"A community of learners committed to continuous improvement through a culture of dialogue and reflection"

## Burlington Area School District Summer School 2018

July 2-August 2 (Off July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>) Monday-Thursday

\*Students should register for classes based on their current grade

\*All K-7 classes will be held at Waller Elementary at 195 Gardner Avenue.

\*Course offerings will be dependent upon the number of students enrolled.

Attendance is expected by all students who sign up for summer school. Please notify the school at least one (1) week in advance if an unforeseen circumstance prevents your son/daughter from attending.

There is no registration fee charged to residents of the Burlington Area School District or for students who attend our schools through the Open Enrollment Program.

All courses have been designed to meet a variety of needs and interests. Many classes focus on skills that enable students to maintain progress during the summer. Other classes are offered as enrichment. All courses are planned to extend thinking skills, expand understanding and challenge students.

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## **Ready for Kindergarten**

This class is offered to children eligible to attend 5 Year-Old Kindergarten in the fall of 2017. Your child must be 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2017. This class will provide children the experience of a kindergarten environment. Children will experience attending large group activities, small group activities including early math and reading skills, art projects and center time. They will learn about taking turns, sharing, following a routine, large and fine motor activities and being responsible for their actions.

## **Ready for First Grade**

In this class students entering first grade in the fall will get practice in the basic skills that will help them transition successfully from kindergarten to first grade. Key concepts in the areas of reading, math, and writing will be stressed and will prepare learner for the next year with an emphasis on workshop formats.

## **Reading Boosters**

Grade 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7

No matter if your child is a struggling reader, on level or advanced, this class will focus on improving basic skills through creative activities and learning in a fun environment. Students will work at their own speed while getting the help they need to be a successful reader.

### Math Boosters

Grade 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7

No matter if your child is struggling with math, on level or advanced, this class will focus on improving basic skills through creative activities and learning in a fun environment. Students will work at their own speed while getting the help they need to be successful with math. Math skills will be reinforced using a variety of games and activities to build fact fluency grade level standards.

### **Book Munchers**

Grades K, 1 or 2

Each week will focus on a genre or author study. We will read different books and complete writing assignments that coincide with that selection. The last day of each week, we will make a fun snack that compliments the books. At the end of the course, students will make a recipe book to take home that includes how to make each recipe as well as more books that fit each snack.

### **Math Games**

Grades 1, 2, 3 or 4

Students will learn math skills by playing a variety of games via online or concrete board games. Play challenging educational, strategy-seeking and problem-solving math games that are fun and exciting for all!

### Star Wars 101

### Grades 1, 2 or 3

This course would take something that kids are passionate about and teach them about family trees (Studying the Skywalker family tree and then having students research and make their family tree), planetary systems (exploring the planets in Star Wars, writing an "essay" on which planet they would prefer to live, what would be needed to survive there), and engineering (creating and building their own spaceship).

## **Creative Writing**

### Grades 4, 5 and 6

Release the poet, the mystery writer, the fantasy writer, and/or the realistic fiction writer in yourself in this summer! Writing workshop will be your platform to launch these fun endeavors. Publish your pieces for small or large audiences or just for yourself. Use any number of publishing forms – digital, pen and paper, blogs, websites, etc., and publish with illustrations or graphics if you desire. Do collaborative work or independent work and let your imaginations run wild!

## Performing a Fantasy

### Grades 5 and 6

Come play your orchestra instrument with fun music that will include dragons, warriors and many more mythical characters! This class will perform music together and learn extra techniques that will help orchestra students build up their playing abilities!

# Research Writing and Project Creation

### Grades 4, 5 and 6

For the curious "cats" that want to dig deeper into exciting topics of interest, this class will provide the opportunity for research, publishing, and project creating (optional). Writing workshop will provide the structure for the research and writing process, and projects will follow the whims of the creators!

# **STEM Paper Roller Coaster Course** Grades 5 and 6

Students will plan and create a paper roller coaster. They will evaluate, test and retest their roller coaster, and analyze how to best manipulate the forces of friction and gravity. They will explain the difference between potential energy and kinetic energy, and then calculate problems involving free fall. Students will also create tracks to better understand centripetal force.

## Family Culture/History Scrapbook Writing

### Grades 4, 5, 6 and 7

Through the interview and writing process, bring your family history and culture together. Present your findings in a paper or digital scrapbook to share and enjoy for years to come. Photographs, illustrations, and/or creative designs will add to the final product and make it especially unique and fun you and your family.

## **Advanced Irish Fiddling**

#### Grades 6 and 7

Are you an orchestra student who loves to play and would like to learn advanced Irish fiddling? Then this class is perfect! This class will learn and perform Irish fiddle music, and many other techniques and skills that orchestra students need to know for fiddling and performing all the time!

### Music around the World

### **Grades 1,2,3 and 4**

In this class, students will explore the world through music. Activities will include singing, dancing, drumming hand percussion, and music games from a variety of cultures found within America and around the world.

### Summer Choir

### Grades 5,6, 7 and 8

Do you enjoy singing? Whether you already have choir experience, or want to try something new, this is a great opportunity to sing in a choral group over the summer. In this class, we will work on blending, breathing, tone, dynamics, expression and harmonizing. Each week will feature a different style of music.