



WARDLAW + HARTRIDGE

Lower School

Extended Day & Auxiliary Programs

2019-2020 | Grades One through Five



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General Information for Lower School Extended Day and Auxiliary Programming

ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This catalog is designed to allow families in the Lower School Grades (First Grade through Fifth Grade) to be aware of all of the Extended Day and Auxiliary Programs available for their children. Details about all options for families in the Lower School outside of the regular school day and school calendar are found within. Any questions should be directed to the contact for the appropriate program.

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.

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.

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSON PROGRAM

In the Fall of 2017, the W+H Performing Arts Department began an exciting partnership with Rutgers Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division to offer private music lessons to our students, right here on campus. This partnership grew out of the desire to offer our students top-drawer music instruction from highly trained professional musician on a one-on-one basis. These lessons will serve to deepen and expand upon the instruction students received during their weekly band and choir classes.

AFTERSCHOOL SPORTS CLINICS

The W+H Athletics Department runs Rams Sports Clinics for the Lower and Middle School students so they may have dedicated time working on skills and fundamentals with our Varsity Athletic Coaches and Players. For one week in between the Fall and Winter Seasons and two weeks in between the Winter and Spring Seasons, students may sign up for days after school to work with the Upper School Rams!

GIRLS ON THE RUN & HERO BOYS

Girls on the Run and HERO Boys are both engagement programs and running clubs for girls and boys, respectively, in Grades Three through Five. Girls on the Run is a fall running club after school which concludes in a regional 5K race. HERO Boys runs in the Spring, and it also concludes in a 5K race. Neither of the running clubs require any prior experience in running and are designed to not only develop the athleticism of a child, but also to develop the social and emotional health as well.

G.A.L.S. CLUB

G.A.L.S. Club is an after-school group for Third and Fourth Grade girls interested in growing their leadership skills. This club is an all-year club and will require some outside of school commitments, such as caroling at the winter WHPA Book Fair. Due to size restrictions, application to the club may be required in an essay format.

BEAT THE WINTER BLUES WEEK & CAMP-READ-A-LOT

The week prior to Spring Break, the Lower School hosts Beat the Winter Blues Week. Every day after school, students and their parents/guardians can attend various events to do things together such as playing board games, Camp-Read-A-Lot to read and enjoy snacks, movie showings and more. Sign-ups are required to plan for attendance.

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.

SUMMER ADVENTURES

W+H Summer Adventures offers several options for your Lower Schooler to enjoy during the summer months. Adventure Day Camp is an imaginative day camp for children entering Grades One through Five. With exciting themes each week, we explore, learn, create, challenge and have lots of fun with old and new friends. Afternoon activities will broaden their interest, and weekly trips or events will enhance the experience. Also offered are specialty camps for sewing, improvisational drama and sports. Sewing camps, drama camp and a partnership with Pulse Premier Sports Camps allow students to spend focused time on a few different pursuits. Brain Boosters Junior Academics is a three-week program which allows children to sharpen their academic skills using hands-on activities and fun learning tools. Summer Adventures 2019 runs from **June 24 through August 9** (camp is closed July 4 & 5). Families can choose which weeks to attend. See page 8 for additional information including registration and fees.

TABLE OF AFTER-SCHOOL & AUXILARY OFFERINGS

	1 st Grade	2 nd Grade	3 rd Grade	4 th Grade	5 th Grade
ENCORE After-School Care Program					
ENCORE Adventure Enrichment Clubs*					
Private Music Lesson Program with Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division					
W+H Rams After-School Sports Clinics					
W+H Rams Group Swim Lessons					
Girls on the Run & Hero Boys Running Programs					
G.A.L.S. Club					
Beat the Winter Blues Week & Camp Read-a-Lot*					
W+H Rams Middle School Sports					
Spring Break Camp					
W+H Summer Adventures*					

Lower School Extended Day & Auxiliary Program Calendar: 2019-2020

Monday, September 2	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – Labor Day
Thursday, September 5	First Day of School – After School Care Begins
Monday, September 30	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – Rosh Hashanah
October – December	Encore Adventure Clubs Session I
Wednesday, October 9	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – Yom Kippur
Monday, October 28	SCHOOL CLOSED – Faculty In-Service
Monday, November 4- Thursday, November 7	Rams Fall Sports Clinics
Friday, December 6	SCHOOL CLOSED – Parent-Teacher Conferences
Friday, December 20	NOON DISMISSAL – No After School Care Available
Monday, December 23- Friday, January 3	SCHOOL/OFFICES CLOSED – WINTER BREAK
Monday, January 6	School Opens
January – March	Encore Adventure Clubs Session II
Monday, January 20	SCHOOL CLOSED – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service
Monday, February 10- Thursday, February 13	Rams Winter Sports Clinics
Monday, February 24- Thursday, February 27	Rams Winter Sports Clinics
Friday, March 6	SCHOOL CLOSED – Parent-Teacher Conferences
Monday, March 9- Friday, March 13	Beat the Winter Blues Week
Monday, March 16- Friday, March 27	SCHOOL CLOSED – SPRING BREAK
Monday, March 16- Friday, March 20	Spring Break Camp
April – June	Encore Adventure Clubs Session III
Friday, April 10	SCHOOL CLOSED – Good Friday
Monday, April 13	SCHOOL CLOSED – Easter Monday
Friday, May 22	NOON DISMISSAL – No After School Care Available
Tuesday, June 9	Lower School Last Day of School – Noon Dismissal – No After School Care Available
Monday, June 22	Summer Adventures 2020 Begins

After-School Care: Encore General Information



2019-2020 ENCORE PROGRAM

AFTER-SCHOOL CARE FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES ONE THROUGH EIGHT

Encore is our after-school program available for students in Grades One through Eight. It is a safe and supervised environment for students to work on homework, enjoy a snack, participate in enrichment programs, socialize and play with friends, and much more. For those students in PK, JK and K, please inquire about the Explorers Program.

Encore occurs immediately following school every day and runs until 6:30pm. Your child may attend every day, or you may use the program, on an as needed basis. You can find the Encore Registration Form at whschool.org/encore. We strongly recommend completing the registration form even if you do not plan on using the program regularly. This ensures that our Encore Staff has the emergency contact information for your child, should an occasion arise in which you may need to use the Encore Program. Please note: if your child is not picked up at the conclusion of dismissal time (3:00pm-3:20pm – without a prior arrangement made with the appropriate individuals) he or she will be signed into Encore.

If your child is attending Encore, they will be signed in after Lower School Dismissal at 3:00pm. The fee for the Encore Program is **\$5.00 per half hour**. Parents will be billed monthly for any days their child has attended. **Late fees apply after 6:30pm at \$1 per minute.**

The Encore Room is located in room A1, with a dedicated entrance by the Lower School Playground. Students in Grades One through Four report to the Lower Snowden Lower School Library at dismissal time. From 3:00pm-3:45pm, Encore is located in Lower Snowden for Homework Time. At 3:45pm, Encore moves to Room A1 where students are supervised either in the room or outside on the playground. Students in Grades Five through Eight report to Encore after school or after sports, in the upper level Sonawalla Center for Global Learning to work on homework until 5:15pm.

All students will be provided with a snack but are welcome to bring additional snacks if they are staying until 6:30pm. Please do not send any snacks that contain nuts. All students will be given approximately 30-45 minutes to work on homework assignments or read in the libraries. Daily activities may include indoor/outdoor play, arts & crafts, and games or socializing with friends. In addition to our usual scheduled fun, we do offer exciting *enrichment courses* that require an additional fee. If your child is enrolled in one of our enrichment courses, you are not charged for Encore from the time of the class' end through to 5:00pm on the day(s) of the class. Your child does not have to be enrolled in Encore to register for one of our enrichment courses. More information regarding enrichment courses is found on page 8.

All students must be signed out, in person, by an adult on the parent-provided list of approved pickup persons. Any student not signed out in person, will be charged for the full 3.5 hours on that day. All after-school care ends at 6:30pm. In situations where students are not picked up by 6:30pm, the fee is \$1 per minute for the first two incidents and \$5 per minute thereafter. In emergent situations or lateness out of one's control, please call the Encore Room at extension 157, as soon as possible to notify of a pickup after 6:30pm. Registration for Encore is found at www.whschool.org/encore.

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

All questions regarding Encore should be directed to Dawn Cancryn, Director of Auxiliary Programs, at dcancryn@whschool.org or 908.754.1882 X143.



Encore Adventure Enrichment Clubs



2019-2020

ENCORE ADVENTURE CLUBS

ENCORE ADVENTURE CLUBS: ENRICHMENT CLASSED FOR GRADES ONE THROUGH EIGHT

Encore Adventure Clubs are open to all students in Grades 1-8, even if they do not regularly attend Encore after-school care.

- Clubs are generally held from 3:45pm – 4:45pm, one day per week, for six or seven weeks.
- The costs for the classes are noted after each class description. Total costs will be added to the Student Billing Account after classes have begun.
- If your child does not regularly attend Encore, but would like to attend any of the classes, they will be taken directly after school to the Lower School Lower Snowden Library to work on homework, have a snack, and they then will meet with their instructor at 3:45pm. Clubs must have a minimum of five students enrolled to run. If the club has insufficient enrollment or the club is full, parents will be notified and can enroll in another available club.
- No refunds will be given for missed classes.
- Parents will not be charged for Encore during the hour students are in class, but families will be charged if they remain after 5:00pm.
- Students may register for as many classes as he or she is interested. Classes may be cancelled if there is insufficient enrollment by the enrollment deadline.
- Enrollment is on a *first come, first served* basis. Registration forms must be received to count as enrolled. Registration forms may be emailed to dcancryn@whschool.org for faster delivery. Classes have a maximum of ten students.

Below find examples of Encore Adventure Enrichment Clubs. Clubs are subject to change by session depending on availability of instructors. Prior to the Session, Mrs. Dawn Cancryn will distribute the finalized list of choices.

EXAMPLE COURSES

Introduction to Mindfulness and Yoga
Instructor: Katina Alamo

Join Ms. Alamo for an introduction to mindfulness and yoga. In this class, you will learn poses to increase strength, flexibility and coordination. Classes are intended to be fun, allowing students to develop their own practice through child-friendly yoga poses, games, activities and relaxation. Please bring a yoga mat and a willingness to learn. No previous experience necessary!

Beginners & Advanced Chess Club
Instructor: Robert Kraynik

The Beginners Chess Club is for those who have never played before or those that are already learning and want to improve their game. The goal of the club is to have fun and learn to love the game of chess. Playing chess can improve math skills, sportsmanship and strategic thinking.

The Advanced Chess Club is for players who are playing at an advanced level or have been in this class for at least five sessions previously. The advanced level will continue to sharpen their skills and learn new strategies with weekly competitions.

Improvitational Acting Classes
Instructor: Christine Schlegel

Come and learn the art of improvisation in this creative and fun theatre class taught by professional actress, acting teacher, and W+H graduate, Christine Schlegel. In this class, children will play a wide variety of theater games through which they will learn the techniques needed to create a scene from absolutely nothing. In improv, there are no props, scripts or scenery. Everyone is equally important in creating a scene and no one is the star. Students will learn the valuable life skills of problem solving and adapting to new situations as they create their scenes. No acting experience is needed for this class and the only thing students need to bring with them is their imagination and a fun-loving spirit.

Fashion First: Sewing & Design
Instructor: Fashion First Workshops

Are you interested in fashion designing and/or learning how to sew? In this class, you will learn how to design, choose fabric, work with a pattern, and learn to sew on a sewing machine. No prior sewing experience is needed. You will be creating clothing and other fun textile accessories. All materials, fabrics and machines are supplied. Just bring your imagination and desire to create!

Private Music Lesson Program for Grades Four through Twelve



2019-2020

PRIVATE MUSIC LESSONS IN CONJUNCTION WITH RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

W+H PERFORMING ARTS MISSION STATEMENT

Our goal for W+H music students is to develop a life-long love of music, encouraging musical enjoyment and participation long after the students leave the school. They broaden their appreciation for the power and importance of music through reading music notation, listening to and talking about music critically, and participating in authentic performing experiences through a wide-range of musical styles and contexts.

MASON GROSS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS EXTENSION DIVISION



In the Fall of 2017, the W+H Performing Arts Department began an exciting partnership with Rutgers Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division to offer private music lessons to our students, here on campus. This partnership grew out of the desire to offer our student top-drawer music instruction from highly trained professional musicians on a one-to-one basis. These lessons will serve to deepen and expand upon the instruction students receive during their weekly band and choir classes.

The faculty of the Extension Division hold advanced degrees in their instrumental or vocal areas. They are active professionals as performers and teaching artists. Selected members of the Extension Division Faculty have been engaged for on-campus instruction at The Wardlaw+Hartridge School. Faculty bios can be found via this link: www.masongross.rutgers.edu/extension-division/faculty-staff

REGISTRATION

Students who receive approval from their music teacher to participate in the Rutgers Mason Gross School of the Arts Extension Division Private Music Lesson Program will be invited to fill out an online registration form to begin the process of signing up for private music lessons.

SCHEDULING

Lessons will be weekly according to the student's assigned time on the master lesson schedule. If your assigned day and time do not work for you, we encourage you to work with your music teacher to find a time that works with your family's schedule.

Private lesson participation requires a trimester-long commitment. There are no options for *a la carte* lesson arrangements. If the student discontinues private lessons before the end of the trimester, no refund will be issued.

FEE SCHEDULE

One trimester of private lesson instruction costs \$497.50. This fee includes nine, 45-minute lessons at the rate of \$52.50 per lesson and includes a \$25 Extension Division registration fee. The Wardlaw+Hartridge facility fee is \$50 per trimester.

BILLING

After completing the online registration form, you will receive an invoice for private music lesson instruction from the Extension Division that must be paid or placed on a payment plan in order to finalize lesson arrangement. Your W+H School account will be billed for the facility fee once you have submitted payment for your lessons.



POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Before committing to private music lessons, we ask that families carefully review the complete policies and procedures here: www.masongross.rutgers.edu/extension-division/policies

Included in the complete policy document is the following:

- One make-up lesson per trimester is offered for student absences only if the student provides notification to the Extension Division Office 24 hours in advance of an absence.
- Private lesson instructors are not obligated to provide make-up lessons for student absences beyond the aforementioned one make-up lesson per trimester.
- Instructors are not required to provide make-up lessons for lessons missed by the student for any reason.
- Refunds are not provided for student absences.

PERFORMING

Students participating in our private music lesson program will have opportunities to perform in recitals on the W+H campus and at Rutgers University.

QUESTIONS

Questions regarding entrance into the Mason Gross Extension Division Program should be directed to the following:

Instrumental Lessons – Mr. Rick Fontaine, Instrumental Music Instructor, at rfontaine@whschool.org, x316

Voice Lessons – Mrs. Sharon Byrne, Performing Arts Department Chair, at sbyrne@whschool.org, x186

Registration Process – Ms. Dana Wilson, Extension Division Registrar, at dw538@mgsa.rutgers.edu, 848.932.8618



Rams After School Sports Clinics



2019-2020

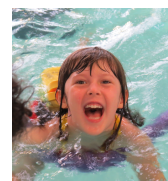
W+H ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT

RAMS AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS CLINICS & GROUP SWIM LESSONS



The W+H Athletics Department runs Rams Sports Clinics for the Lower and Middle School students so they may have dedicated time working on skills and fundamentals with our Varsity Athletic Coaches and Players. For one week in between the Fall and Winter Seasons and two weeks in between the Winter and Spring Seasons, students may sign up for days after school to work with the Upper School Rams. In the Spring, a month-long swim clinic is offered, Monday through Friday for the month of May.

Come work on your skills with our Varsity and Middle School Coaches, meet Varsity athletes, and have fun! Coaches will try to supply students with equipment such as racquets, gloves, etc. if they do not have one. Please request this equipment on sign up forms ahead of time. No prior experience is necessary. Registration will be limited. Sign-ups will be sent out prior to each session.



FALL SPORTS CLINICS

November 4 – 7

3:15pm – 4:15pm



BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: baseball/softball glove

BASKETBALL

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: none

TRACK

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: none

TENNIS

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts (or skort), t-shirt
Equipment: tennis racquet

WINTER SPORTS CLINICS

February 10 – 13 & 24 - 27

3:15pm – 4:15pm



SOCCER

Clothing: sneakers (or turf shoes), socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: shin guards recommended, not required

TENNIS

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts (or skort), t-shirt
Equipment: tennis racquet

BASKETBALL

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: none

BASEBALL & SOFTBALL

Clothing: sneakers, socks, shorts, t-shirt
Equipment: baseball/softball glove

2020 SPRING SWIM CLINICS

May 4 – 29

Monday – Friday

3:30pm – 4:30pm



Girls on the Run® & HERO Boys™



2019-2020

LOWER SCHOOL RUNNING CLUBS FOR GRADES THREE THROUGH FIVE



In the Lower School, there are two running clubs for boys and girls in Grades Three through Five. These running clubs are a part of national groups which have developed running/social and emotional curriculums for students to be able to complete a 5K at the end of their seasons.

GIRLS ON THE RUN®

Girls on the Run® is a national program with area-based affiliate councils.

Girls on the Run® is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization dedicated to creating a world where every girl knows and activates her limitless potential and is free to boldly pursue her dreams. Meeting twice a week in small teams, the running club teaches life skills through interactive lessons and running games. The curriculum is taught by certified Girls on the Run coaches who are also members of the W+H faculty and Upper School

volunteers. The curriculum includes three parts: understanding ourselves, valuing relationships and teamwork, and understanding how we connect with and shape the world at large. Running is used to inspire and motivate girls, encourage lifelong fitness, and build confidence through accomplishment. Important social, psychological, and physical skills and abilities are developed and reinforced throughout the program. At each season's conclusion, the girls and their running buddies complete a 5K running event which gives them a tangible sense of achievement as well as a framework for setting and achieving life goals. The result – making the seemingly impossible, possible, and teaching girls that they can.



Girls on the Run® is a Fall activity, and the season begins **Monday, September 16, 2019**. The season ending 5K race will be held **Sunday, November 17, 2019** at an off-site location.

HERO Boys™

HERO Boys™ is a national program with area-based affiliate councils.

HERO Boys™ is a youth development and engagement program for boys in 3rd – 5th grades. Using running as a base activity, HERO Boys™ inspires boys to discover the character and courage that resides inside each one of them to be brave, stand for that which is right, and use their talents and strengths to lead and set the positive example amongst their peers. The school-based program is seven or eight weeks long and culminates with a local 5K including boys from all schools participating in the program.

HERO Boys™ is a Spring activity, and the season begins **Monday, March 2, 2020**. The season ending 5K race will be held **Sunday, June 7, 2020** at an off-site location.



For more information regarding joining Girls on the Run or HERO Boys, contact Mrs. Erin Maciorowski, Lower School STEM Teacher and Girls on the Run/HERO Boys Coach, emaciorowski@whschool.org.

Beat the Winter Blues Week & Camp Read-A-Lot



2019-2020

BEAT THE WINTER BLUES WEEK

The week prior to Spring Break, the Lower School hosts Beat the Winter Blues Week. Every day after school, students and their parents/guardians can attend various events to do things together, such as playing board games, Camp-Read-A-Lot to read and enjoy snacks, movie showings, and more. Sign-ups are required to plan for attendance.

Come one; come all! Beat those Winter Blues, the week before Spring Break, by bringing your child(ren) after school to participate in one, a few, or all of the events we have planned. Flyers will be backpacked home with more details in the first week of March



MOVIE MONDAY

Monday, March 9

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (1971) 🎬
For Students in Grades 2-5

Finding Nemo (2003) 🎬
For Students in Grades PK-1

DANCE PARTY

Thursday, March 12

For All Students in Grades PK-5



EXERCISE IT

Tuesday, March 10

Family Folk Dancing 🎶
For Students in Grades 2-5

Physical Education Circuits 🏃
For Students in Grades PK-1

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Friday, March 13

For All Students in Grades PK-5



GAME DAY

Wednesday, March 11

Board Game Centers 🎲
For Students in Grades 2-5

Bingo 🎰
For Students in Grades PK-1

2019-2020

CAMP READ-A-LOT



Join the Lower School faculty for a Family Literacy Night. Camp Read-a-Lot is a fun opportunity for the whole family to spend time with one another and with the entire Lower School community to read, read, read! Families are encouraged to bring their sleeping bags, camp chairs, and of course books, to experience a reading camp atmosphere. Camp snacks will be provided, and guest readers will read at different times in the evening. Save the date of October 17, 2019, and RSVP information will be sent along in the end of September.



W+H Summer Adventures

FOR GRADES 1 THROUGH 5



Come join the fun at Adventure Day Camp, a unique camp where the children will experience special adventures through many fun activities. During the mornings, the campers will be exploring the weekly themes with activities in art, music, games, STEM, swimming, food tastings, and other theme related fun. Each day the campers will participate in daily challenges before they are served a nutritious hot lunch and have time to relax with friends. In the afternoons, the campers will have a choice of two, one-hour activities per week. Afternoon activities may include chess, basketball, dance, drama, science, swimming, arts and crafts, recreational games, etc. Different activities will be available each week. They will enjoy these activities Mondays through Thursday. On Fridays, they will enjoy a special event or excursion.

Adventure Camp 2020 information will be released in Spring of 2020

(ADVENTURE CAMP 2019 BELOW) CAMP RAN JUNE 24 THROUGH AUGUST 9 from 8:30AM to 3:00PM

Included in camp fees are:

- an exceptional learning experience
- a weekly trip or special event (including admission fees and transportation)
- camp t-shirt and weekly souvenir button
- a nutritional hot lunch and afternoon snack
- daily swimming in our indoor pool and choice of afternoon activities

Monday through Friday

\$480 per week

Before Care (7:30am-8:30am)

\$10 per day

After Care (3:00pm-6:00pm)

\$5 per half hour

WEEK 1

June 24 – June 28

Now You're Cookin'! 🍳

This week in camp, we will be cooking up some fun! We are going to have daily cooking competitions to see who our "top chef" team will be.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Waterpark

WEEK 2

July 1 – July 3

Be a Ninja 🥷

Do you have what it takes to be a ninja warrior? This week will help you build strength and agility skills while competing for the Ninja Warrior trophy.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Rebounderz

WEEK 3

July 8 – July 12

C.I.A. Spy Camp 🕵️

Get ready to be a part of the Camp Intelligence Agency (C.I.A.). Put on your spy glasses because you will use new skills to solve a puzzling mystery. You will learn some new spy skills and try to get through the laser beams without being detected.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Laser Tag

WEEK 4

July 15 – July 19

Let's Rock! 🎸

This week, we will investigate various types of rocks and where they originated. WE will experiment and participate in fun rock activities!! You will be a rock expert by the end of the week when we will try our hand at rock climbing.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: The Gravity Vault

WEEK 5

July 22 – July 26

All Fun and Games 🎮

Ever wanted to be on a game show? Here is your chance to be part of a team to compete in Family Feud, Jeopardy, Wheel of Fortune and other games during this full-filled week of competition. At the end of the week, we will compete in a fun game of Knockerball Soccer and other giant games.

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Knockerball and More

WEEK 6

July 29 – August 2

The Great Escape 🔍

Do you have the skills to escape a locked room? This week will test your ability to problem solve and work as a team. Your newly learned skills will be put to the test to see if you can locate the keys that unlock the hidden treasure. Your skills will be further tested as we try to escape a room at the end of the week!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: Escapology

WEEK 7

August 5 – August 9

Heroes 🦸

Who is your hero? We will discover the traits that make a hero and learn how we can be heroes. We will have a parade of our heroes and other hero fun. ON Friday, we will have our big "End of Summer" awards and celebration. You won't want to miss it!

TRIP/SPECIAL EVENT: End of Summer Celebration

TRIPS AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES: Each week campers will either go on a trip or enjoy a special activity. The counselor to child ratio is 1:5 for all trips. Trips and special activities occur on Fridays unless otherwise noted. Trips and events may change due to weather or other circumstances.

Lower School Extended Day & Auxiliary Bios

Dawn Cancryn
**Director of Auxiliary 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.

Debbie Ostrowski
**Summer Programs Assistant
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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.

Bethany Howell
Director of Brain Boosters Junior Academics
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Bethany Howell started at Wardlaw+Hartridge as a substitute teacher, and she joined the faculty full-time in 2011. Mrs. Howell began as the Lower School Librarian and moved into the Junior Kindergarten classroom before shifting to the First Grade team in the Fall of 2016. Bethany received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Wagner College, her teaching certification from Georgian Court University and is a certified instructor of the Orton-Gillingham Approach to reading instruction. Mr. Michael Howell, Physical Education teacher & Varsity Coach, Victoria '19, Mason '21 and Michael '27 (their children) are all a part of the Wardlaw+Hartridge family.

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.

Christina Jackson
Encore Staff

Christina is a Scotch Plains native, and in 2017, she graduated from Montclair State University with a BA in Family & Child Studies. Currently, while working in our Encore program, Christina is working on her Master's degree in school counseling at Montclair State. Prior to W+H, Ms. Jackson worked as a camp counselor at the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Recreational Summer Camp. Christina began working in the Encore program, here at W+H, in the Fall of 2017. She enjoys her time at W+H in Encore and in the Summer Programs as she likes helping students as they develop important social and communication skills with their peers.

Kirstin Rogers
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ENRICHMENT INSTRUCTORS

instructors may vary from session to session



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