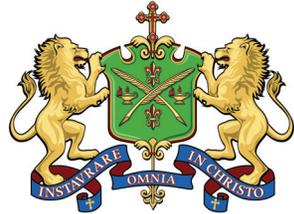


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CAPSTONE
SUMMER 2019



CLASSICAL ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM For Rising 7TH & 8TH Graders

A CAPSTONE is a culminating educational experience that is meant to provide the finishing touches to one's preparation. Many prestigious institutions from Harvard University to the United States Department of Defense offer capstone programs to those students and officers who show exceptional promise of leadership and ability to move to the next stage of their training.

The Montfort Academy's **Classical Achievement Program** is designed to be the capstone of your elementary school years and to help you prepare for admission at the most prestigious high schools, including The Montfort Academy. Montfort's Capstone Program exposes you to the best that man has thought, said, or done in the world and introduces you to classical education, the Socratic methodology, and formation in Christian virtue. The Program is a two-week commitment that will take

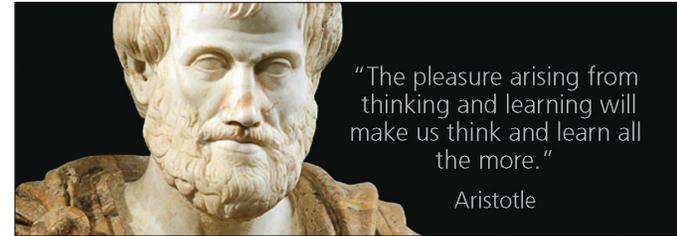
place from July 8-July 19, 2019. Each day begins at 9:00 am (except for the first day, which begins at 8:00 am) and ends in the late afternoon. Most days are structured with a class in the morning, followed by noon Holy Mass in our Chapel and then lunch, and capped with an afternoon trip to a special place related to the class. A Capstone Certificate is awarded to all graduates of the program. Those who successfully complete the Capstone will be awarded a \$1,000 annual scholarship to attend The Montfort Academy.

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Day 1

Monday, July 8, 2019

THE GREAT CONVERSATION OF WESTERN THOUGHT



Experience the ongoing conversation of the great philosophers, theologians, scientists, mathematicians, and political thinkers. We start in ancient Greece and travel through ancient Rome and medieval Europe. Ignite in yourself the spark and love of learning that will last a lifetime.

TRAVEL to The University Club of New York and visit one of the world's most exquisite libraries and enjoy a private tour.

TAUGHT by Dr. Nathan Liebowitz, PhD

Day 2

Tuesday, July 9, 2019

ASTRONOMY: THE FIRST SCIENCE



Socrates said that "Wisdom begins in wonder." This seminar takes us back to the beginning of history when mankind looked in awe at the stars, the moon, and the galaxy and wondered questions such as "Who is Man?" "Why are we here?" "What is out there?" Experience creation through The Montfort

Academy's very own astronomy observatory.

TRAVEL to The Hudson River Museum & Planetarium.

TAUGHT by The Honorable Richard Greco, Jr., former Assistant Secretary of the Navy

Day 3

Wednesday, July 10, 2019

ARCHITECTURE IN THE CLASSICAL CITY

Architecture reflects the values and culture of a civilization's age. Learn how the great cities of Athens and Rome were organized and planned. Witness wonders of architecture that are still standing today.



TRAVEL to Untermyer Gardens Conservancy.

TAUGHT by The Honorable Richard Greco, Jr. and a Special Guest Classical Architect

Day 4

Thursday, July 11, 2019

THE GREEK OLYMPIAD



3,000 years ago in Olympia, Ancient Greece, the first Olympic games were held. Now, for the first time in Olympic history, the games will be played in Mount Vernon, New York. The Olympiad is a competition worthy of the human spirit,

and one that complements our longing for victory, greatness, and glory. This session is only for the brave and those who are willing to risk the agony of defeat in pursuit of the thrill of victory.

TRAVEL to The Montfort Academy's very own arena for these Olympic Games.

LED by Lt. Col. David Petrillo, United States Air Force (ret), Vice President & Dean of Students, The Montfort Academy

Cost of CAPSTONE 2019: \$625 for all ten days

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Day 5

Friday, July 12, 2019

CHESS AND LEADERSHIP



Chess is the greatest game ever invented by the mind of man--and one of the most competitive. Like real warfare, a chess game can last for days, even weeks, until the enemy's king has been captured or there is a truce. The complexity of its strategy, the precision of its movement, and the beauty of its order have prompted men of all ages to spend their entire lives in the attempt to master its mysteries.

TRAVEL to The Marshall Chess Club and Bryant Park, New York City.

TAUGHT by United States Chess Federation Certified Instructor Dr. Nathan Liebowitz, PhD

Day 6

Monday, July 15, 2019

CHIVALRY AND MEDIEVAL LIFE



It's 2019, but do you dream of being a Knight in Shining Armor? Chivalry is not just from the Middle Ages; it is timeless. In this class you will learn about good manners, proper etiquette, the art of manliness, and the beauty of Christian womanhood. It begins with the proposition that man is made in the image and likeness of God and fights for what is good, true, and beautiful.

TRAVEL to The Metropolitan Museum of Art.

TAUGHT by Mr. Steven Edelson, Professor of Theology and Director of Admissions, The Montfort Academy

Day 7

Tuesday, July 16, 2019

THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF AMERICA



Explore the thinking of America's founding fathers by reading and debating some of our founding documents like the Constitution and Declaration of Independence, Bill of Rights, and the Federalist Papers.

TRAVEL to The Westchester Homestead of our Founding Father John Jay.

TAUGHT by Lt. Col. David Petrillo, United States Air Force (ret.)

Day 8

Wednesday, July 17, 2019

ORNITHOLOGY

They are all around us every time we step outside, but how often do we take a moment to look up and observe their beauty and grace. Our Ornithology adventure will allow you to discover the world of birds. We will encounter their countless varieties, their majestic rule of the skies, and even their ancient heritage; the dinosaurs!



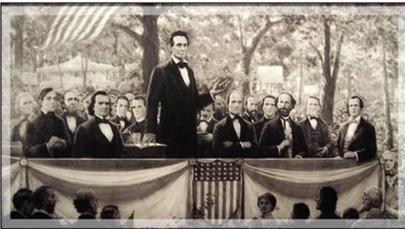
TRAVEL to The Audubon Society in Greenwich, CT.

TAUGHT by Mr. William Haffey, Professor of Biology and Logic

Day 9:

Thursday, July 18, 2019

DEBATE & RHETORIC



Persuasion is Power! LinkedIn says the ability to persuade is the second most important skill workers in 2019 need. Debate is the art of argument through logically ordered speech. Which team can assemble the most impressive pieces of evidence and express its thesis in the most forceful and convincing way? Which speaker can most

effectively move the hearts and minds of listeners and defeat your opponent.

TRAVEL to the Untermyer Gardens Amphitheater

TAUGHT by Lt. Col. David Petrillo, United States Air Force (ret.)

Day 10: Friday, July 19, 2019

GRADUATION, 11:00 AM



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