



Syosset Central
School District

Summer School Brochure

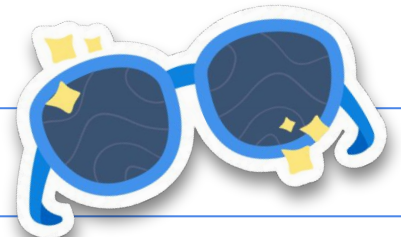
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June 6, 2026

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are delighted to introduce ourselves as the principal and assistant principal of the Syosset Central School District Summer School Program. It is a true pleasure to welcome your family to this wonderful program. We look forward to creating a supportive, engaging, and enriching learning environment for our students. Syosset Summer School is known for combining educational excellence with a sense of joy and fun. We are excited to build on that tradition while continuing to enhance the program in meaningful ways.

Summer school instruction will take place from Monday, July 6, through Friday, August 14. We are proud to offer a diverse selection of academic and enrichment courses designed to challenge, inspire, and support our students. We encourage you to review the course offerings carefully and select the opportunities that best match your child's interests and needs. Registration will open on Tuesday, June 9, at 6:00 p.m.

The registration link will be available on the district website at that time. Families of students recommended for the K–12 Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) Program or Academic Skills classes will receive a separate communication regarding registration. If you have questions about your child's academic placement, please contact their current teacher for guidance.

For questions related to K–8 Summer Enrichment, Academic Skills, ENL, or the K–12 Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) Program, please contact Jvanwickler@syossetschools.org. For questions regarding the High School Summer School Program, including credit recovery, Regents preparation, Regents examinations, and Driver Education, please contact Jmiller02@syossetschools.org. We are here to support you and ensure a smooth and successful summer school experience.

Thank you for your partnership. We look forward to a wonderful summer together!

Warm regards,

Jennifer Van Wickler

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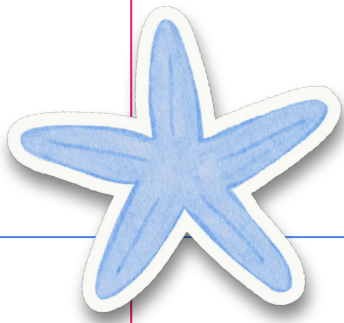
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Mission Statement

The mission of Syosset Central School District's Summer School program is to provide a supportive, engaging, and enriching learning environment where students are able to grow academically, build confidence, and thrive. By combining excellence in education with a sense of joy, curiosity, and connection, we hope to inspire a love of learning that will prepare students well for the upcoming school year and for all of their future endeavors.



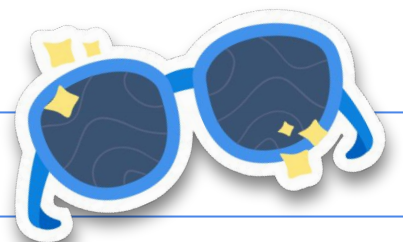


Summer Medical Records

- ★ While the District Health Office maintains student medical records during the school year, families should inform the school nurse of any changes in health status prior to the start of Summer School.
- ★ Medication authorization forms must be completed each year. If your child will need medication administered during the summer program, both the updated form and the medication itself must be submitted to the Health Office before the program begins.

Immunizations

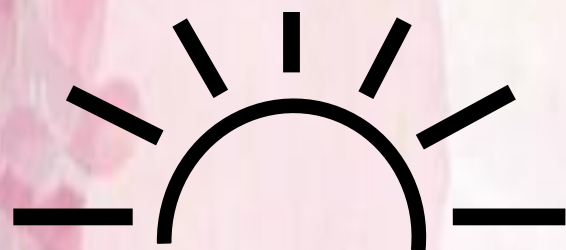
- ★ Students enrolled in ESY must meet immunization requirements for the grade they will be entering in the fall.
- ★ Requirements can be found on the district website.
- ★ Health documentation should be uploaded to the ArbiterSports website during registration.
- ★ Proof of immunization must be provided 14 days prior to the start of ESY.
- ★ For further assistance, please contact the Summer School Nurses:
 - ★ Maureen Henshaw (Grades K-8; HS ESY)
 - mhenshaw@syossetschools.org
 - ★ Joan Gonzalez (HS, Grades 9-12)
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Enrichment Course Information

- ★ K-8 Summer Enrichment Courses are designed for specific grade levels.
- ★ Once a course reaches capacity, it will be closed.
- ★ We will not maintain waitlists or add additional sections.
- ★ Classes will only run if enough students enroll. If enrollment is too low, courses may be canceled or combined.
- ★ Registration is limited to legal residents of the Syosset Central School District who meet the eligibility requirements for their selected course.
- ★ The following pages include the Enrichment Course Catalogue.





Syosset Central School District

Summer School Enrichment Course Catalogue

Around the World Through Art and Games

Grades 1-2

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Students will discover regions from around the world each week in this engaging class! They will be introduced to popular indoor and outdoor games from different countries around the world. Students will explore musical instruments and masks from various cultures. They will use recycled materials to create their own masks, instruments, and games.



Beginning Chorus - NEW!

Grades 1-2

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Students will learn the fundamentals of singing in a chorus. They will be taught three songs, while developing proper singing techniques and healthy vocal use. Students will build confidence, strengthen listening skills, and become comfortable singing as part of a group, preparing them to officially join chorus in the third grade!



Don't Forget the Art in STEAM

Grades 1-2

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Students will explore various ways to incorporate the "A" for "Art" into traditional STEAM lessons. We will be making origami, painting magnets, building bridges, creating paper circuits, and designing kinetic doodle bots; just to name a few!



Game On!

Grades 1-2
AND
Grades 3-4

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Get ready to roll the dice and let your imagination run wild! In this exciting course, students will dive into the world of board games, developing critical thinking and problem-solving skills as they play a variety of classic and contemporary games. The real fun begins when students become game creators! Students will brainstorm ideas, design boards, develop rules, and test their creations. This course is perfect for creative thinkers and anyone who loves to play!



Cursive Writing - NEW!

Grades 3-4

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This cursive writing course teaches students how to form and connect letters fluently while building strong handwriting habits through guided practice and engaging activities. As students develop this important skill, they will also strengthen fine motor coordination, build confidence, and enhance their overall reading and writing abilities. Research shows that learning cursive can improve spelling and reading comprehension. Students will develop the ability to write legibly and fluently while creating their own neat and personal handwriting style.

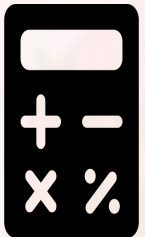


Math Adventures - NEW!

Grades 3-4

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This engaging math course is designed to strengthen students' number sense, mathematical fluency, conceptual understanding, vocabulary, and problem-solving confidence at grade level. Through hands-on and interactive experiences, students will develop strategies to solve a variety of word problems while learning how to clearly communicate and explain their mathematical thinking. Using Number Talks, Esti-Mysteries, Three-Act Tasks, math games, explorations with manipulatives, and Math in Art projects, students will experience math in meaningful, creative, and collaborative ways while building confidence and strengthening foundational skills.



Globetrotters

Grades 3-4
AND
Grades 5-6

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Embark on a journey around the world with Globetrotters! In this exciting and enriching course, students will explore the diverse countries, languages, cultures, and games that make our world so vibrant. From the fascinating history of Ancient Rome to the lively streets of Rio de Janeiro, students will broaden their horizons and deepen their understanding of the world around them. Through hands-on activities, interactive lessons, and engaging projects, Globetrotters will inspire curiosity and foster a love for global exploration!



Sports, Skills, and Strength For All!

Grades 3-4
AND
Grades 5-6

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Students will engage in a variety of physical and skill-based challenges while learning the proper form and techniques needed to complete them safely and successfully. Students will also be introduced to the importance of personal fitness, health, and overall wellness through age-appropriate activities and instruction.



Beyond the Book

Grades 5-6

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This class will help students strengthen and expand their reading and writing skills through exposure to rich, high-interest texts. Students will continue to refine their comprehension, critical thinking skills, and written communication abilities. Instruction will focus on enhancing the reading and writing process through engaging lessons, collaborative activities, and meaningful practice. Technology will play an integral role in learning, with tools such as Google Slides, online libraries, Nearpod, Flipgrid, Seesaw, and teacher-created games supporting instruction and assignments.



Intermediate Band

Grades 5-6

Offered:
Only Period 1

Prerequisite:
Grade 4 Band

Students will participate in a daily rehearsal. Technique, musical concepts, and reading skills will be developed. This course is designed for students with at least 1-2 years of experience in their school ensemble. Students will learn a concert program that will be performed at the conclusion of the session.

This class is only offered during Summer Session One
July 6, 2026 - July 24, 2026



Intermediate Orchestra

Grades 5-6

Offered:
Only Period 1

Prerequisite:
Grade 4
Orchestra

Students will participate in a daily rehearsal. Technique, musical concepts, and reading skills will be developed. This course is designed for students with at least 1-2 years of experience in their school ensemble. Students will learn a concert program that will be performed at the conclusion of the session.

This class is only offered during Summer Session Two
July 27, 2026 - August 14, 2026



Journalism and News Reporting - NEW!

Grades 5-6

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

Become a real-world reporter in this fast-paced course! This class transforms students into a professional news staff tasked with publishing a physical newspaper from scratch. In this course, students will learn to source stories, conduct live interviews, and work as a cohesive editorial team to design a polished newspaper layout. This course moves beyond basic writing, focusing on the precision, ethics, and design of traditional print media.



Art Studio

Grades 5-6
AND
Grades 7-8

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

We are so excited for you to join our art class this year! Art classes will be incorporating various methods such as to create awesome projects. We will be using materials such as craypas, paint, markers and pencils. See how art can come to life!



Innovate and Create

Grades 5-6
AND
Grades 7-8

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This course will focus on project based learning tasks that challenge student thinking and encourage innovation. The course will begin with guided projects such as build your own board game and create your own food truck. Both of these introductory projects will require students to utilize their research and mathematical skills while also challenging their creativity. As the summer progresses students will understand how ideas are formed and the process in which inventors, entrepreneurs, and researchers take to make an idea a reality. The culminating project will allow students the opportunity to work with a group of students on their own project that they create from start to finish. Students will become the pioneers of their learning and take on an active role in developing their own ideas.



Advanced Band

Grades 7-8

Offered:
Only Period 2

Prerequisite:
Grade 6 Band

Students will participate in a daily rehearsal. Technique, musical concepts, and reading skills will be developed. This course is designed for students with at least 3-4 years of experience in their school ensemble. Students will learn a concert program that will be performed at the conclusion of the session.

This class is only offered during Summer Session One
July 6, 2026 - July 24, 2026



Advanced Orchestra

Grades 7-8

Offered:
Only Period 2

Prerequisite:
Grade 6
Orchestra

Students will participate in a daily rehearsal. Technique, musical concepts, and reading skills will be developed. This course is designed for students with at least 3-4 years of experience in their school ensemble. Students will learn a concert program that will be performed at the conclusion of the session.

This class is only offered during Summer Session Two
July 27, 2026 - August 14, 2026



Digital Photography Production

Grades 7-8

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This class will focus on the manipulation of digital photos in a project driven course that is sure to be fun and engaging to all students. The students will learn how to download and manage photos on the internet using fun projects through the Google Suite platform. A digital camera (phones can be used) is recommended, but not required.



Read and Relax

Grades 7-8

Offered:
Periods 1 & 2

This course will teach students how brain-body activities can improve their ability to read and learn while reducing stress and anxiety. Students will focus on being aware of their bodies and surroundings through breathing exercises, yoga poses, physical activity and observation. Students will use these skills to respond to literature using all of their senses. Instruction will include movement, visualization, reading, writing, music and art.



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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Exciting summer learning opportunities are just around the corner!

To enroll your child in the Syosset Central School District K–8 Summer Enrichment Program, please register online on the Summer School page of the district website. The registration link will become available when enrollment opens.

Registration will open on Tuesday, June 9, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

Please see the following important guidelines for registration.

- Registration will be completed through the ArbiterSports website
- Enrichment classes will be offered in two summer sessions:

Summer Session One:

Monday, July 6, 2026 - Friday, July 24, 2026

Summer Session Two:

Monday, July 27, 2026 - Friday, August 14, 2026

We reserve the right to adjust course offerings based on enrollment and staffing availability. Once a course reaches capacity, no additional sections will be added, and no waitlists will be maintained.

A non-refundable registration fee of \$15.00 per student (not per course) is required. If paying by check, please make checks payable to Syosset Central School District.

Warm regards,

Jennifer Van Wickler

Mrs. Jennifer Van Wickler
Principal

Schedule & Session Dates

Arrival	7:40 AM - 8:00 AM
Period One	8:00 AM - 9:30 AM
Period Two	9:35 AM - 11:05 AM

Summer Session One	Summer Session Two
Monday July 6th, 2026	Monday July 27th, 2026
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Friday July 24th, 2026	Friday August 14th, 2026

Please Note:

- ★ Academic Skills classes run for the entire six week summer session.
- ★ Participation is based on teacher recommendation.
- ★ These classes are NOT listed in the brochure.
- ★ Students who have been recommended for skills classes can also register for enrichment classes to complete their summer school schedule.

