

#### **Neosho School District**

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 Camp*, 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, 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, **Dr. Jim Cummins** Superintendent

#### **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### What is the *Summer Journey* program?

The Neosho School District *Summer Journey* is the extended learning summer program operated by Neosho School District 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 Neosho School District *Summer Journey* program operates daily beginning on May 31 and ending on June 28, 2023. The program will be held at Carver (K-4), Goodman (K-4), Benton (K-4), and NJH (5-8). The program will take place from 8:00AM to 3:30PM daily. *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 11 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 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 hours, up to 14 hours 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.



#### **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  $Summer\ Journey^{TM}$  program.

## **Daily Incentives**

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

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)

BrickLAB: Zoo Camp Plants & Seeds Rockin' Robots\*\* Summer Sizzler Unleash Your Wild Side Magic Show

#### **Elementary**

#### (students entering grades 4 & 5 in the Fall)

Claymation Daily Challenge Junior DaVinci Camp Oceanic Explorations Rockets Junior What's Cooking?

#### 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 themerelated 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)

The Wave: Microwave Cooking for Teens
Local Action
Local Performance
Survivor Camp
Mixed Media
Summer Camp Classics

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#### **Enrollment Information Enclosed**

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# Neosho School District Summer Journey™ 2023 K-8 Enrollment Form

	☐ III. Health Information
I. Student Information - (please print)	III. Health illionnation
Please use <b>student's legal name</b> and <b>current year</b> school information	
Date:	Health problems or concerns: Yes
First Name:	If yes, please describe:
Middle Name:	
Last Name:	
Current Grade Level:	
Student Address (include physical address if using P.O. Box for mail):	
	Is your child currently taking medica
City: State: Zip:	YesNo
Parent/ Guardian:	Name of Drug(s):
Home Phone:	
Work Phone:	Is your child allergic to anything? Ye
Cell Phone:	If yes, please identify:
E-Mail Address:	
Emergency Contact:	
Emergency Phone:	Will your child need medication duri
Emergency Cell Phone:	Yes* No
Ethnicity: (circle one) Asian/Pacific Islander American Indian	Name of Drug:
Black Caucasian Hispanic	*if yes, child must have a medical for
Gender: (circle one) Male Female Birth Date:	Name and phone number of physicia
Bus Route:	
Bus Stop:	Hospital Preference:
Bus Time:	In case of accident or serious illness, I
Current School:	contact me, alternate authorized person
Homeroom Teacher:	is impossible to contact me, authorized
	school personnel may make emergenc
II. Transportation	to care for my child. <b>YesNo</b>
Bus Transportation	10 care for my orma. 100NO
Will your child be riding the bus? Yes No	IV. Photo Release
Transportation Address (if different from above):	I will allow any pictures taken of my chi
	Summer Journey to be used for adverti
	purposes. YesNo
	Parent/ Guardian signature:
Other Transportation	i areniv Guarulan signature.
Walk Car Picked up by:	
Daycare:	
Other:	Date

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

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. YesNo		
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. YesNo		
Parent/ Guardian signature:		

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### Viaje de Verano Del Distrito Neosho

## Forma de inscripción desde Kinder hasta el Octavo Grado 2023

I. Información sobre el estudiante - (use letra de	¡No espere – Inscríbase ahora mismo en este
molde) Por favor use el nombre legal del estudiante y la información escolar	programa que es GRATIS!
del año en curso.	III. Información sobre la salud
Fecha	
Nombre de Pila	Problemas de salud o preocupaciones: Sí No
Apellido materno	Si respondió que sí, por favor describe a
Apellido paterno	continuación:
Grado escolar actual	
Dirección del estudiante	
Ciudad	
Estado Código postal	
Padre-Madre/ Guardián	¿Está su estudiante tomado actualmente medicinas en la
Teléfono de la casa	escuela? SíNo
Teléfono del trabajo	Nombre de la medicina:
Teléfono celular	
Dirección de correo electrónico	¿Es su estudiante alérgico a algo? Sí No
Contacto en caso de emergencia	Si lo es, identifique a qué es alérgico:
Teléfono de emergencia	
Teléfono celular de emergencia	
Grupo étnico (marque uno) Indio Norte-americano De raza Negra	¿Necesitá su niño-a medicina durante La aventura del Verano?
Caucásico Hispano Asiático/ Habitante de las Islas del Pacífico	Sí* No
Género (marque uno) Masculino Femenino	Nombre de la medicina:
Fecha de nacimiento	*Si marcó "sí", el niño debe tener una forma médica en el sitio.
Ruta de camión	
Parada del camión	Nombre(s) y número de teléfono del médico(s) del estudiante:
Hora en que pasa el camión	
Escuela actual	
Maestra del grupo	
	Hospital de su preferencia:
	En caso de un accidente o una seria enfermedad, le pido al personal
II. Transportación	de la escuela que me contacte a mi, a las personas que yo he
Transportación en camión	autorazado o al(los) médico(s) antes mencionado(s). Si es imposible
¿Tomará su niño/a el camión? Sí No	contactarme a mi, a las personas que yo he autorizado o al (los)
	médico(s), el personal de la escuela puede hacer arreglos de
Dirección desde donde necesita ser transportado (Si no es la	emergencia para atender a mi niño(a) si estos son necesarios.
misma que dio antes)	Sí No
	IV. Permiso de sacar fotografías
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Otro tipo de transportación	Estoy de acuerdo en permitir que se le saquen fotos a mi niño-a
A pié En carro Será levantado por:	durante su participación en la Aventura de Verano y que sean usadas
Guardería Infantil:	para anuncios promocionales. <b>Sí No</b>
Otra forma:	Firma del Padre o madre/ Guardián
Olia Iolilia.	
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