



WESTSIDE
SCHOOL

2022 SUMMER PROGRAMS



Mission

Westside School prepares students for the world by challenging them to achieve academic success, and by connecting their human spirit and imagination to learning.

Vision

Westside School is recognized as West Seattle's premier, accredited preschool through eighth grade independent school program. We help students develop essential skills for the 21st century, including conceptual thinking, communication, and cooperation. Our students thrive in the safe, caring, inclusive community environment Westside provides.

Values

Joyful Learning

We believe children experience the excitement of learning through academic achievement, creative expression, and cooperation with others.

High Academic Standards

We believe the cultivation of problem-solving, innovative analytical thinking, and complex communication skills provides a strong foundation for lifelong success.

Confident Learners

We believe children gain confidence through positive support and clear behavioral guidelines within a safe learning environment.

Caring Community

We believe students become caring members of a global community by treating each other honestly, with respect and generosity of spirit.

Diversity Statement

Westside School is committed to promoting inclusiveness, diversity, and cultural competence in its education, employment practices, school community, and governance. It views inclusiveness as a fundamental value, diversity as a key element, and cultural competence as a vital skill necessary to prepare students to participate in and contribute to a global society. Westside uses the term *diversity* broadly to encompass differences in the attributes of individuals, families, and communities.



Health and Safety Protocols for Summer 2022

Safety for our campers and staff is a priority. Westside School has designed engaging summer programs that meet the guidelines and recommendations by the *Washington State Department of Health*. Those at high risk should consult with their healthcare provider before registering for a camp.

With the unpredictable nature of the pandemic in the past couple of years, please visit our [COVID-19 Safety Page](#) for the most up-to-date protocols.

COVID-19 Vaccinations

Effective January 21, 2022, Westside School is requiring that all students/campers Ages 5+ be fully vaccinated, and all teachers/staff be vaccinated and boosted. If you have not submitted your child's COVID-19 vaccination record to Westside School previously, you may do so using the link on the main summer camp webpage.

Field Trips

This summer, we will not be planning any field trips. Most campers will remain on campus for the entire duration of the camp. Campers enrolled in select camps may be guided around the neighborhood, on foot, supervised by their counselor(s), as part of the curriculum.

What to Wear

Dress your camper for the weather. You may choose to apply sunscreen on your camper before they arrive.

What to Bring

Half-Day Camps:

- Face Mask (pack a spare one, if possible)
- Water Bottle
- Peanut-Free Snack

Full-Day Camps:

- Face Mask (pack a spare one, if possible)
- Water Bottle
- 2 Peanut-Free Snacks (one for AM/one for PM)
- Peanut-Free Sack Lunch

Please label all clothing and items brought to camp with your child's first initial and last name. *Electronics, gum, and valuables should be kept at home.*



Arrival Procedures/Health Screenings

Parents are asked to check the health and temperature of their children each day, prior to arriving at Westside; symptomatic children should be kept at home.

Upon arrival, no earlier than 15 minutes prior to the camp start time, enter the parking lot from **SW 104th Street** (going east, making a right into the lot), **forming one lane**. *Please refrain from entering the lot by turning left.* Drive toward the front entrance, staying in one lane. We will be serving a few cars at a time and ask that both parents and campers remain in the car until we are ready for you. Campers will then enter the school building and be led to their class by a teacher.

Parents should remain in the car during this process.

Dismissal Procedures

Please pick up your camper on time each day, during your designated time frame. If an emergency arises and you are unable to arrive by the dismissal time, please call and inform the office at 206-932-2511.

Follow the same traffic flow as arrival. If you have a Westside name placard, please display it. Otherwise, lower your window and state your camper's name. A staff member will then call your camper to be dismissed.

Parents should remain in the car during this process.

Early Pick Up: We encourage our campers to stay for the full duration of the camp. If your child needs to be picked up early and signed out for the day, please inform the office in advance to schedule a time. Campers should not be pulled out of school for a brief period of time and brought back (e.g. taking the child out for lunch).

Carpooling: Although carpooling with campers from different cohorts are discouraged, if you have plans to carpool, please send a formal email to summer@westsideschool.org, granting permission for us to release your child to that adult (stating their full name and your child's full name); additional paperwork may be required.



Injuries and Medical Emergencies

For minor injuries that do not require us to notify you immediately, a written report will be given to you that day when you pick up your child, explaining what happened and how the situation was addressed. Accident reports are completed for our records and recorded in our medical log.

In the case of a life-threatening emergency, a member of our staff will immediately call 911, administer First Aid & CPR, and notify you as quickly as possible. If you can not be reached, your designated emergency contact will be notified. If transportation to the hospital is needed, a staff member will accompany your child in the ambulance and will stay with them until you arrive. A staff member will then contact you to come and care for your child if additional care is needed.

Photography

We take photos of our camps for use in publications and social media. Names are never included. If you do not wish for your child's photograph to be displayed, you must send a written request to summer@westsideschool.org.

Location and Contact Information

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