



Summer Learning Institute (SLI) 2024

Middle School Course Catalog

May 29 - June 27, 2024

MIDDLE SCHOOL (6-8)

PLEASANT LEA MIDDLE SCHOOL,
SUMMIT LAKES MIDDLE SCHOOL

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 the Middle School Summer Learning Institute (SLI)

Any incoming 6th - 8th 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.

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. Students will sign up for one course and submit it. An email will follow for the student to fill classes to have a complete schedule. 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?

Middle School (6-8): Pleasant Lea Middle School and Summit Lakes Middle School.

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:

Pleasant Lea Middle School

7:45 am- 12:45 pm

Summit Lakes Middle School

7:45 am- 12:45 pm

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

Parents are responsible for the transportation to and from Middle School Summer Learning. Please notify the school office and the Middle School 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 Middle School Summer Learning?

Only students who qualify for "Extended School Year" (ESY) 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 middle school students from:

Bernard Campbell Middle School to Pleasant Lea Middle School

East Trails Middle School to Summit Lakes Middle School

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 Middle School Summer Learning?

ELD students will have the opportunity to fully participate in the summer enrichment course with their peers. ELD students attending Pleasant Lea Middle School and Summit Lakes Middle School 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 breakfast and lunch be available during Summer Learning?

Breakfast is \$1.90 and lunch is \$3.10 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.

*Note: Some camp classes may require an activity fee or supplies for the course.

How many classes do I sign up for?

Students will choose one class on the PowerSchool parent portal account. An email will follow that will allow the student to complete their schedule. Students will select a total of 260 minutes of instruction time. Instruction minutes are included in the course description. This could look like four (4) 65-minute classes; two (2) 65-minute classes and one (1) 130-minute class; or two (2) 130-minute classes.

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Grade: 6

Math Break Out - 6

65 Mins

This course reviews 6th grade skills through a series of Digital Break out rooms! Challenge your brain and your thinking. Can you digitally escape?

Teacher: Hollie Zabroski

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 6

Middle School Strength & Conditioning - 6

65 Mins

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Teacher: Cally Regan

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 6

Orchestra - 6

130 Mins

Perfect for students who have completed their 5th grade year playing a string instrument and are looking to get 6th grade ORCHESTRA READY! Take a deep dive into note reading , rhythm mastery, and pro technique to build confidence for 6th Grade middle school orchestra participation. The focus is on playing, playing and more playing! We will be using your Essential Elements Book from 5th Grade strings PLUS lots of sheet music. Rosin that bow, make new friends and get middle school ORCHESTRA ready!

Teacher: Samantha Asel

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 6

Puzzle Palooza -6

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Teacher: Sara Mcgurk

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Puzzle Time -6

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Teacher: Niki Mcdaniel

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Summer Olympic Fun - 6

65 Mins

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Beginner to Baker -6/7

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Teacher: Hannah Cadwell

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grades: 6,7

Puzzles and Play - 6/7

65 Mins

Recapture the joy of coming to school! Students will play board, card, and dice games and do puzzles of various types. They will play breakout rooms and go outside for some outdoor games. Students will then create their own game or puzzle and trade games to play each others' creations.

Teacher: Jessica Bobal

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grades: 6,7

Science Podcasts - 6/7

65 Mins

There are so many different amazing podcasts out there about different areas of science. We will listen to different science podcasts, do hands-on science labs or project-based tasks related to those podcasts, and even attempt to make our own podcast! Be prepared to listen, learn, and create.

Teacher: Jessica Bobal

Pleasant Lea Middle School

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Building Future Leaders - 6/7/8

65 Mins

For this course, students will have the chance to build upon their leadership qualities and take on active leadership roles. Students will be provided with tools to effectively lead and influence others in a positive way using charisma and intelligence. Our focus will be on building student confidence to create a welcoming environment, listen with open ears, and communicate effectively all while spreading positivity.

Teacher: Jenny Moreno

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grades: 6,7,8

6th Math to 7th Accelerated Math Bridge Course - 7

65 Mins

This course is for students who passed 6th-grade Math and want to enroll in 7th Accelerated Math in their 7th-grade year. Students in 6th-grade math did not learn the essential 7th-grade standards (approximately a whole semester of content) needed for 7th-grade accelerated math. During this summer school course, students will learn the missed 7th-grade standards so they are prepared for 7th Accelerated at the beginning of the 2024-25 school year.

Teacher: Amanda Camacho

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Grade: 7

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Environmental Studies -7

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Teacher: Gracie Acker

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Grade: 7

From Page to Screen: Analyzing Literature Through Film - 7

65 Mins

Students will learn how to and be able to access reading in a variety of ways (ebook, audiobook, read aloud, traditional copy). They will participate in small group discussions and large group discussions to share their viewpoints, check for understanding, and create relationships with others in the class. Additionally, students will use the school campus during class to engage in learning in different environments.

Teacher: Sarah Young

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Math Refresh - 7

65 Mins

This course is designed to reteach and practice the 6th grade math standards. It will help you gain confidence in math going into 7th grade. We will revisit Area, Surface Area, Ratios, Rates, Percentages, Dividing Fractions, and Rational Numbers.

Teacher: Ryan Burke

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 7

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The Science Behind ... - 7

65 Mins

We will do a STEM type project every couple of days. Once the project is complete we will learn the science behind why it worked (or didn't work). Projects may include, egg drop, bridge building, rube goldberg, etc. STEM helps foster students love of creativity as well as science

Teacher: Kristine Muckey

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Grades: 7,8

Board Games, Cards, and Dice - Oh My! - 7/8

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Newspaper -7/8

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This course is designed for students to create a newspaper that can be delivered to incoming 6th grade students when they pick up their schedule in August. Student will come with the design of the paper, as well as write, edit, interview and take photos for the paper by collaborating with peers, teachers, and community members. The paper will help incoming 6th graders have a unique perspective on the middle school experience.

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Crafty Creations - 8

65 Mins

The Crafty Creations summer enrichment course aims to provide students with a dynamic and hands-on learning experience centered around various crafts. This course is designed to foster creativity, fine motor skills, and a sense of accomplishment as students explore diverse crafting techniques and materials. The students will embark on a memorable journey, honing their crafting skills, and developing a lifelong appreciation for the arts.

Teacher: Mariah Keightley

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Disney Films as Literature -8

65 Mins

Who are the most dynamic and static Disney characters? What dialogue, actions, physical aspects, and thoughts make Disney characters unique? By watching 1-5 minute clips, students will be able to recognize time period and context setting and explain irony after learning the techniques Disney uses in film.

Teacher: Sara Witteman

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Environmental Studies -8

65 Mins

Students will be researching any environmental topic they would like, and find or create something to help that environmental issue.

Teacher: Gracie Acker

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Event Planning 101 - 8

65 Mins

Students learn how to plan fun events from dream vacations to birthday parties to a luncheon. Researching, data collection, budgeting, and presentation skills will be used in this course. Ms. Adena Sukaromya will be co-teaching this course with Ms. Kaitlin Webb.

Teacher: Adena Sukaromya

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Fall into Fairy Tales - 8

65 Mins

Set foot into your favorite fairy tales in this Summer Learning Institute Camp! We will explore some of your favorite childhood stories and then add our own twist! How would Cinderella have been different if it was told from the Evil Stepmother's perspective? What would change if Tangled took place during World War II? We will answer these questions and so much more during this course! Students will be able to explore different fairy tales, their history, and what makes them so special. Students will analyze differences between film and text fairy tales, and even write their own fractured fairy tale! This course will be filled with storytelling, fun, and magic! Join us!

Teacher: Lindsey Bingham

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Interior Design - 8

65 Mins

Students will learn and complete activities about what it means to be an interior designer, elements of design, and how to design a space. Researching, designing, budgeting, group collaboration, and presentation skills will be used in this course.

Teacher: Lyndsey Holman

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Introduction to Animal Husbandry -8

65 Mins

Learners will be introduced to the topic of domestic animals, through the discussion of species and whether they are domestically bred and raised or whether they have been rescued and rehabilitated. By the end of camp, learners will be able to explain the concept of animal husbandry, identify different aspects of animal care and management, and understand the importance of animal welfare. Learners will be able to demonstrate the understanding of fish and tank care by explaining the necessary steps to maintain a healthy fish tank. Learners will actively work together throughout the class to deepen interpersonal and intrapersonal skills.

Teacher: Catherine Frend

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Jump Into 8th Grade Math - 8

65 Mins

This class gets kids who plan to take 8th grade regular math some reinforcement in concepts. This can be for any 7th grader who took advanced or regular math and plans to take 8th grade regular math.

Teacher: Amanda Camacho

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Life Team Sports & Conditioning - 8

65 Mins

Students will learn and practice how to play different sports while conditioning. This class focuses on the basics and fundamentals of sports. There will be drills to practice the skill and then we will play to apply the newly learned skill.

Teacher: Derek Johnson

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Middle School Strength & Conditioning - 8

65 Mins

Students and athletes will learn and practice the fundamentals of proper speed, agility, & weight lifting techniques.

Teacher: Cally Regan

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Puzzle Palooza -8

65 Mins

Students will engage with a variety of puzzles. Examples may include traditional puzzles, logic puzzles, number puzzles, and more.

Teacher: Sara Mcgurk

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Puzzle Time -8

65 Mins

This course will involve completing puzzles of all kinds. Students will participate in putting jigsaw puzzles together, and working together as a team. Additional types of puzzles will involve crosswords, sudoku, and logic puzzles.

Teacher: Niki Mcdaniel

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Puzzles and Play - 8

65 Mins

Recapture the joy of coming to school! Students will play board, card, and dice games and do puzzles of various types. They will play breakout rooms and go outside for some outdoor games. Students will then create their own game or puzzle and trade games to play each others' creations.

Teacher: Jessica Bobal

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Science Podcasts - 8

65 Mins

There are so many different amazing podcasts out there about different areas of science. We will listen to different science podcasts, do hands-on science labs or project-based tasks related to those podcasts, and even attempt to make our own podcast! Be prepared to listen, learn, and create.

Teacher: Jessica Bobal

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

The Science Behind ... - 8

65 Mins

We will do a STEM type project every couple of days. Once the project is complete we will learn the science behind why it worked (or didn't work). Projects may include, egg drop, bridge building, rube goldberg, etc. STEM helps foster students love of creativity as well as science

Teacher: Kristine Muckey

Pleasant Lea Middle School

Grade: 8

Summit Lakes Middle School

6th Grade Ceramics Camp - 6

130 Mins

Discover the magic of ceramics through this fun, hands-on clay experience that is designed for 6th gradestudents. Learn the science behind clay including clay stages and glazing, while also expressing individuality &creativity. Students will learn essential clay handbuilding methods including pinch, slab, and coil techniques.

Teacher: Whitney Garwood

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

All About Sports - 6

65 Mins

Do you love playing sports? In this course, you will explore various sports with sports themed games and activities. You will actively participate in games, read and write about sports, and have a blast this summer!

Teacher: Erik Ahlquist

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Basic Math -6

65 Mins

Basic math skillsRational numbers, adding & subtracting fractions decimals prevents, etc.

Teacher: Lori Helgason

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Book Study - Holes by Louis Sachar - 6

65 Mins

Imagine being wrongfully accused of a crime. Stanley Yelnats knows that feeling all too well! Is his family cursed or does he just have really bad luck? We will travel to Camp Green Lake, a correctional boot camp for boys, located in the desert of Texas. Strange things happen here: there is no lake at Camp Green Lake and it is inhabited by yellow-spotted lizards. Character-building punishment of digging 5 foot holes is what's on the docket day after day. How will Stanley get out of here? What will happen to his family? We will find out when we dig into Holes by Louis Sachar.

Teacher: Adina Cambron

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Build Your Own Games - 6

65 Mins

Do you love to play games? In this course you will show off your creativity and sharpen your math skills by building board games, card games, game shows, and digital games. Students will collaborate with each other and play the games they build!

Teacher: Erik Ahlquist

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Calling all Creators! - 6

65 Mins

In this course we'll be creating our own graphic novel or comic. We'll spend time reading graphic novels, discussing various styles, creating original characters and plots, and learning different ways to illustrate our stories. Each day we'll read graphic novels/comics as well as work on our own original piece.

Teacher: Stephanie Kuhn

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Let's Launch A Weather Balloon! -6

65 Mins

This course will guide students through the process of launching a weather balloon into the upper atmosphere. Students will not only plan the launch but also develop science experiments that will be within the payload of the balloon. These future meteorologists will study first hand the layers of the atmosphere!

Teacher: Kelly Lepert

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Mad Scientists Unleashed -6

65 Mins

Put on your lab coat and prepare to learn about the world around you as well taking a look at what makes the human body tick. STEM projects will be utilized to develop critical thinking skills. It will be a fun month filled with team building and learning within science exploration!

Teacher: Julie Murray

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Middle School Strength & Conditioning - 6

65 Mins

Students and athletes will learn and practice the fundamentals of proper speed, agility, & weight lifting techniques.

Teacher: Phillip Maggio

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Mixing Art and Science - The A in STEAM - 6

65 Mins

This course will use your creativity by combining art with science. We will make art projects, make games, and play science games, all while being creative. Projects include rock/mineral jewelry, making decotropes (science optical illusions and learning the science behind it), grow crystals, and other STEAM projects. Students will write a children's book on a science concept and illustrate the pages. Games like the science Write It/Do It and Science Pictionary will be played. We will grow crystals and paint rocks also. We can make paints to create projects about planets and the Earth in space. There are so many fun activities we can accomplish in a 130 minute block. Science and Art – Focusing on the A (Art) in STEAM!

Teacher: Christine Lake

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Olympic Summer Fun - 6

65 Mins

Get ready for the 2024 Summer Olympics! Learn the history of the Olympics, research Olympic athletes, plan a mini-Olympic event, and have fun! Students will use skills in reading, writing, research, math, and more as they prepare to watch the Olympic Games this summer.

Teacher: TBD

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Orchestra - 6

130 Mins

Perfect for students who have completed their 5th grade year playing a string instrument and are looking to get 6th grade ORCHESTRA READY! Take a deep dive into note reading , rhythm mastery, and pro technique to build confidence for 6th Grade middle school orchestra participation. The focus is on playing, playing and more playing! We will be using your Essential Elements Book from 5th Grade strings PLUS lots of sheet music. Rosin that bow, make new friends and get middle school ORCHESTRA ready!

Teacher: Gail Rowland

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Puzzle Palooza -6

65 Mins

Students will engage with a variety of puzzles. Examples may include traditional puzzles, logic puzzles, number puzzles, and more.

Teacher: TBD

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Sports and strength and conditioning - 6

65 Mins

Students will learn the basics of weight lifting. How to do it safely, and how our body uses muscles and bones to move the weights. Students will play sports outside as well, learning the rules and coming up with their own games as well. We will do a variety of indoor and outdoor sports and activities with other classes.

Teacher: Chris Conniff

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Sports Fitness -6

65 Mins

This course emphasizes daily student participation in meaningful physical activities. Sports Fitness embodies a combination of team sports with strength and conditioning ranging from such physical activity as: weight lifting, speed & agility training, kickball, basketball, and other team activities. Students will learn the benefits of physical fitness and demonstrate good sportsmanship in a competitive environment. Mr. Ryan Peters will be co-teaching this course with Joe Rohfling

Teacher: Ryan Peters

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Summer Science - 6

65 Mins

Do you enjoy science topics, problem-solving, art projects and thinking outside the box? Then this class is for you! During this enrichment class, you will be challenged to solve problems, investigate mysteries, and learn about new and interesting science topics.

Teacher: Christine Lake

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

What Would You Do? -6

65 Mins

Would you be brave enough to risk your life for a friend? In the historical fiction novel, *Number the Stars*, set in World War II, the main character is faced with this question as she is asked to go on a dangerous mission to save her friend from the Nazis.

Teacher: Julie Murray

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

Write On! - 6

65 Mins

Do you love to write? Then this course is for you! This course offers opportunities for students to write creatively while brushing up on grammar and vocabulary skills in a fun, interactive way.

Teacher: Michele Branch

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 6

6th Math to 7 Accelerated Bridge Course - 7

65 Mins

This course is for students who passed 6th-grade Math and want to enroll in 7th Accelerated Math in their 7th-grade year. Students in 6th-grade math did not learn the essential 7th-grade standards (approximately a whole semester of content) needed for 7th-grade accelerated math. During this summer school course, students will learn the missed 7th-grade standards so they are prepared for 7th Accelerated at the beginning of the 2024-25 school year

Teacher: Emily Kindle

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

All About Sports - 7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Erik Ahlquist

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Basic Math -7

65 Mins

Basic math skillsRational numbers, adding & subtracting fractions decimals prevents, etc.

Teacher: Lori Helgason

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Build Your Own Games - 7

65 Mins

Do you love to play games? In this course you will show off your creativity and sharpen your math skills by building board games, card games, game shows, and digital games. Students will collaborate with each other and play the games they build!

Teacher: Erik Ahlquist

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Calling all Creators! - 7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Stephanie Kuhn

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Let's Launch A Weather Balloon! -7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Kelly Lepert

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Mad Scientists Unleashed -7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Julie Murray

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Middle School Strength & Conditioning - 7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Phillip Maggio

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Mixing Art and Science - The A in STEAM - 7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Christine Lake

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Orchestra - 7

130 Mins

Perfect for the orchestra students that has successfully completed ONE or MORE years at the middle school orchestra level. The focus will be on setting a solid foundation for the development of vibrato, shifting, and tone production, as well as take note reading, rhythm problem solving, and that pro technique to the 7th and 8th grade levels. WE will also explore the District Audition Music, and give students the basics needed to work toward the November audition goal. Look forward to making new friends as we make music together.

Teacher: Gail Rowland

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Read Anything -7

65 Mins

Learn the six syllabication rules that can help you read anything! This class will focus on improving knowledge of how to break apart multisyllable words based on syllable types, prefixes, suffixes, and base words. We will learn practical application of decoding strategies while also reading for enjoyment!

Teacher: Jenny Vardakis

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

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65 Mins

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Teacher: Chris Conniff

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

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Teacher: Joe Rohlfing

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Summer Science - 7

65 Mins

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Teacher: Christine Lake

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

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65 Mins

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Teacher: Julie Murray

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

Write On! - 7

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Teacher: Michele Branch

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 7

7th & 8th Grade Ceramics - 7/8

130 Mins

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Teacher: Whitney Garwood

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grades: 7,8

Introduction to Photography & Yearbook - 7/8

130 Mins

Interested in learning more about photography and yearbook? Then this is THE course for you! This Introduction to Photography & Yearbook course introduces students to storytelling through photographs and learn how to properly lead interviews. Students are introduced to the idea of telling a story through two topics: a personal story and photojournalism. No experience is required AND digital cameras are provided!

Teacher: Adina Cambron

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grades: 7,8

7th Math to 8 Algebra I Bridge Course - 8

130 Mins

This course is for students who passed 7th-grade Math and want to enroll in 8 Algebra I in their 8th-grade year. Students in 7th-grade math did not learn any of the 8th-grade standards (a whole year of content) needed for 8 Algebra I. During this summer school course, students will learn essential 8th-grade standards so they are better prepared for 8 Algebra I at the beginning of the 2024-25 school year.

Teacher: Mackenzie Gamble

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

All About Sports - 8

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Teacher: Erik Ahlquist

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

Basic Math -8

65 Mins

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Teacher: Lori Helgason

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

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Grade: 8

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Teacher: Stephanie Kuhn

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

Improving Your Reading and Writing Skills - 8

65 Mins

Students will complete 3 Units in this Course:1. A Classroom Literature Circle: Student will read, analyze, and present information about a chosen novel with small group. 2. An Informative Research Article: Students will research and create a List 6 Article of a chosen topic.3. A Fiction Writing Piece: Using Aesop Fables, student will create a modern rendition, with an alike theme, of a choice fable.

Teacher: Michelle Mickelberry

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

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Grade: 8

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Teacher: TBD

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

Sports and strength and conditioning -8

65 Mins

Students will learn the basics of a variety of sports and then have a chance to play them. We will learn the fundamentals of 3 different lifts. We will talk about the safety and uses for these lifts. This class will partner up occasionally with Coach Maggio for sports and activities

Teacher: Chris Conniff

Summit Lakes Middle School

Grade: 8

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