

Course #	Class Title				Instructor		Instructor Fee*	Class Fee*
	Club S.W.A.P. - Spoken Word And Poetry				Natasha Sansom		\$50	\$25
Grades	Class Days	# Semesters	# Weeks/Sem.	Credit Hrs*	Min # Students	Max # Students	Last Day to Add New Students	
4th-10th	Tues	1	15	0.5	5	15	per instructor approval after 4 wks	
Pre-Requisites							2nd semester: New Students?	
Student should have basic skills to read and write.							with instructor approval	
Required Materials (To Be Supplied by Family)								
Dedicated poetry notebook with perforated edges, 1 folder with 3-hole prongs and pockets for completed poems, pencils. Instructor will supply markers, construction paper, colored pencils, games, etc.								
Description								
<p>This class will empower students to communicate creatively, speak more confidently, increase self-awareness and promote self-esteem through expressive writing. Natasha "Beautiful Thought" Sansom is a speaker, spoken soul poet, and winner of the National Poetry Award in 2012, Christian Poet of the Year. Ms. Sansom will teach the students many forms of poetry that incorporates writing sessions, during class, corresponding to the learned forms of poetry. They will learn which books of the Bible are considered poetry, review grammar, begun to use metaphors, similes, alliteration, rhyme, and so much more. A variety of creative techniques will be used to engage the youth in learning and practicing skills needed for writing.</p> <p>As the class develops rapport and increases trust, the participants will increasingly be lead toward greater self-discovery and increased self-esteem. The individuals will be empowered through the listening and appreciation as a group of their words and stories. They will learn to live more authentically and increase their creativity, self-esteem, and writing (language arts) skills.</p> <p>The youth will present at least two of their writings in front of the group (oral and creative art form). Throughout the sessions will include poetry shared by both the instructor and the class participants.</p> <p>This class is adaptable for all of the following groups: spelling challenged, dyslexic, auditory processing difficulty (other exceptions per instructor)</p>								
Homework / Expectations / Other Info								
Students will take incomplete work home to finish or rewrite final copy. Limited homework.								

*Class Fees and Instructor Fees are per semester unless otherwise indicated in the Other Information. Materials fee is non-refundable.

* Credit Hours: COVE does not issue high school credits. These are suggested credit hours to be assigned by the parents. Suggested grade is given by teachers. Final grade assignment is the responsibility of the parent.