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the

Summer Experience

@ Somerville Public Schools

Message from our Superintendent, Mary Skipper

*Welcome to the Summer Experience
at the Somerville Public Schools!*

*We are so excited that you're
considering having your child spend
part of their summer with us.*

*Learning is a continuous adventure,
and summer is an opportune time to
keep our minds and bodies active as
we explore and discover alongside old
and new friends.*

*We hope you find just the right
summer program(s) for your child in
this guide. Somerville has much to
offer and we look forward to helping
your child continue to learn, grow,
and thrive this summer!*



What is your child doing during the summer?

Research shows that children should be engaged in learning experiences during the summer. When children do not engage in activities such as summer reading, visits to museums and libraries, educational camps and family trips, learning is lost over the summer. The summer experience for your child can improve your child's academic performance over time. We encourage our families to enroll their children in one of the summer programs offered at the Somerville Public Schools to keep them active, engaged, and curious throughout the summer, and to support their students' learning.

What types of programs are offered?

Academic

Elementary/Secondary
Summer School

Summer Programs for
English Language Learners
(SPELL)

Freedom Connexion

Transition

SpEd Summer

Kindergarten Explore

SAFE Program

Summer Success

Camps

Adventure Camp

Music Camp

Peace Camp

YMCA CIT

Somerville Recreation

Academic Programs

Elementary SomerSession Academy

SomerSession is designed for students entering grades 1-8 who are struggling in math and literacy. This program includes engaging instruction in math, literacy, science, and social studies by highly qualified teachers. The classes are limited to **15 students per class**, so that each child can receive individual attention. Students also participate in daily project work and in-school presentations such as Curious Creatures. ***Breakfast and lunch will be provided daily.***

Grades:

Students entering grades 1-8 in September 2016

Dates: Wednesday, July 6 to Friday, July 29, 2016. Classes are held Mondays - Fridays.

How Can My Child Get Into The Program?

This program is by invitation only. If your child's teacher and principal believe that your child fits the criteria for the program based on testing and in-class work, then you will receive a registration form from your school.

Where does it take place?

Winter Hill Community Innovation School
115 Sycamore Street, Somerville

Transportation available: NO

Fee: FREE

Afterschool Programming

Afterschool programming will be provided for students attending SomerSession at the Winter Hill Community Innovation School. If your child will be enrolled in SomerSession **and** is enrolled in the Community Schools afterschool program during the school year, they automatically qualify for the summer afterschool program from 1pm – 4pm during the SomerSession Academy. Students attending the SomerSession Academy who are NOT enrolled in the afterschool program during the school year will need to complete a summer afterschool program voucher application to participate in the summer afterschool program.

Please let your child's teacher know you are interested in the afterschool camp as well.

Somerville High School Summer Session

Somerville High School Summer Session offers a supportive summer learning environment to all students. The principle objective is to optimize successful learning experiences, utilizing the diverse facilities of our school.

Students may take courses for enrichment, preview, or review. Students who wish to receive academic credit must have previously failed the course or received permission from the Headmaster or Department Head.

Dates:

Tuesday, July 5 to Friday – July 29, 2016

Class Times:

Period 1 8:30 AM — 10:30 AM

Period 2 10:40 AM — 12:40 PM

Registration at Somerville High School

June 28th 12:00pm to 3:00pm

June 29th 12:00pm to 3:00pm

Tuition: \$125 per course, Somerville residents;
\$150 per course, non-residents

Tuition must be paid in full at the time of registration

No Personal Checks; Money Order or Cash Only

Courses Offered

All courses are subject to cancellation due to under-enrollment.

- English 1, 2, 3 & 4
- Chemistry & Biology
- United States History I, United States History II & World History
- Algebra 1, Algebra 2, Geometry & Advanced Math
- Physical Education & Health

Courses will be taught using a blended online learning model except English Courses.

Summer Programs for English Language Learners: SPELL

Elementary School SPELL

SPELL is an academic and enrichment **S**ummer **P**rogram for **E**nglish **L**anguage **L**earners. This is an opportunity for your child to practice and develop English language skills, receive support in academic subject, explore the community, and do it while having fun during the summer.

How can my child get into this program? This program is available for English Language Learners. Your child's teacher must recommend your child for this program based on your child's English proficiency level. **You CANNOT register your child without the teacher's recommendation.** Teachers will send notifications home for the selected students in early May.

Grades: Rising 1st-8th graders. Students who finished 8th grade can participate in SPELL/SAFE at Somerville High School.

Where does it take place? East Somerville
Community School (50 Cross Street)

Transportation available: NO

Dates: July 5, 2016 – July 29, 2016

Days: Monday-Friday

Time: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Fee: FREE

Free breakfast and lunch daily

Secondary School SPELL

Grades: 9th – 12th

Where does it take place? Somerville High School (81 Highland Ave., Somerville)

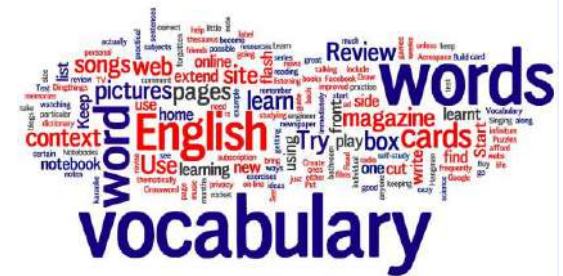
Transportation available: NO

Dates: July 5 – July 29, 2016

Days: Monday - Friday

Time: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM**Fee:** FREE

Free breakfast and lunch daily



Somerville SAFE Program

Students Accessing Formal Education

Students with interrupted formal education (SIFE) are offered a cluster of courses to prepare them academically for full engagement in the Somerville High School curriculum. Students are also provided before- and after-school tutoring and summer intensive ELL programming. Staff members identify additional social supports and community resources as needed.

For more information on the Somerville SAFE program, visit the Parent Information Center at 42 Prescott Street or the Welcome Center at Somerville High School.

Parent Classes



KEEP
CALM
AND
LEARN
ENGLISH

Parents and Guardians of English Learners are invited to participate in English Classes and Workshops. Workshops are scheduled on Fridays and include topics such as *Parenting in America*, *Communicating with your Child's Teacher*, and *Helping your Child with Homework*.

Where do parent classes take place?

East Somerville Community School (50 Cross Street Somerville)

Dates: July 5, 2016 - July 29th, 2016

Days: Monday - Thursday (Classes) Friday (Workshops)

Time: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Dates: July 5, 2016 - July 29, 2016

Days: Monday-Thursday (classes), Friday (workshops)

Time: 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Fee: FREE

Drop off your child and stay for FREE English Classes!

During the summer, continued special education services are provided to our students when needed. These services are rendered according to students' Individualized Educational Plans. Data collected throughout the year helps us determine whether a student requires extended year services. Parents are informed of the need for extended year services prior to the end of the regular school year. Special Education resource services will be offered at the Winter Hill Community Innovation School during the summer.

In the early years students can participate in the Early Childhood Intervention Program (ECIP) offered at the Capuano Early Childhood Center. Students in grades 1-8 who are part of the SEEK and SKIP programs may also participate in the extended year services at the Kennedy School. Contact your child's teacher to confirm whether your child is eligible to participate in a Special Education Summer Program.

ECIP Kindergarten Program

Dates: July 5 - July 29, Mondays - Fridays

Time: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

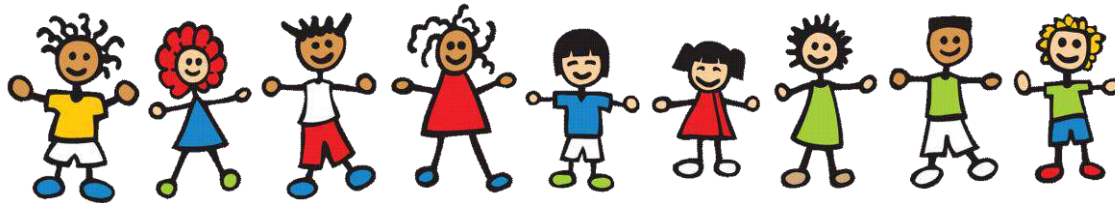
How can a child enter the program? Must be previously enrolled in an ECIP classroom and demonstrate significant regression in previously learned skills based on the goals and objectives in a student's IEP.

ECIP Autism Program

Dates: July 5 – August 5, Mondays - Fridays

Time: 8:30 AM - 1:30 PM

How can a child enter the program? Must be previously enrolled in an ECIP classroom and demonstrate significant regression in previously learned skills based on the goals and objectives in a student's IEP.



Summer Explore Kindergarten Transition Program

The Summer Explore Kindergarten Transition Program is a free 4-week program that prepares your child for the school year! Children will learn about the community, school routines, and practice the skills for kindergarten preparation. Children will learn through stories, art, music, math games, cooking, teamwork, and outdoor play! They will also experience friendships and social learning experiences. Free breakfast and lunch daily! There are opportunities for parent participation each week.

How can my child get in to this program?

Entry to this program is by Somerville Public School teacher recommendation, or if the child is new to the district a recommendation would be made at the Parent Information Center (PIC) at the time of registration.

Where does it take place?

Capuano Early Childhood Center, 150 Glen Street, Somerville MA, 02145

Transportation available: NO

Dates: July 5 – July 29, 2016

Days: Mondays – Fridays

Time: 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Fee: FREE



8th to 9th Grade Collaborative Summer Success Program (CPSS)

A summer program for 8th Grade students moving up to Somerville High School in the fall

This is a summer enrichment program designed to orient incoming 9th grade students to Somerville High School, its faculty, and their peers. Students benefit from getting a sneak preview of the high school building and high school level coursework. Parents participate in an end-of-program orientation presentation.

Students will:

- Participate in team-building activities with future classmates from schools across Somerville;
 - Get an introduction to Somerville High School math, English, and science classes;
- Use lockers, familiarize themselves with the school building, and learn how their schedule works;
 - Participate in educational and engaging field trips once a week (Thursdays);
 - Receive free materials and school supplies.

Where: Somerville High School (81 Highland Avenue, Somerville)

When: July 11 – August 4, 2016; Mondays – Thursdays (no class on Fridays)

For more information about CPSS, ask your child's Counselor Educator or contact Lisa Curtin, lcurtin@k12.somerville.ma.us or (617) 625-6600 ext. 6270



Somerville String Camp & Camp Honk

This amazing two-week music camp is open to anyone seven years and older, beginners to advanced players.

Dates: July 18th – 29th Mon-Fri 9 am -12 pm

Where: John F. Kennedy School (5 Cherry St.)

To get more information or to register, visit:

Camp Honk: www.schoolofhonk.org/camphonk

String Camp: www.somerville.k12.ma.us/music

or contact joannesadler@rochetmail.com

Community Schools Adventure Camp

Join the Adventure Camp and participate of many activities including art, drama, science healthy cooking, sports, gardening and technology.

Counselor-in-Training Program

Available for students entering grades 7-9 in the fall.

Dates: July 5 – Aug 12, 2016

Where: Arthur D. Healey School (5 Meacham St.)

Times: 8:00 AM – 5:30 PM

Registration forms are available on the SPS website (www.somerville.k12.ma.us/afterschool), at the Community Schools main office (167 Holland Street, Somerville), and onsite at the afterschool programs.

Other Providers

Somerville Recreation Camp **@ West Somerville Neighborhood School**

Adventures in Space: July 5 – July 8, 2016.
Focus on rocket building, Science

Somertime Day Program: July 5 – August 12, 2016

Project Star: July 5 – August 12, 2016.
Introduction to Theatrical Performance

Super Soccer Stars @ Cummings School: July 9 – July 30, 2016.
For children ages 2-5



For more information about Somerville Recreation Camp, visit the Somerville Recreation website at www.somervillerec.com/info/activities.

Freedom Connexion @ East Somerville **Community School**

July 5 – August 12, 2016
8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Offers a FREE, summer literacy program with singing, dancing, arts, and science included, for students who completed K – 8th grade.

For information log on to: freedomconnexion.org

Email: justin@freedomconnexion.org

Priority will be given to students who qualify for free and reduced lunch!

Apply online at <http://freedomconnexion.org/enroll>

Somerville YMCA-CIT/LIT Job Readiness **Program @ Healey School**

June 27 – August 12, 2016
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Provides youth leadership, team building and job readiness training activities. For students ages 13 – 15.

For more information visit:

www.somervilleymca.org/job-readiness-program/

Making Proud Choices @ Winter Hill **Community Innovation School**

July 18 – July 22, 2016
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM
For students ages 11 – 14

Program to empower youth to make good decisions for themselves. Sponsored by the Cambridge Health Alliance (CHA).

To register, contact Hailey Alm: halm@challiance.org
or 617-625-6600 ext. 6156

Peace Camp @ Healey School July 5 – August 12, 2016 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Works with students, ages 6-13, to provide therapeutic support in a summer camp setting.

Contact Emmy Campbell at ecampbell@riversidecc.org or ask your school's Counselor Educator.