

Confluence Academies

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 60 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 or science**. Other fields of study are also available.

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 may include a rocket class, where students learn the basic principles of flight as they construct and fly real rockets, or a cooking course, where they learn basic cooking techniques. Other courses that may be offered include *Simple Machines*, designed to introduce students to elements of engineering, and *Lifetime Sports*, designed to develop the body and encourage a lifetime of fitness. These are only a sample of the courses that may be offered.

If you are the parent of a child who will be entering Kindergarten in fall 2022, I strongly encourage you to consider enrolling your child in **Summer Journey**. We have noticed 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. And, as in past years, 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!

Sincerely, Candice Carter-Oliver, Ph.D. Chief Executive Officer

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the Summer Journey program?

The Confluence Academies *Summer Journey* is the extended learning summer program operated by Confluence Academies to provide a worldclass 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 Confluence Academies *Summer Journey* operates daily beginning on June 6, and end on July 1, 2022. It will be held at: Aspire Academy (K–2), Old North Academy (K–8), and South City Academy (K–8). *Dates could be changed based on the number of days missed due to inclement weather.*

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 to all program sites *except* Grand Center Arts Academy. 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 9 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 student is also eligible to receive one of the following incentives for their *Summer Journey* attendance:

- 0 hours missed = \$100 gift card
- Up to 7 hours missed = \$75 gift card
- Over 7, up to 14 hours missed = \$50 gift card

Will breakfast and lunch be served each day? Yes, students will receive a free breakfast and lunch.

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.



Attendance Incentives

Student incentives are dependent on attendance.

\$100 Shopping Card Perfect attendance - 0 hours missed

\$75 Shopping Card

Up to 7 hours* missed

\$50 Shopping Card

Over 7 hours, up to 14 hours* missed

* 7 hours is the equivalent of one day missed.*14 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.

Confluence Academies 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 currently in Kindergarten) 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 multilevel activities appropriate for all early learners.

Camp K

In the afternoon portion of the Kindergarten day, students head to their campsite for quiet time as they rest and listen to the sounds of nature. Then they hit the trail to explore concepts about camping and nature through theme-related and physical movement activities. During Backpack Activity Stations, students develop cooperation skills as they investigate manipulatives and create art. From examining wildlife tracks to sharing campfire stories, young campers enjoy their adventures at Camp K.

Primary

(students currently in grades 1, 2 & 3)

Cubelets BOT Builder	Dirt Camp
Yoga-cize	Plants & Seeds
Stacking Madness Primary	Summer Seuss

Elementary

(students currently in grades 4 & 5)

Daily Challenges Junior	Ready, Set, Drone!
Sports Clip Junior	Music to Our Ears
Snack Attack	Claymation

Intermediate

(students currently in grades 6-8)

Classroom Cooks	Podcasting
3-D Art Camp	60 Seconds or Less
Eggs-traodinary Physics	Drone Designers

Confluence Academies Enrollment Information Enclosed

The Confluence Academies *Summer Journey* operates daily beginning on June 6, and end on July 1, 2022. from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. *Any changes will be announced.*

Confuence Academies Summer Journey™ 2022K-8 Enrollment Form

I. Student Inform	mation - (please prin	t)	III. Health Information
Please use student's lega			
Date:	-		Health problems or concerns: Yes No
First Name:			If yes, please describe:
Middle Name:			
Last Name:			
Current Grade Level: _			
Student Address (include	e physical address if using P	.O. Box for mail):	Is your child currently taking medication at school?
City:	State:	Zip:	YesNo
Parent/ Guardian:			Name of Drug(s):
Home Phone: Work Phone:			Is your child allergic to anything? Yes No
Cell Phone:			If yes, please identify:
E-Mail Address:			
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Emergency Phone:			Will your child need medication during <i>Summer Journey</i> ?
Emergency Cell Phone			Yes*No
Ethnicity: (circle one)	Asian/Pacific Islande	r American Indian	Name of Drug:
	Black Caucasian	Hispanic	*if yes, child must have a medical form on site.
Gender: (circle one)		emale	Name and phone number of physician(s):
Birth Date:			
Bus Route:			
Bus Stop:			Hospital Preference:
Bus Time:			In case of accident or serious illness, I request school personne
Current School:			contact me, alternate authorized persons, or the named physicia
Homeroom Teacher:			is impossible to contact me, authorized persons, or the physicia

II. Transportation

Bus Transportation*	Bus	Trans	portat	ion*
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Will your child require bus transportation*? Yes	No
Transportation Address (if different from above):	

* Bus transportation will be provided for those student families who qualify for transportation during the regular school year to all school locations except Grand Center Arts Academy.

Other Transportation

Walk	Car	Picked up by:
Daycare:		
Other:		

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l to an. If it n, 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

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