

Welcome to Detroit Country Day School's Summer Programs

Note from the Lower School Director of Summer Programs



Welcome to our Lower School Summer Camp Program! My name is Marta Krussman and I am the Summer Camp Director for the Lower School. With a Master's Degree in Early Childhood Development and 16 years of experience at Country Day, I am excited to help your family have a fantastic summer. Please email me at MKrussman@dcds.edu with any questions or concerns.

Our campus offers summer camps for children entering Pre-K 3 - 3rd grade that are instructed by our very own Country Day educators. Our program runs for 6 weeks and camps are offered on a weekly basis from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Before and aftercare programs are available for an additional fee.

DCDS Lower School Summer Camp offers a unique opportunity for our families and the community. Camps are designed based on our faculty's talents and passion for sharing their knowledge. Each camp has a 1 to 10 student ratio, which allows the teacher to connect with each child. In the morning, children discover their camp topic through exploratory instruction. In the afternoon, children investigate our outdoor playground and water activities.

Weekly themes may incorporate a range of skills including but not limited to: reading, science, math, cooking, nature, sports, arts, and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, arts, and math) activities.

Policies and Procedures

- All children must be completely potty trained per state licensing requirements.
- All grades listed in the catalog pertain to the grade of the child in the 2024-2025 school year.
 - Children must be within the grade range listed for the camp in order to participate. If children are not within the appropriate range, they will not be eligible to participate.
 - Campers who are registering for a camp designated for PK3 must be three years old on the first day of the camp for which they are registered.
- Water play will be offered daily. Please pack a bathing suit, sunscreen, water bottle, and a towel every day.
- All campers need to bring nut-free snacks and lunch each day.

- Parents will drop off and pick up students at the Maple Road Campus by the entrance labeled “Summer Camp.” The faculty will be waiting to greet and escort children into and out of the school.
- All camps have a minimum enrollment of eight (8) campers that must be met in order to run; therefore, we must adhere to the following policies regarding cancellations. Please understand that cancellation fees are necessary because of financial commitments to our faculty and staff, in addition to materials for the camp.
 - Any cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to MKrussman@dcds.edu.
 - Cancellations made more than 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. The balance of the camp fee will be refunded.
 - Cancellations made between 7 and 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a 50% cancellation fee.
 - There is no refund for cancellations made less than 7 days before the start of the camp.
 - If a child is removed from a camp for disciplinary reasons, there will be no refund.
 - If Detroit Country Day School must cancel a camp due to low enrollment, we will make every effort to place your child into another available program. You will be notified via email with alternative camp options or to receive a full refund.
- Calendar and Fee Schedule
 - Weekly camp sessions start the week of June 17 and run for six weeks ending on July 26.
 - Camps are held from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.
 - There will be no camps on Thursday, July 4.

Before Care Hours: 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	\$75 per week
After Care Hours: 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	\$75 per week
Late Pick-up Fee (payable upon pick-up):	\$10 per 10-minute interval

Note from the Middle/Upper Director of Summer Programs



Detroit Country Day School develops citizens and leaders of the world in a culturally diverse environment of academic rigor, competitive athletics, and artistic expression, built on a foundation of service and character.

My name is Jonathan Napper and I have been a teacher at all levels for 25 years, with a majority of my teaching career at the elementary and middle school levels. I have a Master of Arts in Arts Administration from the University of Michigan and a Bachelor of Music in Education from Western Michigan University. I am looking forward to an amazing summer of learning and experiences for our students and faculty. I am most easily reached at jnapper@dcds.edu with any questions or concerns.

Our Upper School summer academic, fine, and performing art programs provide students with opportunities for enrichment or course credit. Students walk away gratified to know they opened their schedules to allow for additional and diverse electives or have a credit requirement met.

Middle School math, reading, foreign language, STEAM, art, dance, study skills, and leadership opportunities provide students in grades 4-8 with the time, space, and program to develop a battery of academic, life, and leadership skills. Students work alongside faculty from a wide range of disciplines and interests to engage students in fun and meaningful lessons and activities.

Hillview Campus - Middle School

Policies and Procedures

- There will be no programs on Thursday, July 4.
- All grades listed in the catalog pertain to the grade of the child in the 2024-2025 school year.
- The entrance to our Hillview Campus is located off Lahser Road just south of Thirteen Mile Road.
- The Hillview Campus is peanut-free. Please, do not bring snacks with peanuts.
- Parents/Guardians must check in with Security prior to entering the building.
- All camps have a minimum enrollment that must be met in order to run; therefore, we must adhere to the following policies regarding cancellations. Please understand that cancellation fees are necessary because of financial commitments to our faculty and staff, in addition to materials for the camp.
 - Any cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to JNapper@dcds.edu.
 - Cancellations made more than 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. The balance of the camp fee will be refunded.

- Cancellations made between 7 and 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a 50% cancellation fee.
- There is no refund for cancellations made less than 7 days before the start of the camp.
- If a child is removed from a camp for disciplinary reasons, there will be no refund.
- If Detroit Country Day School must cancel a camp due to low enrollment, you will be notified via email and will receive a full refund.

Thirteen Mile Campus - Upper School

Policies and Procedures

- There will be no camps or programs on Thursday, July 4 or Friday, July 5.
- All grades listed in the catalog pertain to the grade of the child in the 2024-2025 school year.
- The entrance to our Thirteen Mile Campus is located off Thirteen Mile Road just west of Lahser Road.
- Please, do not bring snacks with peanuts.
- Parents/Guardians must check in with Security prior to entering the building.
- All programs have a minimum enrollment that must be met in order to run; therefore, we must adhere to the following policies regarding cancellations. Please understand that cancellation fees are necessary because of financial commitments to our faculty and staff, in addition to materials for the camp.
 - Any cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to JNapper@dcds.edu.
 - Cancellations made more than 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. The balance of the camp fee will be refunded.
 - Cancellations made between 7 and 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a 50% cancellation fee.
 - There is no refund for cancellations made less than 7 days before the start of the camp.
 - If a child is removed from a camp for disciplinary reasons, there will be no refund.
 - Academic courses for credit and enrichment have a minimum enrollment requirement. If the minimum enrollment has not been met by April 19, 2024, an email will go to enrollees in courses that may be canceled. A final cancellation notice will be sent on May 17, 2024 if the course must be canceled.
- **Important attendance information regarding Upper School for-credit classes:**
 - Students may miss not more than two days of summer school during the duration of the program. A student who misses more than two days will not receive credit for the course and no refund will be given.
 - A student is considered absent from a class if they are late or leave early by 10 minutes or more.
 - Three tardies to class are equal to an absence.
- Please understand that cancellation fees are necessary because of financial commitments to our faculty and staff, in addition to materials for the programs.

- Any cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to JNapper@dcds.edu
- Cancellations made more than 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. The balance of the camp fee will be refunded.
- Cancellations made between 7 and 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a 50% cancellation fee.
- There is no refund for cancellations made less than 7 days before the start of the camp.
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Note from the Director of the DCDS Sports Academy



For the past 15+ years, DCDS has provided athletic camps and leagues to help guide elementary-age children to their athletic pathways. As we are committed to helping children of all ages develop teamwork, sportsmanship, technical skills, and an enthusiasm for athletics, we look forward to continuing this initiative to include our surrounding community with our athletic offerings through the DCDS Sports Academy.

The DCDS Sports Academy provides a learning environment that allows children, from the ages of 5 to 18, to progress at a comfortable pace while establishing the requisite skills to become successful athletes. You will notice the intensity and focus of our offerings will gradually increase with the age of its participants. Camps for middle and high school-aged children will be skill-specific, providing an opportunity for athletes who truly want to hone their skills and reach their full potential.

DCDS takes great pride in hiring great people, whether faculty members or coaches. That still holds true with the DCDS Sports Academy. All camp and league directors have the highest qualifications and several years of experience working with children. Our staff includes individuals with state championship-winning experience, collegiate coaching experience, as well as former athletes who competed professionally.

Whether you are a current DCDS student, a member of the surrounding community, or a prospective student, the DCDS Sports Academy offers the chance to learn what makes the DCDS athletic program one of the most renowned in the Midwest, with over 100 state championships and countless graduates that have competed at the collegiate and professional levels. To be the best, you need to learn from and train with the best. Learn how to take your game to the next level at the DCDS Sports Academy!

Prior to being named the Director of the DCDS Sports Academy, Steve Lepkowski ('93) has been a teacher at DCDS for 15 years as well as a football, basketball, and baseball coach for over 20 years. In 2007, he created the Junior Jacket Sports Program, which serves over 2,000 participants on an annual basis. He looks forward to sharing with the community at large his knowledge of the keys to becoming a successful athlete from his experience in coaching over 100 collegiate athletes.

For more information, feel free to contact him at dcdssportsacademy@dcds.edu. Stay current with the DCDS Sports Academy on Twitter, @CDSportsAcademy, or on Instagram, dcdssportsacademy.

DCDS Sports Academy

Policies and Procedures

- There will be no camps or programs on Thursday, July 4.

- All grades listed in the catalog pertain to the grade of the child in the 2024-2025 school year.
- There will be no “before” or “after” care provided.
- Cancellation Policy
 - Any cancellations must be requested in writing and sent to Steve Lepkowski at dcdssportsacademy@dcds.edu.
 - Cancellations made more than 14 days before the start of the camp will incur a \$50 cancellation fee. The balance of the camp fee will be refunded.
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