

Dear School Official:

This letter serves as an introduction to one of the American Contract Bridge League's 6,000+ Accredited Bridge Teachers.

ACBL has a funded beginning bridge lesson program which we would like to present to you. Our teacher is authorized to offer your school this opportunity to have your students learn to play the great game of bridge.

The American Contract Bridge League (ACBL) is a not-for-profit membership organization that is the main sanctioning body for bridge tournaments and bridge clubs in North America.

A new method of teaching bridge, developed for the ACBL by Canadian educator Audrey Grant, has made the game easy to learn. Five pedagogically sound textbooks (Bidding (The Club Series), Play (The Diamond Series), Defense (The Heart Series), Commonly Used Conventions (The Spade Series) and More Commonly Used Conventions (The Notrump Series) which use a spiral curriculum are available for the ACBL courses.

To receive teacher accreditation, a candidate must attend a ten-hour seminar and pass a written exam. The candidates are instructed on the best method of presenting ACBL's beginning bridge courses. They learn how to effectively use the eight lesson plans found in the teacher manuals developed by Audrey Grant for each course.

The School Bridge Lesson Series, a turn-key program, has made bridge lessons available to the students of any school (elementary through college) since 1989. More than 5,000 students a year are currently benefitting from this program.

This program has been well received, particularly by math teachers who recognize the value of bridge for developing thinking skills. The students are discovering a game they thought was for their grandparents and are enjoying it more than computer games due to its social aspect.

Our accredited teacher would appreciate the opportunity to visit with you to discuss organizing a school lesson program. Please take the time to consider offering bridge lessons to your students.

Sincerely,

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