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# The Bridge Sarasota / Suncoast Academy Classes 2024/2025 REGISTRATION HANDBOOK

It is a privilege to serve the home school community through quality faith based educational classes; however, The Bridge Academy Classes are more than just a collection of classes for our children. While this is an important part of our purpose for gathering, it is not the overarching goal. The goal is to build relationships with one another and develop authentic community.

Through The Bridge Academy Classes, God has given us a gift of friendships and support as we travel this path of homeschooling. We see moms sitting at tables with other moms talking and laughing or praying and seeking help. In every classroom, teachers share their passions from the arts to sciences, mathematics to literature, while also sharing the salvation message and giving opportunity for prayer. Real life occurs in our midst and real answers are given through Jesus in our midst. This handbook will assist you in discovering the opportunities waiting for your family through The Bridge Academy Classes. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us!  
We look forward to seeing you!!

(941) 677-5075

[www.thebridgesarasota.com](http://www.thebridgesarasota.com)

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# The Bridge Academy Classes 2024-2025 School Year Important Calendar Events

## March 2024

20 Academy class registration starts online <https://www.homeschool-life.com/3832/class/> for existing families.

## April 2024

3 Academy class registration starts for new families: 9:30am – 1:30pm No appointment is necessary. Please print your forms in advance for faster processing.

## August 2024

29 Family Orientation: 10:00am – 12:00pm *We will begin with an assembly in the sanctuary, then families will meet teachers, collect important class information, pay class fees, and become familiar with the facility.*

## September 2024

5 First Day of Fall Academy Classes

## November 2024

25-29 Thanksgiving Break (Staff off too)

## December 2024

20 – Jan 8 Christmas Break (Staff off too)

## January 2025

9 First Day of Spring Classes

In-person Registration for individual Spring semester classes: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm *No appointment is necessary*

## March 2025

24-28 Spring Break (Staff off too)

## May 2025

15 Last Day of Classes

TBD Graduation Ceremony

# The Bridge Academy Classes General Information

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## The Bridge welcomes you and your family!

We look forward to seeing you at The Bridge's Academy Classes each week! Now that you are here, you may be interested in knowing a few specifics about us.

### ***When, Where and How.***

- The Bridge meets on **Thursdays**, for 33-34 weeks. We have two semesters – Spring and Fall. Enrollment and payment are by school year unless the class is specifically a one-semester class.
- We meet at Bible Baptist Church located at 2113 57<sup>th</sup> St E (Morgan Johnson Rd.), Bradenton, FL 34208
- We enroll students in grades **K through twelfth grade**.
- All Registration for new families is In-Person only. Exceptions are made with administrator approval on a case-by-case basis.

### ***Who's Involved?***

- Once enrolled for classes, please make plans to attend the **Family Orientation** designed just for you to learn your way around The Bridge and meet our Teachers, Staff, and family volunteers. See the Important Calendar Events on page 1 for dates and times.

### ***What's the Cost?***

- **Class costs** are based on a 60 or 90-minute class period for a 10 to 16-week semester or a full year of 33-34 weeks. See schedule for class cost and fees. Many classes have additional charges for materials and supplies.
- A \$25 deposit for each student for the school year. This is a **Non-Refundable Registration Fee**.
- A \$10 technology fee for each family for the school year. This is a **Non-Refundable Fee** to cover the costs of our website, class work scheduling and communication with teachers and families.

### ***Stay Informed!***

- The best way to keep up on all that is going on at The Bridge is to check your email each week. WE COMMUNICATE PRIMARILY THROUGH EMAIL and OUR HOMESCHOOL-LIFE PLATFROM. Once registered, all families, both students and parents, are expected to log in to the website portal and keep up with forum and teachers' communications.
- Become a part of our Facebook group or follow our Instagram page. We post information, pictures, and announcements at various times throughout the school year.

Now that you have a feel for The Bridge, we invite you to take some time to review all the wonderful classes that we offer for your students. When you are ready to begin, you will find instructions for registering in the Registration Information section beginning on page 4.

We look forward to a great school year and are so glad to have you here!

### **Eligibility for Enrollment**

Academy classes are open to all students being home schooled, attending private or public schools.

The Bridge admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school-administered programs.

Questions about the class, materials needed, or an exception? Questions regarding enrollment or registration? Please call the main number at 941-677-5075 or by email at [info@thebridgesarasota.com](mailto:info@thebridgesarasota.com)

# The Bridge Sarasota / Suncoast 2024-25 Academy Classes At-A-Glance

## Middle & High School

### 1<sup>st</sup> Period 8:30 – 9:55

High School Civics/Govt. (*Shelby Shaw*)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Period 10:00 – 11:00 (1 hour class)

Bible (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) (*Jen Johnson*)

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Period 11:05 – 12:30

The Language of Literature (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) (*Shelby Shaw*)

### Lunch 12:30 – 1:00

### 4<sup>th</sup> Period 1:05 – 2:00

Performing Arts - All Ages (*Jen Johnson*)

### 5<sup>th</sup> Period 2:00 – 3:15

Life Skills (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) (*Melissa Langborgh*)

## Elementary (*Director – Tanya Ranney*)

### K-5<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am – 11:30am and lunch 11:30 – 12:15pm (*Kathryn Harber*)

Varied program including faith-based hands-on art, literature, science, music, and culture studies

- The Elementary Program is not a drop-off. Parents must stay on campus and either help in the class or volunteer elsewhere. Parents requiring nursery care may organize their own co-op time.
- Middle School parents are required to be on campus until students have demonstrated that they can successfully navigate the day with independent self-government and decorum.
- All families with students in 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grades are required to volunteer regularly.
- Fees: Registration fee is \$25 per student, capped at \$75 per family. Technology fee is \$10 per family. 85-minute classes are \$260/year. 1-hour classes are \$200/year. Elementary program is \$275/year. Class fees are due at registration. Supplies fees differ with each class and are due at registration.

## Class Descriptions

**Elementary Program:** 9:00am-11:30am (lunch 11:30am-12:15pm)

**Teacher – Kathryn Harber**

Our elementary program is designed to complement your home education journey with hands-on science, music, art, and other activities, all with a Biblical foundation and focus. This year, we will be touching all of the subjects through various themes, a mix of specific academic areas and activities to make it fun! We understand that many families are new to homeschooling, so it is our goal to walk alongside them, while allowing the children to experience the fun of learning in a small group of other home educated children. Children will be grouped according to age and ability within the program as needed. Parent (or grandparent/caregiver) involvement is required, either within the group, or elsewhere volunteering on campus. This is not a drop-off.

Cost: \$275

Supplies provided by student: TBD

Class supplies fee: \$50

### **Middle School and High School Academy Classes**

**HS Civics/Government** (Grades 9-12) 8:30-9:55am

**Taught by Shelby Shaw**

Dive into the heart of American democracy with our focused Civics class, designed to illuminate the workings of the U.S. government and the Constitution. This interactive course invites students to engage deeply with the principles that shaped our nation, from the thoughts of the framers and founders to the pivotal role of the Supreme Court and the fundamental freedoms enshrined in the Bill of Rights.

Through a blend of lectures and group discussions, students will sharpen their critical thinking skills and debate and dissect the core aspects of government and civic participation. Homework is crafted to reinforce learning, with practical worksheets, selected readings, and concise writing tasks—no lengthy essays, just clear, thoughtful paragraphs. Adding a layer of understanding, we'll also touch on U.S. geography.

Assessments include class participation, written assignments, and quizzes.

This class isn't just academic; it's a journey into active citizenship, offering tools for engagement in the great American experiment. Join us to empower your high schooler with knowledge and confidence in their civic role.

Cost: \$260 Prerequisite: Students should be able to read and write comfortably.

Materials/requirements: \$10 materials fee (will be charged with registration)

Internet access to read online articles

"Documents of Freedom" textbook located for free download

at <https://billofrightsintstitute.org/curricula/documents-of-freedom>

**Biblical Studies** (Grades 6-12) 10:00am-11:00am

**Taught by Jen Johnson**

Throughout this semester students will gain an understanding of the way the Bible is organized. They will learn how this remarkable true book, tells God's story of redemption and grace. Regardless of experience level or church background, students will gain a deeper understanding of the most influential and important book in history.

We will walk through two books by Lee Strobel this year.

[The Case for Christ - Student Edition](#)

[The Case for Faith - Student Edition](#)

Cost: \$200 Pre-requisite: None Supplies fee: None

Supplies provided by student: a Bible (any translation), a notebook or journal, pens or pencils

**MS/HS The Language of Literature** (Grades 6-12) 11:05am-12:30pm

***Taught by Shelby Shaw***

Welcome to this high school literature class designed to spark curiosity and appreciation for the rich tapestry of literary expression. The carefully curated curriculum covers a diverse array of genres including fiction, non-fiction, poetry, drama, and a special high-level look at Shakespeare's, *Julius Caesar*. Students will explore the fundamentals of literature, from theme and plot elements to characterization and literary devices such as metaphor, simile, personification, imagery and more.

Each week, students will receive either printouts or links to thoughtfully selected stories that exemplify the week's learning focus chosen with great care to ensure appropriateness and relevance. Prior to the commencement of classes, parents will be provided with a comprehensive list of these materials for review, offering an opportunity for families to be involved in the educational journey. I welcome and respect parental input, allowing for the option to opt-out of certain readings without any impact on student grading. Please know that stories will be chosen with the utmost of care ensuring a respectful alignment with each family's values.

The class is structured to promote active participation and critical thinking, with activities including group discussions, engaging worksheets, creative writing exercises, vocabulary building, and quizzes. Writing assignments are designed to be approachable focusing on paragraph-style short essay responses that sharpen students' analytical and expressive skills without the pressure of long essays. In fact, no essays will be assigned.

This literature class is not just an academic endeavor; it's an invitation to explore the vast landscapes of human experience and emotion through the written word. It's an opportunity for students to open the door to a world where literature becomes a gateway to understanding the complexity and beauty of the human condition.

Prerequisites: Students should be able to read comfortably at the 9<sup>th</sup> grade level

Cost: \$260 Supplies fee: \$20

Materials provided by student:

- No Fear Shakespeare: Julius Caesar - \$7-10 (includes the original play and modern-day translation)
- Internet access to read online works of literature
- Paper and writing tools

**Performing Arts** (Grades K-12) 1:00-2:00pm

***Taught by Jen Johnson***

Performing Arts is defined as creative activities that are performed in front of an audience; such as drama, music, and dance. Join us for this fun elective!

Cost: \$200/year Pre-requisite: None Supplies fee: \$25

Supplies provided by student: Notebook, pens or pencils

**Life Skills** (Grades 6-12), 2:05-3:00pm

***Taught by Melissa Langborgh***

Beginning cooking, along with exploring other handy skills, such as sewing, the use of herbs, plants and berries, etc. This is not just for girls!

Cost: \$260 Pre-requisite: None Supplies Fee: \$30

Supplies provided by the student: TBD

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

For Questions and Information, call (941) 677-5075  
or email [info@thebridgesarasota.com](mailto:info@thebridgesarasota.com)

## When it's time to register, what do I do?

**Print** the Registration Handbook and the Family Handbook.

**Print and Complete** the registration forms, waiver agreement, activity form and medical form.

**Arrive** on the designated in-person registration days.

**Check in** at the lobby table where your paperwork will be reviewed for registration.

**Review** The Bridge Sarasota Private School handbook information and register, if desired.

**See the Administrative Director** to pay for Academy Classes and/or Private School Registration.

## How, When and Where do I pay?

- ❖ **A Non-Refundable Registration Fee** of \$25 per student and \$10 technology fee per family is required to enroll, due at time of Registration.
- ❖ The **Full Balance** must be remitted on-site at Registration if you registered previously online.
- ❖ **All Payments** at on-site registration are cash, check, or money order. **Make checks payable to THE BRIDGE SARASOTA.** You may also pay online at our website with credit, debit or eCheck. **Full payment is due at Registration.**

## What happens if a class is cancelled?

If THE BRIDGE cancels a class because the minimum enrollment was not met, you will be notified as soon as possible and offered a replacement class. Payments will be refunded if no class is suitable for your family.

## Payment Reminders:

- Due to the increase of various funding options available to home school families, THE BRIDGE would like to clarify that we contract directly with enrolling families, not third-party organizations/individuals. Regardless of funding sources, all families are personally responsible for balances due, paid in full, at the time of registration. If you're receiving PEP scholarship funds, we are able to provide an invoice which you can use to request reimbursement from your SFO. We appreciate the relationships with our families and count it an honor to partner with you in the education of your children.
- There is no discount for enrolling more than one student.
- The Non-Refundable Registration Fee is per student, per school year.
- The Non-Refundable Technology Fee is per family, per school year.
- If THE BRIDGE cancels a class, you will be offered a replacement class.
- If a family drops a class and does not replace it with another class, they will forfeit the Registration Fee and Technology Fee.
- If a family drops a class within the first 3 weeks, a class fees refund will be issued. There is no refund after three weeks unless there are special circumstances.
- THE BRIDGE is able to offer payment plans. Please contact Maria ([maria.white@thebridgesarasota.com](mailto:maria.white@thebridgesarasota.com)) for more information.

## Cancellations/Refund Requests prior to class start:

- Up to 6 weeks prior to the Co-op start date (7/25/24) will receive 100% refund of fees paid, minus the Registration fee and Technology fee.
- Up to 4 weeks prior to the Co-op start date (8/8/24) will receive 75% refund of fees paid, minus the Registration fee and Technology fee.
- Up to 2 weeks prior to the Co-op start date (8/22/24) will receive 50% refund of fees paid, minus the Registration fee and Technology fee.
- Requests made after 8/22/24 will be subject to no refund of fees paid.

## Remember:

- ✓ The Bridge Suncoast Academy Classes are here to support the other subjects your student is learning at home.
- ✓ Volunteers are needed to ensure the success of our Academy Classes. Please be sure to sign-up for any of our needs when you register. All families must volunteer.
- ✓ Payment must be made when you register for classes.
- ✓ **All families and students are required to attend the Family Orientation on August 29, 2024 at 10am.**



## REGISTRATION INFORMATION - Continued

For Questions and Information, call (941) 677-5075 or email [thebridgesarasota@gmail.com](mailto:thebridgesarasota@gmail.com)

*Once you are registered, you can contact the Teacher with questions or concerns through our Homeschool-Life portal.*

**How is Grade Level determined?** Although many home school families do not emphasize grade levels, our teachers anticipate a certain *age group* when planning their classes. For this reason, it is important to sign up for classes where the child's age is standard for the grade level required.

Grades PreK-1:	Approximate age is 4 – 6	learning phonics, letters, numbers
Grades 2-4:	Approximate age is 7 – 9	beginning reading and writing skill
Grades 5-6:	Approximate age is 10 - 12	good reading and writing skills
Grades 7-12:	Approximate Age is 13 - 18	read and write well/ has not graduated from high school

### Talk to your Teacher

- Each Teacher determines class expectations, letter grades, or performance evaluations.
- Classes are designed for enrichment, although parents may choose to give credit for high school courses.
- Careful consideration has established each class size, grade level and content. Please do not ask the teacher to change these limitations.
- If your student needs a Teacher Exception for age, skill, or prerequisite, please contact the Administrator before enrolling.
- A Teacher Exception does not guarantee enrollment.
- If your child has a special need, learning disability, food restriction or allergy, please talk to the Administrator before enrolling for a class. Not all teachers are able to accommodate special needs. A Teacher Exception may be required.

### Waitlist Questions and Policy:

When a class reaches full enrollment, you may elect to put your student on a Waitlist. *Enrollment from the Waitlist is not guaranteed.*

- ✓ If you choose to go on a Waitlist, you may **not** be enrolled in another class at that same time period.
- ✓ You may place your student on more than one Waitlist for any class in which they are not enrolled in another class.
- ✓ A Registration Deposit is not required to be placed on a Waitlist.
- ✓ THE BRIDGE Administration reserves the right to accept partial Waitlists as it deems suitable for a given class.

Please do not contact the Teacher about Waitlists. THE BRIDGE Administration makes the final decisions concerning class expansions after reviewing many factors. If a class expands, we will contact you. Class enrollment can change until the end of the second week of the current semester.

### Before You Arrive

**Come prepared.** Completing your paperwork before you arrive facilitates a smooth registration. Review class choices, read course descriptions, look up textbooks, etc.

**Be informed.** Visit our website for the most current and complete Registration information including class changes and closures. Click the Academy Classes tab to find everything you need for Registration. Read the Family Handbook. Homeschool life has all class information.

**Have paperwork.** Remember to sign and initial all Registration forms where required. If you have questions, call us before you register for ease and efficiency. Returning families: If we do not receive your paperwork and payment or a payment arrangement within 7 days of your online registration, you will be dropped from the class.

### Okay, what's next?

It's time to complete your registration forms. All forms are required to register for Academy Classes. Here's what you will need:

- Registration Form:** Fill in the areas with pertinent family information. One per student.
- Family Consent and Activity Release Form:** Initial, sign & date the document. One per family.
- Family Emergency Information Form:** Please provide the name and phone number of an off-site Emergency contact.  Also, please check the boxes in the Medical Considerations section. One per family.
- Hold Harmless Agreement:** Sign & date the document.
- Teacher Exception:** If your student requires an age, skill, or prerequisite exception for a class, please contact us **before** enrolling and get a handwritten or emailed exception from the Teacher.
- Volunteer Form:** Fill in the capacity in which you are able to volunteer. Everyone is expected to volunteer.

## The Bridge Sarasota / Suncoast Academy Classes Registration 2024-25

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 1 phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 1: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent 2 phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Student email & cell: \_\_\_\_\_

<p><b>*FILL OUT ONE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH STUDENT*</b></p> <p><b>Classes (Thursdays Only)</b></p>	<p><b>MS/HS 85-minute classes are \$260 per year (2 semesters) for each student. 1-hour classes are \$200 for each student. Additional class materials fees are noted in parentheses and must be paid at registration. Full class payment is due upon registration.</b></p>
<p>↓ Check box for desired classes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 8:30-9:55am HS Civics/Government (\$10)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 10:00-11:00am Bible (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) ^</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 11:05am-12:30pm MS/HS Literature (\$10)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 1:00-2:00pm Performing Arts (All ages)^ (\$25)</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 2:00-3:15pm Life Skills (6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) (\$30)^</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Elementary Program K-5<sup>th</sup> (\$50)</p> <p><small>*The Elementary Program is not a drop-off. Parents must stay on campus and either help in the class or volunteer elsewhere.</small></p> <p><small>^ 1-hour class</small></p>	<p>_____ Total number of year-long, 85-minute classes x \$260 = \$ _____</p> <p>_____ Total number of 1 hour classes^ x \$200 \$ _____</p> <p>_____ Elementary Program \$275 \$ _____</p> <p>Registration fee (\$25 per student) \$ _____</p> <p>Technology fee (\$10 <u>per family</u>) \$ _____</p> <p>Class supplies fees \$ _____</p> <p><b>TOTAL DUE:</b> \$ _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">TOTAL PAID: \$ _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">PAYMENT TYPE: _____</p> <p>PEP _____ or FES-UA _____ Scholarship?</p> <p><small>*Refunds: see our policy in the Registration Handbook</small></p>

Our purpose is to strengthen our families by reflecting Biblical standards in all of our relationships. The Bridge's Academy Classes Program provides classes that supplement and complement a family's homeschooling curriculum in a faith based, family-friendly environment.

# Family Emergency Information Form

Please complete all portions and initial.

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Father: \_\_\_\_\_ Mother: \_\_\_\_\_

**List children's names, including last name if different than parents.**

Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Child: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Child: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child: \_\_\_\_\_ Child: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact's Name (offsite during classes)	Emergency Contact's Phone Number

Father's Work Phone Number	Father's Cell Phone Number	Family Home Phone	
Mother's Work Phone Number	Mother's Cell Phone Number	Doctor's Name	Doctor's Phone Number

**Medical Considerations: Please check one box for each section below:**  
**Medical Information is NOT retained after each semester.**  
**Please list all medical considerations for each child.**

**In case of Emergency, will your child(ren) require special assistance during an evacuation due to a physical disability?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, list the child's name and explain their evacuation needs (such as wheel-chair assistance required).

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Evacuation Needs: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Evacuation Needs: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Evacuation Needs: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are there any allergies that need consideration for your child(ren)?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, list the child's name and indicate allergies, noting anything that may be life threatening.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Allergies: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

**Does your child(ren) have any medical considerations that require attention or may hinder them from class participation?**  Yes  No  
 If yes, list the child's name below and explain any medical considerations, noting anything that may be life threatening.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Considerations: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Considerations: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Considerations: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is this condition life threatening?  Yes  No

<b>Parents Initial</b>	<b>Date</b>
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**I understand it is the responsibility of the parent and not THE BRIDGE Academy Classes or Bible Baptist Church to attend to the medical conditions and/or needs of my children.**

# Family Consent and Activity Release Form

⊕ (1) Complete Form, (2) Read and Initial Paragraphs, and (3) Sign.

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Consent

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I consent for myself and any child listed below to participate in any activity sponsored by The Bridge Sarasota or any division thereof, which activities include but are not limited to running, jumping, tumbling and other activities related to recreational or competitive sports activities. These activities are sponsored by The Bridge Academy Classes or any division thereof including and held at Bible Baptist Church. I understand that these activities and the facilities where they are conducted involve some inherent risks. Nevertheless, I want myself (and any listed child) to have the opportunity to participate in the activities sponsored The Bridge Academy Classes, and this Activity Release is given in exchange for that opportunity.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I, individually, and in my capacity as parent, guardian, or next friend of any listed child, waive, release, indemnify, and promise not to sue The Bridge Sarasota or Bible Baptist Church and all of its constituent organizations, agents, ministers, employees, and volunteers (collectively, "Released Parties") from all demands, claims, or liability, in law or in equity, **including the released parties' own negligence**, that have arisen or may arise from this activity, including travel associated with this activity, and that involve any damage, loss, or injury to me, my spouse, any listed child, my property, my spouse's property, or the property of any listed child. **I fully assume the risks associated with participating in this activity.** This waiver, release, indemnification, and promise not to sue does not apply to claims of criminal conduct, gross negligence, or intentional acts.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
In case of medical need or injury, I understand that The Bridge Sarasota will make every reasonable effort to contact me (in the case of an injury to my child) or my emergency contact. In the event that I, or my emergency backup contact, cannot be reached, I authorize The Bridge Sarasota to arrange for medical services for me or for any listed child. I will be responsible for any medical and related expenses for me or such child. **Any provider of care can rely on this Consent as authority to treat me or such child as appropriate and to bill me directly for the costs thereof. I agree that I am responsible for communicating any relevant medical conditions pertaining to me or such child to The Bridge Academy Classes using the Family Emergency Information Form.**

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that The Bridge Sarasota may take photographs of me or a listed child in the course of its activities, and I grant The Bridge Sarasota permission to publish such photographs in a manner The Bridge Academy Classes deems appropriate. To revoke this agreement, I must notify the Bridge Administrator in writing in advance of the event.

## Statement of Belief

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that The Bridge's Statement of Belief, as found in the Family Handbook, may be taught through The Bridge Academy Classes program, and I am comfortable with my child(ren) receiving this instruction.

## Family Handbook

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that I am responsible for reading and understanding all information in The Bridge Academy Classes Family Handbook, and I have/will instruct(ed) my child(ren) in the appropriate behavior.

## Financial Agreement

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that I am personally responsible for all balances due, regardless of funding sources, at the time of registration. Students will be allowed to make class changes by 2:00 pm in person at THE BRIDGE through the end of the first two weeks of each semester. **After two weeks no refund will be issued for withdrawal from class.** All balances include class fees that are due to teachers each semester.

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that the \$25 Registration Fees per student and the \$10 Technology Fees per family are **non-refundable** as are all course fees after the first two weeks of each semester

## Grievance Procedure

\_\_\_\_\_ Initial  
I understand that The Bridge Academy Classes follow the Matthew 18 principles for resolving conflict. I will respect the confidentiality of all those involved in any conflict and will refrain from discussing issues with others.

\_\_\_\_\_ Parent's or Guardian's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

## **Assumption of Risk, Waiver, Release & Hold Harmless**

I desire to participate or allow my child(ren) to participate in activities sponsored by The Bridge Suncoast and The Bridge Suncoast Academy Classes. These activities, hereinafter known as “Activity,” will be conducted with safety protocols appropriate under the circumstances at the time. For the safety of all people involved, participants in the Activity will be required to adhere to all safety protocols and are subject to immediate removal from the Activity if they do not comply.

In an effort to ensure the safety and wellness of our homeschool community, I understand the importance of students being healthy and safe when they participate in the Activity. By signing below, I agree that I will:

- Make a visual inspection of my child(ren) for signs of illness which could include: fever or chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion or runny nose, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, flushed cheeks, rapid breathing or difficulty breathing (without recent physical activity), fatigue, or extreme fussiness. If my child(ren) has exhibited any of these signs or symptoms, I will not permit my child(ren) to participate in the Activity until he/she has been without signs or symptoms for at least 72 hours.
- Promptly pick up my child(ren) or arrange for pickup if signs or symptoms of illness are present. I understand that children are to remain home until illness-free for at least 72 hours without the use of medicine.

By signing this document below, I acknowledge and affirm all of the statements above. I also voluntarily assume all risks that I and/or my child(ren) may be exposed to or infected by as a result of participation in the Activity, and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, sickness, and/or death. I understand that the risk of exposure or infection may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of myself, my child(ren), staff, volunteers, or agents, other Activity participants, or others not listed, and I acknowledge that all such risks are known to me.

In consideration of me and my child(ren) being able to participate in the Activity, I, on behalf of myself, as well as anyone entitled to act on my behalf, hereby forever waive, release, and hold The Bridge Sarasota, The Bridge Sarasota Academy Classes, and Bible Baptist Church and its employees and agents harmless from any and all claims, suits, liability, actions, judgments, attorneys’ fees, costs, and any expenses of any kind resulting from injuries or damages, grounded in tort or otherwise, that I and/or my child(ren), or my or our representatives, sustain during or related to my child(ren)’s participation or involvement in the Activity.

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Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

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Student printed name

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Parent/Guardian Printed name

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Student printed name

## The Bridge Academy Classes Volunteering

We will have volunteer sign-ups on Orientation Day, but if you'd like to reserve your spot in advance, please complete the form and turn it in with your registration.

You are not limited to volunteering in your own child's classroom. Please feel free to serve wherever God leads you! We would love to have experienced parents of older students help in the elementary and vice versa. You can also do several different positions each week if you like. Use your gifts and stretch yourself to learn and do new things!

**Perimeter Walk:** 1-2 adults needed for each time period. Perimeter walk is one loop around the outside of the campus every 15-20 minutes, looking for anyone who does not belong on the campus or anything out of the ordinary. Bible Baptist staff are on site, so this is just an extra precaution.

Shifts: 8:30-10:00am, 10:15-11:45am, 12:00-1:30pm, 1:45-3:15pm

**Facility Setup - 7:45-8:25am:** 1-2 families - Using the written directions provided, setup classrooms and common rooms with appropriate tables, chairs, etc.

**Facility Cleanup – 2:30-3:30pm:** 1-2 families – Using the written directions provided, put everything that we moved for the school day back so it's ready for BBC's services, take out trash, disinfect/clean restrooms, general facility cleaning and vacuuming.

**Lunch Monitor & Cleanup – 12:30-1:30pm:** 1-2 adults or families – Help students as needed. Monitor the room for safety. Clean/disinfect the tables and put back whatever was setup earlier. Vacuum as needed. Take out trash. Inform front desk when complete to lock building.

**Entry table/Greeter – 1 adult -** Be at the entry table to help and greet students and parents. (Friendly and cheerful!) Assist the Director as needed. (Make copies, refill refreshments cart, etc.) 8:30-10:30am, 10:30am-12:30pm, 12:30-2:00pm, 2:00-3:30pm

**Prayer Team – 2-4 adults** meeting on Wednesday for 30-60 minutes to pray – time frame determined by availability of team members. Students are welcome to join. (Need a leader.)

**Games/Study Room Monitor – 1 adult** responsible for monitoring the room for safety. This is a free-study and games room (non-quiet).

**Teacher Assist (Elementary requires most parents to stay with their child) –**Teacher assistants provide support for the teacher and classroom as needed: setup tables/chairs, make copies, help students with projects and labs, collect and/or possibly review homework, etc. Organize students to do classroom cleanup and take out trash each week. You're there to serve and support the teacher.

It takes many hands for The Bridge Academy Classes to function smoothly. We need everyone who can volunteer to please do so. Our biggest needs are on Wednesdays during classes, but we do have other volunteer opportunities available.

# The Bridge Academy Classes Volunteering

## Your Availability

### During which times are you available for volunteer assignments?

	8:30-10 Perimeter Walk		7:45-8:25 Facility Setup
	10:15-11:45 Perimeter Walk		2:30-3:30 Facility Cleanup/Lockup
	12:00 -1:30 Perimeter Walk		12:30-1:30 Lunch Help & Cleanup
	1:45-3:15pm Perimeter Walk		Entry Table – AM or PM
			_____ Teacher Assist

## Other Options

If you are unable to volunteer in person on Wednesdays, please let us know your interests and availability so we can utilize your talents. Everyone is required to serve as a volunteer, but it is an honor system, so we are not going to chase you down. If you absolutely cannot serve, you're expected to provide us with a reason.

Here are some ideas:

\_\_\_Administration

\_\_\_Events

\_\_\_Fundraising

\_\_\_Lunch/Food

\_\_\_Newsletter production

\_\_\_Volunteer coordination

\_\_\_Prayer Team Leader

\_\_\_Student Event/Social Coordinator

\_\_\_Parent Event/Social Coordinator

Tell us your availability/experience or other ideas:

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