

SUMMER LEARNING

Registration Starts March 28, 2025



2024-2025 Summer Learning Program

REGISTRATION/PAYMENT

All District 181 students and interested, age-appropriate students who live within the D181 boundaries are invited to enroll in the 2025 Summer Learning Program. Registration opens to all families with students currently enrolled in D181 on March 28, 2025. Registration for families with students not enrolled in D181 opens on April 7, 2025. Program registration ends on April 18, 2025. Students are not considered registered for the Summer Learning Program until class payment is received in full. For registration and payment, go to: https://www.d181.org/schools/summer-learning-program.

DATES/LOCATION

All classes listed in this catalog are held daily, Monday through Friday, June 9 - 27, 2025 in person at Clarendon Hills Middle School, 301 Chicago Avenue, Clarendon Hills, Illinois. Thursday, June 19th will be an at-home, asynchronous day in observance of Juneteenth National Freedom Day. This asynchronous work can be completed anytime between Wednesday, June 18th and Friday, June 20th.

Illinois Public Act 102-0014 requires recognition of this state and federal holiday, and D181 school buildings will not be open on 6/19/2025.

<u>COST</u>

\$175 per one-hour class \$350 per two-hour class

GRADE LEVELS

Students should have completed the grade levels indicated in course descriptions by the first day of class. Students will only be able to register for their grade-level classes.

HEALTH CONCERNS

If your child has health concerns, please email School Nurse. Summer School Nurse • Susie Martin • 331.444.6194 • smartin@d181.org

Summer School Nurse • Cathy Siracusa • 630.453.9400 • csiracusa@d181.org

CLOSINGS/CANCELLATIONS

Be certain of your summer plans before registering as no refunds will be given. Classes close once maximum enrollment is reached. Classes will be canceled if minimum enrollment is not reached. Registrants will be notified of cancellations and will have the opportunity to register for another class at no additional charge. Unless a class has been closed or canceled, no refunds will be given. There will not be make-up days for any reason (i.e. weather).

EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR REGISTRATION

For those District 181 students who are eligible for Extended School Year (ESY) through their IEP, the child's Case Manager and Pupil Services Administrator will individually register the child for classes that pertain to goal areas.

CONTACT US

Registration Questions:

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PROGRAM INFORMATION:

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Language Arts	SL#		Teacher				Curr		Gr. (202		
Fun with Storybooks: Improving Reading Comprehension & Vocabulary In this summer school class, get ready for a fun way to practice reading comprehension, vocabulary, phonics and more! We will be using storybooks as a tool to delve into different reading strategies. By incorporating games, storytelling, and hands-on activities, students will develop a deeper love for reading and strengthen their reading skills without feeling overwhelmed. The learning atmosphere ensures they associate reading with joy and excitement, setting the foundation for a lifelong love of books!	SL1000 SL1001	8:00	S. Oliva / S. Keating S. Oliva / S. Keating	К	1						
Creative Writing Students will work on all aspects of the creative writing process. They will create characters, design intriguing settings, brainstorm compelling conflicts, and plan out a story. They will then write and revise the story and create some additional artistic designs that reflect their story. Students should have access to an iPad or Laptop.	SL1002.1 SL1002.2	10:00 11:00	E. Lampe E. Lampe						5	6	7 7
Reading - Kick off to Middle School Language Arts. This course is designed for incoming 6th graders who are placed into either ELA or A-ELA. Students will begin to explore and develop necessary reading, writing, and thinking skills that parallel those exercised in our ELA curriculum. Students will read a novel from the recommended summer reading list, learn to pace/plan out reading, use annotating strategies as well as participate in an end of book project. They will also be exploring the concept of Time and researching/writing about time through various experiences including creating a time capsule. Students will need a copy of a book from the summer reading list. Access to a D181 issued iPad is required. This one hour class pairs well with Analysis - Kick off to Middle School Language Arts.	SL1003.1 SL1003.2	8:00 9:00	H. Scott H. Scott						5 5		
Analysis - Kick off to Middle School Language Arts This course is designed for incoming 6th graders who are placed into either ELA or A-ELA. Students will begin to explore and develop necessary critical thinking and analytical skills that parallel those exercised in our A-ELA curriculum. Students will read various texts around the concept of TIME as well as view films in order to compare and contrast different media. They will focus on annotating, various types of group discussion, and expressing thoughts through writing. Access to an D181 issued iPad is required. This one hour class pairs well with Reading - Kick off to Middle School Language Arts	SL1004.1 SL1004.2	10:00 11:00	H. Scott H. Scott						5 5		
Middle School Summer Writing This class is designed to spark creativity and strengthen essential writing skills. Students will explore various genres, from short stories to poetry, while also focusing on crafting strong claims, supporting them with evidence, and developing clear reasoning. Through fun activities, peer collaboration, and personalized feedback, participants will build confidence and discover their unique voice.	SL1005	9:00	K. Klara						5	6	7
Middle School Summer Reading This class dives into the world of storytelling by exploring key literary elements like theme, characterization, setting, conflict, point of view, mood, and tone. Students will analyze a variety of texts to understand how these elements work together to create compelling stories. Through engaging discussions and creative projects, participants will develop critical thinking skills and a deeper appreciation for literature.	SL1006	10:00	K. Klara						5	6	7
Poetry Party! Students will learn a variety of poetry structures through our books, lessons, and samples. The students will also write their own poetry books to treasure and share with families.	SL1007 SL1008	8:00 9:00	S. Eggers S. Eggers		1	2	3	4	5		
Fairytales and Fables Enjoy the many varieties of fables and fairytales. Compare the stories, hear different versions, and decide on your favorites! Through the use of books, videos, and readers theater, this class is sure to be a dream come true!	SL1009	10:00	S. Eggers		1	2	3				

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Summer Reading Students entering 7th or 8th grade will read one of the D181 recommended summer reading books and participate in a range of activities focussing	SL1010	8:00	K. Eggert						6	
on comprehension, characterization, and literary terms . These activities will include some short writing activities, discussion, and fun creative extensions. (TWO HOUR COURSE)	SL1011	10:00	K. Eggert							7
Summer Reading Road Trip Students will "travel" to different U.S. destinations through both fiction and nonfiction reading. They will explore cross-curricular activities related	SL1012.1	8:00	R. Ingstrup		2	3				
to their destination, such as calculating distances on a map, designing a hot air balloon, performing a reader's theater, and learning about the cities they visit. We'll even play some fun car games. Students will showcase their travels in a digital scrapbook. (TWO HOUR COURSE)	SL1012.2	10:00	R. Ingstrup		2	3				
Tackling the Recommended Reads List Students will hear about the books on the recommended reads book lists from the middle grade librarians, choose at least one, and work on reading and discussing it together as a full group or in small grade level groups. Teacher will assist in reading comprehension strategies, and pacing.	SL1013.1	8:00 9:00	L. Brough					5	6	7
Welcome to Readers Theatre: Modern Stories! In this class, we'll take already-written plays and give them a fresh, modern	SL1014	8:00	K. Olson / S.Karrow			3		3		
twist! Reading, writing, and acting! We'll add in our own phrases, trendy slang, and hilarious surprises, turning each classic tale into a play that is totally unique and totally YOU! This class is all about being creative and putting on an amazing show! So, what are you waiting for? Let's get ready to act, laugh, and put our own spin on classic tales!	SL1015	9:00	K. Olson / S.Karrow				4			
Would You Rather: Book vs. Movie Let's take a deep dive into today's literature and movies. We will read and explore a variety of fantasy/fiction novels and picture books through group discussion. These discussions will help students explore literary standards in an engaging way. We will continue the fun of learning about text structure by comparing the written text to the movies! Some novels we might explore include: Charlie and the Chocolate Factory, Charlotte's Web, and Because of Winn Dixie.	SL1016	10:00	K. Olson			3				

Mathematics	SL#	Time	Teacher		(Curr			Lev 24-2	-
Math Game Day I This program utilizes math skills, strategies and problem solving through traditional games. The students will collaborate and learn how to play games with dice, cards, board games and other hands-on math resources. The skills are a review of 2nd grade and a glimpse of 3rd grade. When it comes to helping build our kids' math minds; games have such mathematical power! Prerequisites: Must have completed 2nd grade math	SL2000	8:00	C. McCabe / L.Kolacki		2	3				
Math Game Day II This program utilizes math skills, strategies and problem solving through traditional games. The students will learn how to play games with dice, cards, board games and other hands-on math resources. The skills are a review of 3rd grade and a glimpse of 4th grade. When it comes to helping build our kids' math minds; games have such mathematical power!	SL2001	11:00	C. McCabe / L. Kolacki			3	4	5		
Math Refresh Brush up those basic math skillstime, money, math facts, and much more!	SL2002	8:00	W. McGreal		2	3				

Physical Education	SL#	Time	Teacher		(Curr		Gr. (202		
Basketball Skills Development Students will learn and practice basketball skills including dribbling, passing, shooting, and defense! This course is open to players of all experience and will engage students physically through a variety of drills and various basketball related games. Get ready to move, enhance your skills, and have fun on the basketball court!	SL3000.1 SL3000.2	8:00 9:00	M. Jensen / E. Lampe M. Jensen / E. Lampe					5	6	7
Engaging Exercise For Everyone! Everyone will get active with engaging and fun physical activities. Students will participate in a variety of high energy, cooperative activities that will foster skill development and fitness!	SL3001.1 SL3001.2	10:00 11:00	Czerniuk / Jensen Czerniuk / Jensen	1	2	3	4	5		
Volleyball Students going into grades 5-6 or 7-8 will learn the basic volleyball skills, as well as play lead up games to enhance their volleyball skills. Students will practice playing as a team and participate in tournament style games. (Knee pads encouraged but now required.)	SL3002 SL3003	8:00 9:00	Czerniuk / Kolar Czerniuk / Kolar				4	5	6	7

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Games Galore: I In this class we will be playing a wide variety of board games, card games,	SL4000.1	10:00	B. Sanders	K	1	2	3				
dice games and problem solving games . You will learn new games as well as play old favorite games. Come join the fun!	SL4000.2	11:00	B. Sanders	K	1	2	3				
Card Sharks Learn and play a new card game each day. Go Fish, Memory, Spoons, Wig Out, Crazy 8's, Old Maid, Set, Uno, 24, and Apples to Apples to name a few. Playing card games can benefit kids of all ages by boosting their cognitive, math, and communication skills in a fun and engaging way.	SL4001	8:00	G. Hafner / J. Hafner			2	3	4	5	6	
Puzzlepalooza! Students will have access to a variety of puzzles ranging from those they can do independently and graduate to a large group puzzle that encourages problem-solving and communication with peers. Puzzling allows children the chance to build their small muscles, hand-eye coordination, spatial awareness, critical thinking, and reasoning skills.	SL4002	9:00	G. Hafner / J. Hafner				3	4	5	6	
Babysitting Basics for Beginners. Do you love playing with younger kids and want to learn to be a responsible and awesome babysitter? This fun and interactive class is designed for 4th-6th graders and will teach you everything you need to know to become a confident and caring babysitter or mom's helper. Topics covered: food/meal prep, cleaning, first aid, ideas/activities, behavior/tantrum strategies, and creating resumes/flyers and business cards.	SL4003	10:00	G. Hafner / J. Hafner					4	5	6	
Middle School Boot Camp Welcome to middle school! We're super excited for you to join us on this amazing learning journey. Get ready to dive into navigating your schedule, managing your time like a pro, and boosting your organization and communication skills. We're going to have a blast working on our executive functioning skills, all while making sure you succeed. Can't wait to see you	SL4004.1 SL4004.2	10:00 11:00	A. Dimitriou A. Dimitriou						5		
here and have some fun! Chef's Corner Students will start with basic culinary skills and progress to more advanced skills over the 3-week period. Students will be taught and reinforce skills of accurate measuring and working together in teams while cooking and	SL4005.1 SL4005.2	8:00 9:00	S. Van Der Merwe							6	7
baking a variety of foods. Students will learn new skills, and receive a recipe book which they can take home with them. Recipes and ingredient lists are available upon request.	SL4005.2	10:00	S. Van Der Merwe							6	7
PLEASE NOTE: ANY FOOD ALLERGIES CAN BE ACCOMMODATED ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS. *All recipes are peanut, tree nut, and seafood-free.											

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Advanced Chef's Corner Students will continue to build on their culinary skills and progress with more advanced skills over the 3-week period. Students will cook and bake more advanced foods, building on their current knowledge, and incorporate advanced skills, including different knife cuts. The labs covered over the summer will be different from the labs done in Grades 6 - 8 at both middle schools. Students will learn new skills, tips, tricks, and receive a recipe book which they can take home with them. This will be a hands-on, lab-based class that is fun and creative, providing skills for life! Recipes and ingredient lists are available upon request by contacting svandermerwe@ d181.org.	SL4006	11:00	Suzanne van der Merwe								7
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Intro to STEAM! In this exciting, hands-on introductory course to STEAM, students will be guided through a unique STEAM unit each week. We will dig through	SL4007.1 SL4007.2	8:00 9:00	Martorano / Moen Martorano / Moen	K	1	2					
fossils, discover more about our oceans and its creatures, and practice Earth conservation through Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and	SL4007.3	10:00	Martorano / Moen	K	1	2					
Mathematic activities. Our activities will allow students to take innovative approaches to solving challenges while being creative and most importantly, having FUN!	SL4007.4	11:00	Martorano / Moen	К	1	2					
Keyboarding for Middle Schoolers Want to know how to type without looking at your keyboard? This class is designed for middle school students to develop skills of typing alphabetic, numeric, and symbolic information using the Typing Agent program. Emphasis is placed on the development of accuracy, speed, proper techniques, and correct finger positions. Digital citizenship skills are embedded throughout the course.	SL4008	11:00	B. Brand						5	6	7
Keyboarding for Elementary Schoolers Let's get ready to type! This class is designed for current 2nd - 4th grade students to help them learn how to type alphabetic information using the Typing Agent program. Emphasis is placed on the development of accuracy, speed, proper techniques, and correct finger positions. Digital citizenship skills are embedded throughout the course.	SL4009	8:00	B Brand			2	3	4			
Lego SPIKE Introductory Robotics Program Students will work cooperatively with each other on hands-on activities that support 21st century skills, design engineering, and computer science. Daily challenges will help students complete a culminating project of designing a solution for a problem. (2 hour class)	SL4010	10:00	N. Gadzala						5	6	7
Tiny Homes & Tasty Trucks In this exciting course, students will use area, perimeter, and geometry to design and build scale models of both a tiny house and a food truck. Through creative problem-solving and real-world applications, students will explore floor plans, blueprints, and 3D models to bring their ideas to life. From choosing layouts to maximizing space, they'll see how math is essential in architecture and design. By the end of the course, students will showcase their unique tiny homes and food truck concepts! (Maximum = 12)	SL4011	8:00	N. Gadzala							6	7
Become a Code Cracker! In this interactive class, students will dive into the fascinating world of secret codes and encryption techniques. You will discover how codes have been used throughout history, explore various types of ciphers, and gain hands on experience encoding and decoding messages!	SL4012	9:00	N. Gadzala							6	7
Legos, Robots, Coding, & More Students will engage in a variety of STEM related hands on activities. No experience needed.	SL4013.1 SL4013.2	8:00 10:00	T. Egan T. Egan					4	5 5		
	SL4014.1 SL4014.2	9:00 11:00	T. Egan T. Egan		1	2 2	3				

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Engineering Escapades Engineering challenges abound in this fully hands-on course designed to get kids engaged and thinking as they have fun solving various problems in a group setting.	SL4015	11:00	W. McGreal		1	2					
Self Esteem Building This class is designed to help students boost their confidence and develop resilience to navigate the challenges of middle school. Through interactive activities, group discussions, and practical strategies, participants will learn to set healthy boundaries, overcome self-doubt, and handle peer pressure with a positive mindset. The class fosters a supportive environment where students can grow self-awareness and celebrate their unique strengths.	SL4016	11:00	K. Klara						5	6	7
Mindful Art and Tween Yoga Fusion Dive into a three-week summer journey with our Mindful Art and Tween Yoga Fusion class, perfect for ages 10-13. Led by a certified children's yoga instructor, this unique program intertwines yoga's tranquility with art's cre- ativity. Through mindfulness, gentle movements, and exciting art projects, tweens explore self-expression and stress relief in a supportive setting. Collaborative art activities foster social bonds and individual growth. No experience necessary—just bring a yoga mat, water bottle, and art smock. Join us for a summer of self-discovery, creativity, and well-being, where each tween's path unfolds through the harmonious blend of yoga and art.	SL4017	11:00	M. Sheridan						5	6	7
ZenDoodles Immerse your 7 to 9-year-old in a dynamic three-week summer program combining yoga, art, and playful movement. Led by a certified children's yoga instructor, this engaging class integrates mindfulness, breathwork, and gentle movements with exciting art projects. From animal poses to yoga games with fun props, children develop essential skills like balance and concentration while exploring various yoga styles. Witness their growth in self-confidence and self-awareness as they embark on this joyful journey. No experience necessary—just bring a yoga mat, water bottle, and art smock. Join us for a summer of growth, creativity, and well-being!	SL4018	8:00	M. Sheridan				3	4	5		
STEAM into Summer This 1-hour class will be filled with activities to enrich the students' abilities in science, technology, engineering, art, and math. Using technology and hands-on activities, the students will use their creativity to solve problems and work together.	SL4019.1 SL4019.2 SL4020.1 SL4020.2	8:00 9:00 10:00 11:00	Pomeroy / Sanders Pomeroy / Sanders Pomeroy / Cray Pomeroy / Cray	K	1	2 2	3 3 3	4 4	5 5		
Word Games, Puzzles, and Spy Skills Students will utilize word games, various types of puzzles, and logic exercises to work through mysteries and escape rooms throughout the summer!	SL4021	10:00	L. Brough					4	5	6	7
American Sign Language Dive into the captivating world of American Sign Language (ASL) and Deaf culture in this summer course. Designed for beginners, this program will equip you with the fundamental skills to communicate in ASL, understand basic grammatical structures, and gain insight into the rich cultural heritage of the Deaf community.	SL4022.1 SL4022.2 SL4023.1 SL4023.2	8:00 10:00 9:00 11:00	A.Sprovieri A.Sprovieri A.Sprovieri A.Sprovieri			2 2	3	4 4	5 5	6	7 7

Art	SL#	Time	Teacher		(Curr			Level 24-25)
Art Skills Students will learn the basics of drawing, featuring animals, people, flowers, calligraphy, and 2d vs 3d shapes. They will finish by using acrylic paint on a canvas to demonstrate one of the skills they learned. Students will have an "art museum" day on the last day of class to display their work.	SL5000.1 SL5000.2	8:00 11:00	A. Froiland A. Froiland		2	3	4	5	
(Maximum = 20)									
Canvas Painting Students will learn different acrylic painting techniques and how to properly	SL5001.1	8:00	S. Palumbo		2	3	4	5	
take care of art supplies. They will create 1-2 canvases a week. Some of the paintings will include: abstract mosaics, silhouette landscapes, still life	SL5001.2	9:00	S. Palumbo		2	3	4	5	
paintings and textured art. On the last day of the course we will have an art show for the class to display all of their hard work!	SL5001.3	10:00	S. Palumbo		2	3	4	5	
	SL5001.4	11:00	S. Palumbo		2	3	4	5	

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Crochet Students will learn the basics of crochet and have the opportunity to create a minimum of three projects. Learning crochet includes how to hold and tension yarn, use a hook, read a pattern, and various stitches.	SL5002 SL5003	8:00	M. Wodka			3	4	5	6	7
Sculptures Students will work with Paper Mache and air-dry clay to create a number of sculptures and three-dimensional artwork. They will finish by painting their sculptures with Tempra paint. Students will showcase their work with each other on the last day of class.	SL5004	8:00	C. Siwicki			3	4			
Printmaking In this class, students will explore a variety of printmaking methods. Students will implement the techniques of relief printmaking, collagraphs, monotypes, and gelli printing to make stunning works of art.	SL5005	9:00	C. Siwicki		2	3				
Mixed Media In this class, students will explore a variety of methods of creating art. From collage, to painting, to drawing, students will apply new processes to explore different subjects and ways of creating a piece of artwork.	SL5006	10:00	C. Siwicki	1	2					

Music	SL#	Time	Teacher			(Curr			Level 24-25)
Hit Rewind: Music's Greatest Hits! Travel through time exploring different music genres and their impact on culture! From Motown to Pop, Rock to Hip-Hop, students will listen, move, and learn how music shapes history and emotions in a fun, interactive way. No experience is needed—just bring your love for music!	SL6000	11:00	Hafner & Hafner			2	3	4	5	6
Disney and Dance Learn to sing several Disney songs with dances! It is great for those who love to perform and may want to to participate in music theater. We will end the class with a performance for families.	SL6001	8:00	Francis/Sciaccotta	K	1					
Broadway Bound Do you enjoy musicals? Do you love to perform? Have you wanted to audition for a musical but don't know what to do? We will spend the class learning several musical numbers with choreography and go over proper audition techniques. We will end the class with a performance for families.	SL6002	9:00	Francis/Sciaccotta			2	3			
Show Choir Do you like to sing? Do you like to dance? If so, show choir is for you! Students will learn several songs with choreography. We will end the class with a performance for families. (TWO HOUR COURSE)	SL6003	10:00	Francis/Sciaccotta					4	5	

World Language	SL#	Time	Teacher		(Curr		Level 24-25)
Incoming 6th Grade Spanish The focus of this enrichment course is to review the language and communication skills taught in 5th grade. Through fun games, songs and stories we will build confidence and help maintain their Spanish during the summer months to be better prepared for the 25-26 school year.	SL7000	9:00	T. Alsip				5	
Incoming 7th Grade Spanish The focus of this enrichment course is to review the language and communication skills taught in 6th grade. Through fun games, songs and stories we will build confidence and help maintain their Spanish during the summer months to be better prepared for the 25-26 school year.	SL7001	10:00	T. Alsip					6
Incoming 8th Grade Spanish The focus of this enrichment course is to review the language and communication skills taught in 7th grade. Through fun games, songs and stories we will build confidence and help maintain their Spanish during the summer months to be better prepared for the 25-26 school year.	SL7002	11:00	T. Alsip					7