## LOGOS SCHOOL SECOND SEMESTER ELECTIVES 2014-15

**Annual** – Mrs. Spencer (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, 15 students-1<sup>st</sup> semester prerequisite) – This semester the students will produce the Logos Annual using the yearbook software online. The school has a limited number of computers for student use. It is preferable that they use their own personal laptop with wireless capability. There are a limited number of digital cameras owned by the school if a student does not have access to one.

**Boatwright** – Mr. Jacobs (9th-12th grade boys, 12 students, \$25 materials fee) the goal of this class is to build a 13'6" Melonseed, a sleek, seaworthy sailboat. We will steam bend wood for the stem and beams, strip plank the hull, and fabricate the transom, oars, spars, mast, rails, daggerboard case, and coaming.

Chorus – Mr. Erber – (Required for  $7^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  grade girls in the fall and  $7^{th}$  and  $8^{th}$  grade boys in the spring. Open to HS students as well.) – We will be preparing a variety of musical pieces for several performance opportunities. We will also be building upon our knowledge of music theory and history as we seek to glorify God in all we sing.

**Conditioning** – Mr. Holloway (8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade boys, 30 students) – This class focuses on improving the strength and quickness of our athletes. Class begins at 8:00 AM and uses a number of stations in the weight room and gym.

**Contemporary Scientific Issues**- Mr. Euhus and Mr. Struble – This class will cover controversial scientific issues. Christians disagree on these topics; however, the divisions are more ethical and scientific rather than doctrinal. Examples include vaccinations, climate change, cloning, stem cell research, etc... The teachers are sensitive to the fact that families may disagree on some of these topics, and they will pursue instruction and discussion in a respectful way.

**Fabric Desig**n – Mrs. Merkle – This class will cover the basics of pattern design, with the emphasis being on fabric although there are lots of other applications for what we'll be learning. We'll cover what makes a successful design, how to put it into a repeat, how to create multiple colorways, and what you can do with your finished designs. Students will create a number of designs which they can use to have actually printed into fabric or put onto a product. \$25 materials fee, and each student will end up with 1 yard of their own fabric or comparable custom product (iphone case, notebook, coffee mug, etc.).

**Internship** – Mrs. Merkle (seniors only) – Seniors should refer to the Senior Course Options information packet (logosschool.com) for more information on this elective option. This elective does not meet during the normal elective times.

**Latin Tutor** – Miss Larsen – This elective is for new students who are beginning their Latin studies as well as more experienced students who need additional instruction and practice in order to be successful in their current Latin class.

Mystery Literature – Mrs. Courtney – Dive into the literature of the greatest detective writers in the English language: Doyle, Poe, Sayers, Christie, and Chesterton. We will be reading stories and plays in class, as well as introductory chapters that introduce Sherlock Holmes, Father Brown, and Sir Peter Wimsey. We may even try our hand at solving a mystery or two ourselves. With some informational material from the works of P.D. James, we will learn the origins of the mystery story and its development through the golden age of detective fiction. Join us for a literature adventure with tea and scones on the side. All materials provided for a \$3 copy fee.

**Practical Christianity** – Mr. Doug Wilson (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) – This class addresses some very day-to-day spiritual issues Christian students face, focusing on an application of biblical wisdom. It should be noted that this class does not come under our secondary doctrine policy.

**Typing** – Mrs. Handel (10 students) – This is a beginning typing course. It is highly recommended for junior high school students and others who cannot type.

**Watercolor/Pastels** – Mr. Garfield (16 students, \$25 materials fee) – This will be a multi-media class: students may choose either watercolor or pastels for painting. Less experienced students will switch up for the fourth quarter to become familiar with both mediums. As with any studio class, it will be expected that the students may not necessarily have great talent, but they must have a strong work ethic.