

Dear Parents:

We have exciting news - 6th graders can attend Space Academy at the Huntsville Space and Rocket Center this school year! We are offering 2 weeks for you to choose from for your child. **Your child can either go January 2-7, 2022 OR April 3-8, 2022.** There is limited space due to Covid restrictions and a staff shortage, so there will only be 160 slots available per week.

For the week that you choose, you will drop your child off at the Space and Rocket Center on Sunday morning (ETA will be announced later) and students will stay on campus for the entire week. There will be a Space Academy Graduation the Friday morning of your week. PARENTS OR GUARDIANS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND THE GRADUATION AND YOU WILL TAKE HOME YOUR CHILD AFTER THE CEREMONY. There will be no transportation back to school on the Friday of your week, however the Space and Rocket Center is providing a “family day pass” for each graduate, so you may want to plan to stay in the park following graduation to tour with your student.

Students who attend Space Academy will need to comply with school dress code and behavior rules and will be counted as an excused absence. Please note that students who do not comply with LMS and/or Space Camp guidelines may be “debunked” from camp. **If a student leaves camp for any reason, then they must return to school or be counted as absent.**

The cost for the week is \$502.00 and includes meals and lodging.

Your next steps:

- 1) Sign up your child on the SignUp Genius of your week of choice. There will be no waiting lists. If one week is full, the only other option is the other week.
- 2) Complete all paperwork: Field trip form, Covid release form, and the Overnight field trip that **MUST BE NOTARIZED**. (All paperwork must be completed and turned in by October 22.) These are available online but there will also be some paper copy packets in the front office if needed.
- 3) Pay the entire \$502 Space Camp fee by October 22nd.
 - a) You may pay fees by credit card on the LMS Website by scrolling to the bottom of the LMS WEBSITE to the Quick Links section. Select “Student Fees” payment link. Complete the form and payment method. Here is a direct link for it: [Student Fees Payment Link](#)
 - b) Checks should be made payable to LMS with your child’s name on the check in the note section, driver’s license number, and phone number at the top.

After all the LMS paperwork and payment is received, you will receive Space Camp online registration information via email. Here are some links to check out for information about the Space Academy and FAQs from the Space and Rocket Center’s website. [Space Academy Description](#) and [Space Camp FAQ](#). Note: Students will be able to choose their roommates. (4 to a room)

All paperwork and/or checks need to be turned into Karen Price (Green Pod, Room 127). Also, if you have any questions, please email kprice@madisoncity.k12.al.us.