

## Widefield School District Summer Engagement Academy Course Descriptions

Course Name	Course Dates	Grades (2022-2023)	Location	Course Description
A Play in 2 Weeks	June 6- June 10 June 13-July 17	6-8	Sproul Jr. High	If you dream of being in the spotlight, this is the summer course for you. In 2 short weeks we will be producing a full 1 Act play with a performance for friends and family on the last day. If you sign up for this course you will get a part! We will play theatre games and develop your theatre skills including acting, vocabulary, character development, memorization and confidence. No previous theatre experience is required. Come play with us as we bring an amazing story to life!
AAA: Advanced Academic Achievement	May 31-June 3 June 6- June 10 June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24 June 27-June 30	10-12	Widefield High School	This course earns 3 college credits through the community college systems. Examines theories and practices associated with successful learning to enhance college success. Techniques covered include academic proficiency, personal management, effective collegiate communication, critical and creative thinking, development of community, awareness of diverse identities, and educational and career planning. This 45 hour course earns 3 college credits through the community college systems.
Acrylic Painting	June 6-June 10	8-12	Widefield High School	During the three day class session, students will create two acrylic paintings.
Advanced 2D Art	May 31-June 3 June 6-June 10	6-8	Grand Mountain School	In this Art course, learners will expand their art knowledge in 2D media and technique. This class will focus on various drawing techniques so that higher level students may practice skills that they are unable to learn in the general classroom.
Advanced Jazz Ensemble	May 31-June 3	10-11	Mesa Ridge	Students will be instructed on intermediate and advanced jazz ensemble articulations and styles. Students will be performing in a jazz band or combo setting to explore and experience a variety of jazz styles and techniques.
Anime Club	June 6-June 10	7-12	Widefield High School	This is all about Anime!!! Students can come and watch, read, make, draw, and share about anime. In the end, we'll test our knowledge of all things anime with a trivia game.
AVID 12th Graders	June 13-June 17	12	Mesa Ridge	Reinforce family bond by having fun together, completing some community service hours, (possibly) gain experience as a mentor for AVID 9th and 10th graders.
Beginning Brass	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17	6	Sproul Jr. High	Are you a beginning brass player? Then get a head start on next year's band classes with our summer music academy! We will teach you all of the basics including; assembly, your first notes and rhythms, and how to take care of your instrument. This class will also be great for those of you that are switching instruments for the upcoming school year. To get a solid start on fundamentals and have fun, this class is for you!
Beginning Choir	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17	6	Sproul Jr. High	Calling all incoming 6th graders! Looking for a great way to have fun, express yourself, and form a family bond with other middle schoolers? Join the beginning choir! In this course, we will explore many different genres and styles, sing some favorite tunes, and build our musicianship through lots of games. We will finish our time together with an informance concert for friends and family. Can't wait to meet you there!

Beginning Orchestra	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17	6	Janitell Jr. High	All Beginning Orchestra are welcomed to attend our Summer Strings academy. This class is designed for incoming 6th graders who are planning on being in orchestra for the very first time in the fall. We will go over all the basics to our string instruments, so that when you show up to the orchestra, you'll know exactly what to expect. Come and be a part of our String Family!
Beginning Percussion	June 6-June 10 June 13 -June 17	6	Widefield High School	The Beginning Percussion course will teach the fundamentals of playing a variety of percussion instruments found in band including the snare drum, glockenspiel (bells), bass drum, tambourine, triangle, and many more! Students will learn the proper way to assemble, hold, produce sound on, and care for these instruments. They will also learn how to read notes and rhythms and how to be part of a performing ensemble. By the end of this course, students will be ready to perform a short musical program and have a positive start to their junior high band classes!
Beginning Tumbling	May 31-June 3	6-9	Janitell Jr. High	This class will teach students the basic form and technique for tumbling. Students will learn beginning level skills and progress throughout the week learning more difficult tumbling passages. This class is designed for students with little to no experience with tumbling. Class is open to all genders, but there will be a cap of 20 participants.
Beginning Woodwinds	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17	5-6	Janitell Jr. High	Are you joining band at your school next year? Good news! You can get ahead of your classmates by joining us for Beginning Band Woodwind Boot Camp for two weeks this summer. You will learn how to put your instrument together, play the first few notes on your instrument, and learn a few songs for a concert by the end of the two weeks. We can't wait to meet you and teach you how to be leaders on your instruments!
Boys Volleyball	June 13-June 17	Males entering grades 6th, 7th, and 8th	Sproul Jr. High	Have you ever wanted to jump up and hit a ball at the ten foot line? Then boys volleyball is the sport for you! This course will teach the basics of passing, setting, and hitting while improving your court awareness and increasing your volleyball IQ. Please dress in athletic attire and wear tennis shoes. Water bottles and a sweat towel are strongly recommended.
Cheer Stunting 101	May 31-June 3	6-9	Janitell Jr. High	This class is for students who are interested in enhancing their skill in cheer stunting. The class is designed to teach students basic form and technique. Students will learn how to execute every position in stunting from base to flyer. Throughout the week, students will gain confidence and advance their skill to progressively do harder stunts. This class is designed for students with little to no experience. All genders welcome, but there will be a cap of 25 students.
Chunky Blanket and Comfy Pillow!	June 13-June 17	6-12	Sproul Jr. High	Choose your color of soft chenille yarn to make this cozy blanket you'll treasure forever! Also, we'll use a special braided technique to cover a pillow using the fabric of your choice! Maximum 5 students
Club for Manga/Anime/Graphic Novel Lovers	June 27-July 1	6-12	Widefield High School	Each day there will be a different craft, puzzle, film, scavenger hunt, and more that connects to a different theme. Together we'll read, share, draw, craft, watch, and learn about different different books with random and whimsical pictures. Come and share what you love and learn about what others can't stop talking about.

Come and Light Up Your Summer...with Electricity.	June 20-June 24	10-12	The MiLL	Have you ever flipped a light switch and wish you knew how it worked? Ever look at solar panels on a roof and wish you knew how electricity was created from a ray of sunshine? If so, this is the class for you. Join us as we explore how electricity works and construct a light fixture that will light up a room. Discover multiple ways to power a light.
Comic Club	June 20-June 24	6-12	Widefield High School	Each day the library will offer comics to read, watch, make, draw, create a trivia game and talk about your favorite comics. We will use the comics and graphic novels in the library and others to check out different types of comics.
Crash Course in Character Acting	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17	6-8	Janitell Jr. High	Learners will engage with different acting techniques, including warm-ups, body, voice, and movement games, as well as creating purposeful reactions and interacting with other actors in the space provided. Students will learn skills and practice M-Th and perform a short piece for audiences on Friday.
Create Your Own Graphic Novel	June 27-July 1	7-8	Sproul Jr. High	Ever want to publish your own graphic novel? Then this course is for you! Our young authors will be writing, creating, and animating their own graphic novels using a digital platform. At the end of the week our authors will share and publish their graphic novels. Come ready to hit the ground running with ideas for your first graphic novel!
Create Your Own Website using Google Sites	May 31-June 3	9-12	Widefield High School	Students will get to create their own websites using Google sites. I would like to encourage students to the idea of making websites both in Caret (an App) as well as Google sites.
Creating Healthy & Budget Friendly Snacks and Meals for You & Your Family	June 13-June 17	6-9	Sproul Jr. High	Students will learn how to plan and prepare delicious and healthy budget friendly meals. Maximum of 12 students.
Decorative Stamped Concrete	June 6-June 10	9-12	The MiLL	Come out to the Mill to set, pour, finish, and stain a stamped slab! Students will learn about basic safety, tools, materials, and techniques for creating decorative concrete slabs. You will learn how to set forms, mix and pour concrete, stamp a concrete slab, and then stain and seal the finished product.
Discovering Your Positive Inner Voice through Creative Activities	June 6-June 10	6-9	Sproul Jr. High	The goal of this course will be for students to learn how to view themselves positively using fun and creative activities.
Disney through the Lens	May 31-June 3	7-8	Janitell Jr. High	We all know and love Disney, but there's so much more lying beneath the surface! Put your movie-watching skills and critical thinking to work in this film study class and see your favorite Disney movies like you never have before! Studying film and animation techniques, thematic analysis, and discussion will guide our exploration of the most recognizable movies of all time.
DIY Jewelry	June 13-June 17	6-12	Widefield High School	Each day we'll make a different kind of jewelry. We'll make friendship bracelets and watch a movie about friends. Other days we'll make necklaces, bracelets, earrings, and even paper/duct tape creations that you can give to your friends or keep for yourself as we watch movies and share stories about friends.
DIY No-Sew Projects	June 20-June 24	6-12	Sproul Jr. High	We'll make a t-shirt tote bag (perfect for your P.E. clothes), a braided headband or two, and colorful scrunchies.
Dry Wall Finishes	June 13-June 17	9-12	The MiLL	Come out to the Mill and play in the mud! Students will learn about basic safety, tools, materials, and techniques for installing and finishing dry wall. You will learn how to put up dry wall board, tape, fill, and finish the dry wall.

Egg Drop Challenge	May 31-June 3	6-8	Watson Jr. High	Students will use the design process and basic application of physics to build and test a device that can successfully prevent an egg from breaking as it is dropped from a ledge. Students will receive a mock budget to 'purchase' supplies and use teamwork to build their own device!
Exploring Languages: Spanish and Mandarin Chinese	May 31-June 3 June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24 June 27-July 1	9-12	Mesa Ridge High School	The proposed outcomes for the learners in this summer program is to develop an affinity for language, its acquisition, and its uses. The hope is that learners will come in with an open-minded approach to studying and acquiring language. The program aims to give learners myriad opportunities to practice listening to and speaking a new and exciting language. This class does not focus on writing, it is based in best listening, speaking, and reading practices to better acquire basic structures of language.
Exploring the Wonders of Meditation through Movement	June 27-July 1	6-9	Sproul Jr. High	Students will learn how to use breathing and movement techniques to change their mood/outlook or improve their health. Bring yoga mat or towel, if possible. Maximum 15 students.
Faux Painting	June 27-July 1	9-12	The MiLL	Come out to the Mill and learn how to make a wall look like marble, stone, or wood! Students will learn about basic safety, tools, materials, and techniques for faux painting. You will learn how to prep, layout, and paint a wall using faux painting techniques to create 3 different looks: faux marble, stone and wood.
Flooring Installations	June 20-June 24	9-12	The MiLL	Students will be learn about the various types of materials associated with flooring that includes carpet, hardwood, laminates, and vinyl. They will also understand how to perform layouts and floor prep before they begin to install a given flooring flooring material.
French Exploration	June 20-June 24	7-8	Sproul Jr. High	Ever wonder what it would be like to walk the city streets of Paris, eat delicious french food, and speak the beautiful French language?? This course will dive into speaking basic french words and phrases and learning french culture (music, fashion, and food).
Girls Volleyball	June 6-June 10	Females entering 6th, 7th, and 8th grade	Sproul Jr. High	Want to take your volleyball game to the next level? This course will teach the basics of passing, setting, and hitting while improving your court awareness and increasing your volleyball IQ. Please dress in athletic attire and wear tennis shoes. Water bottles and a sweat towel are strongly recommended.
Healthful Tips and Mini Workouts	June 13-June 17	6-8	Sproul Jr. High	Students will engage in a collection of 7-15 minute workouts using both indoor and outdoor facilities. The 7Minute workout app will be used to gauge workouts at a beginner level. The set up of these workouts will include stretches (warm-up), Yoga, upper, lower, core and mindfulness sessions that alternate to allow muscle repair. Basic health tips on hydration and balanced diets will be relayed as well. (This class is not geared towards those that have major physical limits and dietary needs - teacher is not certified in any of the above. This is only a fitness awareness introduction class.) Limit of 10 students.
High School Band	June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24	10-12	Mesa Ridge High School	Students will be performing intermediate and advanced concepts in tone, balance, blend, and ensemble precision as it relates to the advanced concert band setting. The emphasis will be on student performing and quality sound production designed to enhance and challenge advanced band musicians.

High School Choir	June 20-June 24 June 27-July 1	9-12	Widefield High School	Students will explore the All-State Choir audition process for Colorado All-State Choir and will be assigned a solo to learn for the audition process, as well as, receive resources with which to practice. This will include access to a Google Classroom that contains practice files. This class will also explore music from the Big Band Era through ensemble rehearsals ending our two week camp with a performance at Pi Ute Park.
High School Orchestra	June 20 -June 24 June 27-July 1	10-12	Widefield High School	The WSD3 High School Summer Strings program is designed to provide all interested string students with the opportunity for summer fun and skill building. We will work on advanced techniques such as vibrato and shifting and play and perform a variety of string repertoire. In addition, we will intersperse the music program with other fun activities.
Indoor Archery	June 6-June 10 June 27-July 1	6-8	Janitell Jr. High	This course is designed for the beginning or novice archer and uses recurve indoor target bows and equipment. The purpose of the course is to introduce students to the basic techniques of indoor target archery emphasizing the care and use of equipment, range safety, stance and shooting techniques, scoring and competition. Each student will be instructed in: Basic equipment used for archery. Practice components for nocking, drawing, aiming and shooting on targets. Practice scoring and retrieving arrows. Be exposed to basic rules, competitions and etiquette of target archery. Practice stretching and warming up specifically for archery. Be encouraged to continue participation in Archery for its recreational, health, fitness and social benefits.
Intermediate Band	June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24	7-9	Widefield High School Band Room	Intermediate band is open to all WSD3 band students who will be in Grades 7 through 9 in the fall of 2022. Come play with friends from your school, and meet other students from across WSD3! Over the two week session we will learn a variety of exciting music, develop our playing fundamentals, practice skills for the following year, and have a great time! The session will conclude in a public performance showcasing our collaboration. Don't miss out!
Intermediate Choir	June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24	7-9	Janitell Junior High School	Sing your heart out with D3's Intermediate Choir! This group is perfect for those who have done choir previously and are ready to explore diverse styles of music in addition to some favorite familiar tunes. This course is a great prep for those seeking to do All State auditions, honor choir auditions, or prepare for high school choirs. We will finish our time together with an informance concert for friends and family. Hope to see you there!
Intermediate Jazz	May 31-June 3	7-10	Widefield High School	Intermediate Jazz ensemble is open to all band students who will be in Grades 7 through 10 in the fall of 2022. Join other students from around WSD3 as we play some jazz this summer! We will learn some fun jazz tunes, cover the basics of jazz styles, and learn how to improvise and play solos. The session will conclude in a joint concert with the Advanced Jazz class. Even if you've never played jazz before, come out and jam with us this summer!
Intermediate Orchestra	June 13-June 17 June 20- June 24	7-9	Mesa Ridge High School	Students will be performing intermediate and advanced concepts in tone, balance, blend, and ensemble precision as it relates to the advanced concert band setting. The emphasis will be on students performing and quality sound production designed to enhance and challenge advanced band musicians.

Introduction to Photography	June 6-June 10	9-12	Discovery High School	This course covers basic concepts and practice of digital photography, including understanding and use of the camera, lenses, and other basic photographic equipment. The course will address aesthetic principles as they relate to composition, space, exposure, light and color. A cell phone camera or other digital camera is required for this course. This course will involve some physical movement.
Introduction to Scene Painting	June 27-July 1	9-12	Discovery High School	The course will cover the techniques and skills necessary in scenic painting. Topics include: terminology, tools, faux finishes, abstract techniques, realistic reproduction, as well as washes and glazes. Scenic painting is large form painting and our final canvas will be a 4'x4' flat. We will be painting and students should attend in clothes that they do not mind getting covered in paint.
Learning to Drive Drones	June 27-July 1	6-12	Janitell Jr. High	Have you ever wanted to learn about Drones and how to use them? In this session students will learn about Drones and how to operate them. Students will be in teams of 2 and operate the drones with their partner. This is an outside course and limited to no more than 24 students.
Literary Mysteries	June 27-July 1	7-8	Janitell Jr. High	Students will carefully read a variety of highly engaging mystery texts. Using reading strategies, structured analysis, and critical thinking, students will "solve" a variety of textual mysteries. Students will turn into literary sleuths in this highly engaging reading course to answer the ultimate questions--who did it and why?
Make your Own Jewelry	June 13-June 17	7-12	Widefield High School	This week there will be different opportunities to make different kinds of jewelry like: friendship bracelets, earrings, necklaces/bracelets, paper and colored duct tape, and more. Bring your creativity to see what you can make.
Model Rocketry	June 13-June 17	9-12	Discovery High School	Students will build and launch their own model rocket. Students will look at the history of rockets and model rocketry, as well as understand the importance of precision in construction.
Murder at the Marathon: Forensics and Biomedical Science Camp	June 6-June 10	9-12	Widefield High School	Students will enjoy solving a mysterious death while practicing biomedical skills and technology, including: gel electrophoresis, micropipetting, trace evidence analysis, dissection, toxicology, and presumptive testing.
Navigating Your High School Path	June 6-June 10 June 13-June 17 June 20-June 24	9-12	Widefield High School	This course would provide "how to" navigate your journey throughout high school to set you up for success. Major topics included; professionalism in the school environment, navigating technology tools, planning your pathway through high school and beyond.
Night Sky/Astronomy	June 20-June 24 June 27-July 1	6-12	Mesa Ridge High School	Caryn Morin and I held two classes last summer where we invited students to come to MRHS at night to observe the night sky. This summer we would like to add on to the class with more detailed instruction during the day and a night class later once the sun has set. We are also hoping to find an inflatable observatory to use to supplement since Colorado is known to have many fires in the summer last year that made our class difficult to schedule.
Nutrition with Cooking	May 3-June 3	10-12	Widefield High School	Students will learn basic nutrition components along with food safety and sanitation and then put their knowledge to the test by going into the WHS kitchen and making 3 different meals.

Onward & Upward - Teaching Fun Filled Strategies to Build a ToolBox of Coping & Resiliency Skills to Create A Happier & Healthier Version of Yourself	June 20-June 24	6-9	Sproul Jr. High	Students will gain a toolbox of strategies to help them create a positive outlook and self image. Maximum 20 students.
Orchestra	May 31-June 3 June 6-June 10	8-12	Widefield High School	Continue to build musicianship skills in the area of violin, viola, cello and bass. Support the study and practice of ensemble playing, music reading, music history and theory. Practice towards an end performance which will demonstrate skills that were worked on in the course.
Outdoor Grass Volleyball	June 13-June 17	6-8	Janitell Jr. High	An exciting grass volleyball class emphasizing the development of volleyball skills specifically for a grass volleyball game! Students will be learning and developing volleyball skills such as: passing, setting, hitting, blocking, dropping, digging and serving in order to become knowledgeable of the GRASS volleyball rules, tactics and various offensive/defensive strategies, and to understand how to play in various outdoor weather conditions.
Pickleball	June 20-June 24	6-8	Windmill Mesa Park	This class will teach the fundamentals of the exciting game of pickleball! Throughout this class we will focus on developing basic skills and implementing them into game situations. We will cover skills such as ball control, forehand/backhand drive, drive/lob serve, forehand/backhand lob, smash, and strategy. We'll partner up and get as many game-like situations in as we possibly can! Upon completion of this class, students will be able to: Define the rules and boundaries for the game of pickleball. Demonstrate knowledge of cues for all skills covered. Demonstrate correct technique for all skills covered. Demonstrate good pickleball etiquette and play a competitive game of pickleball while keeping score! At the conclusion of the course, we will run a tournament to determine the course champs!
Robotics	June 13-June 17	6-12	Janitell Junior High School	Students will learn how to build and code a Dragster. The students will then have a competition to see whose Dragster drives the fastest. Students will also learn how to navigate an underwater robot at the Widefield pool.
Sketching the Industrial Interior	May 31-June 3	9-12	The MiLL	Come out to The MiLL and learn to sketch an industrial interior space. Basic drawing materials and methods will be discussed and utilized to create expressive and working drawings.
Solve It	May 31-June 3	7-12	Widefield High School	Come to the WHS library to solve a different puzzle each day, from scavenger hunts to who did it, escape rooms to figuring out the riddles, each day will include a different kind of puzzle to solve.
Speech and Debate	June 27-July 1	7-12	Widefield High School	Students will learn about the 13 different events in competitive speech and debate. They will choose one event to focus on for the week. If they want to learn to debate, they will be given a topic and spend the remainder of the week developing arguments and cases, culminating in a debate scrimmage. If they choose an acting event, they will find a script and work on blocking, pacing, memorization, etc. for the week, culminating in a performance on the final day. If they choose a public speaking event, they will spend the week writing and rehearsing their speech, culminating in a presentation at the end of the week.

