



**WISCONSIN RAPIDS
PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Summer Academy 2024



Join the Fun!



WELCOME TO WRPS SUMMER ACADEMY!

Our school district is excited to provide learning and engagement opportunities for our students during the summer months. We believe Summer Academy should be an integral part of the overall school program which offers a balance of options to support academic, enrichment, or remedial needs of the pupils residing in the Wisconsin Rapids attendance area. Registration is open to all pupils; however, entrance requirements (such as grade level prerequisites) may be imposed for certain classes and attendance in other courses (such as remedial coursework) may be required for individual pupils. The Summer Academy program is reviewed annually and classes are added or dropped in accordance with the needs of pupils residing in the District.

NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

WRPS is committed to providing equal educational opportunities for all District students. The District will not deny any person admission to, participation in, or the benefits of any curricular, extra-curricular, pupil services, recreational, or other program or activity because of a person's gender, race, national origin, ancestry, creed, religion, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity, or physical mental, emotional or learning disability, or any other characteristic protected under State or Federal civil rights laws. The District strives to provide a safe, secure, and respectful learning environment for all students in school buildings, on school grounds, and school buses and at school-sponsored activities. All students and/or third parties are encouraged to promptly report incidents of discrimination or harassment to a teacher, administrator, supervisor, or other district employee or official so that the District may address the conduct.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

SUMMER ACADEMY DATES

- ONLY ONE Session for 2024 (3 weeks): **June 10 - June 28**

This is due to changes and upgrades with our Skyward student database management system happening this summer which makes the system unavailable throughout July.

CLASS TIMES

- 8:00 am - 12:00 pm



SITE LOCATIONS

- 4K - Grade 5 will be held at **Woodside Elementary School**
- Gymnastics and Swimming will be held at Lincoln High School (LHS)

BUSING

Bus transportation will be provided for students who live within Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools (WRPS) attendance boundaries and reside outside of the boundaries of the school sites selected for Summer Academy. During the registration process, please be sure to indicate what your child's busing needs are.

Please Note: Students utilizing Summer Academy transportation are required to comply with Board policy and bus company safety expectations. Failure to meet these expectations may result in a student's riding privileges being suspended.

For specific busing information, please contact Mike Mertz at Safe-Way: (715) 423-1117

FEES

There are no fees for any resident or open enrolled student registering for a WRPS Summer Academy class. However, it is very important that your child attends all of the classes they are registered for. Staff are hired and supplies purchased to meet the needs of those students who are registered. If your child fails to attend, the District will not receive financial support from the State for your child and ends up spending funds unnecessarily on staff and supplies for a child who does not attend.

NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

Students who do not reside in the Wisconsin Rapids Public School District or attend WRPS under Open Enrollment are welcome to attend Summer Academy. The tuition will be \$50 for one (1) three-week session class. Transportation will not be provided for nonresident students. Please mail payment to: WRPS, 510 Peach Street, Wisconsin Rapids, WI 54494, Attn: Jean Westover.

ATTENDANCE

Except for emergencies, students are expected to attend all Summer Academy classes. This program is funded through a formula that is based upon student attendance. Whenever a student does not attend the classes they are scheduled for, the funding is reduced. Therefore, we ask for your cooperation in seeing that your child attends each day. We ask that parents contact the school office any time their child will not be attending a class. In the event of emergencies, parents should contact the office of the school in which the student's Summer Academy classes are scheduled (4K-5th grade: Woodside / Gymnastics & Swimming; Lincoln High School). Students who fail to meet attendance expectations will be dropped from the course.

DRESS AND CONDUCT

Students are expected to follow the same standards of dress and conduct as those which are in effect during the regular school year. Failure to demonstrate proper behavior during Summer Academy may result in a student being removed from Summer Academy.

REGISTRATION



- Online registration **will be open from March 1 - March 31**.
- To be eligible to attend Summer Academy, students who enroll must have either attended area public or parochial schools as a registered 4K – 5th grade student, lived within WRPS District boundaries during the 2023-2024 school year, or currently reside within the District boundaries and/or participate in a home schooling arrangement.
- Students who register for the 2024 Summer Academy program must register for their course according to the grade level they are in during the 2023-2024 school year; they do not advance to their next grade in Summer Academy.
- Four year old kindergarten students must have completed 4K class during the 2023-2024 school year, and be entering 5K in the fall.

ONLINE REGISTRATION/CLASS SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS

All Summer Academy students will complete the registration and course selection process online through Skyward Family Access regardless of what school or district they attend during the school year. If your student(s) does not currently attend WRPS, you will have to complete a brief google form found on our Summer Academy webpage to create your Family Access account. The form is available now to allow you to create your Family Access account in advance of the opening of the registration/course selection process on March 1st.

Logging into Family Access:

- Go to www.wrps.org
- In the upper right corner, click on the Skyward icon as shown here:
- Choose Family Access, enter your login and password and click "Sign In"



Summer Academy Registration:

Once you are logged into Family Access, click on Summer Academy Registration from the left sidebar. Follow the steps below to complete the first step in the registration process.

Step 1 a-d: Verify Student Information

- Verify the information in steps 1 a-d and then click the Complete and Move button at the bottom of each screen.

Step 2: Busing Information

- Complete the form and include any and all busing requests.
- Click the Complete and Move button at the bottom of the screen.

Step 3: Summer Academy Medical Information

- Complete the form and click the Complete and Move button at the bottom of the screen.

Step 4: Complete Summer Academy Registration

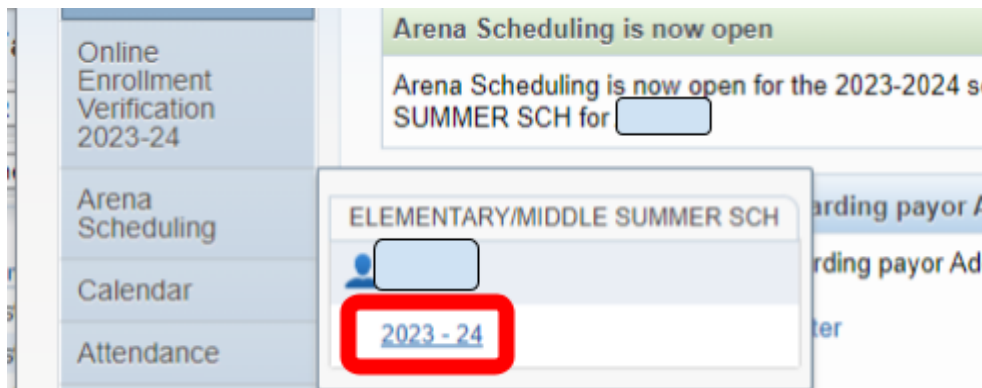
- If all information is correct and verified, click on the Submit Summer Academy Registration button.

When you have finished the registration process above, please complete the next step to choose your child's class.

The next step in the Summer Academy Registration process is to schedule your child's class requests. To do that follow the instructions below:

There is only 1 session of Summer Academy for 2024: **June 10 – June 28**

In Family Access, click on the Arena Scheduling tab and choose 2023-24 for the student you want to enroll in Summer Academy classes.



This will display the grade level class for your student. Select the class for your student by clicking the Add button in the Option column. If you see more than one course listed, it is because there are multiple sections offered to accommodate more students. You will only be able to choose one section.

Students must register for the grade level they were in during the 2023-24 school year. Students do not advance during Summer Academy.

It is not necessary to print your student's schedule.

CLASS OFFERINGS

PRE-KINDERGARTEN ENRICHMENT COURSE (4-year old Kindergarten)

PK-1 4K - Keys of 4 Year Old Kindergarten

This course is for students who have completed a 4-year old kindergarten class during the 2023-2024 school year and will be entering 5-year old kindergarten in the fall.

Welcome to our specialized program designed to nurture an engaging environment with play-based activities that mirror the enriching learning experiences that students encountered throughout the regular school year.

Focused on a balance between fun and learning, activities are carefully crafted to retain and reinforce existing skills while laying the groundwork for further growth. Building upon the foundation established in 4-year-old kindergarten, this class fosters development in crucial areas including literacy, numeracy, social interaction, and fine motor skills.

Through interactive play, storytelling, creative arts, and engaging games, this class aims to create a seamless transition that ensures students are well-equipped and confident for the upcoming academic year. Join us for a summer filled with joyful exploration where every activity is tailored to reinforce learning, nurture development, and prepare students for the exciting journey into 5-year-old kindergarten!

PRIMARY GRADE LEVEL ENRICHMENT COURSES (GRADES K - 5)



KINDERGARTEN - Kudos to Kindergarten

Welcome to our Kindergarten summer academy class, where the warmth of the season meets the boundless enthusiasm of young learners! Each day unfolds with engaging activities designed to ignite curiosity and cultivate essential skills for students. Mornings are a flurry of excitement as our little scholars embark on a journey of exploration, diving into captivating story sessions that transport them to far-off lands and ignite their imagination. Through interactive math adventures, they unravel the mysteries of numbers, turning abstract concepts into tangible discoveries. Hands-on arts and crafts sessions will unleash their creativity, allowing them to express themselves freely and bring their imaginative visions to life.

Our Kindergarten summer academy class becomes a hub of laughter, growth, and friendship. Guided by dedicated educators, these young adventurers work on collaborative projects that foster teamwork and communication skills to help lay the groundwork for future success. Outdoor playtime offers moments of exhilarating discovery as they explore nature's wonders and build friendships with peers and learn the importance of teamwork. In our nurturing environment, every child is encouraged to blossom and thrive, supported by a community that celebrates their unique talents and contributions. Together, we embrace the spirit of summer, savoring each moment of learning and discovery as we embark on a journey of growth and endless possibilities.

FIRST GRADE - First Grade Summer Fun

Step into our dynamic first-grade summer academy class where each day is an adventure in our journey of academics and enrichment! Students will engage in exciting math challenges that spark curiosity and build a strong foundation of numeracy skills. We will dive into reading sessions that transport each student to magical worlds through captivating stories.

Our arts and crafts sessions are a canvas for creativity, allowing young minds to flourish with imaginative projects. Students will have enriching science experiments that turn learning into hands-on exploration. We will also enjoy culinary adventures with fun cooking activities that tantalize taste buds.

Amidst our stimulating curriculum, recess time provides a breath of fresh air for energetic play and social interaction that fosters teamwork and friendship during this time set aside to interact and play with peers. We invite all first graders to come and be part of our class filled with discovery, laughter, and endless opportunities for growth and fun while we prepare and gear up for the exciting leap to second grade! Here, every moment counts toward preparing our young learners for future academic success.

SECOND GRADE - Second Grade Superstars



Join us for an unforgettable second-grade summer school filled with an exciting array of activities! Our program is designed to blend learning with laughter, ensuring every morning is packed with engaging adventures. From thrilling math mysteries that turn numbers into a captivating quest, to book clubs that transport young minds on literary journeys, our curriculum sparks curiosity and fosters a love for reading and problem-solving.

Exploring the world of art with creative projects that encourage self-expression and imagination. Dive into science experiments that make learning hands-on and fun, exploring the wonders of the natural world. Discover the joy of cooking as we whip up delicious recipes while learning about measurements and following instructions.

Outdoor explorations, drama, STEM challenges, music workshops, and brain-teasing puzzles await our enthusiastic learners, fostering creativity, teamwork, and critical thinking.

Our summer school isn't just about learning; it's about making unforgettable memories and preparing our young adventurers for the next step. Come join us for a summer brimming with laughter, exploration, and a world of engaging activities that make every day an opportunity for growth, discovery, and pure enjoyment!

THIRD GRADE - Third Grade Trailblazers



Welcome to our dynamic third-grade summer academy class of trailblazers, where each day is an adventure filled with engaging enrichment activities! Join us as we dive into a world of exploration and learning designed to prepare children for the exciting transition to fourth grade. Our mornings will be packed with a diverse range of activities that blend fun and academics.

Students will be challenged with exciting math puzzles and engaging reading sessions that transport them to new worlds. They will be able to unleash their creativity in arts and crafts, exploring various

mediums and techniques to express themselves artistically. They will explore the wonders of science through hands-on experiments that stimulate curiosity and critical thinking skills.

Students will also venture outdoors for nature expeditions, drama workshops, STEM challenges, and music sessions that foster teamwork and ignite imagination! They will delve into brain-teasing puzzles that sharpen problem-solving abilities and boost confidence.

Our summer academy isn't just about the present; it's about paving the way for future success. Join us for a summer filled with excitement, exploration, and a myriad of engaging activities that not only create fond memories but also equip your child(ren) with the skills and confidence needed for a smooth transition to fourth grade. Every moment is a step towards a brighter academic future ahead!

FOURTH GRADE - Fascinating Fourth Grade Fun

Step into an exhilarating fourth-grade summer academy experience tailored to prepare students for the thrilling journey ahead in fifth grade! Our mornings will be a mix of enriching activities designed to spark curiosity, foster growth, and ensure a seamless transition to the next academic level.



Students will embark on math adventures that challenge and engage, expanding problem-solving skills and mathematical prowess. They'll explore the world of literature through captivating books that enhance comprehension and critical thinking skills.

Creativity will be released through participation in arts and crafts by experimenting with various mediums and techniques to express unique ideas. Students will dive into the marvels of science through hands-on experiments that ignite curiosity and foster scientific inquiry.

Fourth graders will engage in outdoor explorations, drama workshops, and STEM challenges. They will have the opportunity to get ready for the future as we delve into brain-teasing puzzles that sharpen problem-solving abilities and boost confidence. Our goal isn't just about the summer; it's about equipping students with the skills and knowledge needed for a smooth transition to fifth grade.

Join us for a summer brimming with excitement, exploration, and a plethora of engaging activities that create lasting memories while building the foundation for a successful academic journey into fifth grade and beyond. Every moment spent with us is a step towards a brighter future!

FIFTH GRADE - Fabulous Fifth Grade

Welcome to an extraordinary fifth-grade summer academy experience that's all about preparing students for the adventure of middle school! Our program offers a diverse range of engaging activities intent on fostering growth, teamwork, and readiness for the next academic phase.

Students will be challenged with stimulating math problems and captivating literature that expands critical thinking and comprehension skills. They'll explore artistic expressions through diverse art projects.

An investigation into the wonders of science will take place through hands-on experiments which foster curiosity and a passion for discovery. Students will dive into brain-teasing puzzles that enhance problem-solving abilities and ensure readiness for the challenges ahead.

These fabulous fifth graders will engage in outdoor activities, drama workshops, STEM challenges, and music sessions that encourage collaboration and self-expression. They'll get to connect with new peers, form friendships, and develop essential social skills.

Our focus isn't just on the curriculum; it's about preparing each student for the exciting transition to middle school! Join us for a summer filled with excitement, exploration, and a wealth of engaging activities that create lasting memories and build the foundation for a successful transition to middle school. Each moment spent here is a step towards new friendships, personal growth, and an inspiring journey ahead.

ALL LEVEL SPECIALTY (GRADES K-5)

PI-1 SUMMER FUN FOR ALL ABILITIES 8:30-11:45

(BY INVITE ONLY - NOT AVAILABLE IN ONLINE ENROLLMENT)

Summer fun for all abilities! This offering includes arts and crafts, dancing, sports and games, for students in the district with intellectual disabilities. We also explore talking about current events, writing practice, math, and reading! *Participation in this class is limited and is by teacher invitation only. **No registration is required for this course.**

ALL INCOMING WRAMS STUDENTS (GRADE 5)

*Please note: WRAMS ORIENTATION and WEB are related offerings. Incoming 6th grade students will participate in both WRAMS ORIENTATION and WEB. Respective elementary schools will be assigned a specific date to attend during the week of August 19-23 and all incoming students will attend the WEB RALLY. **Details will be sent as a separate communication at a later date.** If you have questions about either offering, please contact the WRAMS office at (715) 424-6740.

W-1 WRAMS ORIENTATION

All incoming 6th graders will have the opportunity to visit WRAMS for a morning session during the week of August 19-23! Students will meet their 6th grade teachers, practice their locker combinations, learn procedures for navigating lunch time, and many other things to make them feel welcome in their new school! A schedule will be sent as we get closer to WRAMS orientation. WRAMS is excited to meet you! ***No registration is required for this opportunity.**

W-2 WEB (Where Everybody Belongs)

Held at WRAMS

WEB is a national program and stands for "Where Everybody Belongs." Eighth grade students serve as mentors to incoming sixth graders, running orientation for them prior to the start of the school year, as well as conducting follow-up activities throughout the year to facilitate a successful transition to middle school for our sixth grade students! The 2024-2025 WEB Leaders start their training in the spring, spending 3 hours experiencing some of the activities they will run with next year's sixth graders as well as taking care of some business to prepare for the fall. We will see these students back at the end of August for training and orientation:

- WEB Leader Training: 3 days of training prior to the WEB Rally
Will occur in August - Dates to be shared with students
- 6th Grade WEB RALLY: Wednesday, August 28, 2024 - 10:00 am - 3:00 pm



It is the expectation that all incoming 6th graders attend the WEB Rally. **You do NOT need to sign up or register.** Information regarding the WEB Rally will be sent to you as we get closer to the beginning of the 2024-2025 school year.

SUMMER SWIM & GYMNASTICS

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LOCATION

ALL SWIM AND GYMNASTICS CLASSES WILL BE HELD AT LINCOLN HIGH SCHOOL.

A SEPARATE REGISTRATION BOOKLET FOR SWIM AND GYMNASTICS CONTAINING SPECIFIC INFORMATION REGARDING EACH DISCIPLINE AND THE REGISTRATION PROCESS WILL BE SHARED AT A LATER DATE.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Specific questions regarding Summer Academy should be directed to:

Aquatics Director: Scout Gerndt (715) 424-6760 ~ scout.gerndt@wrps.net

Gymnastics: Kylie Hodgson ~ kylie.hodgson@wrps.net

Registration Coordinator: Jean Westover (715) 424-6715 x2 ~ jean.westover@wrps.net

Summer Academy Principal: Leslie Anderson (715) 424-6772 x 2205 ~ leslie.anderson@wrps.net

***Please note, the Summer Academy office phone number will be 715-424-6793**

This will be valid only during the dates of Summer Academy.

We hope to see your children in Summer Academy!