

Aims Community College
College for Kids 2023
Greeley Class Descriptions

AM Classes:

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Farm to Table

Get hands-on with agriculture and see how it affects your daily life in everything from the clothes on your back to the wires in your computer. We will explore the "farm to table" revolution by diving into the food and fiber industry. Class activities will include cheese or butter making, eggs-periments, by-products, exploration and much more!

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Hawaiian Island Creations

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Planting & Gardening Exploration

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Safesitter

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American Sign Language

Sign Language isn't just a language, it's a whole culture! Come and learn about the fascinating world of American Sign Language where you will learn actual signs and the alphabet while practicing communicating with fellow classmates and then you can teach your family and friends your fun new skills!

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Mad Science

Dive right into the wonderful world of science and become a scientist for the week! Learn about different fields of science including geology, biology, and chemistry through hands-on experiments such as elephant toothpaste, DIY ice cream, cracking geodes and more!

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YouthBiz Shark Tank

Calling all business bosses! Ever thought you had an idea for the next big thing? Ever wanted to start your own business and be your own boss? YouthBiz Shark Tank is for you! This camp will show you how to generate a business idea, or improve the one you already have, find out what you need to know to get started, make a model of your product, and prepare and present a professional business pitch, just like Shark Tank! On the last day of class, young business owners will pitch their businesses to a panel of judges, competing for the grand prize of \$100!