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the

Summer Experience

@ Somerville Public Schools

Message from our Superintendent, Mary Skipper

Welcome to the Summer Experience at the Somerville Public Schools!

We are so excited that you're considering having your child spend part of their summer with us.

Learning is a continuous adventure, and summer is an opportune time to keep our minds and bodies active as we explore and discover alongside old and new friends.

We hope you find just the right summer program(s) for your child in this guide. Somerville has much to offer and we look forward to helping your child continue to learn, grow, and thrive this summer!



What is your child doing during the summer?

Research shows that children should be engaged in learning experiences during the summer. When children do not engage in activities such as summer reading, visits to museums and libraries, educational camps and family trips, learning is lost over the summer. The summer experience for your child can improve your child's academic performance over time. We encourage our families to enroll their children in one of the summer programs offered at the Somerville Public Schools to keep them active, engaged, and curious throughout the summer, and to support their students' learning.

What types of programs are offered?

Academic

Elementary/Secondary Summer School
Summer Programs for English Language Learners (SPELL)
Freedom Connexion

Transition

SpEd Summer
Kindergarten Explore
SAFE Program
Summer Success

Camps

Adventure Camp
Music Camp
Peace Camp
YMCA CIT
Somerville Recreation



Academic Programs

Elementary *SomerSession Academy*

SomerSession is designed for students entering grades 1-8 who are struggling in math and literacy. This program includes engaging instruction in math, literacy, science, and social studies by highly qualified teachers. The classes are limited to **15 students per class**, so that each child can receive individual attention. Students also participate in daily project work and in-school presentations such as Curious Creatures. *Breakfast and lunch will be provided daily.*

Grades:

Students entering grades 1-8 in September 2016

Dates: Wednesday, July 6 to Friday, July 29, 2016. Classes are held Mondays - Fridays.

How Can My Child Get Into The Program?

This program is by invitation only. If your child's teacher and principal believe that your child fits the criteria for the program based on testing and in-class work, then you will receive a registration form from your school.

Where does it take place?

Winter Hill Community Innovation School
115 Sycamore Street, Somerville

Transportation available: NO

Fee: FREE

Afterschool Programming

Afterschool programming will be provided for students attending SomerSession at the Winter Hill Community Innovation School. If your child will be enrolled in SomerSession **and** is enrolled in the Community Schools afterschool program during the school year, they automatically qualify for the summer afterschool program from 1pm – 4pm during the SomerSession Academy. Students attending the SomerSession Academy who are NOT enrolled in the afterschool program during the school year will need to complete a summer afterschool program voucher application to participate in the summer afterschool program.

Please let your child's teacher know you are interested in the afterschool camp as well.

Somerville High School *Summer Session*

Somerville High School Summer Session offers a supportive summer learning environment to all students. The principle objective is to optimize successful learning experiences, utilizing the diverse facilities of our school.

Students may take courses for enrichment, preview, or review. Students who wish to receive academic credit must have previously failed the course or received permission from the Headmaster or Department Head.

Dates:

Tuesday, July 5 to Friday – July 29, 2016

Class Times:

Period 1 8:30 AM — 10:30 AM

Period 2 10:40 AM — 12:40 PM

Registration at Somerville High School

June 28th 12:00pm to 3:00pm

June 29th 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Tuition: \$125 per course, Somerville residents;
\$150 per course, non-residents

Tuition must be paid in full at the time of registration

No Personal Checks; Money Order or Cash Only

Courses Offered

All courses are subject to cancellation due to under-enrollment.

- English 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Chemistry & Biology
- United States History I, United States History II & World History
- Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry & Advanced Math
- Physical Education & Health

Courses will be taught using a blended online learning model except English Courses.

During the summer, continued special education services are provided to our students when needed. These services are rendered according to students' Individualized Educational Plans. Data collected throughout the year helps us determine whether a student requires extended year services. Parents are informed of the need for extended year services prior to the end of the regular school year. Special Education resource services will be offered at the Winter Hill Community Innovation School during the summer.

In the early years students can participate in the Early Childhood Intervention Program (ECIP) offered at the Capuano Early Childhood Center. Students in grades 1-8 who are part of the SEEK and SKIP programs may also participate in the extended year services at the Kennedy School. Contact your child's teacher to confirm whether your child is eligible to participate in a Special Education Summer Program.

ECIP Kindergarten Program

Dates: July 5 - July 29, Mondays - Fridays

Time: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

How can a child enter the program? Must be previously enrolled in an ECIP classroom and demonstrate significant regression in previously learned skills based on the goals and objectives in a student's IEP.

ECIP Autism Program

Dates: July 5 - August 5, Mondays - Fridays

Time: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

How can a child enter the program? Must be previously enrolled in an ECIP classroom and demonstrate significant regression in previously learned skills based on the goals and objectives in a student's IEP.



Summer Explore Kindergarten Transition Program

The Summer Explore Kindergarten Transition Program is a free 4-week program that prepares your child for the school year! Children will learn about the community, school routines, and practice the skills for kindergarten preparation. Children will learn through stories, art, music, math games, cooking, teamwork, and outdoor play! They will also experience friendships and social learning experiences. Free breakfast and lunch daily! There are opportunities for parent participation each week.

How can my child get in to this program?

Entry to this program is by Somerville Public School teacher recommendation, or if the child is new to the district a recommendation would be made at the Parent Information Center (PIC) at the time of registration.

Where does it take place?

Capuano Early Childhood Center, 150 Glen Street, Somerville MA, 02145

Transportation available: NO

Dates: July 5 - July 29, 2016

Days: Mondays - Fridays

Time: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Fee: FREE



8th to 9th Grade Collaborative Summer Success Program (CPSS)

A summer program for 8th Grade students moving up to Somerville High School in the fall

This is a summer enrichment program designed to orient incoming 9th grade students to Somerville High School, its faculty, and their peers. Students benefit from getting a sneak preview of the high school building and high school level coursework. Parents participate in an end-of-program orientation presentation. Students will:

- Participate in team-building activities with future classmates from schools across Somerville;
 - Get an introduction to Somerville High School math, English, and science classes;
- Use lockers, familiarize themselves with the school building, and learn how their schedule works;
 - Participate in educational and engaging field trips once a week (Thursdays);
 - Receive free materials and school supplies.

Where: Somerville High School (81 Highland Avenue, Somerville)

When: July 11 – August 4, 2016; Mondays – Thursdays (no class on Fridays)

For more information about CPSS, ask your child's Counselor Educator or contact Lisa Curtin, lcurtin@k12.somerville.ma.us or (617) 625-6600 ext. 6270



Somerville String Camp & Camp Honk

This amazing two-week music camp is open to anyone seven years and older, beginners to advanced players.

Dates: July 18th – 29th Mon-Fri 9 am -12 pm

Where: John F. Kennedy School (5 Cherry St.)

To get more information or to register, visit:

Camp Honk: www.schoolofhonk.org/camphonk

String Camp: www.somerville.k12.ma.us/music

or contact joannesadler@rochetmail.com

Community Schools Adventure Camp

Join the Adventure Camp and participate of many activities including art, drama, science healthy cooking, sports, gardening and technology.

Counselor-in-Training Program

Available for students entering grades 7-9 in the fall.

Dates: July 5 – Aug 12, 2016

Where: Arthur D. Healey School (5 Meacham St.)

Times: 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM

Registration forms are available on the SPS website (www.somerville.k12.ma.us/afterschool), at the Community Schools main office (167 Holland Street, Somerville), and onsite at the afterschool programs.

Other Providers

Somerville Recreation Camp @ West Somerville Neighborhood School

Adventures in Space: July 5 – July 8, 2016.
Focus on rocket building, Science

Somertime Day Program: July 5 – August 12, 2016

Project Star: July 5 – August 12, 2016.
Introduction to Theatrical Performance

Super Soccer Stars @ Cummings School: July 9 – July 30, 2016.
For children ages 2-5



For more information about Somerville Recreation Camp, visit the Somerville Recreation website at www.somervillerec.com/info/activities.

Freedom Connexion @ East Somerville Community School

July 5 – August 12, 2016
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Offers a FREE, summer literacy program with singing, dancing, arts, and science included, for students who completed K – 8th grade.

For information log on to: freedomconnexion.org

Email: justin@freedomconnexion.org

Priority will be given to students who qualify for free and reduced lunch!

Apply online at <http://freedomconnexion.org/enroll>

Somerville YMCA-CIT/LIT Job Readiness Program @ Healey School

June 27 – August 12, 2016
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Provides youth leadership, team building and job readiness training activities. For students ages 13 – 15.

For more information visit:

www.somervilleymca.org/job-readiness-program/

Making Proud Choices @ Winter Hill Community Innovation School

July 18 – July 22, 2016

1:00 PM – 4:30 PM

For students ages 11 – 14

Program to empower youth to make good decisions for themselves. Sponsored by the Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA).

To register, contact Hailey Alm: halm@challiance.org or 617-625-6600 ext. 6156

Peace Camp @ Healey School

July 5 – August 12, 2016
8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Works with students, ages 6-13, to provide therapeutic support in a summer camp setting.

Contact Emmy Campbell at ecampbell@riversidecc.org or ask your school's Counselor Educator.