

BHC Lower School

Class Description 2024-2025



BROOK HILLS CO-OP

Class:

Course Title: 1st Grade Science - God's Design For Heaven & Earth

Teacher: Tara Dovenbarger

Grade: 1st Grade

Schedule:

Day of the Week: Thursday

Time: 8:55-10:25

Minimum Number of Students: 10

Maximum Accepted: 15

Fee:

Total Tuition: \$400

- Deposit of \$50 due April 1st, secures registration and is deducted from total fee.
- Payment Option 1: Remaining balance due August 1st.
- Payment Option 2: Half remaining balance due August 1st, half due January 9th.
- Teacher Venmo: @Tara-Dovenbarger

Class Description:

Our God's Design Heaven and Earth study includes Weather and Water, the Universe, and Planet Earth. This year we will explore the history of planet Earth, learn about the world's climate, and all about the wonderful universe God created.

Curriculum & Supplies:

God's Design for Heaven and Earth For Beginners by Debbie and Richard Lawrence (MasterBooks Publishing)

Additional Supplies:

- 1 inch, 3-ring binder with 4 dividers
- Sharpened pencils, scissors, colored pencils, 3 glue sticks, covered pencil sharpener

Tests, Assignments, & Grades:

First grade will be graded on participation. There will be one required oral presentation/project. We will practice test-taking skills to equip us for the future, but there will not be a formal grade given. Classroom behavior and learning skills will also be emphasized. I will check their homework at the beginning of each class.

BHC Lower School Expected Skills - 1st Grade:

- Write full name and correctly form letters into words
- Actively Learning to Read
- Transcribe Board to Blanks on a Page
- Developing Classroom Behavior
- Manage a Multi-Resource Class Time
- Actively Listen During Lecture Time
- 1 Project/Presentation

Student Responsibilities:

Students are expected to treat each other with respect, complete assignments on time, and have the ability to sit and stay focused for the entire class.

Teacher Bio & Contact Information:

Tara Dovenbarger is enjoying her marriage of 29 years and has four wonderful children. She began her family's homeschool journey in 2005. Tara's two oldest homeschool graduates are enjoying their jobs in engineering and nursing. Her youngest daughter is in the special needs program at Montevallo. Her youngest son, Danny, is in 10th grade here at our co-op. She loves science and graduated from Arizona State with a Speech and Hearing Science degree. Besides her work at our co-op, Tara is also a licensed NILD Educational Therapist and practices out of her home.

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