



WESTSIDE
SCHOOL

2025 SUMMER PROGRAMS



Mission

Westside students learn to think critically and act with compassion in a joyful, supportive community.

Vision

Westside is committed to being a collaborative, inclusive school where learners discover their unique strengths, embrace challenges, and develop a passion for learning, in order to contribute positively to their world.

Values

Joyful Learning

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

High Academic Standards

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

Confident Learners

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

Caring Community

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

Diversity Statement

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



Location and Contact Information

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Health and Safety Protocols for Summer 2025

Safety for our campers and staff is a priority. With the unpredictable nature of the pandemic in the past few years, please visit our Health and Safety Page for the most up-to-date health protocols. Westside School follows guidance from local, state and federal governments. Please note that Westside School does not offer refunds due to student illness.

Immunization Records

Westside School requires external families to submit state immunization records. If you have not submitted your child's immunization record to Westside School previously, you may do so using the link on the main summer camp webpage.

Field Trips

Most of our summer camps do not include field trips. If there are field trips planned, they will be noted in the camp description. However, campers enrolled in the full-day camps may be guided around the neighborhood, on foot, supervised by their counselors, as part of the curriculum.

Registration and Payment

Campers may register for one camp a week; camps may not be combined. Full payment is due at the time of registration. Please note that the tuition amount includes a non-refundable portion used as a deposit to secure your spot.

Non-Refundable Deposit Portion

- **Half Day Camps:** \$100 non-refundable deposit
- **Full Day Camps and *Pre-K June Camp*:** \$150 non-refundable deposit
- ***Pre-K July and August Camps*:** \$300 non-refundable deposit (per month)
- **Aftercare:** \$50 non-refundable deposit (per week)



Waitlists: If a camp is full, you may choose to join the waitlist. Families on the list will be notified on a first-come, first-served basis, if a spot becomes available.

Full-Day Camp Cohorts: Campers enrolled in **Westside Adventure Camp** will be divided into cohorts based on age/birthdate (not grade level). Please note that, with developmental and programmatic considerations, we are unable to take requests for friends or siblings to be placed in the same cohort.

Aftercare: Aftercare is offered at \$135 per week. Students must be registered for a Westside full-day camp or afternoon camp in order to participate. PreK aftercare operates from 3:00 to 5:15; K-8 aftercare operates from 3:30 to 5:30. *Westside does not offer before-care for summer camps.*

Cancellation and Refund Policy

Cancellations: Camps cancelled by Westside School, due to low registration, will result in a 100% refund (including the deposit portion); we will inform families of any cancellations before June 1.

Withdrawals and Refund Request: Westside School recognizes that families may have a change of plans. A refund of the camp tuition (minus the non-refundable deposit: \$100 for half-day camp, \$150 for full-day camp/PreK June Camp, \$300 for Pre-K July Camp/Pre-K August Camp, \$50 for aftercare) is granted if a written request is made 14 calendar days prior to the camp start date. Requests made less than 14 calendar days prior to the camp start date will result in complete forfeiture of camp fees for the week. New registrations made within 14 calendar days prior to the camp start date are 100% non-refundable.

Westside School does not offer refunds due to student illness.



What to Wear and Bring

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

Half-Day Camps:

- Water Bottle
- Snack* (all half day camps include a 30 minute snack/recess period)

Full-Day Camps:

- Water Bottle
- 2 Snacks* (one for AM/one for PM)
- Sack Lunch* (which does not require refrigeration or microwaving)

*Westside School does **not** have a school-wide restriction on foods allowed at this time. Please view our [health and safety page](#) for more information.

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

Sunscreen: If your child will need to apply sunscreen during camp hours, a sunscreen form is required.

Arrival and Dismissal

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures will be available via a welcome email sent approximately two weeks prior to the start of the camp week.

Carpooling: If you have plans to carpool, please send a formal email to summer@westsideschool.org, granting permission for us to release your child to that adult (stating their full name and your child's full name); additional paperwork may be required.

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



Injuries and Medical Emergencies

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

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

Photography

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