

# *Summer Learning*

## *2026*

### *at John Muir Middle School*

**Wausau School District**

**Middle School**

**Current Grades 6-8**

Two Sessions are available:

Monday, June 15 – Tuesday June 30, 2026

Wednesday July 1 – Thursday, July 16, 2026

7:35 AM – 12:35 PM

Monday through Thursday

**Middle School Registration through May 15th**

**Late Registrations will be accepted based on available space**

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

We are very excited to offer a wide variety of choices for students **currently** in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. Students will register online for their course selections. *We recommend that every middle school student in the district attends at least one two and a half-week session that includes “Engaged Learning”.* By doing this, we continue our mission to advance student learning, achievement, and success.

Other information:

- **STUDENTS RECEIVE A BREAKFAST AND LUNCH EACH DAY (No Cost).**
- Courses will be held at John Muir Middle School.
- Registered students will receive enrollment verification, room assignments, and other relevant information during the week of May 26th through email.
- Course offerings may be changed due to lack of student enrollment.

## **ATTENDANCE POLICY**

Students are expected to attend courses daily. Please report any student absences by calling the Summer School Office (715-261-0100) **\*\*This number is not available until June 15, 2026\*\***

**Middle School Summer School begins on Monday June 15th, from 7:35 a.m. to 12:35 p.m.**

**Session 1 is June 15th- June 30th, and Session 2 is July 1st - July 16th.**

***IMPORTANT: Students must attend Summer School from 7:35 a.m. to 12:35 p.m. daily***

## **Typical Day in Middle School Summer Learning**

- **Bus information will be available mid May**
- **7:15-7:35 Supervision provided in John Muir cafeteria.**
- **7:35-7:50 Homeroom and Breakfast (no cost)**
- **7:50-8:45 Period 1 Class**
- **8:50-9:45 Period 2 Class**
- **9:50-10:45 Period 3 Class**
- **10:50 - 11:30 Free Lunch and Recess**
- **11:35-12:30 Period 4 Class**

# COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

*\*Courses are subject to change\**

## ***Engaged Learning ELA & Math***

***\*\*\*Recommended for all students\*\*\****

Engaged Learning is appropriate standards based instruction in Literacy and Math from a combination of digital curriculum and instruction from Wausau School District teachers. These courses deliver a personalized study plan so that a student will begin at his or her present level and proceed as he or she learns the material. Engaged Learning is for all students who want to raise their achievement levels in Literacy and Math. Students in Engaged Learning will not only benefit academically, but will also have the choice to get out of their seats for a break in the library, walk outside, play educational games, and much more. Students can choose ELA and/or Math.

## ***Art***

Have you ever wanted to paint like a legend or master the bold lines of street art? Join us for a 10-day maker space where we dive deep into the world's most iconic visionaries including Banksy, Da Vinci, Van Gogh, Monet, Kusama, and Seurat! We will dedicate two full days to each style, with a mini lesson and plenty of time to explore techniques like graffiti, infinity patterns, swirling textures, landscapes, and pointillism. From total beginners to experienced creators, everyone is welcome to come explore their style and leave with a collection of masterpieces inspired by the world's greatest legends!

## ***Basketball and Other Sports \*SESSION 1 ONLY\****

An active class where students learn and practice the fundamentals of basketball while also exploring a variety of other team and individual sports. Students will develop skills such as teamwork, communication, sportsmanship, and basic game strategies through drills, practice, and friendly competition.

## ***Board Games***

Enjoy games and interacting with others? This class offers a variety of board, card, and dice games to enhance your thinking skills while having fun at the same time. Come join us!

## ***Dungeons and Dragons***

Dungeons & Dragons (D&D) is a tabletop role-playing game where players create characters and go on adventures led by a storyteller. Players use dice to make decisions and overcome challenges, working together to explore magical worlds, fight monsters, and solve puzzles. It's a fun and creative way to build teamwork, problem-solving, and storytelling skills.

## ***Fishing Exploration \*\* Students need to provide their own equipment\*\****

Living as close to the multiple wonderful waterways as we do, it's nice to be able to enjoy them. Come along as we take a closer look at the species of fish found in our local waters, explore what structures are common for area lakes, experiment with new fishing techniques, and learn how to choose the right rod and reel. Hopefully, we'll be able to utilize all of our new-found information to achieve the ultimate goal, which is a new personal record for the size of fish! Yes, we will be fishing during this course at many Marathon County public parks.

**\*\*THIS CLASS IS ONLY TAKEN ONCE - EITHER SESSION 1 OR SESSION 2 - PICK 1\*\***

## ***Fitness Express***

Fitness Express will be a mix of disc golf, walking, hiking, table tennis, net games, use of the fitness room, sports' games and many other forms of exercise. This course will focus on how each individual can stay in shape and practice proper stretching techniques. Students will also create a health journal where they record their eating, sleeping, thinking and exercise habits. Above all, it will be a FUN way to stay active and develop an overall enthusiasm and appreciation for exercise.

### ***Fun with History***

Ready for an epic summer history quest?

Dive into the *Oregon Trail* simulation to conquer rivers, hunt buffalo, and battle dysentery as pioneers, then grab your *Risk* boards to claim territories and explore real geography conquests! In "Fun with History," flash through states & capitals cards, discover legendary explorers from Columbus to Sally Ride, debate the best (or wildest) presidents and eras, and decide which adventure shaped America most.

### ***Guitar***

Looking to play some guitar this summer? Whether you're brand new, have some experience, or are a seasoned pro. Come join me to learn all about chords and tabs while jamming out to so many fun songs! No need to have your own guitar!

### ***Math Games***

A fun, hands-on course where students explore how math is used in many popular games. Through games like card games, bingo, cribbage, Monopoly, and Settlers of Catan, students will practice skills such as counting, strategy, probability, and scorekeeping. Students will learn the rules of different games, play collaboratively, and discover the mathematical thinking behind each one. This class helps build math confidence while showing how math connects to real-life problem solving and play.

### ***Mindful Moment***

We all need a break. In this class we can practice taking mindful breaks. This will include reading books, taking walks, enjoying nature, and putting puzzles together.

### ***Minecraft***

Students will play together in a shared Minecraft Education Edition world during this summer program. The class focuses on creativity, teamwork, and fun in a safe, supervised environment. Participants can build, explore, and collaborate with others while following clear game rules. No prior Minecraft or gaming experience is required.

### ***Outdoor Sports***

Come join us for Outdoor Sports Fun! We'll be exploring a variety of exciting sports, learning new skills, and enjoying the fresh air together. We'll be playing Flag Football, Track & Field, Volleyball, and more! Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary! Bring a friend and let's get active and have a blast!

### ***Puzzling, isn't it?***

Join us for a 10-day puzzle jam designed to boost your brainpower through the power of play. We'll dive into everything from traditional jigsaws and logic grids to word-play puzzles that will have you thinking outside the box. It's the perfect mix of relaxation, strategy, and high-speed problem solving!

### ***Scrapbooking***

This course will provide opportunities to create different types of scrapbooks and ways to capture memories. Students will bring their pictures and artifacts they want incorporated along with any scrapbook supplies they may have. We will explore how different tools and resources can be used. We will work to create scrapbooks that go beyond ones you can buy in a store but rather ones that are made in unique ways.

### ***Writing Workshop***

An interactive, hands-on course where students learn and practice the full writing process: prewriting, drafting, peer review, revising, editing, and publishing. Students will keep organized writing folders and develop their pieces through multiple revisions with support from peers and the teacher. Through activities students will share their work and receive constructive feedback in a supportive classroom community. Using tools such as Chromebooks and Google Docs to preserve and refine their work, students will explore and produce narrative, argumentative, and poetic writing.

### ***Volleyball***

An intensive volleyball class for players to continue learning the fundamentals of volleyball. Players will begin to prepare themselves for the fall volleyball season. Students will learn not only the fundamentals of volleyball but also how to be a team player.

## **ADDITIONAL OPTIONS**

### ***Band and Orchestra Lessons \*offered at John Muir\****

***-Altered meeting times.***

***-Please click on the Band or Orchestra sign up to complete a separate registration form.***

***If you have questions please contact the following:***

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[Band](#)

*Jessica Wenzel, Orchestra [jlwenzel@wausauschools.org](mailto:jlwenzel@wausauschools.org)*

[Orchestra](#)

### ***Hmong Enrichment- for students currently in grades K-12 (attendance is highly encouraged for the entire 2 weeks)***

This program is an engaging and interactive Summer Learning collaboration between Wausau and DC Everest school districts. Breakfast and lunch included. Bussing is available for WSD students from Rib Mountain Elementary to Weston Elementary daily.

### ***Boys & Girls Club Information \*\*Off Site\*\****

To enroll students currently not in the program, please visit or contact the Boys & Girls Club at 715-845-2582. This enrollment option is available for students in 3rd through 12th grade.

## 2026 Summer Learning Online Course Registration

A maximum of 4 courses per session can be selected. Session 1 course number begins with a “1”, Session 2 course number begins with a “2.”

<b>COURSES (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)</b>	<b>COURSE # Session 1</b>	<b>COURSE # Session 2</b>
Engaged Learning - ELA	100	200
Engaged Learning - Math	101	201
Art	102	202
Basketball and Other Sports (Session 1 only)	500	NA
Board Games	501	601
Dungeons & Dragons	502	602
Fishing Exploration - You can ONLY take either Session 1 or 2	503	603
Fitness Express	504	604
Fun With History	505	605
Math Games	506	606
Mindful Moment	507	607
Minecraft	508	608
Outdoor Sports	509	609
Puzzling, isn't it ?	510	610
Scrapbooking	511	611
Writing Workshop	512	612
Volleyball	513	613
Guitar	700	800
Hmong Enrichment (July 20-31, 2026)	830	
<b>ENROLL WITH THE LINKS BELOW</b>		
East- <a href="#">Lumberjack Power</a>		
West- <a href="#">Warrior Power</a>		
Band Lessons - <a href="#">Band Lessons</a>		
Orchestra Lessons - <a href="#">Orchestra Lessons</a>		
<b>BUS INFORMATION - MUST SELECT</b>		
Taking City Bus	*10	
Taking Yellow Bus	*20	
Walking or Dropped Off	*30	
Boys & Girls Club Drop Off After School	*50	

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_