

2024

West Elementary Summer School Course Catalog

*The West Elementary Champ Camp site will also serve a portion of students from Belair Elementary.

COURSE GUIDE

SUMMER SCHOOL INFO

If you have any question regarding the courses in this guide or general Champ Camp questions, please contact West Elementary directly.

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Getting Ready for Kindergarten!

Our summer school kindergarten course is designed specifically for incoming students to kickstart their journey into formal education. At Champ Camp, young learners will immerse themselves in the routines and expectations of school life, forging new friendships along the way. From mastering classroom procedures to honing essential skills, our engaging activities will prepare students for a successful transition to kindergarten in the fall. With a blend of fun games and interactive learning, Champ Camp ensures a summer filled with excitement and readiness for the adventures ahead!

*NOTE - Course selection is NOT required for kindegarten students, because ALL incoming kindergarteners will be assiged to a Getting Ready for Kindergarten course.

Around the World in 16 Days, Grade 1-2

Embark on a captivating journey exploring diverse cultures worldwide. From animal habitats to daily routines, landmarks to celebrations, students will delve into a rich tapestry of global diversity. Each will receive a "passport" stamped as we traverse various countries. We'll listen to music, access virtual tours, and culminate with collaborative projects.

Ocean Exploration, Grade 1-2

Join me in exploring all about the Ocean. Together we will work to identify Ocean Life, Ocean Zones, Saltwater vs Fresh water and much more of awesome ocean.

Community Workers, Grade 1-2

Each week we will have a week of learning what that community worker does for our community. We will also have guests come in that work in that field. We will do all projects and activities based on those community workers. List of community workers: police officer/detective, trash/recycle, central dairy, Firefighter, etc.

Underwater Discovery, Grade 1-2

Jump on a submarine and let's explore the layout of the ocean! In this discovery, students will discuss what it means to be an explorer, identify the different ways humans can explore the ocean, the animals we may find in the deep sea, and explore saltwater versus fresh water.

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Summer Olympians 2024, Grade 1-2

Students will be learning about the Olympics - including the history of the Olympics, previous locations of the summer Olympics, Olympic sports/ athletes, a look at Paris, the host city this year, and countries that participate. After our research and learning, students will work in teams to design their own Olympics including games and choosing their desired location. We will conclude with our own Olympic events where students can win a gold, silver or bronze medal.

Summer Olympians 2024, Grade 3-5

Students will dive into the thrilling world of the Olympics, exploring its rich history, past summer Olympics host cities, iconic sports, and athletes, with a special focus on Paris, the host city of this year's games, and the diverse countries that participate. Following our in-depth research and discovery, students will collaborate in teams to craft their own personalized Olympics, creating unique games and selecting their dream location. The culmination of our journey will see us hosting our very own Olympic events, where students will have the chance to vie for gold, silver, or bronze medals, celebrating their achievements in true Olympic spirit.

Gardening 101, Grade 3-5

We'll delve into the captivating life cycle of plants and unravel the secrets of their thriving existence. Exploring the diverse needs of various plant types such as vegetables, trees, and flowers, we'll uncover the essential ingredients for their growth. Through hands-on experiences, we'll nurture our own plants, keenly observing their evolving stages. Engaging in the scientific method, we'll formulate hypotheses, analyze data with informative graphs, and culminate our exploration with captivating presentations, showcasing our newfound understanding of plant life.

Board Games, Grade 3-5

Escape the classroom and embark on an adventure of board games! Discover captivating challenges, educational tasks, and teamwork. Roll the dice, test your knowledge, and collect rewards in this exciting summer school class.

Around the World, Grade 3-5

Welcome aboard! Throughout our journey together, we'll embark on a global exploration, armed with our passports, to delve into the vibrant tapestry of countries spanning continents worldwide. Our expedition will immerse us in the rich tapestry of diverse cultures, intricate geography, fascinating languages, tantalizing cuisines, tight-knit communities, and the distinctive traits that make each country uniquely special.

Roller Coasters With a Science Twist, Grade 3-5

Welcome to an exciting introduction to the scientific method! In this engaging journey, kids will delve into the fascinating world of roller coasters, where they'll learn, experience, and apply principles of simple machines, physics, and basic construction techniques. Through immersive STEM activities, students will integrate various disciplines, fostering a comprehensive understanding as they navigate the thrilling landscape of roller coaster design and construction.

Life Skills, Grade 3-5

This course encompasses a diverse array of valuable competencies, including money management, sewing, basic first aid, pet and plant care, hygiene practices, household chores, effective communication through hosting debates, resilience in the face of setbacks, job-seeking strategies, etiquette, dining etiquette, expressing gratitude, organizational techniques, time management, and the art of written communication through letters and emails.