



PUXICO R-VIII SCHOOL DISTRICT



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Puxico R-8 Parents,

This summer, our District will offer K-8 students, free of charge, an enjoyable, exciting and academic approach to learning called Summer Journey. This opportunity will not only be FUN for kids but will also provide an opportunity for students to experience over 140 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. Our Summer Journey's educational goals are comprised of academic courses with hands-on instruction centered in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) in tandem with English Language Arts.

The courses will be relaxed – no homework or testing for grades – and will offer courses for hands-on discovery. Our Summer Journey courses will provide opportunities for students to interact with learning. Units such as World Traveler and Get Cooking with Math supplement the regular academic year. There will be courses available for all age groups with an emphasis on fun.

If you are the parent of a child who will be entering Kindergarten (must turn 5 by August 1) in the fall of 2022, I strongly encourage you to consider enrolling your child in Summer Journey. This is a great opportunity for students to get accustomed to the school environment while getting a jumpstart on learning. When Pre-K students can meet teachers and fellow classmates it often lessens the stress on the 1st day of school helping to make a positive experience.

Finally, Summer Journey offers an incentive program for students. Students who attend every day, all day, will receive \$100 reward. Attendance Recognition gift cards range from \$50 for good attendance to \$100 for perfect attendance. Consistently attending school with a positive attitude helps students be successful during their academic years and beyond.

To say it simply, Summer Journey is good for kids. Enclosed you will find our Summer Journey program information. Please take the opportunity to review; I know you and your student will enjoy the experience.

Cindy K Crabb, EdS
Superintendent
Puxico R-8 School District

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the *Summer Journey* program?

The Puxico R-8 *Summer Journey* is the extended learning summer program operated by Puxico R-8 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 Puxico R-8 *Summer Journey* operates daily from 8:00am to 3:10pm. Program dates are May 31st to June 24th, 2022. The program will be held at Puxico Elementary (K-5) and Puxico Jr. High (6-8).

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 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 minutes missed = \$100 gift card
- .001 min – 6.667 hrs missed = \$75 gift card
- 6.668 hrs – 13.334 hrs missed = \$50 gift card

Will breakfast and lunch be served each day?

Yes, the District has applied for a special state grant whereby ALL students would receive a free breakfast and lunch daily. In the event the grant is not approved, breakfast and lunch will be served using the same systems that are currently in place.

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.



Student Incentives

Attendance Incentives

Student incentives are dependent on attendance.

\$100 Shopping Card

0 minutes missed

\$75 Shopping Card

.001 minutes to 6.667 hours missed

\$50 Shopping Card

6.668 hours – 13.334 hours 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.

Puxico R-8 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)

Adventures in My Own Backyard

Kindergarten “explorers” respond with fascination and wonder as they explore habitats typically found in their own backyard. Multi-sensory activities are used extensively, providing opportunities for meaningful engagement with the learning process. Students’ knowledge of the natural world is fostered along with concepts such as color and shape recognition, fine-motor development, phonemic awareness, and counting and sorting. This unit offers multi-level activities and is appropriate for districts with a wide variance in student population, including children with little or no previous school experience.

3-2-1 Blast Off!

We’re blasting off into fun and learning during the afternoon portion of the Summer Journey program. This theme packed course is sure to delight and amaze all budding astronauts! After enjoying daily quiet time under the stars, students explore the solar system and participate in astronaut training camp. From planning a mission to Mars to designing a spaceship, this course offers an out-of-this-world experience!

Primary

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

Dirt Camp	Pirate Camp
Movement and Rhythm	Field Day Primary
Launch Into Rockets	BrickLAB: Magic Beans

Elementary

(students entering grades 4 & 5 in the Fall)

Claymation	Retro Recreation
Traveling Artist	Snack Attack
Oceanic Explorations	Daily Challenge Junior

Intermediate

(students entering grades 6–8 in the Fall)

3-D Art Camp	Classroom Cooks
Ground Drones	Podcasting
Blocksmith Camp	Mixed Media

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Enrollment Information Enclosed

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Puxico R-8 Summer Journey™
2022 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 _____

Transportation Address (if different from above):

Other Transportation

Walk _____ Car _____ Picked up by: _____

Daycare: _____

Other: _____

III. Health Information

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 _____