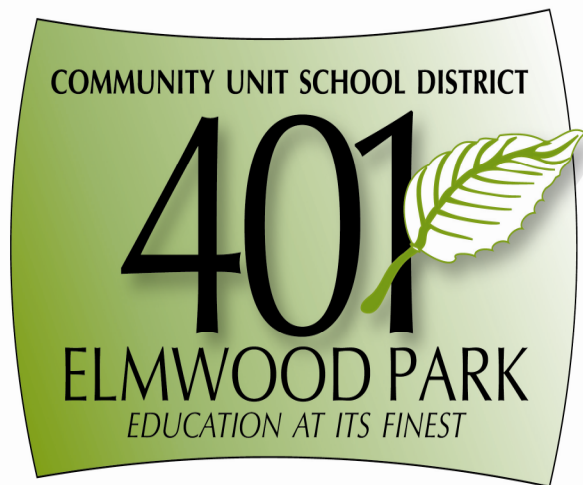




Summer Academy 2011



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Introduction

All students K-12 residing in Elmwood Park CUSD #401 may enroll in our Summer Academy program. Summer Academy is an extension of the district's regular academic program.

Prompt and consistent attendance is mandatory to ensure the same teaching and learning opportunities as during the school year. **If regular attendance is not possible, enrollment is not recommended.**

Out of district students may also attend any classes that are offered.

Elementary & Middle School Levels K-8	High School Levels 9-12
<p>Summer Academy is designed to provide students with opportunities to explore their learning through reading, math, and enrichment programs.</p> <p>Some students have been given recommendations by their grade levels teachers as to what classes would benefit them. If a recommendation was not received, please read the class descriptions on the attached pages.</p>	<p>Summer Academy is designed to provide students with opportunities to gain academic credit or to explore enrichment/non-credit interests.</p> <p>It is an excellent opportunity for incoming freshmen to become more familiar with high school expectations.</p> <p>Summer Academy courses have the same weight as during the school year. One day in Summer Academy equals one week of a regular school semester.</p> <p>Instructional materials, tests, and grading standards are similar to those used during the school year and will be explained on the first day of the course.</p>

General Information

<p><u>Important Dates</u> February - Registration opens May 6- Early Registration deadline June 6 - Refund Requests due June 6- Final Registration deadline June 10 - Summer Academy begins July 4 - NO SCHOOL July 22 - Summer Academy ends</p> <p>Note: Some classes will start after June 10th and some may finish before July 22nd; please see class descriptions for details.</p> <p><u>Registration Information</u> Two ways to Register:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mail in Registration: Elmwood Park District Office 8201 W. Fullerton Ave. Elmwood Park, IL 60707 2. By appointment 708-583-5844 <p>Fees: If applicable, are listed in class descriptions</p> <p>Refunds: All requests for refunds must be made by June 6th.</p> <p>***REGISTER EARLY AND SAVE MONEY***</p>	<p><u>Questions</u> Contact your counselor about which courses to take in summer school. Contact the Summer Academy Director for questions about registration, payment and attendance.</p> <p>AmyLynn Vero—K-8 Summer Academy Co-Director 708-583-2212</p> <p>Jim Edwards—High School Summer Academy Co-Director 708-583-6212</p> <p>Summer Academy Attendance Voicemail 708-583-2212</p> <p>COURSE AVAILABILITY REQUIRES MINIMUM ENROLLMENT.</p>
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Policies & Procedures

Attendance Policy

Absence (credited classes only)

If you miss more than two classes you will be withdrawn from class with no refund (verified medical emergencies will be considered). Any student arriving more than 15 minutes will be counted as absent. A parent or legal guardian is required to phone the Attendance Voicemail every day the student is absent from school. Parents should be prepared to leave the following information on the

Attendance Voicemail:

708-583-2212

Student name & year in school

Date of absence

Reason for absence, the name and daytime phone number of the parent calling

Tardy

Any student arriving late or leaving early will have each action counted as a tardy. Three tardies will be equivalent to one absence.

Class/Course Availability

All courses will be offered on the basis of sufficient enrollment and staff availability. Preference will be given to students who reside within District #401 boundaries over registrants who live outside the district. A minimum number of students are required in order to run a course. If there is not sufficient enrollment, the course may be cancelled.

Summer Camp

The Elmwood Park Parks & Recreation offers a summer camp program. The program is held at **Elmwood Park High School**. Students active in the summer academy program have an opportunity to participate in this camp once summer school is dismissed for the day. Please note that the summer camp program has a separate fee. For more information, please contact Don or Donna at 708-452-3935.

Course Location & Transportation

All courses offered during the summer school program will be held at **Elmwood Park High School**. Students are responsible for their own transportation to Summer Academy.

Behavioral Expectations

School policies in effect during the regular school year also apply in summer school. Please refer to the school Code of Conduct. Rules are enforced strictly, quickly, and consistently to maintain an atmosphere conducive to learning. Severe or continued misconduct will result in dismissal from summer school with no refund of tuition.

NOTICE

Students will not be allowed to attend the ITI conference if enrolled in Summer Academy for High School credit.

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

A Jumpstart to 1st Grade

June 10—July 22

8am -12pm

Instructors: Senn and Predovich

Incoming 1st Graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6th: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Get ready for 1st Grade. Students will be concentrating on the PUT READING FIRST, five areas of reading; comprehension, fluency, vocabulary, phonetic awareness and phonics. Students will be working on comprehension and vocabulary through a variety of stories. Phonics and phonemic awareness instructions will be based on the Dr. Heggerty and Jolly Phonics instruction.

A Jumpstart to 2nd Grade

June 10 – July 22

8am – 12pm

Instructors: Laurence and Glancy

Incoming 2nd graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6th: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Are you concerned that your child was having difficulty in math and/or reading this year? Is your child making good progress in math and/or reading now, but you are concerned that without consistent practice during those long summer months, skills could become “rusty”? Research has shown that students, who do not continue to read, write and do math over the summer months, lose much of their newly acquired skills.

To lay the best foundation for your child’s “jump” to second grade, take advantage of signing up for this class. All “big five” areas of reading instruction will be addressed – phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension using exciting themes that children enjoy such as dinosaurs, ocean life and the planets. Math Trailblazers skills will be reinforced and extended. Do not miss this affordable opportunity to make summer both educational and fun.

****TITLE ONE APPROVED CLASS****

A Jumpstart to 3rd Grade

June 10—July 22

8am -12pm

Instructor: TBA

Incoming 3rd Graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6th: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

This class will concentrate on reviewing 2nd grade skills and making sure students are ready for third grade. Each week students will participate in fun and creative activities focused around academic subjects. The objective is for students to strengthen their reading and comprehension skills, boost math computation and problem solving, and reinforce their writing strategies.

****TITLE ONE APPROVED CLASS****

American Girls - “Her-Story”

June 20—June 24

8am—12pm

Instructor: Kanas

Incoming 3rd—8th grades

Cost: \$54.17

Register by May 6: \$45.83

Out of District cost: \$62.50

Explore American History with the characters from American Girl Dolls! Students will learn about what life was like during time periods in history including colonial times, the Civil War, and World Wars. Daily activities include reading activities, crafts, and computer projects. You don’t need to have an American Girl Doll to come to and enjoy this class!

Tech Wizards

June 27—July 1

8am - 12pm

Instructors: Kanas

Incoming 4th-8th graders

Cost: \$54.17

Register by May 6: \$45.83

Out of District cost: \$62.50

This summer, have the world at your fingertips at Tech Wizards! Students will explore Web 2.0 and other internet and computer applications and use them to create exciting projects. The class will use technology to bring science and social studies topics to life as students sharpen their reading, math, and technology skills.

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

Stretch-A-Story

July 5—July 8
 8am—12pm
 Instructor: Kanas
 Incoming 1st—3rd graders
 Cost: \$43.33
 Register by May 6: \$36.67
 Out of District cost: \$50.00

Take a look...it's in a book...come "Stretch-A-Story" with us this summer! Each day will begin with a story and we will spend the day stretching the story's theme into crafts, reading and math activities, science and social studies explorations, and physical activities.

Indiana Jones: Expedition

Archaeology

July 11—July 15
 8am—12pm
 Instructor: Kanas
 Incoming 4th—8th graders
 Cost: \$54.17
 Register by May 6: \$45.83
 Out of District cost: \$62.50

Come on an archaeological adventure as we explore the secrets of Ancient Egypt! Students will learn about what daily life was like for the Ancient Egyptians, explore the pyramids, practice their skills in hieroglyphics, and meet the Pharaohs. Daily activities include reading and math activities, special projects, computer activities, and much more! Come back in time and investigate Ancient Egypt this summer!

Ecosystems Explorers

July 18—July 22
 8am—12pm
 Instructor: Kanas
 Incoming 2nd -5th graders
 Cost: \$54.17
 Register by May 6: \$45.83
 Out of District cost: \$62.50

Don't stay in Elmwood Park all weekend – travel the globe for a week in "Ecosystem Explorers"! Each day we will learn about an ecosystem and the plants, animals, and people that call it home. Ecosystem Explorers will participate in daily projects, crafts, science explorations, and practice reading and math skills. From the oceans to the deserts, to ecosystems in between, you are sure to have an excellent time at "Ecosystem Explorers".

Fun with Math Games

June 10– July 22
 8am—12pm
 Instructors: Bolin/Falk
 Incoming 4th – 6th graders
 Cost: \$ 325.00
 Register by May 6: \$ 275.00
 Out of District Cost: \$ 375.00

Do you like playing games? Come join our class and learn how to do multiplication, division, fractions, geometry, and other math operations while having fun! In our class we will learn about and play a variety of math games through technology and other hands on activities. Put away your math book, pencils, and calculators for a little while and see math from a new angle!
 TITLE ONE APPROVED CLASS

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

Animal Planet

June 10th-July 22nd

8 am – 12 pm

Instructor: Romano

Incoming 3rd-8th graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District Cost: \$375

Welcome to the world's only time machine! Let's go back in time and uncover the hidden secrets of animals on each of the 7 continents. Together we will learn about each animal's habitat, why some animals hibernate, how animals on the continent become endangered, and why some animals make great house pets! Some of the exciting hands-on activities include creating commercials, Internet activities, creating your own zoo, performing animal dances, and many more exciting hands-on activities! Are you ready to see the past, present, and future animals of the world? Join us in learning about the creepy, the crawly, the fuzzy, the scary, and other exciting animals of the world!

Sports in America

June 10 – July 22

8am -12pm

Instructor: Grigolo

Incoming 5th and 6th graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District Cost: \$375

Students will participate in a thorough investigation and analysis of the four major sports in the United States (Baseball, Football, Basketball, and Hockey.) The course will offer students an opportunity to review the rules, statistics, history, economics, literature, and pop culture surrounding professional sports.

Film Appreciation

June 10-July 22

8am -12pm

Instructor: Sylvano

Incoming 5^h- 7th graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District Cost: \$375

Dive into the amazing world of American cinema! Students will have the chance to watch some of the most important cinematic features in our country's history, from the silent era to the modern era. They will also form a foundation of cinematic vocabulary; understand film genres, their conventions, and the cultural importance of their popularity, be exposed to the most important films and filmmakers, and learn how to not only storyboard, but write a proper screenplay for their own original short film! So let's pop some popcorn, and go to the movies!

Some of the clips and features that will be shown during the course include, but are not limited to:

- A Trip to the Moon (First special effects/fantasy film 1902) George Melies
- The Great Train Robbery (First American Western 1903) Edwin Porter
- Fantasia (Animated/Family 1940) Walt Disney
- Citizen Kane (Drama 1941) Orson Welles
- Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein (Comedy 1948) Charles Barton
- The Magnificent Seven (Western 1960) John Sturges
- Star Wars (Science Fiction 1977) George Lucas
- Toy Story (The birth of Pixar 1995) John Lasseter
- X-men (The Superhero Film 2000) Bryan Singer

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

Read 180 Summer Session

June 10-July 22

8am-12pm

Instructor: E. Flanagan/C. Byrne

Prerequisite: Enrolled in the *Read 180* Program or in need of Reading/Writing interventions

Open to: Incoming 7th, 8th and 9th graders

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District Cost: \$375

This class will extend the students' ability to read, write and think more clearly. Students will actively participate in and increase their knowledge of the basic skills of reading and writing. Students will improve in reading fluency, comprehension, vocabulary, and writing. This class will review the basic concepts of the *Read 180* program along with reading a novel and organizing ideas to write amazing essays.

** TITLE ONE APPROVED CLASS**

7th and 8th Grade Language

Arts/Math

June 10—July 22

8am—12pm

Instructor: TBA

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District Cost: \$375

Students will take a pre-assessment test on basic writing conceptions, as well as reading passages to check their level of understanding. Students will be taught study skills, and test taking strategies. Students will also devise power-points on a scientific topic, as well as a current event or political figure in Social Studies.

Students will be given a grade level assessment test to determine their level of competency. Algebra and Geometry will be the basic area of study in this course. Students will apply real-world math to their everyday lives.

Algebra I

June 10—July 22

8am-12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: none

Instructor: Lotz

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Algebra I is organized around families of functions, with special emphasis on linear and quadratic functions. As students learn about each family of functions, they will learn to represent them in multiple ways – as verbal descriptions, equations, tables and graphs. They will also learn to model real-world situations using functions in order to solve problems arising from those situations. Ample practice is provided in each chapter and sub-chapter. Developing concepts provide students with models for conceptual understanding of the mathematical reasoning behind each concept. Mathematical reasoning is stressed throughout each chapter along with vocabulary words, examples, and guided practice exercises. Each lesson includes mixed review exercises so that students recall and use skills and understandings from previous chapters.

Algebra Concepts & Skills

June 10 – July 22

8am – 12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: Placement

Instructors: Anichini/Sheppard

Open to So., Jr., Sr.

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6 : \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

This course offers a straightforward approach to the study of the fundamentals of algebra. The focus will be on concept development, skill acquisition, and mathematical communication and address the Essential Academic Learning Requirements. The content is organized around families of functions. Students will learn to represent functions as verbal descriptions, equations, tables and graphs. They will also learn to model real-world situations using functions in order to solve problems arising from those situations.

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

World History

Dates: June 10-July 22nd

8am – 12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: None

Instructor: TBA

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

World History is a survey of the most important events, ideas, beliefs, customs and institutions from the earliest times to the present. Attention is focused on the growth of freedom and justice in government, but considerable study is given to geography, religion, science, business, the fine arts, language, literature, education and family life. The important men and women of every age and nation are studied to see how individuals both shape and are shaped by society. World History provides an important background for an understanding of world affairs and world literature, as well as essential background for understanding United States history.

U.S. History

Dates: June 10th-July 22nd

8am – 12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: None

Instructor: Timothy

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6 : \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

The principal aim of this course is to provide students with the background, knowledge and pride in their American heritage that will prepare and motivate them to discharge their duties and preserve their rights as citizens. The course includes a study of the contributions of various ethnic groups to the growth and development of this state and nation. The course is organized chronologically around the major forces, events, and personalities of our history from America's beginnings in Europe to the present. Special attention is focused on the political and economic struggles which led to the Declaration of Independence, our Constitution with its Bill of Rights, the growth of democracy, settling the West, the Civil War, the growth of industries, corporations, labor unions, the commercialized farms, rise of cities, social problems and our emergence into world leadership.

Effective Communication I

June 10th - June 30th

.5 credit

8 am – 12:30 p.m.

Instructor: Parolin

Prerequisite: None

Students: 9th – 12th graders

Cost: \$162.50

Register by May 6: \$137.50

Out of District Cost: \$187.50

Effective Communication I is a required freshman writing course in which students will study a variety of communication techniques and public speaking skills. The major emphasis of this course will focus on the development of writing skills and the writing process. Students will be exposed to different methods of writing and public speaking and be required to write informative, persuasive, and demonstrative speeches and/or papers. Students will be expected to master the various methods and stages of the research process to validate and enhance the writing/speaking process.

Effective Communication II

July 1st - July 22nd

8 am – 12:30pm

.5 credit

Instructor: Parolin

Prerequisite: Effective I

Students: 9th – 12th graders

Cost: \$162.50

Register by May 6: \$137.50

Out of District Cost: \$187.50

Effective Communication II is a required sophomore course which continues to build the speaking and writing skills developed in Effective Communication I. The focus of this course is the continued development, refinement, and mastery of the speaking and writing skills acquired in freshman year. Students will be required to write informative, persuasive, and demonstrative speeches and/or papers. Students will be required to write a formal research paper. Students will be expected to master the various methods and stages of the research process to augment and enhance the writing/speaking process. All steps of the sophomore research paper must be completed in order to pass the course.

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

English 9

June 10-July 22

8am-12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: none

Instructor: Blake

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

The different literary forms are emphasized in the first course of high school English through unit study of the short story, poetry, drama, epic, novel, and selections of nonfiction. The student is introduced to the technique of interpreting literature with special emphasis upon relating reading to experience. The freshman writing program begins with the building of single well-constructed paragraphs, and culminates with the writing of both narrative and expository essays. The freshman student is also given instruction and practice in the use of the library facilities and the computer lab.

English 10

June 10-July 22

8am-12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: English 9

Instructor: Pitassi

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

The different literary forms are re-emphasized in the second course of high school English through unit study of the short story, drama, novel, and selections of nonfiction. The students will continue to develop their understanding of literature terms and their ability to analyze text while applying these terms. The course also continues with vocabulary practice and grammar instruction. The sophomore writing program builds from the freshman curriculum by reinforcing basic writing practice and culminates with the writing of both comparison and persuasive essays. The sophomore student is also given instruction and practice in the use of the library facilities and the computer lab.

English 11

June 10-July 22

8am-12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: English 9 and 10

Instructor: Kischuk

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Junior English will extend the students' ability to read, write, and think clearly. The students will read, understand, and analyze a variety of genres of American literature. They will learn the historical connection between the literature and the time period of which it comes. The students will practice a variety of writing styles, will improve their vocabulary usage, and will participate in group discussions, projects, and presentations.

Course Descriptions

Optimal class size is 15 students to each teacher.

Geometry

June 10 – July 22

8am-12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: passing grade in Algebra 1 (regular or concepts and skills)

Instructor: TBA

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

This is a thorough study of basic Geometry skills using the McDougal Littell Geometry Concepts and Skills curriculum. Topics to be studied include segments, angles, parallel and perpendicular lines, triangles, quadrilaterals, similarity, polygons, surface area, volume, right triangles and trigonometry. This class satisfies the Geometry requirement needed to graduate.

Biology I

June 10 – July 22

8am – 12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: None

Instructor: TBA

Open to Fr., So., Jr., Sr.

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Biology I is an introductory course in the life sciences. Basic concepts stressed include the scientific method, cell theory, genetics, ecology, evolution and classification. Lab work is a part of the course. Students will work in groups as well as individually and will have the opportunity to use the available technology.

Chemistry I

June 10 – July 22

8am – 12pm

1.0 credit

Prerequisite: Algebra 1

Instructor: TBA

Open to So., Jr., Sr.

Cost: \$325

Register by May 6: \$275

Out of District cost: \$375

Chemistry is the science that deals with the properties and structure of matter. It is based on the premise that the properties of matter are a consequence of its structure. As one of the exact sciences, it requires mathematical skills involving proportions and logarithms. Basic principles and laboratory activities stress understanding concepts above rote memory. Solving problems on the basis of general principles rather than one-type formulas will be expected. Students will be introduced to the measurement and manipulation of real numbers, significant digits, and an understanding of precision and accuracy. Students will be introduced to the use of calculators in computing mathematical calculations by solving problems using dimensional analysis. Topics covered include heat, chemical formulas, atomic structure, chemical bonding, chemical reactor and nomenclature.

Physical Education

.5 credit/session

June 10 – June 30 or July 1-July 22

8am-12pm

Instructor: TBA

Cost \$162.50/session

Students will learn the concepts of team building, participate in team activities and sports, and become proficient in individual fitness activities.