



HARRISBURG R-VIII SCHOOL DISTRICT

Home of the Bulldogs

Dear Parents,

This summer our school district will offer all students, free of charge, a fun, exciting, and academic approach to learning called Summer Journey. Make no mistake about it, not only will our summer program be FUN for kids, it will also provide an opportunity for students to experience over 80 hours of academics during the summer months. This academic time will give students the chance to review and apply previously learned skills and knowledge as well as prepare for the school year ahead. Summer Journey's extraordinary educational goals are comprised of academic courses with hands-on instruction centered in reading, language arts, math, and social studies and/or science.

While the academic courses will be relaxed in format—no homework or tests for grades—Summer Journey will also offer courses for hands-on exploration and discovery. Summer Journey courses will include tons of high-interest activities that will engage students in really fun ways...they may not even realize they are learning! You can find a list of courses that will be offered on the back of this pamphlet.

If you are the parent of a child who will be entering kindergarten in fall 2018, I strongly encourage you to consider enrolling your child in Summer Journey. We are hopeful that when these young students meet their teachers, fellow students, and our staff during the summer, they are eager to return in the fall and find that "first day of school" experience to be a positive one.

Finally, Summer Journey offers an enticing incentive program for students. Students will be eligible to receive daily rewards if they come to school, exhibit a positive attitude and behavior, and work to improve their achievement. At the end of the program, some lucky students will also win Grand Prizes, which will be awarded on the final day. All of our students who demonstrate outstanding attendance will be rewarded with Attendance Recognition gift cards, ranging from \$50 for "near perfect" attendance to \$100 for "perfect attendance".

Who should attend Summer Journey? Everyone. Simply put, it's good for kids. Look at the information enclosed. You'll be glad you did! Rosemary Worthley will be the summer school administrator, and I would encourage you to contact either Rosemary (573) 875-0290 or me (573) 875-5604 if you have any questions about summer school.

Sincerely,

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Frequently Asked Questions

What is the *Summer Journey* program?

The Harrisburg R-VIII *Summer Journey* is the extended learning summer program operated by Harrisburg R-VIII to provide a world-class educational experience to district students.

What does the program cost to parents?

The programming is free to all students.

When will the program be held?

The Harrisburg R-VIII *Summer Journey* operates daily beginning May 29 and ending on June 28, 2018, from 8:00AM to 3:42PM.

Dates could be changed based on the number of days missed due to inclement weather.

Changes will be announced.

Must my child be in attendance every hour of the program in order to receive credit for the *Summer Journey* program?

No. It is assumed that students may have vacations or camps planned. While prizes for good attendance are available to students, a child's occasional absence should not deter parents from enrolling their children in the program.

Will transportation be provided to and from the program?

Yes, transportation will be provided for those student families who qualify for transportation during the regular school year. However, bus routes will be limited and may vary from routes during the regular school year. Transportation information will be sent to those families who require transportation as soon as the plan becomes available.

What will my child(ren) do each day?

In the morning, Elementary and Middle School *Summer Journey* students will attend exciting academic classes where they may read interesting adventure stories, play language arts games, and/or use technology to solve math mysteries. A typical schedule would include four morning classes of Reading, Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science or Social Studies. After lunch, students will explore three fun-filled courses for the first 10 days enrolled in the program, followed by three different courses in the last 10 days.

How does the incentive program work?

Many students will win daily incentives for their efforts through a daily drawing or some similar format established by the summer site. Your child is also eligible to receive one of the following incentives for their *Summer Journey* attendance:

- 0 hours missed = \$100 gift card
- 0–7.2 hours missed = \$75 gift card
- 7.3–14.4 hours missed = \$50 gift card

Will breakfast and lunch be served each day?

Yes, students will be served lunches using the same systems used during the regular school term. As a result, students should plan to purchase meals (or bring lunch) in the same way they do during the normal school year.

How do I enroll my child for *Summer Journey*?

Simply fill out the enrollment form found in the front pocket of this brochure and return it to your child's school or visit our website for forms online (forms may be printed and returned to the school with your child).



Student Incentives

Attendance Incentives

Student incentives are dependent on attendance.

\$100 Shopping Card

Perfect attendance - 0 hours missed

\$75 Shopping Card

Up to 7.2 hours* missed

\$50 Shopping Card

Over 7.2 hours, up to 14.4 hours* missed

* 7.2 hours is the equivalent of one day missed.

*14.4 hours is the equivalent of two days missed.

Gift cards can be used in the local stores or malls. The attendance incentives are contingent on actual (full-day) attendance in the *Summer Journey*[™] program.

Daily Incentives

Daily incentives will be awarded to students on basis of good attitude and achievement as determined by each site.

Harrisburg R-VIII *Summer Journey*[™] Course Offerings

All **Academic Courses** (Language Arts, Mathematics, Reading, Science and/or Social Studies) are offered during morning sessions. All **Journey Courses** are offered during afternoon sessions. Students participate in *Journey* courses for two week blocks, enabling every student to participate in six *Journey* courses.

Kindergarten

(students entering K in the Fall)

Kids at Work

"Work" is fun in the four-weekly mini-units Dinosaur Bones, Pat-A-Cake, At the Pet Shop, and Detectives for Hire. Students build on prior knowledge as they learn about a variety of careers. Each activity is designed to foster early learning concepts, such as letter and sound recognition, phonemic awareness, measurement, counting, and shape recognition. Thematic centers and literature-based math activities complete the morning. From digging for fossils to tracking down missing letters, this unit offers multi-level activities appropriate for all early learners.

Kamp Kindergarten

In the afternoon portion of the Kindergarten day, students unpack their sleeping bags for a quiet time as they listen to nature sounds and engage in physical movement activities focused around the theme of camping. Students develop cooperation skills as they investigate manipulatives and games during Backpack Explorations. From creating s'mores to sharing campfire stories, young campers enjoy their stay at Kamp Kindergarten.

Primary

(students entering grades 1, 2, 3 in the Fall)

Air Time	Field Day Primary
Magic Show	Nature with a Twist
Summer Seuss	Stacking Madness Primary

Elementary

(students entering grades 4 & 5 in the Fall)

CAD Camp	Daily Challenge Junior
Retro Recreation	
Science of the Human Body	
Snack Attack	
Strings & Beads	

Intermediate

(students entering grades 6, 7 & 8 in the Fall)

60 Seconds or Less	Classroom Cooks
Eggs-traordinary Physics	Game Show!
Sports Clip Plus	Structural Design Camp

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Enrollment Information Enclosed

The Harrisburg R-VIII *Summer Journey* Program operates beginning May 29 and ending on June 28, 2018, from 8:00AM to 3:42PM.
Registration closes Wednesday, May 2.

Harrisburg R-VIII Summer Journey™ 2018 K-8 Enrollment Form

Don't Delay- Enroll NOW in this FREE program!

I. Student Information - (please print)
Please use student's legal name and current year school information
Date: _____
First Name: _____
Middle Name: _____
Last Name: _____
Current Grade Level: _____
Student Address (include physical address if using P.O. Box for mail):

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Parent/ Guardian: _____
Home Phone: _____
Work Phone: _____
Cell Phone: _____
E-Mail Address: _____
Emergency Contact: _____
Emergency Phone: _____
Emergency Cell Phone: _____
Ethnicity: (circle one) *Asian/Pacific Islander* *American Indian*
Black *Caucasian* *Hispanic*
Gender: (circle one) *Male* *Female*
Birth Date: _____
Bus Route: _____
Bus Stop: _____
Bus Time: _____
Current School: _____
Homeroom Teacher: _____

II. Transportation
Bus Transportation
Will your child be riding the bus? Yes ___ No ___
AM Pick-up Address(if different from above):

PM Drop-off Address(if different from above):

Other Transportation
Walk ___ Car ___ Picked up by: _____
Daycare: _____
Other: _____

III. Health Information
*There will be no nurse on site during the summer session.
Health problems or concerns: Yes ___ No ___
If yes, please describe: _____

Is your child currently taking medication at school?
Yes ___ No ___
Name of Drug(s): _____
Is your child allergic to anything? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, please identify: _____

Will your child need medication during *Summer Journey*?
Yes* ___ No ___
Name of Drug: _____
*if yes, child must have a medical form on site.
Name and phone number of physician(s):

Hospital Preference: _____
In case of accident or serious illness, I request school personnel to contact me, alternate authorized persons, or the named physician. If it is impossible to contact me, authorized persons, or the physician, the school personnel may make emergency arrangements as necessary to care for my child. Yes ___ No ___

IV. Photo Release
I will allow any pictures taken of my child during participation in Summer Journey to be used for advertising and promotional purposes. Yes ___ No ___

Parent/ Guardian signature: _____
Date _____