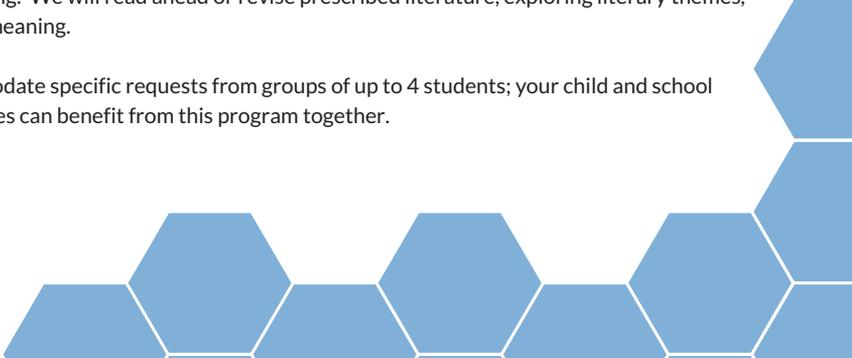
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This program is for students who have an existing passion for reading and writing.

## Prescribed Elementary & High School Novel Study

We will help students thoroughly acquaint themselves with their prescribed high school novels in a small group setting. We will read ahead or revise prescribed literature, exploring literary themes, techniques and meaning.

We can accommodate specific requests from groups of up to 4 students; your child and school friends/classmates can benefit from this program together.



# Educational Competitions

Academic attainment is increasingly measured in a formal examination setting. Many students will find the experience nerve-wracking; at its worst, examination anxiety may even result in underperformance.



We will prepare students for, and facilitate entry into, the following contests:

Caribou Contests (G3-12)

Mathematica (G3-12)

CEMC (University of Waterloo) (G3-12)

\*English language arts students in Grades 8-12 are encouraged to enter the annual Vancouver Writers' Fest.



At Aspire, we offer students the opportunity to familiarise themselves with the formal testing environment through participation in various math contests and competitions.

By having the opportunity to experience working under timed examination conditions, your child will build confidence. When the real time comes for those all-important examinations, your child will enter the examination hall with the assurance that comes from prior experience.

Contests and subsequent feedback offer the chance to practice and to build examination skills. We will help your child gain the following test taking skills:

- The Ability to Read and Understand Questions Properly
- Time Management
- The Process of Properly Showing Work
- Avoiding Omission
- Proof Reading & Double Checking Answers
- Test Anxiety Management

Contact us for more details.

# Parent Seminars + Open House Information



**Join us at our Open House events this coming year!**

We will be offering sample sessions in math and English; you and your child will have the chance to meet with our specially trained teachers and staff and to learn more about the Singapore Math® method and how we can support your child's learning.

**We are excited to announce that FREE  
Parent Seminars are back!**

Each year, Aspire Learning Academy offers a series of free parent seminars, which focus on current research and innovation in education.

Come along to a FREE "Making Reading a Lasting Habit" or "Singapore Math in Plain English" seminar.

**Contact us to receive a complete schedule and topic overview. Registration is mandatory to attend an Open House or Parent Seminar. View our website for details!**

# Educational Camps



During Winter and Spring Breaks, and the long summer vacation, we offer a variety of educational camps, which provide a range of valuable and fun learning activities, as well as instruction in math and English language arts.

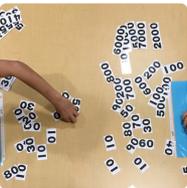


Aspire Learning Academy provides students with a unique experience through our educational camps. Led by experienced teachers, our camps offer exceptional levels of enjoyment and education. The educational camps we offer come in many different forms and are designed to make learning fun and engaging. These camps provide students with an alternative learning environment, harnessing their educational interests and developing their skills.



Camps are a great way to provide students with extra support in a subject they may be struggling with or to push and challenge a gifted student to reach their full potential. We will keep your child's mind active during school breaks; summer, winter and spring! Have your child explore and develop interests and passions while preparing them for success in school.

**Our specialty camps are aimed at expanding students' learning experiences and concepts:**



- Creative Writing Camp
- Lego® Camp
- Entrepreneurial camp
- Chess and Checkers Camp
- Mathematics Camp (Singapore Math®)
- Reading Comprehension, Writing and Phonics Camp
- Origami Camp
- Greek Mythology Camp
- The Romans Camp
- Novel Study Camp



Interested in creating your own customized summer course? Please email us with any additional questions.

# Private School Preparation

## SSAT Preparation



We can prepare your child for success in SSAT testing, by helping them to understand the SSAT's format and timing, the types of questions they will see on the test, and the instructions that will be presented to them.

Your child will have the opportunity to work through SSAT practice tests and receive feedback on their performance.

**We offer SSAT preparation for Elementary, Middle and Upper level SSATs.**

- Test Taking Strategies
- Easy-to-Follow Study Plan
- Expert Classroom Instruction
- Real SSAT Practice Questions & Tests
- Parent Support

2018/2019 Elementary Level SSAT Test Dates	
Saturday- December 8, 2018	Saturday- January 5, 2019
Saturday- February 2, 2019	Saturday- March 2, 2019
Saturday- April 27, 2019	

2018/2019 Middle/Upper Level SSAT Test Dates	
Saturday- October 13, 2018	Saturday- November 10, 2018
Saturday- December 8, 2018	Saturday- January 5, 2019
Saturday- February 2, 2019	Saturday- March 2, 2019
Saturday- April 27, 2019	Saturday- June 8, 2019

## Private School Entrance Coaching (Ages Pre-K to Grade 9)



**We can help prepare your child for the competitive admissions process into private schools in the Lower Mainland.**

We will carefully analyze a child's use of language skills, their comfort level and self-confidence, their understanding of test directions and tasks, their visual motor skills, work traits and motivation, as well as the overall impression formed when meeting the child.

We then create a custom preparatory course including, but not limited to, story telling, question and answer, easy and complex patterning, puppets, puzzles, and social scenarios created in order to bring out your child's strengths.

- Interview Strategies
- Academic Preparation
- Parent Support
- Professional Preparation

Are you aware of your child's habits and uncomfortable movements that make the interviewer want to go on to the next child? Do you know what attire helps your child to stand out from the other candidates and doesn't get in the way? Prepare your child!

Let us guide you through winning strategies to help your child feel more secure and make the interview count!

# Singapore Math Information

Did you know that we are the only Certified Singapore Math® Learning Centre in all of B.C.?  
So just what is Singapore Math®?



The Singapore Math® curriculum is the pedagogical approach and content adopted by the Singaporean government several decades ago, and which has consistently propelled this small island country to the top rank in international mathematical tests, far outstripping the US and Canada. The Singapore Math® method focuses on students not just learning to parrot math methods, but on truly understanding and mastering a more limited number of concepts each school year.

Much like the aims of the new BC Curriculum, gone are the days of spiral teaching and short term retention to pass tests. Students are now expected to understand material on a deeper level. The Singapore Math® philosophy allows more time and practice to ensure that students truly grasp each concept before moving on.

The Singapore Math® method integrates concrete to pictorial to abstract sequencing on a thoroughgoing basis. When students eventually encounter complex word problems, they possess the skills to break it down from the abstract to pictorial, which ensures a more accurate understanding of the question and consequently the correct solution. Moreover, the sequencing of content in the Singapore Math® curriculum has been very carefully constructed based upon child development theory. The same can be said about the new BC Curriculum. Your child will now be expected to learn fewer concepts, but to attain mastery of them.

Most importantly, the Singapore Math® method provides students with a variety of problem-solving strategies, in contrast to the traditional approach to teaching math, where one strategy is provided per concept. A student who struggles with one method to problem solve is equipped with a variety of different tools to achieve success.

**BAR MODEL  
EXAMPLE**



Got a two-step problem?  
You're gonna need a double bar!

Mary had 120 more beads than Jill, who had 60 beads.  
How many beads did Mary have? How many do they have altogether?

M 180  
J 60 } 120

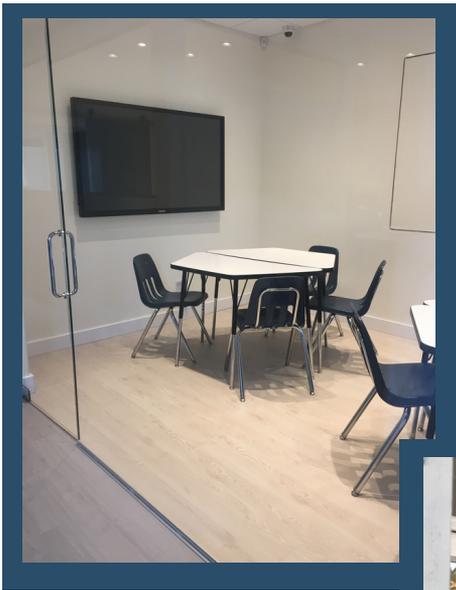
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# Home schooling Information

If you're a busy mom or dad looking for homeschool help, take heart. Aspire Learning Academy is here to help you supplement your child's learning, nurture your child's talents and share the weight of providing a high-quality education.

**You don't have to do this all by yourself!**



We are able to make provisions for children who are not attending mainstream school.

We can provide dedicated, individual study space in our state-of-the-art learning centre, where we can use interactive smart board technology to help independent study become more dynamic and enjoyable.

Our experienced tutors can provide daytime tutoring sessions across the K-12 curriculum and facilitate students who are taking online courses for credit.



**Notes:**