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Early Childhood

Extended Day & Auxiliary Programs

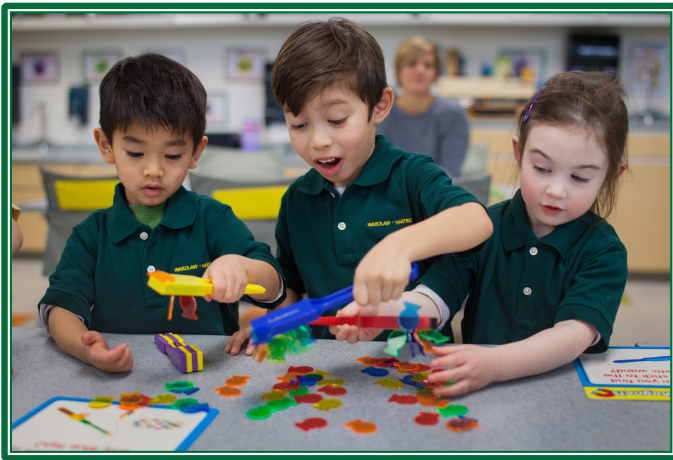
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General Information for EC Extended Day and Auxiliary Programming

ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This catalog is designed to allow families in the Early Childhood Grades (Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten & Kindergarten) to be aware of all of the Extended Day and Auxiliary Programs available for their children. Additionally, this catalog provides families with extensive information regarding the pilot of our new **Early Childhood Enrichment Program** for the 2019-2020 school year. Details about all options for families in the Early Childhood Program outside of the regular school day and school calendar are found within. Any questions should be directed to ECenrichment@whschool.org.

EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT PACKAGE

The New Early Childhood Enrichment Program includes enrichment classes for students in Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten **Mondays through Thursdays**. ***In the Winter & Spring, an add-on class is also available for Fridays**. This program is **all inclusive with a fee of \$2,500 for the year or \$900 for the season**. Classes will change by season (Fall, Winter & Spring). Students in the Early Childhood Program benefit from programming specifically tailored to their age and developmental needs. Registration can be completed at whschool.org/ECafterschool. Class paths are filled on a first-come, first-served basis. In order to assure appropriate student-teacher ratio, classes are capped with a minimum of 3 students and a maximum of 12.

BEFORE CARE

Before School Care is an option for students on an *as needed basis*. Please inquire with Mrs. Kathy Marikakis in the Lower School Office regarding Early Care.

EXPLORERS PROGRAM

The Explorers after-school program is for students in grades Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten. Explorers offers a variety of activities including music, art, story time, hands-on science and technology, and outdoor play in our facilities which are especially designed for our youngest children. A healthy snack is provided for students daily. The program runs from **2:45pm** (Early Childhood Dismissal) **until 5:00pm**. Children who need to extend the day beyond 5:00pm will be taken to the Encore program. The Explorers Program is free to all Early Childhood students at Wardlaw+Hartridge.

Registration can be completed at whschool.org/explorers. This form serves as registration and our emergency contact form for the Explorers Program.

ENCORE PROGRAM

The Encore program is open every school day from **3:00pm until 6:30pm**. The program is for students in Grades 1 through 8. Any Explorers students who remain after 5:00pm will join the Encore program. Encore provides a safe, healthy and developmentally appropriate program for those students who remain at school after regular dismissal. There is scheduled time to do homework, have a snack and have indoor/outdoor play. All students are provided with a snack, yet they may bring an additional snack if they are staying through to 6:30pm (no peanuts, please). The Director of the Encore Program also plans regular activities for Encore students. The fee for the Encore program is **\$5.00 per half hour**. Children should be signed up in advance, whenever possible, so that adequate staffing needs can be planned. Any students enrolled in the Early Childhood Enrichment Package are provided with Encore care as a part of their registration. Late fees apply after 6:30pm at \$1 per minute.

Registration can be completed at whschool.org/encore. This form serves as registration and our emergency contact form for the Encore Program. The Encore Room is next to the entrance by the Lower School playground. All students must be signed out by an adult on the list of *approved adults* (indicated on the registration form.)

*It is strongly recommended that ALL families complete an Encore Registration Form in the case of an emergency and your child needs to stay.

SPRING BREAK CAMP

During Spring Break, a minicamp is run during the first week of break for students in Grades K through 5. Hours of the minicamp are **8:00am through 4:00pm**. Every day campers do art projects, science projects, cooking activities, play games and recreational sports. Children also have time for free play and time to socialize with friends. The fee for Spring Break Camp is **\$90 per day (Monday – Thursday) and \$100 for Friday or \$450 for the entire week**.

CONFERENCE DAYS

Two Parent-Teacher Conference Days are scheduled each year – in December and in March. Classes are not in session on these days; however, Encore provides care during individual Parent-Teacher Conferences.

CAMP FUNSHINE

Camp Funshine provides a safe, nurturing environment for Early Childhood children. The program encourages the growth of social skills, logical thinking, and creativity by engaging students in crafts, indoor and outdoor play, swimming, music, STEM, reading and interactive play. The weekly themes are an extensive study of topics with various activities to support learning throughout the day, resulting in an exceptional experience they will not soon forget! Camp Funshine 2019 ran from **June 24 through August 9** (closed July 4 & 5). Families can choose which weeks to attend. See page 8 for additional information including registration and fees.

Extended Day & Auxiliary Program Calendar: 2019-2020

Monday, June 24	Camp Funshine 2019 Begins
Tuesday, July 4 & 5	Summer Programs Closed for the Independence Day Holiday
Friday, August 9	Camp Funshine 2019 Ends
Monday, September 16	Early Childhood Enrichment Fall Session Begins
Monday, September 30	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – Rosh Hashanah
Wednesday, October 9	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – Yom Kippur
Thursday, October 24	Early Childhood Enrichment Fall Session Ends
Monday, October 28	SCHOOL CLOSED – Faculty In-Service
Tuesday, October 29	EC Enrichment Fall Make Up Day #1 (09/30)
Wednesday, October 30	EC Enrichment Fall Make Up Day #2 (10/09)
Monday, December 2	Early Childhood Enrichment Winter Session Begins
Friday, December 6	SCHOOL CLOSED – Parent-Teacher Conferences
Monday, December 23- Friday, January 3	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – WINTER BREAK
Monday, January 6	School Opens
Monday, January 20	SCHOOL CLOSED – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service
Thursday, January 23	Early Childhood Enrichment Winter Session Ends
Monday, January 27	EC Enrichment Winter Make Up Day #1 (01/20) *Additional Make Ups will be scheduled this week if needed due to Winter Weather Closing(s).
Friday, March 6	SCHOOL CLOSED – Parent-Teacher Conferences
Monday, March 16- Friday, March 27	SCHOOL CLOSED – SPRING BREAK
Monday, March 16- Friday, March 20	Spring Break Camp
Monday, March 30	Early Childhood Enrichment Spring Session Begins
Monday, April 13	SCHOOL CLOSED – Easter Monday
Thursday, May 7	Early Childhood Enrichment Spring Session Ends
Monday, May 11	EC Enrichment Spring Make Up Day #1 (04/13)
Tuesday, June 9	Lower School Last Day of School – Noon Dismissal
Monday, June 22	Camp Funshine 2020 Begins

Early Childhood Enrichment Course Offerings & Schedule



2019-2020

EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT SCHEDULE

		MONDAYS	TUESDAYS	WEDNESDAYS	THURSDAYS
★ FALL 2019	A	<i>Little Yogis</i>	<i>Kitchen Chemistry</i>	<i>Little Yogis</i>	<i>Kitchen Chemistry</i>
	B	<i>Story Time Chess</i>	<i>Get Up and Dance</i>	<i>Story Time Chess</i>	<i>Get Up and Dance</i>
🐻 WINTER 19/20	A	<i>Little Theatre</i>	<i>Bugs, Bugs, Bugs!</i>	<i>Little Theatre</i>	<i>Bugs, Bugs, Bugs!</i>
	B	<i>Junior Robotics</i>	<i>Move & Groove</i>	<i>Junior Robotics</i>	<i>Move & Groove</i>
🌸 SPRING 2020	A	<i>Bollywood Dancing</i>	<i>Mini Mathematicians</i>	<i>Bollywood Dancing</i>	<i>Mini Mathematicians</i>
	B	<i>Time to Sign</i>	<i>Beginners Basketball</i>	<i>Time to Sign</i>	<i>Beginners Basketball</i>

In Winter through Spring, parents may add on Little Kickers (see description below) on Fridays.

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Students in the Early Childhood Program benefit from programming specifically tailored to their age and developmental needs. Courses are chosen based on interest and availability of instructors. Each season, classes are paired with one physically active class and one cognitively stimulating class. This pairing is created with the developmental needs for Early Childhood students in mind.

Students should be enrolled in the Early Childhood Enrichment Package ahead of time. Drop-ins, after the first week of classes, are not permitted. Instructors need sufficient time and information to prepare their class based on their rosters.

Students enrolled in the Early Childhood Enrichment Package are enrolled in both classes for the six-week season session within Option A or Option B. If students are absent from school, they have an excused absence from the Enrichment class. Student absences will not be made up by the instructor. Days off of school will be made up and are built into the calendar.

Fall 2019★

Sessions run September 16 – October 24

FALL COURSES OPTION A

Little Yogis
Mondays & Wednesdays
Fall 2019
Instructor: Katina Alamo
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Yoga is known to be a powerful mechanism for children and adults to help with focus, self-control, physical health and mindful behavior. This yoga class for the youngest students is designed with the Early Childhood age group in mind. Yoga is also a great way to channel that boundless energy. Yoga for the littles ones is designed specifically with poses, music and breathing techniques that children can recall and do at home as well. Mats and other materials will be provided.

Kitchen Chemistry
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Fall 2019
Instructors: Jen Molloy
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Cooking can be fun and safe for even the youngest chefs. Cooking and baking are really just science experiments that you can eat. Students will have weekly opportunities to become chef-scientists by learning how to follow a recipe, how to take careful measurements, and tasting the fruits of their hard work. Recipes chosen for this class also have a fun element in the "chemical reactions" which students can see live and in-person.

FALL COURSES OPTION B

Story Time Chess ©
Mondays & Wednesdays
Fall 2019
Instructor: Silvia Davis
Maximum Number of Students: 12

The Chess at Three/Story Time Chess curriculum has been featured in news outlets as an effective program for teaching three, four- and five-year-olds the game and art of chess. It is fun and the story-based curriculum allows students to understand the complexity of the game. At the end of the course, students will know how each piece moves, what each piece likes to do, pieces relationship to one another and the beginnings of playing a game.

Get Up and Dance
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Fall 2019
Instructor: To Be Announced
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Children will laugh and play as they explore the amazing things their bodies can do. We will engage in a variety of creative movement games designed to stimulate a child's imagination and develop and practice gross motor skills. We'll practice balancing, moving to different tempos, and moving through space in novel ways. Children will groove to multicultural rhythms, new and old school jams, and play simple rhythmic instruments. This is a feel good, upbeat class to let the wiggles out!

Winter 2019/2020

Sessions run December 2 – January 23

WINTER COURSES OPTION A

Little Theatre
Mondays & Wednesdays
Winter 2019-20
Instructor: Becky Randazzo
Maximum Number of Students: 12

In this class students will learn about everything that goes into a staged production. They will explore the world of theatre through drama games and activities as well as rehearse to prepare for their very own mini-show! The course will end with a performance for family and friends. We are excited to offer this opportunity to our youngest of students in order to introduce and nurture a love of all aspects of theatre.

Bugs, Bugs, Bugs!
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Winter 2019-20
Instructor: Erin Maciorowski
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Students in Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten just love to learn more about their creepy, crawly “friends.” In this science-play class, children will explore the insect world through science activities, singing songs, listening to read-alouds and even raising some of their own bugs! Don’t worry parents, our home-grown insects will be safely released into their home habitats – they won’t go home with you!

WINTER COURSE OPTION B

Junior Robotics
Mondays & Wednesdays
Winter 2019/20
Instructor: Erin Maciorowski
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Children will explore open-ended and expressive play with their very own KIBO robot. These robots are specifically designed to suit the developmental needs of children from 4-7 years old. Classes will operate with physical robots and lots of movement, NOT SCREENS! Students will engage with the robots as active producers and not passive consumers. They will build skills in sequencing, pattern recognition, problem-solving, debugging and computational thinking.

Move & Groove
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Fall 2019
Instructor: Shannon Sari
Maximum Number of Students: 12

This class is focused on getting out those wiggles while children learn about the BEST elements of dance (Body, Energy, Space & Time). Students participate in activities with fun, upbeat music from all around the world to refine gross motor skills like hopping, skipping, jumping and running (carefully!) Lessons will be based in the Laban method, giving students an opportunity to explore and combine new ways of moving expressively. The joy of song and movement that students learn in our music classes during the school day is expanded in after-school enrichment.

Spring 2020

Sessions run March 30 – May 7

SPRING COURSES OPTION A

Bollywood Dancing
Mondays & Wednesdays
Spring 2020
Instructor: Vandana Puri
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Bollywood is a modern form of Indian dance set to lively music. Tiny dancers in this class will learn how to do coordinated steps and hand work to musical rhythm and a catchy beat. This class will also teach students how to build community and teamwork through dance. Children will learn a short, choreographed routine that they will perform in costume at the end of the class. The performance will be recorded and shared with families to enjoy.

Mini Mathematicians
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Spring 2020
Instructor: Jen Molloy
Maximum Number of Students: 12

In this class, the youngest learners will get to play with numbers and geometry. Students will make projects, do activities and play games all designed to reinforce their knowledge and help students become facile with mathematics. The best part about math is that it is everywhere! Children will get to experience many things from art to science to construction. All that is done in this class will help children be more comfortable with math: through their play.

SPRING COURSES OPTION B

Time to Sign
Mondays & Wednesdays
Spring 2020
Instructor: To Be Announced
Maximum Number of Students: 12

American Sign Language is the fourth most commonly used language in the United States, and many new parents are teaching their babies ASL as a vehicle for communication before they can even speak! Research shows that learning ASL signs helps early childhood students with spelling and supports their burgeoning vocabulary development. In this class, children will learn the signs for the alphabet and numbers as well as basic vocabulary and simple sentences.

Beginners Basketball
Tuesdays & Thursdays
Spring 2020
Instructor: Mike Howell
Maximum Number of Students: 12

Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten students will enjoy this active class where they learn and practice the fundamentals of basketball. They will learn how to dribble, pass, shoot and score in individual, partnered and team activities. Children will also learn new basketball-based games and drills they can do at home to practice their gross motor and hand-eye coordination. This class will be high-energy and appropriate footwear is required.

ADD-ON

Little Kickers
Fridays Only
Winter 2019/20 & Spring 2020
Instructor: Mike Romeo
Maximum Number of Students: 12

The youngest children will enjoy this add-on class for an opportunity to work on gross motor skills while learning the fundamentals of soccer. This introduction to the sport will use high energy games and activities to build children’s coordination as applied to the game of soccer. The fundamentals of soccer are supportive to children’s development of balance & agility, social skills, confidence, communication and teamwork. This class will be high-energy and appropriate footwear is required.

FOR AGES 3 THROUGH 6

Camp Funshine provides a safe, nurturing environment for Early Childhood aged-children. The program encourages the growth of social skills, logical thinking and creativity by engaging children in crafts, indoor and outdoor play, swimming, music, STEM, reading and interactive play. The weekly themes are an extensive study of those topics with many varied activities throughout the day, resulting in an exceptional learning experience, children will not soon forget!

CAMP RUNS JUNE 24 THROUGH AUGUST 9 from 8:30AM to 3:00PM

*CAMP IS CLOSED JULY 4 & 5

Children may enroll in camp from week-to-week.

Monday through Friday \$480 per week

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday \$300 per week

Additional Friday: \$100 per day

WEEK 1

June 24 – June 28

Splish, Splash! It's a Beach Bash! 🏖️

Pack your sunscreen because the beach is coming to camp this week! Children will "shore" have fun creating crafts from sand and shells, learning about life under the sea and making ice cream from scratch! After learning about our underwater friends, we will get to visit some of them.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Jenkinson's Aquarium

WEEK 2

July 1 – July 3

Up, Up and Away! 🚀

Airplanes, balloons, bubbles and more! We will explore all things that float and fly. Campers will tap into their science brains as we problem solve flying the best paper planes, making the biggest bubbles, and keeping balloons aloft. We will celebrate the Fourth of July by making paper rockets fly!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Fourth of July Picnic

WEEK 3

July 8 – July 12

On the Farm 🐷

Everyone can be a farmer this week in camp! We will plant flowers, make butter and learn about caring for animals. Campers will even get a chance to make their own mini-farmers' market. We will end our week with a visit to an actual farm for a fun day of peach picking!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Melick's Farm

WEEK 4

July 15 – July 19

Insect Investigators 🐛

Get out your magnifying glass, because this week we will explore the natural wonders all around us! Campers will learn about the importance of bugs, while taking a closer look at living creatures in our own garden, and beneath the soil. It will "bee" fun to tap into all five senses when we taste some local honey and make beeswax candles. On Friday, we will get a closer look at some of these tiny friends with a special visit to Wardlaw+Hartridge!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Insectropolis Comes to W+H

WEEK 5

July 22 – July 26

Toy Engineers 🛠️

Design and build your own toys in this STEAM-based week of camp! Children are natural builders and love to create something of their own design. Using a variety of materials including Legos, block and simple machines, your child will get a hands-on experience being a toy engineer. We will finish out our week with a trip where we can continue to build and play!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Imagine That!

WEEK 6

July 29 – August 2

Gone Camping 🏕️

Get your marshmallows ready! This week in camp, we will make tents, tell stories around a (pretend) campfire, and go on a nature hike around the grounds of Wardlaw+Hartridge. Our indoor camping adventure will lead up to a fun Friday Pajama Day! Campers will love "camping out" in the Lower School Lower Snowdon Library where we will enjoy a movie together as we snack on some S'Mores!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Movie & Friday PJ Party

WEEK 7

August 5 – August 9

Music Makers 🎵

Jam with us this week in camp as we make our very own drums, shakers and more! We will dance to our own rhythm, try out a drum circle and learn about instruments from around the world. WE will be visited by the special musical guest, Mr. Ray, and march to our own beat in a musical parade!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Mr. Ray & the Musical Parade

REQUIREMENTS: Due to New Jersey Health Department Regulations, all children attending Camp Funshine, must be fully toilet trained. MEDICAL FORMS are required for all campers. See page 14 for detailed information.

TRIPS AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES: Each week, campers will either go on a trip or enjoy a special activity. The counselor-to-child ratio is less than 1:5 for all trips. Trips and special events occur on Fridays unless otherwise notes. Three-day (T, W, Th) campers may add on the Friday for an additional fee. Trips and events may change due to weather or other circumstances.

Early Childhood Enrichment, Extended Day & Auxiliary Bios

EXTENDED DAY (EXPLORERS) STAFF

Dawn Cancryn
**Director of Auxiliary Programs &
Summer Adventure Programs**
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Dawn joined Wardlaw+Hartridge in 1998. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Education and Behavioral Science from Queens College. Before coming to W+H, Dawn taught Middle School and managed a preschool daycare. At Wardlaw-Hartridge, she has held positions in accounts payable and receivable, summer camp, purchasing, student accounts and comptroller. She is our Director of Transportation and oversees all after school programs at Wardlaw+Hartridge.

Laura Huffman
**Encore Coordinator/
Director of Summer Teen Leadership Camp**
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Laura began working at Wardlaw+Hartridge in 2018 as an Upper School AP Psychology instructor, school-wide substitute teacher and Director of Summer Camp Funshine (for 3-6 year olds). She became a Junior Kindergarten Assistant Teacher in the 2018-2019 school year. Laura also runs the Before and After Care Explorers program for the Lower School. This year, Ms. Huffman will be leading the Teen Leadership Camp. Laura earned both a Bachelor of Science degree in Human Development and a Master of Arts in Communication from the University of Delaware. Prior to W+H, Ms. Huffman taught history in Harlem, NY.

Kacey Harrell
Explorers Staff

Kacey began working with Wardlaw+Hartridge Lower School students in our Encore Program in the Winter of 2019. She attended Union County College and Kean University while taking classes in Elementary Education and Child Care Foundations and Professional Practices. Kacey is First Aid and CPR Certified. Before coming to W+H, Kacey was the Lead After School Teachers for Kindergarteners at the Before and After School Care Network in Metuchen. While working in our after-school programs, Kacey is also working as a Substitute Paraprofessional in the Metuchen School District. As she works to complete her Child Development Associate Degree, Kacey is also learning Spanish and Guarani. She enjoys her time at W+H as she greatly enjoys engaging with our students at the end of the school day.

Debbie Ostrowski
**Summer Programs Assistant
Explorers Staff**

Debbie Ostrowski began working at the Wardlaw+Hartridge School in 2017. Debbie has many roles at W+H as she works in the after-school Explorers Program with the youngest children. She is the Summer Programs Assistant and, Debbie substitutes as an Assistant Teacher in the Early Childhood classrooms. Before coming to Wardlaw+Hartridge, Debbie studied Oceanography at Virginia Wesleyan College and for the bulk of her career was the Executive Assistant to the Editor of the Star-Ledger. Mrs. Ostrowski has been a part of the W+H community for quite a long time as her sister, Linda O'Brien '81, nephews Cliff '14 & Brendan '16 O'Brien are alumni. Her daughter Elizabeth will graduate in the Class of 2020. Debbie enjoys her daily interactions with the littlest learners.

Olivia Brown '21
**Encore Student Staff
Camp Funshine Student Staff**



EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT INSTRUCTORS

Katina Alamo

Little Yogis

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Katina Alamo began her yoga journey when she was a student in high school (here at Wardlaw+Hartridge!). What began as a once a week activity after school, soon transformed her life. It is now Ms. Alamo's mission for others to join her on this journey and discover this powerful, simple practice to create overall mental, emotional and physical balance. Ms. Alamo intuitively knows where to meet the student and guide them gently on this path, allowing them to unfold and discover yoga at their pace. She brings with her a true love of yoga, creating a sacred space for students to deepen their practice with the ultimate goal of restoring balance and overall wellness. Katina is a registered yoga teacher, obtaining her 200-hour yoga certification through Yoga Alliance. She is also currently learning and practicing sound healing through Atma Budhi Sound and Vibrational School. When Ms. Alamo is not practicing or teaching yoga, she serves as a mathematics teacher and advisor to Middle and Upper School students at W+H.

Silvia Davis

Story Time Chess

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Silvia Davis began as the Head of Lower School at Wardlaw+Hartridge in July of 2017. She earned her Bachelor's degree at the Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, now Stockton University. Her Master of Sciences in Elementary Education was earned from Saint Joseph's University in Philadelphia, and her Master of Sciences in Teaching, Learning and Curriculum was earned at Drexel University also in Philadelphia. Mrs. Davis spent twelve years teaching in the Lower School at The Episcopal Academy in Newtown Square, PA. She also was a professional development trainer for Houghton Mifflin Harcourt's Math in Focus for many years, traveling the country training and coaching teachers. As a young child, Mrs. Davis learned the game of chess and has been playing ever since.

Mike Howell

Beginners Basketball

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Mike Howell has been a Physical Education teacher in the Lower School at Wardlaw+Hartridge since 2010. Coach Howell is also the Head Girls' Varsity Basketball coach. He has over 15 years high school coaching experience as well as on the college level at his alma mater, Delaware State University. Mike has also been involved with the AAU Program in Central Jersey and other community-based programs. Mrs. Bethany Howell, First Grade Teacher, Victoria '19, Mason '21 and Michael '27 (their children) all are a part of the Wardlaw+Hartridge family.

Erin Maciorowski

Junior Robotics & Bugs, Bugs, Bugs!

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Erin Maciorowski joined Wardlaw+Hartridge in the winter of 2015 as a Lower School Technology Integrator and STEM Coordinator. She currently serves as the Lower School STEM teacher. She did her undergraduate coursework at Colby-Sawyer College and graduated with a degree in Biology. She also completed a Master's degree in Educational Technology from NJCU. Before joining Wardlaw+Hartridge, Mrs. Maciorowski spent seven years teaching and training staff in the public school system. Her focus has been the integration of technology to increase student achievement in all areas of study. During her time here, she has introduced Robotics, Computer Science, and Engineering Design to students in PreK- 5th Grade. Her focus is creating engaging lessons that align to NGSS and presenting material using a project-based approach. When she is not in the classroom, you can usually find her on the turf coaching Girls on the Run in the Fall and Hero Boys in the Spring.

Jennifer Molloy

Kitchen Chemistry & Mini Mathematicians

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Jen Molloy joined the Wardlaw+Hartridge faculty in 2007. Prior to her time here, Mrs. Molloy taught first and second grade students in public schools in New York City where she served as the Lead Literacy Teacher for Grades K-2. Jen received her Bachelor of Arts degree in Elementary Education from SUNY-Oneonta and her Master's degree as a Reading Specialist from St. John's University. Most recently, Mrs. Molloy spent a year in coursework to become a certified instructor of the Orton-Gillingham Approach to reading.

Vandana Puri

Bollywood Dancing

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Vandana Puri joined the Wardlaw+Hartridge community in 2017. She teaches Bollywood dancing to our older Lower Schoolers in afterschool enrichment classes, and she also choreographs the W+H Moms routine performed at International Family Fun Night. Most recently, the W+H Moms took their show on the road to the Senior Center on Inman Avenue! Ms. Puri is an event planner and occasionally hosts a talk show on AM radio. Vandana holds a Bachelor's degree from a university in New Delhi. She also has Star Talk teacher certification from New York University, which enables her to teach Hindi to school-aged children. As a music and dance enthusiast, Ms. Puri has taught Bollywood dancing in many afterschool/enrichment settings in both New York and New Jersey.

Becky Randazzo**Little Theatre**ecenrichment@whschool.org

Becky Randazzo holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre and Speech from Wagner College. After college she moved to Manhattan where she landed her first job in television as a Client Coordinator for a post-production house in NYC, where she worked for clients such as MTV, CBS, VH1, and HBO. She then moved in-house to work in production at Telezign. While raising her children Ms. Randazzo began doing freelance work as a director and producer and was active at theaters such as UCPAC, Forum, Surflight and CDC Theatre where she also serves on as a VP of Production. At CDC Theatre, she pioneered their Young Artists Program which offers performance opportunities for young children and teens. She has enjoyed directing at Wardlaw+Hartridge School for the past 10 years as well as other schools in the area and is looking forward to working with our youngest of actors!

Mike Romeo**Little Kickers**mromeo@whschool.org

Mike Romeo has been in the Lower School since 2000. He is a Physical Education teacher, and Coach Romeo is also the Head Girls' Varsity Soccer coach. With over twenty years of coaching experience, Mike is recognized as one of New Jersey's premier soccer coaches. Before joining the W+H coaching staff, he was an Assistant Varsity Coach at St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen. Coach Romeo joined the professional coaching ranks in 1990 as the Goalkeeping Coach for the Penn-Jersey Spirit of the American Professional Soccer League. He later serves as the General Manager and Assistant Coach of the United Soccer League's Central Jersey Riptide in 1998, before becoming Head Coach of the USL's New Brunswick Brigade in 2000. Both clubs were minor league affiliates of the New York Red Bulls of Major League Soccer. Coach Romeo is looking forward to spending time with the future Varsity players in Little Kickers.

Shannon Sari**Move & Groove**ssari@whschool.org

Shannon Sari earned her Bachelor of Music Education degree at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. She trained in the Kodaly method at NYU and Orff methodology at DePaul University. Additionally, she has earned certification in John Feierabend's First Steps in Music Education and Conversational Solfege approaches, which combine to create a long-range sequence for musical learning that starts in PreK and continues on to middle school and beyond. She has 17 years of teaching experience in a variety of Lower and Middle School settings in Illinois, New York City, and Newark. Shannon has been part of the W+H community for seven years, teaching in both the Lower and Middle School, building music literacy alongside a love of music making.

CAMP FUNSHINE

Dawn Cancryn
**Director of Auxiliary Programs &
Summer Adventure Programs**
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Dawn joined Wardlaw+Hartridge in 1998. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Education and Behavioral Science from Queens College. Before coming to W+H, Dawn taught Middle School and managed a preschool daycare. At Wardlaw-Hartridge, she has held positions in accounts payable and receivable, summer camp, purchasing, student accounts and comptroller. She is our Director of Transportation and oversees all after school programs at Wardlaw+Hartridge.

Melissa Iwamaye
Director of Funshine Camp
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The Summer of 2019 will be Melissa's first with W+H and Camp Funshine. She earned her Bachelor of Arts at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and her Master of Sciences in Early Childhood Education with an Integrative Master's project on Mindfulness from the Bank Street College of Education. Melissa is trained in the Responsive Classroom Approach and the Wilson Reading System. Melissa has an extensive professional development background steeped in the best practices of early childhood education. Additionally, she holds First Aid and Child CPR Certifications. For the past ten years, Melissa has taught in the Lower School and was the Assistant Director of Camp at the Spence School in Manhattan. Prior to this, Melissa worked at the summer camp programs at the Brick Church School and the 92nd Street Y Nursery School. Melissa, her husband and their cats have just moved to Middletown from New York, and she is greatly looking forward to joining the Wardlaw+Hartridge Community.

Debbie Ostrowski
Summer Programs Assistant
Explorers Staff
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Debbie Ostrowski began working with the Wardlaw+Hartridge School in 2017. Debbie has many roles at W+H as she works in the after-school Explorers Program with the youngest children. She is also the Summer Programs Assistant, and from time-to-time, Debbie substitutes as an Assistant Teacher in the Early Childhood classrooms. Before coming to Wardlaw+Hartridge, Debbie studied Oceanography at Virginia Wesleyan College and for the bulk of her career was the Executive Assistant to the Editor of the Star-Ledger. Mrs. Ostrowski has been a part of the W+H community for quite a long time as her sister, Linda O'Brien '81, nephews Cliff '14 & Brendan '16 O'Brien are alumni. Her daughter Elizabeth will graduate in the Class of 2020. Debbie enjoys her daily interactions with the littlest learners.

Laura Huffman
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Bethany Howell
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Early Childhood Extended Day and Auxiliary Programming Procedures, Policies & Registration Information

PROCEDURES & POLICIES FOR THE EARLY CHILDHOOD ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

PICK UP AND DROP OFF

All Early Childhood Enrichment Courses are held from **3:15pm to 4:00pm**. At the end of the school day for Early Childhood students (**2:45pm**), children in Pre-Kindergarten, Junior Kindergarten and Kindergarten who are enrolled for the Early Childhood Enrichment Package will be picked up from their classrooms by Explorers Staff. At **3:10pm**, children will be picked up by the instructor of the Enrichment course. Once the Enrichment class ends for the day, children will return to Explorers for pickup at any point through to **5:00pm**. Any students who need to stay later than 5:00pm will join Encore as described in the General Information page.

HOLIDAYS, SCHOOL CANCELLATION & MAKEUPS

On days where school is not in session due to a holiday or inclement weather, the makeup class(es) will be held during the Make Up Week following the close of the seasonal session.

REGISTRATION DATES & TIMES

The Early Childhood Enrichment Program registration begins Tuesday, June 3rd. All registration is completed online at whschool.org/ECenrichment. Classes are filled on a first come, first served basis, and are time stamped as such. Once registration is completed, you will receive a confirmation of enrollment within two business days.

SNACKS

All students will have a healthy snack while in Explorers and use the restrooms before Enrichment classes begin.

ATTIRE & MATERIALS

The Early Childhood uniform is designed as such so students are able to be active and participate in most activities without needing a change of clothing. However, in some classes such as yoga, basketball and soccer, the sweatpants/shorts uniform would be a better fit. Additionally, appropriate footwear may be necessary. Instructors will confirm these needs and it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to assure children have appropriate attire the day of classes. Any additional materials or supplies are the responsibility of the school/instructor to have available for students.

PAYMENTS

Payments for the Early Childhood Enrichment Program will be billed through the Business Office as a part of monthly billing. Those registered for the full year will be billed as a part of the 10-month billing program; those registered for one or two seasons will be billed at one time, just prior to the start of the classes. Once the registration is processed, families will be emailed an enrollment confirmation to be signed and returned to the school. At the time of the signed enrollment paperwork, students are committed to the program.

WITHDRAWALS & REFUNDS

We will offer a full refund for any Early Childhood Enrichment Classes which are dropped within the first week of the season. Once the second week begins, there will be no refunds. Notification of withdrawal must be made in writing and emailed to ECenrichment@whschool.org.

PROCEDURES & POLICIES FOR CAMP FUNSHINE

REGISTRATION AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION

STAFF

Our staff consists of a qualified, mature and dedicated group of professionals, teachers, camp counselors, and experienced and certified lifeguards. Students and campers will be given individual attention. Background checks are done on all employees.

CAMPERS

The campers are grouped according to grade levels. Each group has approximately 15 campers and a minimum of two counselors. For all camp trips, the counselor to camper ratio will be 1:5 or less.

PICK-UP and DROP-OFF

Instructions for pick-up and drop-off will be sent to you at registration. Please use the designated areas only for the safety of your child and security control.

EXTENDED CARE

Extended care is available for all campers/students who are in camp or classes from 8:30am through 3:00pm and in grades Pre-Kindergarten through 10th Grade.

Before Care: 7:30am – 8:30am **must pre-register \$10 per morning.** Before Care will take place in the gym.

After Care: 3:00pm – 6:00pm pre-registration is not necessary. The cost is **\$5.00 for each half hour** or part of the half hour. Campers and students will be signed into after care if they are on campus beginning at 3:15pm. After care children will be in our Encore Room and/or playground. Children are to be picked up at the entrance by the playground. For safety reasons, all other Summer Scholar students must leave school grounds within 15 minutes of his/her class.

LUNCH and SNACKS

Please be sure the nurse is aware of all food allergies. Hot lunch is provided for Camp Funshine, Adventure Camp, Teen Leadership, Sewing, Drama, Sports Camps, Brain Boosters and Summer Scholar students who are enrolled in afternoon electives. All meals will be served a choice of milk, water, juice drink. Fruit and vegetarian options will be available daily. Campers may bring their own lunches if preferred (financial credit is not provided for not participating in camp lunches).

Campers will need to bring their own morning snacks. An afternoon snack will be provided for all campers before they leave at 3:00pm. Summer Scholars may bring a snack or purchase a snack during their morning break (cash only.) Lunch is only provided to those students staying for the afternoon enrichment classes.

MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM

It is state regulation that the confidential Medical Information Form be completed for each camper and student. This form will be kept with our camp nurse and trip director. Applications cannot be processed without a medical form. This form does not need to be filled out by doctor, but a list of immunizations from the doctor must accompany the medical form. A new form needs to be filled out each year.

DRESS CODE

Campers and students should dress in casual, comfortable but appropriate clothing. Please avoid clothing that is distracting or distasteful (as determined by the Summer Programs Director.) **All Funshine, Adventure, Teen Leadership, and Sports campers must wear sneakers or sandals with covered toes and back straps.** Footwear and clothing must be suitable for running, jumping, and active play. If girls wear sundresses, they must wear shorts underneath them. All campers will be given a camp shirt for the season on the first week of attendance. Camp shirts must be worn on all camp trips. If a camper does not have their camp t-shirt on trip day, they will be billed for an additional shirt to wear on the trip. Additional shirts may be purchased for \$10 per shirt. **Campers should label all clothing, towels, camp shirts and swimsuits.** Wearing excessive jewelry is not recommended. The camp is not responsible for lost personal items.

DISCIPLINE

The Wardlaw+Hartridge School is a place where all children feel welcome and safe. Therefore, we reserve the right to dismiss any child from our programs who is disruptive, exhibits any behavior that intimidates or threatens the camp or school experience of any other camper/student, is destructive to school property and grounds and/or for any other reason deemed by any of the Summer Programs Directors. Please direct any issues or concerns directly to the Director or to the Summer Programs Assistant. We will always make time to meet with you.

REGISTRATION

All registrations are done online at whschool.org/summer. A separate application needs to be filled out for each child. Applications are processed in the order that they are received. No application will be processed without a medical form or the appropriate fees. Registration is ongoing and continues throughout the summer as long as space is available. We reserve the right to cancel or combine a class if we do not have sufficient enrollment for that course. After the application has been received, approved and processed, a confirmation will be sent by email. Registration for additional weeks of camp must be made by the prior Saturday. If you need assistance with the online registration, please visit our Summer Programs Office, and we can assist you.

FEE EXCEPTIONS

Registration Fee Waiver – If your application, medical form, and full payment are received by **April 15th**, we will waive the registration fees for Funshine, Adventure, Teen Leadership Camp, Summer Scholars and Brain Boosters. We will also waive the registration fee if you attend and register at any Open House Dates (all required payments and forms apply.)

Summer Scholars Early Bird Bonus – If your application, medical form, and full payment are received by **April 1st**, you will receive a **\$100 discount per student**. Student must be registered for a credit course or at least two sessions.

New Family Referral Bonus – If you have attended W+H Summer Programs in a previous summer and refer a new Funshine, Adventure, or Teen Leadership Camper who signs up for at least two full weeks, or a Summer Scholar student that takes at least two, 60-hour classes, you will receive a \$50 bonus check at the end of the summer for each valid referral. The new camper/student or any member of their family must not have attended any of The Wardlaw+Hartridge School Summer Programs previously. A referral form is required. Please see Debbie Ostrowski in the Summer Programs Office.

Sibling Discount – A 5% discount will be given for any sibling enrolled in the same programs. The discount will be applied to the lesser amount. The siblings must reside in the same household and be paid for by the same parent. Birth certificate may be requested.

W+H Student Advantage – Any camper/student that is fully enrolled to attend Wardlaw+Hartridge for the 2019-2020 school year at the time of registration will have the registration fees waived.

REFUNDS

For Funshine, Adventure, Teen Leadership, Sewing and Drama Camps – Withdrawal from camp must be made at least two weeks prior to the registered week for a refund. There are no refunds for the 7-week special for Teen Leadership Camp after June 20th. During any given camp week, refunds will be given only if your child is absent for three consecutive days due to illness and a dated doctor's note is submitted. Registration fees and withdrawal fees are not refundable. If payments were made by credit card, 3% will be deducted for transaction fees for refunds. All refunds are made by check and take at least two weeks to process.

For Academic Summer Classes and Brain Boosters –

Withdrawals any time before May 1st – all but \$200 of the school fees will be refunded.

Withdrawals between May 2nd and June 1st – 50% of school fees will be refunded.

Withdrawals after June 1st – no refunds are provided.

Please note that the registration fees are not refundable and not part of the school fees. If payments were made by credit card, 3% will be deducted for transaction fees for all refunds. Cancellations due to insufficient class size will be refunded at 100% including registration fees. All refunds are made by check and take at least two weeks to process.

PAYMENTS

Payments are accepted by credit card or check. Payment in full is due at the time of registration. (Payment plans can be made with all payments due by June 8th for students and two weeks prior to the camp week for campers.) Payments by credit card must be done online with the registration. Payments by check can be made by mail or in person in the Summer Programs Office. Make all checks payable to: *The Wardlaw+Hartridge School* and please write the names of your children in the memo section of the check.

*A special note to W+H parents: please do not combine camp fees with regular school payments, as they are separate accounts.

HOLIDAYS

All programs will be closed on July 4 & 5 2019.



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