

# DISCOVERY TERM 2019

Dear Students, Parents, and Community Members,

God displays His glory in His sovereignty over all creation and the limitlessness of His power. He reveals so much to us, and yet so much also remains a mystery. Discovery Term provides just a small glimpse of God's creativity and vastness. We will have opportunities to explore different forms of art, new twists in studying theology, and how to exercise our own creativity in serving God's world. We'll consider new interests, explore our own gifts and talents in new ways, and have fun deviating from normal classroom routines in the process.

Like last year, we're inviting members of our community to participate in courses. The week of January 2-4 and 7-8, 2019 will provide opportunities for all students, parents, and community members to choose from 19 different offerings. This term will engage participants in a five day learning experience allowing them to choose two sessions, one in the morning and one in the afternoon, focusing on a variety of topics. Our goal is that each participant will walk away expanding their appreciation for knowledge and the learning process.

Learning outside of the normal academic day through this unique week of discovery enlarges a student's awareness of the vastness of knowledge in God's world and expands their desire to learn. In this way, SCS is advancing its vision of preparing students to impact the world for Jesus Christ. "...Stop and consider God's wonders. Do you know how God controls the clouds and makes his lightning flash? Do you know how the clouds hang poised, those wonders of him who is perfect in knowledge?" Job 37:14-16 We know nothing compared to God's knowledge and creativity, yet we can explore what He has revealed to us and our role in it.

The Discovery Term brochure and additional information is available on the SCS website. Please feel free to refer any questions to the Discovery Term committee: Myron Bolkema and Lisa Brown. With their planning and hard work, we anticipate a great week of learning. Please join us in praying for this important event when students are certain to discover something new!

**Ann Steenwyk**

Director of Academics and Instruction



# Discovery Term 2019

## Course Offerings

### Morning Courses:

#### *Bold by Design - Mrs. Tricia Meyer*

Spend your week learning all that goes into designing the pages of the yearbook! In this class, you will use the Jostens software to create, edit, and polish yearbook pages. You will learn the process of working under an editor to compose a page that will align with the theme of the rest of the book. Bonus: Some of these pages will be published in the 2018-2019 school's yearbook!

#### *How To Get Hired - Mrs. Becca Flipse*

Whether you are looking for a job as you finish up high school, or are trying to prepare for your future calling, this is the course for you! Let's explore ways to become the best and brightest talent for companies. Yes, we will work on resumes, but there is WAY more to landing your dream job than a resume. We will learn from guest speakers, videos, and hands-on activities like rapid ideation brainstorming (go ahead and look that up) and mock interviews.

#### *Exploring Sculpture - Ms. Lisa Brown*

In this hands-on studio class, experience a wide variety of sculptural materials ranging from paper mache and plaster to foam and tape! We will be exploring the art of sculpture through multiple projects and group design challenges. Be prepared to get messy, be creative, and have fun!

Limit: 8

Fee: \$10.00

#### *Impress At A Distance...Impact Up Close - Mr. Jim Cowdy*

Kick off your New Year with a flurry of crazy fun fitness games and activities! Ignite your passion to live intentionally for the Lord both physically and spiritually.

#### *The Science of Cooking - Mr. John Andringa*

Behind every great recipe is a great chemical process! During this course, we will investigate steaming, caramelizing, marinating, browning, emulsifying, and oxidizing ingredients and produce some really good food. Some of our time will be spent in the science lab, but mostly we will be in the kitchen. Participants must love to make and eat food, but must also be interested in answering the question "Why is that happening"?

Limit: 8

Cost: \$20

### *Personal Financial Stewardship - Mr. Larry Walston*

Learn the things about money that 95% of adults still don't know or understand. You will be shown a path you can follow the rest of your life.

### *Manufacturing Tour - Mr. Greg Ingelse*

This class will be a tour of different manufacturing facilities around Sheboygan County. Come along and learn what careers might interest you! We will see what it takes to produce some of the products we use every day, from companies like Curt Joa, Kohler, and Viking Masek. There are numerous career opportunities in the manufacturing world. Come find one that is right for you!

Limit: 6

### *Computer Programming for Everyone - Mr. Ron De Master*

What makes all these electronic devices that we own work? It's programming! In this class, we will be introduced to basic programming concepts. You do not have to have any previous background. This will be a hands-on class where you have a chance to create your own short programs. (Not for those who have taken or who are now taking computer programming.)

### *Improv/Forensics - Mrs. Melissa Kaule*

Spend the week learning the ins and outs of theatre life! From improv to choreography to blocking, we'll examine the history of drama and how actors "dig deep" to take on character roles, and then we'll perform both comedic and dramatic skits!

## Afternoon Courses:

### *Going Dutch - Señor Engels*

In this class, students will explore the rich culture and the basics of the Dutch language in a fun way. Students will learn about greetings, farewells, colors, numbers, family, foods, sports and much more.

### *Aquaponics II - Mr. John Andringa*

This class will continue the work that was started last year. We will modify, set up, and begin the process of using fish waste to grow plants. Preference will be given to students that were part of Aquaponics I.

Limit: 4

### *We All Like to Eat - Ms. Mary Tryggeseth and Ms. Kate Auman*

Can't stand the heat in the kitchen? Throughout the course of the week, you'll learn fun recipes for breakfast, lunch, dinner and dessert that can be catered to your individual taste. Come *turnip* your skills with Mary and Kate! 'Bake and take' your creations and *lettuce* show everyone how creative you've become in just a few hours. We promise it'll be sweet.

Limit: 8

Fee: \$25.00

### *How Analytics Changed Sports - Mr. Zack Flipse*

We'll take a look at new and advanced statistics and how they're changing the ways players, coaches, and general managers make decisions. Should you really 'take what the the defense gives you?' Should you 'manufacture runs?' Does 'defense win championships?' How much is a player really worth? We'll uncover all of that and more!

### *Watercolor Painting - Mrs. Lonni Brown*

Learn practical, how-to instruction in the tools and techniques of watercolor. Part of the class will consist of guided step-by-step instruction to create beautiful watercolor compositions. You will also have an opportunity to experiment with the medium to create your own original artwork.

Limit: 8

Cost: \$10.00

### *Woodshop: Shed Building - Mr. Greg Ingelse*

We will, once again, be offering a class in the shop. This year's project is a small building that will be put in our school's auction this spring. You will get a taste of what it takes to build a home or other structures and use the tools of this trade. If you enjoy woodworking, want to see how buildings and homes are made, or just don't want to be stuck behind a desk, come join us!

Limit: 8

### *Norse Mythology - Mr. Kevin Gesch*

As Christianity spread throughout the world, often taken along for the ride by the Roman Empire, it encountered many different belief systems. In many cases, Christianity and the local religions blended, a syncretism, which altered both of the original beliefs. This mish-mash of Christian and pagan has influenced Western culture for the last 1500 years, notably in Germany, through the work and beliefs of Wagner and other purveyors of Aryan superiority nonsense and lately, the pop culture fascination seen in video games and movies. We'll try to make some sense of this and critique with a biblical perspective.

### *Photography 101 - The Basics of Photography - Mr. Matt Moeller*

This class will help you understand the basics of taking great pictures with your SLR camera. We will focus on understanding proper exposure while balancing ISO, shutter speed, and aperture. There will be plenty of hands-on experience in taking and reviewing pictures. In the class, you will also learn about what makes a good picture good, as well as some simple adjustments of post-editing.

**SLR camera required.**

### *Serving Sheboygan - Mr. Bob Ingelse & Mr. Roger De Master*

This course will encourage a heart of service, focusing on non-profits within Sheboygan. Along with digging deeper into God's call for Christians to serve, the students will go into the community and serve each day.

### *Trips*

#### *7 Bridges Mission Trip to Atlanta, Georgia - Mr. Chris Hendrikse*

Students will be traveling to Atlanta, Georgia to serve alongside 7 Bridges Church. A rescue team for Jesus Christ, the purpose of 7 Bridges ministry is "to rescue our brothers and sisters off the streets and help them break the binds of homelessness, alcohol, drugs, sexual addictions, prostitution, and abuse..."

Cost: \$250



## FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

### SCHEDULE

Discovery Term is based on a college “interim” model, starting immediately after Christmas Break.

The day is divided into two sessions with one course taken per session. **NOTE: Wednesday’s schedule is different, due to early release.**

#### **WED. ONLY:**

*Morning Session*

7:45-10:40 a.m.

*Lunch*

10:40 a.m.-11:10 p.m.

*Afternoon Session*

11:10-2:05 p.m.

#### **THU., FRI., MON., TUE.**

*Morning Session*

7:45-11:15 a.m.

*Lunch*

11:15 a.m.-11:45 p.m.

*Afternoon Session*

11:45-3:05 p.m.

### ASSEMBLY

During the Discovery Term Assembly, students will be introduced to all Discovery Term course offerings.

The DT Assembly will take place on Thursday, November 29.

### ENROLLMENT

Students taking courses must sign up for one AM course and one PM course.

**Students may not repeat a Discovery Term course unless granted permission by the principal.**

Some classes tend to be more rigorous in

nature while other classes may be more hands-on and experiential.

Students and parents must read course descriptions carefully to understand prerequisites, fees, and expectations.

Sign-ups will be done on SignUpGenius. You will receive an email invitation when it is your class’ turn to sign up. Early sign-ups or sign-ups by someone else are NOT allowed. More information on signing up will be shared at the assembly on Nov. 29.

### ATTENDANCE

Because each class meets only five times, attendance is required. Students who miss excessive classes may not pass the class. Each circumstance will be considered on an individual basis.

Students involved in extracurricular activities must choose a Discovery Term schedule that doesn’t interfere with their commitments. Students should see a coach or administrator with questions.

### CREDITS & GRADES

All morning and afternoon courses receive a pass/fail grade which will be placed on students’ transcripts.

### INSTRUCTION

Guest instructors from the community join SCS staff to teach Discovery Term courses. Small classes in three-hour blocks provide unique opportunities for instruction. Many courses include service learning or hands-on, project-based experiences that cannot happen in a normal school day. Other courses are team-taught and take place partially or entirely off-campus.

## FAQ's

### 1. Why is Discovery Term a good fit for SCS?

- A. Expands student horizons
- B. Teachers teach to their passions
- C. Has potential for a different learning experience
- D. Provides closer student/teacher relationships
- E. Partners with the community to provide unique learning opportunities

### 2. How are Discovery Term courses different from regular classes?

- A. The day is split into two, three-hour courses that immerse students in an amplified learning experience
- B. They take place both inside and outside the classroom
- C. They allow teachers to dive deeper into a topic or explore a topic not covered during a semester course

### 3. Why are class sizes smaller?

Smaller class size is a vital part of Discovery Term, allowing for students and teachers to work more closely and form deeper Christian relationships

### 4. How does Discovery Term impact the school calendar?

- A. First semester exams will be completed before Christmas vacation, avoiding an awkward schedule with exams two weeks after an extended Christmas break
- B. Discovery Term will replace one week from first semester
- D. There will be two and one-half additional days of semester one following Discovery Term

### 5. Will some courses have a cover fee?

A few classes will have a fee to cover materials cost. Trip expenses will be covered by the students/families.

### 6. Is Discovery Term required? Graded?

Discovery Term is required for students. Students will receive a grade of pass or fail.

### 7. How can I get involved in Discovery Term?

Community partnerships are very important to SCS and to Discovery Term. If you are interested in teaching a Discovery Term course, please contact the school.

