

Valley Central School District



SUMMER ENRICHMENT
2023



**Valley Central School District
Summer Enrichment Opportunities -2023**

Valley Central is very excited to offer summer enrichment opportunities for the third year. If your child is interested in any of the following workshops, please click on the link to sign up. ***If there are more applicants than we can accommodate, we will choose through a lottery system. We will notify all parents of students that have been chosen for workshops by May 1.*** Transportation is not provided.

Music

The elementary music camps for grades 2-4 will consist of a range of musical games and singing/playing activities. The instrumental sessions will allow students to develop their techniques in a low-stress environment. The vocal session will provide an opportunity for students to explore different singing styles and techniques.

**All music camps will run from 10:30-12:30; Monday-Thursday.
The maximum number of students per workshop is 25.**

Instrumental Music (Current 7-11 graders) at East Coldenham Elementary School
[Click here to register for Instrumental Camp - Current Grades 7-11](#)

2-week session

Instructor: Dan Walker
July 10-13 and July 17-20

Elementary Music and Games #1 (Current 2-4 graders) at Berea Elementary School
[Click here to register for Elementary Music & Games #1 - Current Grades 2-4](#)

1-week session

Instructor: Logan Richmond
July 24-27

Instrumental Music (Current 4-6 graders) at East Coldenham Elementary School
[Click here to register for Instrumental Music Camp - Current Grades 4-6](#)

2-week session

Instructor: Brian Ackley
July 24-July 27 and July 31-August 3

Elementary Music & Games #2 (Current 2-4 graders) at East Coldenham Elementary School
[Click here to register for Elementary Music & Games #2 - Current Grades 2-4](#)

1-week session

Instructor: Brian Ackley
August 7-10

Vocal Music (Current 4-11 graders) at Berea Elementary School
[Click here to register for Vocal Music Camp-Current Grades 4-11](#)

2-week session

Instructor: Micheal Gonzales
August 7-10 and August 14-17

Art

Name of Workshop: An Artist a Day
Instructors: Kathy Foti and Ashley Nozell
Location: East Coldenham Elementary

4 Different Artists + 4 Different Mediums = 4 Amazing Projects for children to walk away with at the end of the class. This will be a creative and explorative summer class for current middle school students to enjoy!

[Click here to register for the Artist a Day Workshop for Current 6th-8th Graders](#)

Grades: Current 6th – 8th graders
Dates: July 10-13
Time: 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.
Capacity: 30 students

Family and Consumer Science

Name of Workshop: Learn to Sew on a Sewing Machine
Instructor: Nancy Phelps
Location: Berea Elementary

Students will learn how to sew on a sewing machine. They will design and construct a quilt, pillow cover or quilt tote bag and sew it on a sewing machine. They will learn to calculate the size of the completed project to allow for seam allowance. If time allows, students will learn basic embroidery stitches to embellish their project.

[Click here to register for Learn to Sew on a Sewing Machine for Current 4th-7th Graders](#)

Grades: Current 4th – 7th graders
Dates: July 10-13
Time: 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Capacity: 10 students

Physical Education

Project Adventure Summer 2023

Come and build teamwork skills along with becoming more physically fit all while you are having FUN!

Time: 8:30 -11:30

Instructors: Christine Giudice and Maria Taylor

Location: Montgomery Elementary School

Capacity: 25 students

Session #1 (Dates 7/10/23-7/13/23) Current 2nd -5th graders

[Click here to register for Project Adventure Session 1-Current Grades 2-5](#)

Session #2 (Dates 7/17/23- 7/20/23) Current 6th -8th graders

[Click here to register for Project Adventure Session 2- Current Grades 6-8](#)

Name of Workshop: Summer PE Bonanza

Instructors: Jon Walsh and Tom Stoddard

Location: East Coldenham Elementary School

Do you get the summer blues and miss playing your favorite PE games at school? Well, you are in luck! Join us for one or all three of our sessions of PE fun, sun and excitement. Play games like kickball, basketball, tag, and more. Each day we will be playing something new! Activities will be both indoor and outdoor. Sign up today! (**Monday – Thursday**)

[Click here to register for PE Bonanza](#)

Dates: Session #1 - July 10th -20th (2 week session)

Session #2 - July 24th - August 3rd (2 week session)

Session #3 - August 7th -10th (1 week session)

Time: Group #1: Current 1st - 3rd graders (8 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.)
Group #2: Current 4th - 6th graders (10 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.)

Capacity: 35 students per group per session

Purposeful Play for Current K-1 Students

Our young learners will be engaged in fun activities that will help them with social and communication skills. Students will engage in structured and unstructured play activities under the guidance of a teacher. If your child attends Berea Elementary School or Montgomery Elementary School, the program will take place at Berea. If your child attends East Coldenham Elementary or Walden Elementary, the program will take place at East Coldenham. You may sign up for all the weeks or select weeks. Please complete a separate form for each child you have in grades K-1 that you would like to attend.

Time: 9 a.m. -11 a.m.

Dates:

July 10-13

July 17-20

July 24-27

July 31-August 3

Capacity: 12 students per class

[Click here to register for the Purposeful Play Program at Berea for Berea and MES Current K-1 Students](#)

[Click her to register for the Purposeful Play Program at EC for EC and Walden Current K-1 Students](#)

Elementary World Languages

Name of Workshop: Beginning Spanish Enrichment

Instructor: Donna Damone

This course will focus on the Hispanic culture, language, music, art, crafts, and foods of the Spanish-speaking countries. The students will enjoy learning by utilizing a multidisciplinary approach. The emphasis of this course is to motivate students to want to further their education to learn a foreign language. Basic Spanish will be taught using everyday conversation. Students will gain an understanding of people from different countries and cultures around the world.

[Click here to register for Beginning Spanish Enrichment for Current 4th-5th Graders](#)

Grades: Current 4th and 5th graders

Dates: July 5 -August 11 (Monday - Thursday)

Location: East Coldenham Elementary School

Time: 8:30 -11:30

Capacity: 12 students

Elementary Garden-Based Learning

Name of Workshop: Summer Enrichment through Garden-Based Learning

Instructor: Bernadette Demaro

Does your child like to spend time out in nature? Students will receive enrichment in science, nutrition, writing, researching, and designing through *Garden-Based Learning*. Upon completion, students will have participated in independent and collaborative hands-on projects.

[Click here to sign up for Summer Enrichment through Garden-Based Learning for Current 1st-4th Graders](#)

Grades: Current 1st -4th graders

Dates: July 17--27 (Monday - Thursday)

Location: East Coldenham Elementary

Time and Capacity: 8:30 - 10:30 for current 1st and 2nd graders (**15 students max**)

11:00 - 1:00 for current 3rd and 4th graders (**20 students max**)

Elementary English Language Arts

Name of Workshop: Play, Write, and Imagine

Instructor: Amy Wendel

Let us spend a week together as we use our imagination to make books. We will discover how painting, building, and playing make-believe together helps us create our stories. Students will need to bring a smock or old t-shirt for painting.

[Click here to register for Play, Write and Imagine for Current 1st and 2nd Graders](#)

Grades: Current 1st and 2nd graders

Dates: July 31-August 4 **OR** August 7-10

Location: Berea Elementary School

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Capacity: 10 students

Elementary STEAM

Name of Workshop: Program Name: Agriculture and Sustainability

Instructors: Kristina Storaska and Tracy Addington

This 4-day program will allow students to develop a sense of care for the planet and living things. Students will learn about life cycles as they hatch chicks. While learning to care for chicks at the different stages, students will use sustainable and Earth-friendly ways to meet their needs. Students will also engage in coding, planning and constructing take home projects, while learning the value of recycling and using our natural resources. At the end of the week, students will appreciate nature and be inspired to recycle and conserve our resources.

[Click here to register for Agriculture and Sustainability for Current 2nd-5th Graders](#)

Grades: Current 2nd-5th graders

Dates: July 10-13

Location: Berea Elementary School

Time: 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Capacity: 20 students

Business

Sports & Entertainment Marketing Simulation for Current 8th-11th Graders

Instructor Nicole Fuoco

The Sports & Entertainment Marketing Simulation will introduce students to the basics of marketing while exploring how teams and organizations use the 4 P's to enhance their overall brand. This is a project-based simulation where students will get to research current market trends and assess how to help improve a current sports or media outlet of their choosing. Over the course of 4 days, students will redefine how a current team can improve its overall image and reach a new target audience. Some of the topics they will cover are budgeting, pricing, merchandising, sales, promotional campaigns, media relations, and venue enhancements. This will also serve as an extension of Valley Central High School's business department and enable students to transition into a variety of college and career business courses through their guidance counselor.

[Click here to register for Sports and Entertainment Marketing for Current 8th -11th Graders](#)

Location: Berea Elementary School
Date: July 10 - 13
Time: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Capacity: 12 Students

Career Boot Camp for Current 8th-11th Graders

Instructor Nicole Fuoco

Career Boot camp is designed to help students prepare themselves for today's professional workforce. This program will explore what career(s) fit a student's skills and interests. Students will be introduced to the current aspects of college and career readiness courses while creating the necessary materials for employment. Students will leave the program with resumes, cover letters, and job interview skills that will help them succeed in the next phase of their lives. This will also serve as an extension of Valley Central High School's business department and enable students to transition into a variety of college and career business courses through their guidance counselor.

[Click here to register for Career Boot Camp for Current 8th -11th Graders](#)

Location: Berea Elementary School
Date: July 17-20
Time: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Capacity: 12 Students

Personal Financial Management for Current 8-11 Graders

Instructor Nicole Fuoco

This program will introduce students to the basic budgeting and banking skills necessary for them to manage their personal finances. This program will explore how students can create a personal budget, open bank accounts, manage their transactions, and evaluate interest rates on credit cards, student loans, and mortgages. This will also serve as an extension of Valley Central High School's business department and enable students to transition into a variety of accounting and financial management courses through their guidance counselor.

[Clicker here to register for Personal Financial Management for Current 8th-11th Graders](#)

Location: Berea Elementary School
Date: July 24 -27
Time: 8 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Capacity: 12 Students

Secondary English Language Arts

Name of Workshop: Page to Stage
Instructor: Terri Weiss

Does your child like to act and perform? Is your child an imaginative writer? Working together, students will explore writing scenes and monologues, and practice the art of performing.

[Click here to register for Page to Stage for Current 6th -8th graders](#)

Grades: Current 6th – 8th graders
Dates: July 10- 13
Location **East Coldenham Elementary**
Time: 9 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Capacity: 20 student

Goal Setting

Mighty Minds for Current 8th-9th Grade Girls

Instructors: Lacey Benjamin and Jessica Pforte

Mighty Minds will prepare our female students to transition into high school by empowering them to create positive changes that include learning mindfulness strategies, building self-love, and cultivating healthy friendships. Participants will practice skills to create positive thinking patterns to support them in their transition to the next grade. Mindfulness, emotional skill building and coping strategies will be taught to build self-esteem and manage stress. The program concludes with students outlining goals for the year and scaffolding their skills to support positive future thinking. Students will finish the week and leave with mindfulness glitter jars, vision boards that highlight their goals and posters of coping strategies.

[Click here to register for Mighty Minds for Current 8th and 9th Grade Girls](#)

Location: Berea Elementary School
Date: July 10-13
Time: 8 a.m. – 10 a.m.
Capacity: 20 Students