



Holden R-III School District

Dear Parents,

This summer, the Holden R-III School District will offer 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 and/ 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 2023, we 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 in K–8 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. You'll be glad you did! Enrollment forms are available at your child's school and on the school website at holdenschools.org. Simply fill out the enrollment form and return it to your child's school. Please contact your child's school or Grant Guevel at gguevel@holdenschools.org and 816-732-4444 if you have questions.

Sincerely,
Dr. Mike Hough
Superintendent

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the *Summer Journey* program?

The Holden R-III *Summer Journey* is the extended learning summer program operated by Holden R-III 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 Holden R-III *Summer Journey* will operate two sessions—June 1 through June 16, 2023 and July 10 through July 25, 2023. Hours for both sessions will be from 8:00AM to 3:30PM.

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 12 days enrolled in the program, followed by three different courses in last the 12 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:

Attend either Session 1 or 2 ONLY

- Perfect attendance = \$50

Attend BOTH Session 1 and 2

- 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, through a special state grant, ALL 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.



Student Incentives

Attendance Incentives

Student incentives are dependent on attendance.

\$100 Shopping Card

Attend both Sessions AND Perfect attendance - 0 hours missed

\$75 Shopping Card

Attend both Sessions AND Up to 7 hours* missed

\$50 Shopping Card

Attend both Sessions AND Over 7 hours, up to 14 hours* missed

OR

Perfect attendance for either Session 1 or Session 2 if only enrolled in one session

* 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.

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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)

Let's Go Visiting

Students visit and explore fascinating places in a child's world during the weekly mini-units Let's Visit the Garden, Let's Visit the Zoo, Let's Visit the Farm, and Let's Visit the Aquarium. Building on students' prior knowledge, engaging, theme-related activities foster early learning concepts and skills, such as letter and sound recognition, phonemic awareness, sorting, and counting. Games, manipulatives, literature response, and writing activities inspire active learning while integrated science and social studies concepts support meaningful learning connections and nurture students' natural curiosity.

Primary

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

Rockin' Robots	Yoga-cize
Magic Show	Summer Seuss
Act It Out	Pirate Camp

Elementary

(students entering grades 4 & 5 in the Fall)

DaVinci Camp	Lifetime Sports Junior
Readers' Theatre	What's Cooking?
Strings & Beads	To Games & Beyond

Road Trip

Pack your bags for an exciting adventure!

Kindergarten students are off on a Kindergarten Road Trip as they visit exciting places during the afternoon portion of the Summer Journey program. After daily quiet time at the rest stop, students will enjoy theme-related activities while traveling to places they explore in engaging read-aloud books. Next, students will rev up their engines as they engage in gross motor play. Last stop is a visit to each destination's activity stations, where students will engage in purposeful play. Summer fun destinations include going fishin', visiting an amusement park, and heading to the beach. From taking a ride on a classroom roller coaster to sailing on the ocean waves, this trip is sure to be a dream vacation!

Intermediate

(students entering grades 6–8 in the Fall)

Local Action	BrickLAB Genetics
Rockets Plus	Podcasting
Tech Lab	Daily Challenge

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Enrollment Information Enclosed

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Viaje de Verano Del Distrito Holden R-III

Forma de inscripción desde Kinder hasta el Octavo Grado 2023

I. Información sobre el estudiante - (use letra de molde) Por favor use el nombre legal del estudiante y la información escolar del año en curso (2022-23).

Fecha _____

Sesión 1 Sesión 2 Ambos

Nombre de Pila _____

Apellido materno _____

Apellido paterno _____

Grado escolar actual (2022-23) _____

Dirección del estudiante _____

Ciudad _____

Estado _____ Código postal _____

Padre-Madre/ Guardián _____

Teléfono de la casa _____

Teléfono del trabajo _____

Teléfono celular _____

Dirección de correo electrónico _____

Contacto en caso de emergencia _____

Teléfono de emergencia _____

Teléfono celular de emergencia _____

Grupo étnico (marque uno) *Indio Norte-americano* *De raza Negra*
Caucásico *Hispano* *Asiático/ Habitante de las Islas del Pacífico*

Género (marque uno) **Masculino** **Femenino**

Fecha de nacimiento _____

Ruta de camión _____

Parada del camión _____

Hora en que pasa el camión _____

Maestra del grupo _____

II. Transportación

Opción primaria 1: Mi estudiante necesitará transporte. Complete la siguiente información: Como recordatorio, los estudiantes que usen el transporte del distrito tendrán una opción primaria y secundaria. El autobús principal será lo que su estudiante viaje regularmente. La opción secundaria es para situaciones de emergencia familiar inesperadas y / o días de salida temprana.

Dirección de la ubicación principal: _____

Nombre y número de teléfono de alguien en esta ubicación: _____

Opción primaria 2:

- Transportaré a mi estudiante a la escuela por la mañana.
- Recogeré a mi estudiante en la escuela esta tarde.
- Mi estudiante asistirá al programa DAY PLUS (solo para Pre-K-5° grado) AM PM
- Mi estudiante estará caminando.

¡No espere – Inscríbese ahora mismo en este programa que es GRATIS!

III. Información sobre la salud

Problemas de salud o preocupaciones: Sí _____ No _____

Si respondió que sí, por favor describe a continuación: _____

¿Está su estudiante tomado actualmente medicinas en la escuela? Sí _____ No _____

Nombre de la medicina: _____

¿Es su estudiante alérgico a algo? Sí _____ No _____

Si lo es, identifique a qué es alérgico: _____

¿Necesitá su niño-a medicina durante La aventura del Verano?

Sí* _____ No _____

Nombre de la medicina: _____

*Si marcó "sí", el niño debe tener una forma médica en el sitio.

Nombre(s) y número de teléfono del médico(s) del estudiante: _____

Hospital de su preferencia: _____

En caso de un accidente o una seria enfermedad, le pido al personal de la escuela que me contacte a mi, a las personas que yo he autorizado o al(los) médico(s) antes mencionado(s). Si es imposible contactarme a mi, a las personas que yo he autorizado o al (los) médico(s), el personal de la escuela puede hacer arreglos de emergencia para atender a mi niño(a) si estos son necesarios.

Sí _____ No _____

IV. Permiso de sacar fotografías

Estoy de acuerdo en permitir que se le saquen fotos a mi niño-a durante su participación en la Aventura de Verano y que sean usadas para anuncios promocionales. Sí _____ No _____

Firma del Padre o madre/ Guardián _____

Fecha _____