

Classes for Grades 6-10

The following three classes typically rotate from year to year. These are some of Unitarian Universalism's most loved children's education classes. Please contact the Director of Religious Education for details about the current class offerings.

Neighboring Faiths-The Neighboring Faiths class is designed for kids in grades 6-9. The class meets weekly to learn about various religious and faith traditions from around the world. Classes include discussions on Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Christianity, Catholicism, Native American spirituality, Buddhism, and more. The most exciting parts of the class are the field trips that are taken to various places of worship. The year culminates in a trip to Boston to visit a Muslim mosque and a Hindu Temple. The kids spend an overnight with the Neighboring Faiths class from a UU church in Boston.

Our Whole Lives-The Our Whole Lives curriculum is a lifespan sexuality curriculum that is created by the Unitarian Universalist Association and the United Church of Christ. The 7th-9th grade curriculum is offered every three years by trained OWL teachers in a safe, accepting, environment. The class focuses on age appropriate aspects on sexuality, self-care, relationships, and sexual identity and health.

Coming of Age- This class is offered every three years for youth in grades 7-10. The class focuses on encouraging youth to discover and share their own personal spiritual and religious beliefs in a fun and inclusive atmosphere of teachers and advocates. The class includes hiking trips, service projects, a retreat weekend, and much more. Each kid also gets to choose an advocate from the congregation. This advocate serves as a support and sounding board as the youth go through the class. The class culminates with each youth sharing their 'personal credos' with the congregation in the spring.