

Summer School

Ozark Middle School

Course Offered for incoming 5th and 6th graders.

Date: June 1-22

Location: Ozark Middle School

7:15 a.m. - 2:45 p.m. Doors open at 7:00 a.m.

Breakfast and lunch are free. Students may also bring lunch from home.

Students enrolled in summer school will participate in a total of four different courses. Term 1, consisting of an AM and PM session, will run from Wed, June 1st - Fri, June 10th. Term 2, also consisting of an AM and PM session, will run from Mon June, 13th - Fri June 22nd.

Students are required to attend both blocks when enrolling for summer school.

As a reminder, every student will be enrolled in “OMS 101” (see description below). This allows each student to choose three other courses. Parents/Students will only be responsible for selecting their courses. The corresponding terms and sessions will be assigned automatically.

COURSE OFFERINGS

OMS 101

How would you like to get an early look into life at Ozark Middle School? “OMS 101” is a course designed to give new students a head start to the upcoming year. Students will be able to get a guided tour of the building, learn how to navigate a schedule, receive some time management tips, and much more. Additionally, students will get a special look into the beginning of the year academic content across each core subject, giving them a jump start to the 6th grade curriculum.

Fantastic Minibeasts

Insects are an integral part of our survival and it’s important to learn more about them. Students will experience the development of butterflies in all stages as they hatch in two weeks. We will grow our own milkweed plants students can take home. Guest speakers will include real world scientists — a local entomologist, bee keeper and a survivalist. We will also study insects in other cultures. Students will have the opportunity to eat insects as is the custom of many in other countries. Students will learn what insects are safe to eat in a survival situation. Students will also explore the arts with their insects, writing a short sci-fi thriller using stop animation with iPads and creating other art pieces.

Geo-Creations

Explore shapes and dimensionality by transforming paper into fun and amazing creations!

Lights, Camera, Action!

Lights, Camera, Action! Do you love being in the spotlight? Do you want to improve your public speaking skills? This class will allow students to take the stage while completing a variety of skits, speeches and presentations.

Mystery Solved Part I

Are you a problem solver? Do you enjoy applying strategies to fix a problem? This class will put your skills to the test. Students will complete daily challenges that require thinking outside the box.

Mystery Solved Part II

This class offers a variety of problem-solving challenges that will require students to collaborate and work together. Students may take this course even if they did not take Mystery Solved Part I.

Podcasts

Digital media is here to stay! Have you noticed how often you are asked to listen for information more than ever before? Podcasts are a new genre of literacy that you will learn to navigate and create. We will listen and notice what techniques are effectively used to entertain, evoke emotion, inform, and persuade. This class will take you through the process of exploring a variety of topics which will lead to writing scripts and recording original podcasts. We will focus on communicating effectively using written and spoken language. You will have the opportunity to prepare and publish a variety of podcasts including informational, personal stories, and opinion pieces.

Physical Education

Students will experience components of our physical education, outdoor recreation and fit for life courses. Course will include indoor/outdoor activities and students should dress accordingly.

Robotics

Robotics is a hands-on class built on teamwork! Students will work in teams to develop a solution to a realistic need; then design, build, and program a robot to satisfy that need. We will use our newly-developed skills to build Battle Bots and compete with each other.

Superheroes of Science

If you like books, comic books, movies made from books/comic books, wondering how those Superhero powers work and snacks, then the Superhero Science summer school class is the one for you. Superhero Science can make us think, wonder and most importantly ask what if and why. Students will discuss science principles found in books, comic books and movies that are based on books. They will get to write and perform their own short science “in” fiction story. Topics of discussion and exploration will be superhero powers and the science behind them, how

to survive a natural disaster and tackle the age old debate of which is better: The book or the movie.

Titanic

If you like the feel of wind in your hair and jumping into super cool refreshing water, then sign up for “Titanic.” Students are going to research how the Titanic was built, how it sank and learn about the passengers who chose to purchase a ticket on the ill-fated voyage. Students will also learn about social etiquette and manners of the time — Downton Abbey style. Formal dining was an event on the Titanic. Students will learn about the work it took to prepare and serve a meal on the ship, how to properly set a formal dining table and enjoy a “meal” as a first-class guest.

Visual Arts

Creative problem solving is at the heart of this visual arts course. Students will explore visual art through a variety of projects using different mediums and techniques. Students will gain confidence and proficiency in the visual arts while reinforcing elements of math and ELA. Students will also explore the history, analysis, critique and interpretation of art while creating unique works of art.