# SUMMER SUMMER SQURES STEM-ART-FUN

## Parent Handbook

Providing a wholesome, engaging, supervised environment where children are nurtured and encouraged.



### Program Mission Statement:

Summer Squires is dedicated to serving the LTISD community by providing a high-quality, nurturing, and enriching day camp experience. Our program offers a safe and engaging environment for children who have completed grades K-5, fostering growth, creativity, and lasting friendships.

### Program Goals:

- Foster creativity and problem-solving through engaging activities
- Promote physical activity and a healthy lifestyle
- Encourage respect for others and appreciation of diversity
- Develop communication and teamwork skills
- Provide opportunities for exploration and discovery in nature and the environment
- Cultivate a sense of community and belonging among campers
- Support emotional growth and resilience through positive experiences

#### **Important Contact Information**

For information regarding Summer Squires programming contact: Summer Squires Supervisors: Lauren Bryan & John Maxfield Email: bryanl@ltisdschools.org Summer Squires Direct Phone: 737-710-0736

#### For information regarding registration or billing contact:

Office of Community Programs Email: <u>communityprograms@ltisdschools.org</u> Phone: 512-533-6011

#### WHAT IS SUMMER SQUIRES?

Summer Squires is a summer day camp held at Lakeway Elementary for children who have completed Kindergarten through 5th grade as of June 1, 2025. It provides a safe, familiar, and engaging environment where campers enjoy structured activities including art, STEM, physical education, field trips, swimming, and more. Our trained child care staff ensure the safety and well-being of all campers.

## WHEN DOES IT OPERATE?

Monday through Friday from June 2 to July 18, 2025. Drop-off begins as early as 7:00 AM, and pick-up is available until 6:00 PM.

The core activities and program take place between 8:30 AM and 3:30 PM.

## HOW DO I ENROLL MY CHILD?

- 1. Visit https://ltisd.revtrak.net/summer-squires/#/list
- 2. Complete the MANDATORY ONE-TIME REGISTRATION FEE per child, ensuring all enrollment and medical questions are answered. Important: Paying the registration fee does not guarantee a spot. Your child cannot attend Summer Squires until the \$50 one-time registration fee (per child) is paid AND the successful enrollment in your desired weekly camp(s).
- 3. After registering, check your email for a confirmation receipt containing a **PASSWORD**. You will use this same password for each weekly camp registration.
- 4. **Payment Options**: Payments are accepted **online only** via debit/credit card (MasterCard, Visa, Discover, Amex) or online check.
- 5. Camp Refund Policy: Refunds for weekly camp registration are available until noon on the Wednesday before the scheduled camp

week. A \$20 cancellation fee per child per camp will be deducted from the refunded amount.

## IS FOOD PROVIDED?

**Please send a morning snack** with your child. An afternoon snack is provided daily by the district. *If your child has food allergies, you must notify the Summer Squires Supervisor in writing before their first day of attendance.* 

Lunch is NOT provided, campers must bring their own lunch daily.

#### WHAT ELSE SHOULD MY CHILD BRING?

Water bottle, closed-toed shoes, extra change of clothes, personal backpack/bag. Please make sure all items are labeled with your child's first and last name.

#### IS THERE A NURSE ON SITE?

Yes. A school nurse is on site. On the first day, please clearly mark any necessary medications and complete the medication form located at the Summer Squires front desk. *Don't forget to pick them up on your last day!* Although we have reviewed all registration health information, please email the Summer Squires Supervisor, Joy Crenshaw (crenshawj@ltisdschools.org), if your child has a severe allergy before their first day of camp.

#### TAXES AND STATEMENTS

Services offered through Community Programs may qualify for childcare tax deductions. **The LTISD Tax ID number is: 74-2187328**. Please log into your RevTrak account located at <u>https://ltisd.revtrak.net/</u>

Once logged into RevTrak, click the Parent Portal, then to view your tax statement, click "Financial Info".

#### Summer Squires Program Guidelines

**Payments**: All fees must be paid on time and remain current for continued participation in the program. Weekly fees are non-prorated and must be paid in full, regardless of attendance.

**Transfers:** Unfortunately, our registration software does not accommodate transfers from one week to another.

Adherence to LTISD Policies: Summer Squires follows all LTISD policies and procedures. Any violations may result in removal from the program.

**Health & Wellness**: Campers sent home with a fever must remain fever-free for at least **24 hours** before returning to camp.

Arrival: Students may not arrive earlier than 7:00 a.m.

Late Pick-Up: Please be prompt before 6:00 p.m. to avoid late fees. A late fee applies for pick-ups after 6:00 p.m. – \$10 per child for the first minute, plus \$1 per child for each additional minute. Campers may not return until the late fee is paid online. Repeated late pick-ups (three or more times) may result in dismissal from the program.

**Behavior Expectations**: Campers who exhibit chronic misbehavior, harm themselves or others, or cause property damage may be dismissed from the program.

**Camper Release Procedures**: Campers will only be released to parents/guardians or emergency contacts listed in REVTRAK unless prior written authorization is provided to the Summer Squires Supervisor.

**Personal Belongings**: All personal items should be clearly labeled. Summer Squires is not responsible for lost or damaged belongings.

**Respect & Conduct**: Disrespectful behavior from campers or parents may result in removal from the program.

**Refunds**: Dismissal from the program may result in forfeiture of fees already paid.

**Policy Violations**: Any violations of these guidelines will be reviewed by the District Community Programs Director.

These policies are in place to ensure a safe, respectful, and enjoyable camp experience for all participants.

#### **Behavior Management**

At LTISD Summer Squires, we are committed to providing a safe, positive, and enjoyable environment for all campers. To maintain this standard, all participants are expected to follow the discipline guidelines outlined below.

#### Standard Discipline Management Plan

In the event of behavioral concerns, the following steps will be taken:

- 1. Verbal Warning Staff will verbally address the behavior with the student.
- Documentation & Acknowledgment Staff will document the incident, and a parent/guardian will be asked to initial the record at the time of sign-out.
- Formal Written Report A written report will be provided for parent review and signature, with a copy sent to the District Community Programs Director.
- 4. **Further Incidents** Additional written reports may result in the child's removal from Summer Squires for the remainder of the summer.

5. **Program Dismissal** – If a child is removed from the program, fees already paid may not be refunded.

#### Alternative Discipline Measures

In cases of severe or extreme behavior, immediate action may be taken without following the standard discipline steps. These behaviors include, but are not limited to:

- Repeatedly causing harm to themselves, others, or property.
- Ongoing defiance, disrespect, or refusal to follow camp rules.
- Persistent refusal to comply with staff instructions.
- Any form of verbal abuse, physical aggression, or harassment (including sexual harassment) directed at students or staff members by campers or their parents/guardians.

#### Other Grounds for Suspension or Dismissal

Additional circumstances that may result in suspension or removal from Summer Squires include:

- Failure to pay camp fees prior to the enrolled week.
- Repeated late pick-ups.
- Any other behaviors or actions deemed inappropriate by the District Community Programs Director.

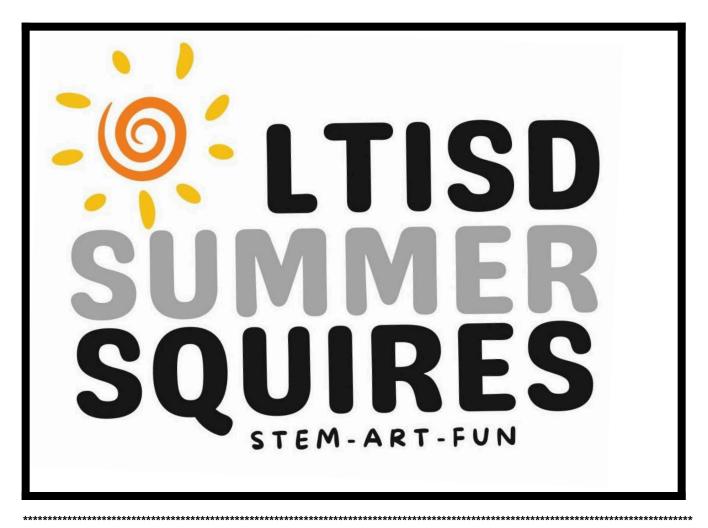
Our discipline policies are in place to ensure that all campers have a safe, respectful, and enriching experience at Summer Squires. We appreciate your cooperation in reinforcing these expectations with your child.

#### SMART DEVICES

Summer Squires is a smart device-free zone. Student smart devices, including phones, headphones, and watches, are not permitted for use on campus. Exceptions may be made for medical purposes. Any unapproved use of a smart device by a student will result in confiscation and we return to parents at the end of the day.



## Time for Another Fun SUMMER!



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