



Summer Learning Institute (SLI) 2024

Elementary Course Catalog

May 29 - June 27, 2024

ELEMENTARY (K-5)

CEDAR CREEK, HAWTHORN HILL,
HIGHLAND PARK, MEADOW LANE,
RICHARDSON, AND SUNSET VALLEY

May 28 - Drop in Day 1:00 - 2:30

Enrollment Dates: April 10th at 12:00 PM - April 24th at 4:00 PM



Lee's Summit
R-7 Schools

Questions and Answers

Who can attend Elementary Summer Learning Institute (SLI)?

Any incoming Kindergarten through 5th grade student who is a resident of the LSR7 School District may attend. Students will be enrolled in classes based on their grade level for the 2024-25 school year.

Will incoming Kindergarten students be allowed to attend Summer Learning?

Yes. We are excited to provide this opportunity for our incoming Kindergarten students. Our Kindergarten students will attend the full day.

How are Summer courses arranged?

All courses are arranged by site. You are free to register for any of the schools that are serving as a Summer Learning site. All courses will run for 19 days. Students will be placed in a school and course in the order the registration is received. Space is limited.

How do I enroll my child for SLI 2024?

Parents will log into their PowerSchool parent portal account; select Summer Learning Registration; and follow prompts on the screen to select the course preference. Be sure to enroll ALL of your students at the same time and be sure to enroll them at the same SLI location.

What if the course my student wants fills to capacity?

Course registration is available on a first-come, first-served basis. Once a course reaches maximum enrollment, the course will close and no additional requests can be made. If that occurs, you will either select a different course that is still available or put yourself on a waiting list for your course(s) of choice.

What schools are hosting SLI?

Elementary (K-5): Cedar Creek, Hawthorn Hill, Highland Park, Meadow Lane, Richardson, and Sunset Valley.

What if my child is absent during SLI?

Regular attendance at SLI provides students with an optimal learning opportunity. In the case of an occasional absence, parents should contact the school and notify the Attendance Secretary of the absence so it is excused. If a student has 4 unexcused, consecutive absences, they will be dropped from Summer Learning Institute.

What are the dates of SLI 2024?

Students will attend from May 29th - June 27th. Students will attend a total of 19 days.

SLI CALENDAR							May & June 2024						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MAY 26	MAY 27	MAY 28	MAY 29 SLI START	MAY 30	MAY 31	01							
02	03	04	05	06	07 No Summer School	08							
09	10	11	12	13	14 No Summer School	15							
16	17	18	19 No Summer School	20	21	22							
23	24	25	26	27 SLI END	28	29							
30	01	02	03	04	05	06							

Times & Locations:

Highland Park

7:15 am - 1:15 pm

Sunset Valley

7:45 am - 1:45 pm

Meadow Lane

8:00 am - 2:00 pm

Cedar Creek, Hawthorn Hill, Richardson

8:30 am - 2:30 pm

How will my child be transported to and from Elementary Summer Learning?

Parents are responsible for the transportation to and from Elementary Summer Learning. Please notify the school office and the Elementary Summer Learning teacher if someone other than the parent is transporting your student. **Please see below for further information and clarification on transportation.**

Will any students be eligible for transportation during Elementary Summer Learning?

Students residing in the Lee's Summit Elementary, Meadow Lane, and Westview attendance areas need to enroll in classes offered at Meadow Lane to receive transportation.

Only students who qualify for "Extended School Year" via Special Services may receive transportation through the ESY program. This will be arranged through Special Services. For the safety of these ESY students, only one bus and one neighborhood bus stop is permitted during summer programs.

Additional shuttle stops will be available to elementary students from:

SLI Building	Shuttle Sites	Shuttle Times - AM/PM*	School Hours
Cedar Creek	Longview & Pleasant Lea	8:15/2:45	8:30-2:30
Hawthorn Hill	Summit Pointe & Trailridge	8:15/2:45	8:30-2:30
Highland Park	Prairie View & Mason	7:00/1:30	7:15-1:15
Meadow Lane	Lee's Summit Elementary & Westview	Transportation Provided	
Richardson	Hazel Grove & Underwood	8:15/2:45	8:30-2:30
Sunset Valley	Woodland & Greenwood	7:30/2:00	7:45-1:45

*PM time is an approximate time. Please allow fifteen minutes after school is out for the shuttle to arrive at its location. Parents are expected to be there before the shuttle arrives. More shuttle information will be provided after enrollment in early May.

Any student who receives a conduct notice may lose transportation privileges on the first notice during the summer school session.

More information regarding transportation for these schools will be provided by the summer school administrator following the registration process.

Will my child receive Learning Center or ELD student support during Summer Learning?

ELD students will have the opportunity to fully participate in the summer enrichment course with their peers. ELD students attending Meadow Lane have the option to take an enrichment course taught by a teacher certified to work with ELD students.

Teachers will have student IEPs to follow and will implement accommodations, but direct services are not provided unless a child otherwise qualifies for ESY.

ESY = Extended School Year - Special Services

ELD = English Language Development

Will “Before and After School Services Y-Club, YMCA” be available during Summer Learning?

Yes. Each Summer Learning location will have Before and After School Services for students (Monday - Friday). Be sure to respond “Yes” during the enrollment process. You will be directed to register for Y-Club, YMCA at that time. Students must be enrolled in the Summer Learning Program in order to attend Y-Club, YMCA. Students must be 5 years old by May 28th to attend the summer YMCA/BASS program

Will breakfast and lunch be available during Summer Learning?

Breakfast is \$1.80 and lunch is \$2.90 for students at Summer Learning Institute. Families who are eligible for free and reduced lunch and breakfast will continue to receive free/reduced meals at Summer Learning Institute. If you feel you qualify for free/reduced meals and are currently paying for meals, please fill out an application to see if you qualify to receive free/reduced meals during the summer. Apply at your earliest convenience at our [Nutrition Services website](https://leessummitschoolnutrition.com/) (<https://leessummitschoolnutrition.com/>).

What should I do if my child has a health or allergy concern?

Each Summer Learning site will have an LSR7 district health clerk or LPN on site, with an LSR7 District nurse to support. Each healthroom will have access to a student’s medical forms and health alerts. This health information is provided to Summer Learning teachers and supporting staff prior to the start of Summer Learning.

May I visit the Summer Learning site prior to the first day of Summer Learning?

“Drop in Day” is Tuesday, May 28 from 1:00 - 2:30. This is an opportunity to drop by the Summer Learning site, tour the building, and meet your child's teacher. This activity is optional for students and parents.

When will I be notified about my child's school site, room number, teacher's name and course enrollment?

This information will be provided to parents by Wednesday, May 15, 2024. Questions prior to this date may be directed to Kelly Seitz (kelly.seitz@lsr7.net).

Should I purchase new school supplies for Summer Learning?

No. Please have your child bring his/her school supplies from the end of the school year. Teachers might ask your child to bring supplies specific to the course chosen.

Cedar Creek

Kindergarten Camp

Kindergarten Camp will help boys and girls transition into Kindergarten and learn what it will be like to be a student in the Lee's Summit R7 School District. During this time, students will be with a teacher working on reading and math activities through song, story, and play. Students will also learn Kindergarten routines that will help them on the first days of school.

Teacher: Kim Park

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Grade: K

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Teacher: Bella Passantino

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Teacher: Sarah Boles

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Teacher: Lesa West

Cedar Creek

Grade: K

Animal Research: It's a Zoo in Here

Join us as we become Animal Experts as we learn and research about different animals and their habitats. We will have real animals visit us. Would you like to learn about snakes, birds, a tortoise, crabs and a hedgehog? If you love animals and have some burning questions about them, this is the class for you!

Teacher: Gillian Evans

Cedar Creek

Grade: 1

Learning with MO!

Should a pigeon drive a bus? Will Elephant and Piggie make you laugh? Will Trixie find Knuffle Bunny? Will The squirrel find its tooth? Join us for a terrific ride exploring our favorite Mo Willems books as we enhance our reading, writing, and math skills through puppets, play, and STEM activities... Fun in First Grade awaits

Teacher: Jessica Sterling

Cedar Creek

Grade: 1

Summer of Sports

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Teacher: TBD

Cedar Creek

Grade: 1

Underwater Adventures

Get ready to explore the deep blue sea! 1st graders will read non-fiction texts, research ocean animals, and study their diverse underwater habitat. Students will continue practicing their reading, mathematical, and scientific skills with this fun, engaging summer course! Are you ready for an underwater adventure?

Teacher: Anna Curran

Cedar Creek

Grade: 1

Games Galore and Traveling the USA!

Love playing games and traveling? Then pack your bags and join us for a super summeradventure! We will have a great time reviewing math, spelling, and vocabulary skills whileplaying games. We will also use map games as we learn about history, landforms, and people to take a virtual vacation across the USA.

Teacher: Linda Hubbuch

Cedar Creek

Grade: 2

Go with the Flow

Namaste friends! Stay cool and com(posed) this summer while learning new things to start the second grade strong. We will work on blending words, addition and subtraction, and exploring different science topics so that we can start the 2nd grade with confidence. We will also learn yoga poses and ways to keep our mind and body calm using breathing techniques, meditation, and other mindful practices.

Teacher: Jeri Hobbs

Cedar Creek

Grade: 2

Imagination Academy

Come to Imagination Academy where imaginations soar! We will practice addition and subtraction facts within 20. We will work on our reading fluency and comprehension, practice writing complete sentences, and learn about where water is found on Earth. Every activity will incorporate some magic from your favorite movie and tv characters!

Teacher: Jessica Christian

Cedar Creek

Grade: 2

Nursery Rhymes and Good Old Times!

This course is designed to increase and enrich student reading, fluency ,comprehension skills, increase rhyming, as well as expressive language while exploring reading through Music. Students will explore, sing and learn Nursery Rhymes. They will perform expressive reading/rhyming through singing, playing instruments, moving and dancing.We will explore math skills through drum circles and speech pieces. This will include counting, adding, subtracting, creating and identifying patterns. We will also explore sound by observing and creating many "found sounds." Students will work and play cooperatively through performance.

Teacher: Biljana Begley

Cedar Creek

Grade: 2

Fairy Tales and STEAM

Join us this summer as we explore fairy tales with a STEAM focus. We will read various fairy tales and then bring them to life through Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math. (STEAM) There will be lots of hands on learning, problem solving, teamwork, and creativity in this enchanting summer course!

Teacher: Rosanna Georgetti

Cedar Creek

Grade: 3

Mammals Around the World

Are you an animal lover who wants to refine some of your writing and geography skills this summer while also creating some amazing artwork along the way? This might be the class for you! We will be exploring 4 different continents and learning about some of the interesting animals that live there. With an emphasis on writing and research, you will go into third grade with confidence!

Teacher: Madeline McConnell

Cedar Creek

Grade: 3

Recess Around The World

Is your child interested in learning about other countries and cultures? Does your child love to play group recess games? If so, this class might be the class for you! Your child will be working on third grade standards as they explore other countries around the world and what they do during recess time.

Teacher: Corinne Zager

Cedar Creek

Grade: 3

Third Grade Detectives

Let's investigate! Students will explore engaging logic puzzles using mathematical thinking, using the clues to find solutions. We will choose books during library time to see how characters solve mysteries in creative ways. Finally, we will use our inquiry skills to complete scientific activities about plants and animals. Are you ready to solve the clues?

Teacher: Susan Byrne

Cedar Creek

Grade: 3

Underwater Adventures

Come join us for an underwater adventure! We will be learning about different ocean wildlife using our reading, writing and math skills. You will be having fun in the ocean as you are getting ready for 3rd grade!

Teacher: Angie Pinnell

Cedar Creek

Grade: 3

From Zoo to STEAM and Everything In Between

Do you like to learn about animals at the zoo? Do you like exploring in science, technology, engineering and mathematics? In this course we will work on building, coding, and designing as we discover more about wild animals. Come join us on this wild ride through the zoo!

Teacher: Erin Simons

Cedar Creek

Grades: 3,4

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Teacher: Jennifer Payton

Cedar Creek

Grades: 3,4

Games from Around the World

Immerse yourself in different cultures by learning through gameplay and history. This course is intended to focus on different games from around the world and look into the culture of each game we are learning about.

Teacher: Emily Haines

Cedar Creek

Grades: 3,4

Food for Thought: It's Always Time for Ice Cream! - Grade 4

Do you love ice cream? If so, join us this summer to explore all there is to know about ice cream! Students will investigate ice cream ingredients, flavor, and color, in order to form their own ice cream making process.

Students will engineer their own flavor and create an advertising campaign to market their product. We will then take part in a tasting contest! Throughout this experience, students will learn through play and creation while building fundamental skills needed for 4th grade. This course will provide food for thought all summer long!

Teacher: Mary Humphreys

Cedar Creek

Grade: 4

Let's Take a Trip

Do you wish you were traveling this summer but are stuck at home? Let's explore the world together this summer with virtual fieldtrips and learning from around the world. We can go to the beach, the mountains, and discover places far away as we study the geography and culture from around the planet. Each week will be a new destination and adventure. Pack your bags and prepare for an adventure this summer.

Teacher: Ginny Blumhorst

Cedar Creek

Grade: 4

STEAM is the THEME!

Students who love science, engineering, and designing new things will have the opportunity to conduct their own creative building challenges. They will problem solve and investigate using Legos, Magna Tiles, K'Nex, and more! Each week will be geared around a theme such as Weather, Amusement Parks etc. where we will use all the components of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math). This course will be co-taught by Ms. Tammy Thomas-Baumgartner and Ms. Kayla Roberts.

Teacher: Tammy
Thomas-Baumgartner

Cedar Creek

Grade: 4

Take Me Out to the Ballgame!

Do you love baseball? Then let's explore everything baseball this summer! Everything we do will revolve around baseball, oh and we will play some baseball style games each day!

Teacher: Jeremy Witzke

Cedar Creek

Grades: 4,5

Camp Half-Blood: Exploring the World of Percy Jackson

In this course, we will study the world of Percy Jackson through a novel study. As we read *The Lightning Thief*, we will explore the book's characters, Greek Mythology, and more. Activities will include designing your own demigod character, writing stories about your favorite characters, researching ancient Greece, and more.

Teacher: Taylor Egerstrom

Cedar Creek

Grade: 5

Spy School

In spy school, students will learn how to write codes and decode messages. We will follow agent Ben Ripley in his adventures in the book *Spy School* as he embarks on his journey of becoming a spy. We will also put our physical fitness to the test through a variety of fun PE-focused games.

Teacher: Trae Henderson

Cedar Creek

Grade: 5

Hawthorn Hill

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Teacher: Haleigh McCrary

Hawthorn Hill

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Teacher: Heather Diaz

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Teacher: Alexandra Leonard

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Teacher: Laurie Fulmer

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: K

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Teacher: Danny Stotler

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 1

Mixed Up Fairy Tales

Once upon a time, some curious children went to summer school to learn through fairy tales. They learned and had lot of fun reading many books, playing math games, doing STEM activities, and being creative with crafts. Come along with Jack, Cinderella and the Three Little Pigs and have a blast learning this summer!

Teacher: Jennifer Graham

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 1

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Teacher: Gregory Leckbee

Hawthorn Hill

Grades: 1,2

Amazing Animals

Let's go on an animal adventure around the world. We will travel to the African safari, ocean, rainforest and more! Pack your bags for a wild 5-week journey around the world as we explore animals, plants, and their habitats while engaging in STEAM activities. Are you ready?

Teacher: Brandy Honn

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 2

Books, Bracelets, and Barbies with Mrs. Bruto!

Come join Mrs. Bruto for a summer of fun! We will prepare for second grade by reading great books, writing with our dolls, making bracelets to review math skills, and so much more! I hope to see you there!

Teacher: Jessica Bruto

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 2

Math, Mysteries, & More!

Embark on a summer adventure with Greg Tang math games, phonics decoding fun, and science exploration! You'll master addition and subtraction facts, unlock the secrets of stories through critical thinking strategies, and reveal the answers to your burning questions about plants!

Teacher: Ashley Brouillette

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 2

Mixed-Up Fairy Tales

Once upon a time, there was an enchanted classroom filled with wonder and excitement. Come along with Jack, Cinderella and The Three Little Pigs as we read literature, act out fairy tales, play math games, problem solve and more!

Teacher: Lisa Cohen

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 2

Amazing Australia!

Explore the amazing continent of Australia this summer! We will learn about the land, the culture, and the unique animals of Australia, including the Great Barrier Reef. You will have the opportunity to create art, make presentations in Google Slides, and do a few science experiments! Join the fun!

Teacher: Billie Jo Triplett

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 3

Happy Campers

Summer is the perfect time for adventure-seeking campers to hit the outdoors! Experience campfire reading with flashlights. Research woodland animals and U.S. National Parks. Participate in STEM activities, and so much more. Your family can even send you mail and who doesn't love S'mores?

Teacher: Robin Miller

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 3

Turn Back Time? Old School

Have you ever played Sparkle? Heads Up 7 Up? Around the World? We will learn cursive, read classic stories, write on chalkboards, play marbles, checkers, and more fun "old school" activities. Join us as we investigate old school artifacts and learn about how people have learned and lived in the past.

Teacher: Kristen Wimberly

Hawthorn Hill

Grades: 3,4

Exploring Hawaii

Surf your way through the Summer Learning Institute as we go on a tropical adventure through the islands of Hawaii! We will explore the culture and all of the amazing features that Hawaii has to offer, including making tropical slushies, carving Petroglyphs, and learning about the world's largest and most active volcanoes. Be sure to bring your beach towel and sunglasses as we enjoy learning in the summer sun.

Teacher: Stephanie Mwansanga

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 4

To Space and Beyond

This class will be out of this world! The students will learn about the Sun, Moon, planets and past space missions in a creative and engaging way. We will take a close look at the galaxy we call home using real-world applications of science, technology, engineering and mathematics. We will create constellation viewers, collaborate in teams to design space vehicles, research a planet in our solar system, and even eat the Moon phases!

Teacher: Kim Schaefer

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 4

Camp Learn-A-Lot

This course introduces students to the joy of exploring the outdoors. They will learn creative writing, geology, math, and history through the discovery of fire. They will practice a variety of skills including tent building, s'mores making, etc. which will increase their confidence and independence.

Teacher: Emily Brauner

Hawthorn Hill

Grades: 4,5

A World of Adventure

Where do you want to go? In this course, we will learn all about different countries and cultures. We will dive into, Europe, Asia, Australia, and even some fun places in the United States. We will also explore some of the most amazing theme parks around the world. This summer, in addition to reading and writing about our travels, we will be listening to music from other countries, looking at their art, playing games, and even planning a trip of your own to a destination you choose!

Teacher: Kelly Honn

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 5

Dumbledore's Army

Calling all witches and wizards! Dumbledore needs your help to defeat the dark wizards. You will use your magic math and reading skills to protect Hogwarts against He Who Shall Not Be Named. From playing Quidditch to creating potions, this will be a summer you will never forget!

Teacher: Jordan Rehmer

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 5

Games of the Past, Present and Future

We will be learning about and playing games of the past, the games we presently play and what games may look like in the future. These games will vary from solitary games, board games, classic outdoor games, and we will even create our own game.

Teacher: Jennifer Huser

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 5

On the Lookout for Entrepreneurs

Are you imaginative and looking to create a product to sell, or is there a service you could provide to other students? Please join us in an engaging adventure in a simulation of a market economy where you will learn about the principles of supply and demand, goods and services, how to generate a profit vs. a loss, and what it means to be a producer and consumer. You will earn classroom money to invest in your business and will use technology and writing skills to create advertisements persuading others about the quality of your product/service. You will read informational text about real-life entrepreneurs and how their innovative ideas became realities. At the end of the summer school session, you will put all of your knowledge into practice when our market days will be open for business!

Teacher: Kim Mooney

Hawthorn Hill

Grade: 5

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Teacher: Mckenna Sommers

Highland Park

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Teacher: Stacey Haselhorst

Highland Park

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Teacher: Angela Twogood

Highland Park

Grade: K

African Safari

African Safari is a fun course that takes students on an adventure of learning about different African animals as well as the regions they can be found in. Students also get an opportunity to practice early second grade math and reading skills; as well as a bit of science. Come join the adventure!

Teacher: Senika Sapp

Highland Park

Grade: 1

Learning with MO!

Should a pigeon drive a bus? Will Elephant and Piggie make you laugh? Will Trixie find Knuffle Bunny? Will The squirrel find its tooth? Join us for a terrific ride exploring our favorite Mo Willems books as we enhance our reading, writing, and math skills through puppets, play, and STEM activities... Fun in First Grade awaits

Teacher: TBD

Highland Park

Grade: 1

Dear Diary

Diaries are a great way to self-reflect and to remember things that happen in our lives. In this course, we will learn more about diaries, how they are used in literature, and create our own diaries!

Teacher: Jennifer Abraham

Highland Park

Grades: 1,2

Jungle Journey

Come swing through the rainforest with us! On our adventure we will be using our reading, writing and math skills to travel through the layers of the rainforest. We will explore the animals, plants, food and people that live and grow in the rainforest through hands-on activities and experiments. Did you know the most poisonous animal lives in the rainforest? Do people live there? Where in the world is the rainforest? We will answer all of these questions and more! Come join the fun!

Teacher: Robin Hockett

Highland Park

Grade: 2

Meet The Animal (ZooED)

Meet the Animal introduces students to animals that live at the Kansas City Zoo and Aquarium. Students explore animals through hands-on ELA, math, science, and social studies activities to discover how polar bears stay warm, how flamingos use their beak, and so much more. Meet the Animal addresses essential questions like "How do humans and animals depend on each other?" "What kinds of differences and similarities can be seen across the animal kingdom?" and "What connections are there between an animal's appearance, lifestyle, and habitat?"

Teacher: Jamie Walruff

Highland Park

Grade: 2

Summer Fun!

Do you enjoy going to the beach or going camping during the warmer months? Get ready for an exciting summer as we engage in reading, writing, math and science activities that will all revolve around your summer adventures! I hope to see you there!

Teacher: Erin Callahan

Highland Park

Grade: 2

Welcome to Candyland

In this course students will be learning about the history of candy making. In doing so they will be immersed in different types of activities centered around candy including writing about it, engaging in science experiments and STEM activities, and completing math and reading tasks as well.

Teacher: Amanda Bennaka

Highland Park

Grade: 2

Mammals Around the World

Come on an adventure around the world to explore the wonderful mammals that live within it. Each week we will focus on a different region or continent. From the frigid cold of the Arctic to the rainforests of Asia, students will have a fun filled summer creating their own Big Book of Mammals.

Teacher: Kayla Ross

Highland Park

Grades: 2,3

Sharks!!!

Join me to explore the ocean's most feared creatures -- sharks! Is there actually a reason to be afraid of these animals? We will find out as we face our fears and use our knowledge to write, make crafts, and more! Don't miss out on the most sharktastic adventure ever!

Teacher: Julie Strickland

Highland Park

Grade: 3

Bears! Bears! Bears!

Welcome to the world of bears! Join me for an adventure learning about polar bears and grizzly bears and more! This summer, we will explore the world's most loveable creatures -- bears! In class, we will be doing STEM activities, class games, and weekly art projects. Truly, all types of learners will be excited and engaged. In addition, choice and voice will be at the center of each student's learning as they will choose animals/climates to research and they will choose how their research will be presented.

Teacher: Alyson Fortney

Highland Park

Grade: 3

Gone Camping

Come along as we camp through the five major biomes; aquatic, desert, tundra, grassland, and forest. Campers will build their literacy and math skills while exploring the land and animals of each of the biomes. Can't wait to see you around the campfire for s'more fun this summer!

Teacher: Angie Alexander

Highland Park

Grade: 3

Who would Win: The Komodo Dragon vs. The King Cobra

Komo-down and join us for a summer school session fit for a king! We will research and explore all about Komodo Dragons and King Cobras with crafts, games, and more! And, we'll end with a Komodo Dragon and King Cobra contest! Who will win?! Join me this summer to find out!

Teacher: Julie Hagglund

Highland Park

Grade: 3

Road Trip Through the United States

This class will be combined with the course United States STEM. Let's take a road trip across the United States! We will visit each state and learn about the history, attractions, food, and landmarks. For each state, students will have an activity to complete.

Teacher: Teri Dailey

Highland Park

Grades: 3,4

United States STEM

*This course will be taught with the course Road Trip Through the United States While learning about the 50 states, students will complete STEM challenges that connect back to each state. Some activities include building bridges in California, constructing a roller coaster for Ohio and even tasting food that states are known for!

Teacher: Ashley Dowd

Highland Park

Grades: 3,4

Game On

Create your own miniature roller coaster. Design your own arcade game. Participate in Minute to Win It problem-solving activities. These opportunities and many others await you in this summer experience. You will participate in a variety of games as we combine reading, writing, math, and science through Game On!

Teacher: Pamela Dean

Highland Park

Grade: 4

Having Fun with Art and Music

This summer 4th Graders will apply art and music to RIASEC (R- Realistic, I- Investigative, A- Artistic, S- Social, E- Enterprising, C- Conventional) to perform science experiments and use math techniques to create art and music. We will learn more about famous musicians and artists, and use music to show how it affects art!

Teacher: Jessica Elliott

Highland Park

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Teacher: Emily Estell

Highland Park

Grade: 4

Sports Journaling

Sports is a great way to learn skills, make friends, and have fun. In this class we will do all three as we take time to learn the skills of various sports. While practicing the skills we will have fun with others in our class and get to play games that include the skills that we are working on each day. After each gym time we will go back and journal about what we practiced. This will help us keep in mind what we are working on, and help us to become better writers as well. If you enjoy sports, friends, and writing then this is the class for you. Come join us!

Teacher: Felton Bishop

Highland Park

Grades: 4,5

Coffee Cart Kidz

In this fun and functional course, students will work together to create and run their own coffee cart for parents, teachers, and staff. It will encourage creativity, problem solving, entrepreneurship, and team building that is guaranteed to have your incoming fifth grader excited for hands-on learning.

Teacher: Jake Liddle

Highland Park

Grade: 5

Genius Hour

Students will identify a topic or problem they are passionate about and form a deep open-ended inquiry question to research, answer, or solve. They will spend time researching their question or problem and creating a product that communicates their findings and/or solution.

Teacher: Sara Howes

Highland Park

Grade: 5

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Teacher: April Jackson

Highland Park

Grade: 5

Native American History

Do you like history? Do you like learning about different cultures? If so, this course is for you! Become a historian and learn about Native American culture and lifestyle. We will research various tribes across the United States. We will compare and contrast clothing, shelter, food, hunting/gathering, and more! You won't want to miss out on the fun!

Teacher: Ryan Mcvay

Highland Park

Grade: 5

Meadow Lane

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Teacher: Brittany Martin

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Teacher: Natalie Hopkins

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Teacher: Kinzy Cronley

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Teacher: Melissa Maples

Meadow Lane

Grade: K

Blasting Our Way into 1st Grade!

In this course, students will be fully enriched in all things learning by sharpening their skills in ELA by practicing letter names/sounds, math by practicing basic addition and subtraction problems and science by making observations with plants and animals! By the end of this course they will surely be confident and ready for 1st grade!

Teacher: Maggie McCormick

Meadow Lane

Grade: 1

Down on the Farm

Join me down on the farm to explore the life of a farmer and his barnyard friends! Young farmers will sow the seeds of knowledge as they explore barnyard basics, meet friendly animals, and cultivate a love for learning. From planting to play, this course promises a harvest of fun and learning!

Teacher: Hayleigh Ford

Meadow Lane

Grade: 1

Kamp Kaleidoscope

An artistic review of first grade foundations. Letters: Student will work on letter names and sounds and alphabetic sequence in a creative and artistic way. Numbers: Students will work on best friends of ten and ways to make ten. Students will learn addition and subtraction within ten.

Teacher: Kara Trujillo

Meadow Lane

Grade: 1

Game On!

Get ready for an action-packed summer filled with fun and excitement in "Game On!" This course is designed specifically for 1st and 2nd graders who are eager to explore the world of sports while developing essential academic skills and fostering a love for physical activity.

Teacher: Sarah Houston

Meadow Lane

Grades: 1,2

A Summer of Disney

Come experience the magic of Summer Learning Institute! It will be a summer of Disney filled learning and fun. We will learn about topics such as the science behind roller coasters to the history of Disney! We will even take virtual field trips to the parks. You don't want to miss this magical learning adventure!

Teacher: Jennifer Rhoades

Meadow Lane

Grade: 2

Lego Lab

Do you love playing with LEGOS? Then this is the course for you! In this course we will build our knowledge using LEGOS! We will investigate through experiments, problem solve in escape rooms, and story tell through creative building.

Teacher: Christina Ponce

Meadow Lane

Grade: 2

Under The Sea

Come join us for a wonderful wild adventure of studying sea life in the ocean. Highlights of our journey discovering the ocean will be: mixing liquids to make an ocean in a bottle, a science experiment on how blubber keeps whales warm, students will research a new ocean animal every day in their discovery journal, and to top it off each child will make their very own coral reef. Are you ready to dive in?

Teacher: Lisa Lenk

Meadow Lane

Grades: 2,3

Authors & Illustrators

We are going to have fun this summer diving into books by our favorite authors and illustrators. We'll read books by Jan Brett, Ezra Jack Keats, Chris Van Allsburg, and more! We'll plunge into Jumanji, make a splash with Pet Show, soak in Hedgie's Surprise, and many other wonderful picture books. If you are a fan of reading and great artists, you will love this class. We'll even make a book of our own!

Teacher: Andie Night

Meadow Lane

Grade: 3

Books and Beats: Exploring Literature through Music

In this course reading and music come together! In this engaging class, students will explore fascinating books and participate in fun music activities related to the stories. Join us as we foster a love for reading and music in our learners!

Teacher: Caitlin Smith

Meadow Lane

Grade: 3

National Parks in American Geography

Take an adventure through America's national parks and experience nature through hands on outdoor activities and crafts. This course will be co-taught by Ms. Lindsay McVay and Mr. Josh Chinn.

Teacher: Lindsay Mcvay

Meadow Lane

Grades: 3,4

Superheroes Assemble!

Students will explore reading, writing, math, art, and science through the worlds of their favorite superheroes! They will have the opportunity to create comic stories, learn to draw their favorite heroes, read exciting stories, and invent solutions to problems - all while studying their favorite heroes throughout the summer.

Teacher: Josh Bass

Meadow Lane

Grades: 3,4

Where on Earth is Carmen SanDiego?

Can you catch the world's greatest thief? Use your knowledge and teamwork skills to figure out what Carmen SanDiego has taken and where she is hiding. We will scan the globe using all kinds of knowledge to travel the world in search of Carmen and learn tons along the way!

Teacher: Brianna Williams

Meadow Lane

Grades: 3,4

Diary of a Summer School Kid

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Teacher: Kerri Draper

Meadow Lane

Grade: 4

Go for the Gold

Come learn, create, and explore the magic of the summer Olympics. Students will engage in math, reading, crafts, & games as we cheer on the world's best athletes as they go for the gold!

Teacher: Rachel Mcbride

Meadow Lane

Grade: 4

Happy Campers

Calling all outdoor and nature lovers. Have you ever wondered what it would be like to go camping? Well now you can! Join me this summer in exploring various national parks, habitats, constellations and much much more!

Teacher: Amy Danaher

Meadow Lane

Grade: 4

Prehistoric Pals

It's a Summer Safari in 4th Grade! Come explore our Prehistoric Pals course through the Jurassic Period. Prepare for a jungle of science explorations, as we learn about nature's processes, the dinosaur animal and perform investigative experiments. You will create a creative writing Discovery Journal and exciting math games!

Teacher: Emily Ullrich

Meadow Lane

Grade: 4

For the Love of the Game

This summer school class is designed to teach about the most popular sports in the world. The students will have the opportunity to spend time playing the sports that we are learning about in class. We will do math, reading, geography and history lessons related to the various sports we are studying. We will also spend time each day reading out loud and silently. This class is designed to enrich the student's academic skills, teach them about sports around the world and have fun playing those sports.

Teacher: Hilary Roark

Meadow Lane

Grade: 5

Summer of Sports

Join us for a summer of learning about and playing a variety of sports. We will work on our reading, writing and math skills as they relate to and help us understand the sports we are playing. Students will also build important skills such as teamwork, positive competition and respect for others.

Teacher: Jocelyn Williams

Meadow Lane

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Teacher: Lexie Ostrander

Meadow Lane

Grade: 5

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Teacher: Joslyn Ferguson

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Teacher: Susan Stevens

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Teacher: Sarah Genser

Richardson

Grade: K

Amusement Park Adventures

Ever wanted to take a trip to Disney World, Sea World, or Silver Dollar City? If so, you are going to be THRILLED to join us as we explore some of the best theme parks in the U.S.! Fasten your seatbelt and hold onto your thinking cap because we are going to see, hear, smell, feel and taste our way through these amazing amusement parks! We will even get to make our own COTTON CANDY and SNOW CONES! Don't wait to sign up! This class is your FASTPASS to summer fun and learning all in one!

Teacher: Cassandra Hale

Richardson

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Teacher: Rachel Williams

Richardson

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Teacher: Elizabeth Fellhauer

Richardson

Grade: 1

Summer Fun

Come explore the world of 1st Grade through summer-themed activities! We'll dive into some introductory addition and subtraction with math focused projects. We'll review Kindergarten phonics and word study, incorporating some beginning level 1st Grade reading skills. Ms. Passantino will be co-teaching this course with Ms. Douth.

Teacher: Samantha Passantino

Richardson

Grade: 1

Amazing Authors

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Teacher: Alyssa Haley-Lloyd

Richardson

Grade: 2

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Teacher: Kelsey Brunetti

Richardson

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Teacher: Caylea Dill

Richardson

Grade: 2

Meet the Animals

This summer we will continue to practice phonics, grammar, reading, counting, addition, and subtraction to keep our skills sharp and ready for 3rd grade. We will do some fun experiments while learning about 15-20 animals that live right here in our Kansas City Zoo. A few of the animals may even get to come visit us on the Zoomobile.

Teacher: Rachel Gooding

Richardson

Grade: 3

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Teacher: Mary Ostrander

Richardson

Grade: 3

The Art of Storybooks

Imagine the character of your favorite storybook has come to life! We will read lots of books and explore different art styles to recreate our version of the main characters. Bring your love of reading and creativity and sign up for The Art of Storybooks

Teacher: Polly Lauck

Richardson

Grade: 3

Candy Connoisseur

Join us as we embark on a sweet reading journey through the book, Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. During this scrumdiddyyumptious course, we will use our pure imagination to design chocolate bars and put our persuasive writing skills to the test as we convince Mr. Wonka to sell our candy.

Teacher: Emily Tooley

Richardson

Grade: 4

Touring our National Parks

Did you know that fourth graders are eligible for a free pass to our national parks? In this course, students will be taking nature walks, reading about the parks, taking virtual field trips, summarizing the main ideas they've learned, sharing what they've learned in a digital format, making connections in math that relate to our theme, and receiving their passes at the end of the course.

Teacher: Carla Thomas

Richardson

Grade: 4

All Booked!

Students will dive into the world of book clubs! They will come up with a name for their club, have fun and engaging conversations around the book they are reading, be creative, create a game around their book, and think of a fun way to share all about their book with others! Book club choices will be Wishtree by Katherine Applegate (theme- friendship), Ungifted by Gordon Korman (theme- working together and being there for friends and family), Fourth Grade Rats by Jerry Spinelli (theme- be who you are and be proud of it), and Lemonade War by Jacqueline Davies (theme- a fun competition with hard work and perseverance).

Teacher: Beth Gasimalla

Richardson

Grades: 4,5

Summer Play with Project Based Learning!

Calling all students with a passion for creativity, innovation, and hands-on projects! This course will provide a summer filled with exploration, critical thinking, and the joy of transforming ideas into tangible creations! Each week, students will engage in a new hands-on project. Some projects include building your dream classroom and designing a waterpark! Join this co-taught course by the dynamic duo, Mrs. Mathews and Mrs. Hunter!

Teacher: Anne Mathews

Richardson

Grades: 4,5

Traditions and Celebrations Around the World

From Carnival in Brazil, to The Running of the Bulls in Spain, our world is filled with unique celebrations and traditions, waiting for us to experience them. Anticipate eating, dancing, singing, and creating. See, smell, taste, and experience celebrations, holidays, and everyday life from various cultures around the world.

Teacher: Kylie De Castro

Richardson

Grades: 4,5

Time Travelers: Exploring Ancient Egypt with Sphero BOLT Robots

Welcome to Time Travelers, an immersive summer school course designed to transport students back in time to Ancient Egypt using cutting-edge technology! In this course, students will embark on an exciting journey to unravel the mysteries of pyramids, hieroglyphics, mummies, and more, all while utilizing Sphero BOLT Robots as their trusty companions.

Teacher: Nicole Nowlin

Richardson

Grade: 5

Sunset Valley

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Teacher: Alisha Travis

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Teacher: Shauna Hammett

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Teacher: Presley Davis

Sunset Valley

Grade: K

Animal Research: It's a Zoo in Here

Join us as we become Animal Experts as we learn and research about different animals and their habitats. We will have real animals visit us. Would you like to learn about snakes, birds, a tortoise, crabs and a hedgehog? If you love animals and have some burning questions about them, this is the class for you!

Teacher: Piper Zentner

Sunset Valley

Grade: 1

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Teacher: Alyssa Arbuckle

Sunset Valley

Grade: 1

Summer of Sports

Summer of sports will be an activity themed course for first and second graders. Students will participate in a variety of movement and skill activities. Students will work on recognizing and writing letters and numbers. Students will incorporate simple addition and subtraction skills into activities.

Teacher: Julie Newkirk

Sunset Valley

Grade: 1

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Teacher: Brittany Barr

Sunset Valley

Grade: 2

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Teacher: Annie Arbuckle

Sunset Valley

Grade: 2

LOTS and LOTS of LEGOS

LOTS and LOTS of LEGOS is fun, engaging and a hands-on class where students will Create, Explore, Develop and Build with LEGOS while incorporating children's literature, math, science and engineering practices.

Teacher: April Paul

Sunset Valley

Grade: 2

Dolls of the Decades

Do you love American Girl Dolls? Then this class is for you! Step back in time and learn about the past through the lives of : Felicity Kristen, Addy, Samantha, and Molly. We will read, write, cook, create, and play with dolls as we learn about the events in history associated with each doll. Be ready for fun, cooking, crafting, adventure , and a growth of learning and love for dolls of the past that we can relate to and learn from today! (please note you do not need to own American girl Dolls to participate in this course)

Teacher: Amy Peters

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Teacher: Katie Vance

Sunset Valley

Grade: 3

Experiments! Experiments! Experiments

Are you a mad scientist? Do you like to do experiments? Then grab your lab coat! You will be performing, interpreting, and evaluating science experiments. Through math, reading, science, and social studies we will be immersed in science fun!

Teacher: Colby Cantrell

Sunset Valley

Grade: 3

Space Travel

Wanting to travel this summer? Let's go out of this world to explore space! We'll be learning about planets, spacecraft, black holes, aliens, and more! Blast off with this exciting space course!

Teacher: Erin Sutherlin

Sunset Valley

Grade: 4

Star Wars Jedi Training

Travel back to "A long time ago, in a classroom far, far away" where we will practice fluency, learn about fictional characters, solve math problems, and learn about space. Will you join us to become a Jedi master to help Princess Leia defeat Darth Vader and the Galactic Empire?

Teacher: Rebecca Carr

Sunset Valley

Grade: 4

Sweetness Overload!

Join me for a SWEET adventure! Lollipops, chocolate, lemonade, candy and bubble gum are all included in some extra sweet chapter books. Get ready to improve those reading and math skills with some delightfully tasty activities!

Teacher: Stephanie Cornelius

Sunset Valley

Grade: 4

STEAM

Hey there, future scientists! Get ready for an absolutely awesome and exciting summer adventure in STEAM! Are you into science, coding art, math, and engineering? If your answer is YES, then this is the perfect opportunity for you! We'll explode with excitement as we explore mind-blowing chemical reactions! Get up close and personal with the secrets of the plant life cycle, unraveling the mysteries of how plants grow and thrive. And guess what? We'll even get our hands messy while making some cool, squishy slime! Strap on your lab coats and grab your thinking caps! See you soon, my fellow scientists-in-training!

Teacher: Jalessa Young

Sunset Valley

Grades: 4,5

Under the Sea

Do you love sea animals? Are you curious about the deep blue sea? Explore the wonders of the deep ocean while being a scientist, historian, author, and a mathematician! In this course you will have the opportunity to be creative while learning exciting things that happen under the sea!

Teacher: Chandler Patrick

Sunset Valley

Grades: 4,5

Touring Our National Parks

Come along for a hike through our National Forests! Learn how one camping trip changed America and gave us the parks we know today. We will have a great time singing songs around our campfire, making a "bucket list" of parks to visit, learning about animals of the parks, dissecting owl pellets, and fun crafts. Learning to "Leave No Trace" in any outdoor setting to help protect our Earth will help you on your trip to a National Park with your free park pass. Lots of fun books and technology will help us plan our trips and use some persuasive writing to encourage our families to go on a trip to a National Park! Let's Take a Hike!!

Teacher: Lori Carson

Sunset Valley

Grade: 5

Travel the Oregon Trail

Pack your wagon and hitch your oxen as we travel the Oregon Trail! We'll calculate supplies, determine mileage, and plot our course to Oregon. Let's read about life as a pioneer in the 1850's, learn some sewing and cooking skills, and research the landmarks and landforms travelers experienced along the way.

Teacher: Kelly Merit

Sunset Valley

Grade: 5