

## **2024 Summer Learning Course Offerings**

### **Grade 4K Only - Early Evergreens (All Morning)**

Do you have an "Early Evergreen" that is eager to start Kindergarten? This kick-start class will give your early learner a little bit of everything to get ready for the fall. Opportunities will be provided that include strengthening basic number sense, beginning literacy skills, technology, fine motor and gross motor skills. In addition, there will be activities to promote social and emotional development. Let's get ready for kindergarten together!

### **Grade Kindergarten Only - Jump Into 1st Grade (All Morning)**

Can you believe that you will be a first grader in the fall? After a year of new learning and fun, we want to continue that growth. This class will provide incoming first graders with an opportunity to improve in their learning, explore, create, and build relationships through social and emotional learning. We can't wait to learn and grow together this summer!

### **Grade 1 - Reading: Blast Off with Reading (Early or Late Period)**

Let's rock at reading. Do you like to explore, learn new things, apply what you learn and get excited when you get new books? Then this is the class for you! You will learn how to apply and practice several different reading strategies and develop skills that will help you become a better reader. Let's have some fun and discover the wonderful journey of reading. Hold on, tight!

### **Grade 1 - Math Magicians (Early or Late Period)**

Do you like working with numbers? Come explore with me! I can teach you different games that will have you making numbers and thinking about numbers in different ways. Come expand your mathematical thinking with me!

### **Grade 1 - Reading: Ready to Rise (Early or Late Period)**

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### **Grades 1-2 - Art is Sweet (Early or Late Period)**

Art can be fun and sweet. From watercolor to clay, you will create delicious looking art using a variety of materials and methods.

### **Grades 1-2 - Crafty Kitchen Chemistry (Early or Late Period)**

Experimenting is fun and does not have to be expensive. You can explore chemistry right in your very own kitchen. We will take items that can be found in the kitchen and do some exciting science experiments. We will learn how crystals form to make rock candy with just water and sugar and how to make a volcano using lemons and baking soda, just to name a few.

### **Grades 1-2 - Mindfulness 360 (Early Period Only)**

Mindfulness 360 offers a variety of mindfulness strategies to help students self-regulate and to understand mindfulness. Students will learn to be aware of their feelings and emotions and how they impact them. Students will learn different strategies to be mindful including directed drawing, yoga, music, meditation, stretching and moving, and breathing techniques. Students will be able to learn mindfulness strategies and use those strategies at home, school, and in the community.

### **Grades 1-2 - Space and Solar System (Early or Late Period)**

Learn about space and what stars, planets, and the never-ending galaxy have to offer "Earthlings" will be an interesting phenomenon to discover. We will make our very own solar system. Is there really life on other planets? How far is the sun from earth? How hot is it? Can you rap a Solar System Song? Come and enjoy being both an "Earthling" and an "Alien"!

### **Grades 1-2 - Sports for Life (Early or Late Period)**

Bring your gym shoes and gear up for a "sportstacular" summer of fun to last a lifetime. CAUTION: Adventures in Sports are about to happen!

### **Grades 1-2 - STEAM (Early or Late Period)**

"STEAM" is an instructional approach that integrates science, technology, engineering, the arts, and mathematics to help students develop 21st Century skills (creativity, critical thinking, communication, and collaboration). Students will participate in a variety of activities to learn about inventions and insects, using their knowledge to plan, design, and create a device out of recyclable materials that can be used for discovering a new species of insect. In addition, students will learn about energy and our environment to plan, design, and create a solar-powered cooking device.

### **Grade 2 - Math: Get Creative with Math (Early or Late Period)**

Be prepared for fun and creative math activities! Students will interact with applications of mathematics in a team approach to learning. In the process of exploring mathematics, students will strengthen their skills; learn how to work logically through a problem solving process and enhance their social skills in group based learning.

### **Grade 2 - Reading: Summer Sun Reading (Early or Late Period)**

Do you love to read and talk about books with friends? In this class, we will celebrate reading each day with a variety of literature choices. Bring a beach towel and find a comfortable spot to relax with a book, delve into characters, and write about what you thought about the text, how the story may have changed in a different setting, how you might have handled things differently, on and on.... Let's enjoy new literature together this summer.

### **Grade 3 - Reading: Adventures of Reading (Early or Late Period)**

The Adventures of Reading! This SUMMER FUN-filled course provides a "beach bag" of activities and opportunities for students to explore and adventure the world. Students will explore topics of personal interest and extend their eLearning by playing games, creating projects and partaking in collaborative and hands-on learning experiences!

### **Grade 3 - Math: Math Mindset (Early or Late Period)**

Games, problem solving, strategies, and thinking skills! This course will engage students to use and enhance thinking skills while reviewing math curriculum. Fun activities will focus on the importance of a growth mindset.

### **Grades 3-4 - Art Around the World (Early or Late Period)**

Have fun exploring art using a variety of materials and methods! From watercolor to clay, you will be creating art projects while learning about the world around us. Bring your imagination and let's get creative!

### **Grades 3-4 - Classroom Chefs (Early or Late Period)**

Our budding young chefs will dive into five thrilling weeks of culinary adventures. From learning cooking basics to exploring the richness of Wisconsin agriculture, celebrating Independence Day, harnessing solar power, and utilizing fresh produce from the vibrant Farmer's Market – each week promises a unique culinary journey. Beyond crafting their own recipe book, our young chefs will emerge with a better understanding of ingredients, techniques, and the art of resilience and creativity in the kitchen. Get ready for a sizzling experience that goes beyond just cooking – it's a feast for the senses and a celebration of culinary exploration!

### **Grades 3-4 - Gardening 101 (Early or Late Period)**

Who doesn't like getting their hands in the dirt and exploring how plants grow? This class will unlock the magic of seeds, the science and art of gardening, and while we will learn about worms- we'll keep our taste testing to fresh garden veggies!

### **Grades 3-4 - Mindfulness 360 (Late Period Only)**

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### **Grade 4 - Math: Math! Fractions! Fun! (Early or Late Period)**

Math is more than a fraction of FUN! This course brings some math fun into all things spring and summer. You will use and enhance your problem solving and thinking skills in a number of mathematical ways. Come join the fun!

### **Grade 4 - Reading: Rise Up With Reading (Early or Late Period)**

Come join us this summer and "Rise" up to the challenge of increasing your skills in reading through exploration, and discovery.

### **Grades 5-11 Broadway Bound (All Morning)**

Have you ever wanted a moment in the spotlight—to perform live on stage? Well, here is your chance! In “Broadway Bound,” students who have just completed grades 5-11 will join past and present DC Everest Performing Arts’ directors Mr. Atkinson, Mrs. Vesper, and Mr. DeLonay to learn a variety of songs from many different musicals to produce an entire musical showcase. Along the way, they’ll also learn about and improve their acting skills, as well as learning about and trying their hand at scenic design. Everything culminates at the end of Summer School with a matinee performance for Summer School students and an evening performance for the general public!

### **Grades 5-11 Summer Fitness**

Want to increase cardio fitness, strength, & overall wellness this summer? Need motivation and direction? This is the course for you! You will get access to multi-dimensional mobility drills to support all types of movement, running & strength workouts designed for your ability, games & small competitions for fitness fun, and cool down strategies & Yoga important for recovery. Other activities will include endurance, nutritional, and mental education for wellness, motivation, and performance. Running is a major component of this class so please make sure to have comfortable, supportive shoes. No credit available.

### **Grades 5-6 Lego Physics (Early Period Only)**

Lego Physics is a hands-on learning adventure that will teach about forces, motion, and simple machines. Students will use special Lego "Dacta" building sets to construct models to demonstrate these principles. Additionally, there will be many challenges where students will have to think "out of the box" and build models to help solve hypothetical problems on real world situations.

### **Grades 5-6 Reading Matters - Remedial Reading (Early Period Only)**

Do you struggle with reading? If so, this class is for you. Reading improvement skills are taught, and students will be given opportunities to improve their reading skills and hopefully develop a love for reading.

### **Grades 5-6 Rubik's Cube (Early Period Only)**

Gain 21st century skills through STEAM learning by solving the Rubik’s Cube in 6 steps. Then use your knowledge to get involved in a speed competition and/or create a mosaic (picture) using 100+ Rubik’s cubes. This class is for students who do NOT know how to solve the Rubik’s Cube.

### **Grades 5-6 Sports For Life (Early or Late Period)**

Students will engage in daily exercise through warm ups and games. Games will teach students team building while having fun and exercising.

### **Grades 5-7 Math Matters-Remedial Math (Late Period Only)**

Do you struggle with math? If so, this class is for YOU! In this class we’ll review the main math topics from 5th and 6th grade. Topics will include fraction addition, subtraction, and multiplication as well as finding the area of shapes, volume, math facts, and more! Students will be required to collaborate with others to solve math problems as well as work independently at times.

### **Grades 5-7 Reading Through Space (Late Period Only)**

Put on your helmet, space suit, gloves, and moon boots! We are blasting off! During our time this summer we will be exploring planets, moons, constellations, comets, meteors, black holes, galaxies, the Apollo Missions, and the Mars Rovers: Opportunity and Spirit. Students will have the opportunity to read, write, explore video clips, create rovers and rocket ships. Come join us for our space exploration adventures!

### **Grades 5-8 Environmental Camp (All Morning)**

Does your child like to spend time outside? If so, then Environmental Camp is the summer school course to take! This class is held at the Twin Oaks Environmental Center and focuses on outdoor experiences which reinforce the learning targets of: 1) awareness of species in the environment 2) understands the impacts of humans upon the natural environment. Experiences include: a visit from Raptor Education Group and field trips to the Black Bear Education Center, canoeing, the Eau Claire River for a rusty crayfish catching contest. Please note that a bus will take students from the junior high to Twin Oaks and return students to the junior high each day.

### **Grades 5-9 Amazing Artists (Late Period Only)**

Students will understand that art is a way to express their thoughts, ideals, mood, feelings and demonstrate their creative spirit and increase their overall feelings of wellness. Students will explore a multitude of methods to create art, including: performance art, poetry, abstract projects, a vision board, music, drawing, food, sidewalk chalk, paint and other creative modes of expression. Students will self-reflect on which types of art help them feel the most creative and successful, increasing their feelings of wellness.

### **Grades 5-9 Board Gaming (Early or Late Period)**

This enrichment class is designed for students in grades 5th through 9th. Truly, life-long learning skills are obtained through gaming, whether losing or winning. Board games offer opportunities for early learning. Even simple games help young players identify colors, count spaces, and develop hand-eye coordination and dexterity in moving cards and pieces around the board. ... Board games are an easy way to encourage healthy brain development in older kids and teens. There are truly positive psychological benefits that people get from playing board games.

### **Grades 5-9 Magic of Mindfulness (Early Period Only)**

Students will have structured class setting including (most days): a daily mindfulness lesson, yoga pose, journal response, act of kindness, moment of gratitude and brain break activity. Some of the projects that will be created include: gratitude jar, kindness bucket, find it jar, mindful eating, lavender relaxing puddy, soothing glitter jar, medication chain and mindfulness folder.

### **Grades 5-9 Old School (Early Period Only)**

Ever notice that some people can do really cool things easily, almost instantly, like make origami containers, count out money, do mental math, or make friendship bracelets? They know what to say when calling someone and how to introduce themselves, how to wrap presents, address envelopes and play Chinese jump rope. Well, these are just some of the things you'll learn in "old school". Old school will give you important skills that are building blocks for things that you will learn at home and in school, and help you be comfortable and confident in a variety of situations. Sign up for "Old School" for Summer School, and get ready to have FUN!

### **Grades 5-9 Science in Action! SIA (Late Period Only)**

Gain a better understanding of how structures, forces, and chemical reactions work by taking part in fun and engaging hands-on science experiments (popsicle stick bridges, paper towers, making slime, and other chemical reactions, etc.). These challenging activities will also help students build teamwork, collaboration, and problem solving skills. The science experiments we will do use easily accessible materials, many of which you may already have at home, so students can easily recreate them at home!

### **Grades 5-9 Star Wars Universe (Early Period Only)**

Students will experience the Force by exploring the Star Wars Universe through a number of different interactive, hands-on learning activities, including Star Wars-themed treats and snacks, Star Wars arts and crafts, lightsaber exercise, viewing Star Wars content, playing Star Wars games, and much more! The ultimate class for the ultimate Star Wars fan!

### **Grades 5-9 Technology Education (Early or Late Period)**

Technology Education will be a fun and exciting class for boys and girls who like hands-on activities. Summer School Tech Ed will be project-based: not centered on quizzes, tests, and homework. Some of the activities will include: safety poster, bird house/dresser shelf, paper tower, mousetrap car, using the internet, chain link contest, water rocket, design a cereal box, egg drop container design. Sign up for Tech Ed for Summer School, and get ready to have FUN!

### **Grades 6-9 Photography (Early Period Only)**

Do you want to take better pictures now? In Photography 101, you will learn all of the basic ideas and principles you need to get started. You'll learn about depth of field, rule of thirds, framing and more. We'll talk about those ideas and then we'll head out into the field and put them to practice. You'll have a great time and you'll take great pictures!

### **Grades 6-11 Everest Strength and Conditioning**

This course focuses on functional movement concepts. Students will learn, apply, and improve their functional movements. Students will have the opportunity to learn how functional movement applies to them in the weight room, athletics, and everyday life. Units and concepts covered include foundations of movement science, planes of motion and how it applies to movements, functional movement assessment, functional movement vocabulary and terminology, following a teacher-led or student-led strength training program, goal setting, and charting and recording lifting data. Course focuses on strength, power, endurance, mobility, and most importantly, injury prevention. No credit available.

### **Grades 7-11 Summer Running**

A Groundwork for Glory is specifically designed for those who are looking to increase their endurance for their health and wellbeing. Activities throughout the summer will include a specialized running plan to build a running endurance base, guided stretches for injury prevention, intentional strength training for muscular growth, and mental wellness lessons for sharpening the mind. Students who are interested will be able to choose between three groups which will provide varying degrees of effort (basic-advanced).

### **Grades 7-9 Sports For Life (Early Period Only)**

Students will engage in daily exercise through warm ups and games. Games will teach students team building while having fun and exercising.

**Grade 8 Academic Skills Development: English (Early or Late Period)**

This class is designed for all 8th-grade students, who struggled or failed to meet the 8th grade English standards during this last school year. It will be more skill-based with the intention of building successful skills for students to succeed at the 9th grade level.

**Grade 8 Academic Skills Development: History (Late Period Only)**

This class is designed for all 8th-grade students, who struggled or failed to meet the 8th grade history standards during this last school year. It will be more skill-based with the intention of building successful skills for students to succeed at the 9th grade level.

**Grade 8 Academic Skills Development: Math (Late Period Only)**

This class is designed for all 8th-grade students, who struggled or failed to meet the 8th grade math standards during this last school year. It will be more skill-based with the intention of building successful skills for students to succeed at the 9th grade level.

**Grade 8 Academic Skills Development: Science (Early Period Only)**

This class is designed for all 8th-grade students, who struggled or failed to meet the 8th grade science standards during this last school year. It will be more skill-based with the intention of building successful skills for students to succeed at the 9th grade level.