

Elementary Age Summer Program 2022 Class/Activity Summary

Field Trips: Each **Monday**, we will be going to a local park to enjoy their playground, trails, etc. Please have your child wear their summer camp t-shirt on Mondays for field trips. Also, note the summer calendar in regards to whether we will be eating lunch at the park or at Oak Forest on Mondays to help you know when to pack non-microwavable meals. Each **Friday**, we will be going swimming at Midway Pool. Please send swim gear, towel, & change of clothes for your child. We will apply sunscreen before departure and half way thru pool time.

History Class: Each **Monday**, the Elementary kids will have History Class with Mr. Jonathan. They will learn all types of American history with fun activities and games.

Arts & Crafts: Each week on **Tuesday**, the kids will get to make a take-home craft that ties into our theme week. Additional crafts will be added throughout the summer. Every **Thursday**, the kids will have a special Arts & Craft time with Ms. Lily.

Oak Forest Government: Each **Tuesday**, Mr. Mack will be leading an Oak Forest student government. The kids will learn about government, as well as to be part of an interactive government with voting/elections/, rules/laws, etc.

Christian Education & Community Service: **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, & Fridays** during summer camp, the Elementary Age will have Christian Education class with Mr. Josh. This summer, we will be using the "Through the Bible in a Year" curriculum on Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday. "**Through the Bible in a Year**" is an age appropriate for Elementary age students uses an active-learning system uses games, fascinating facts, skits, creative activities & more. Every **Wednesday**, the kids will have Bible trivia games. Christian Education class will be split into upper & lower Elementary groups. Each **Friday**, we will also choose a different community service project with Ms. Alaina as part of our mission to give back to the community.

Oak Forest Cinema: Each **Tuesday**, the kids will have their own movie cinema. They will watch a movie that ties into our theme week on the large projection screen & sound system in the gym. All while enjoying popcorn & snacks.

Music: Every **Tuesday & Thursday**, the kids will have Music Class with Ms. Alaina. We will start the class by the kids picking songs at the start of Summer Camp to practice throughout the summer to perform at the end of the summer at an Oak Forest special church service on Sunday August 21st at 9:00am.

Sweet Treats: Each **Thursday**, we will have Sweet Treats after lunch, with a visit from ice cream truck, Kona Ice, or Sunset Slush. We will pay for the treats & pizza, so no additional money needed.

Wheel Day: On **Thursdays**, kids are welcome to bring their bike, roller blades, skateboards, etc for use during outside play. This is optional. Please send appropriate safety gear.

Talent Show: The kids will have the opportunity to perform at a Talent Show on July 27th. Throughout the summer, Mr. Mack will have sign-ups, dress rehearsals, and more to prepare for the Talent Show.

Themed Activities & Games: Each week staff will plan organized group games that tie into the theme week. Every **Wednesday**, there will be large themed activities planned by the staff or program-wide themed activities, such as Mad Science presentation, Carnival, Magic Show, etc.

Discipline/Behavior Reward Summary: We utilize "Time Outs" as our main behavioral modification tool.

Time Outs involve temporarily separating a child from an environment where unacceptable behavior has occurred. They will write their name on our "TIME OUT" chart under the appropriate day, which parents can monitor. They will then go

to our “Time Out” area during Centers, Outside play, etc. Children’s time-out period will be based on their age (i.e. a 10yr old will have a 10 minute timeout). If unacceptable behavior occurs frequently or is extreme, we will utilize others methods, such as restrictions on privileges, being sent to the Director’s office, and parent involvement. We strive to maintain an open line of communication with parents/guardians in regard to their child’s behaviors.

This summer we will be adding a visual warning system with our time-outs. *Description below:*

- **Green Slip** = At the beginning of every new day all kids will begin with a green slip.
- **Yellow Slip** = If or when a child does something they are not supposed to – talking on red cup, disrupting a teacher whilst giving instructions etc. – they are to move their green slip to yellow, which is their first warning.
- **Red Slip** = If a child continues to act up then they will move their slip from yellow to red. When a child gets a red slip, they are to do a timeout.
- **Going Back to Green** = After a child does their time out, they can move their card back to green. When the child moves back to green the process starts over.

We will also be using “Oak Forest Acorns” for our behavior reward system. Each child will have an Oak tree with their name on it in our main classroom. If they demonstrate good behavior throughout the week (i.e. helpful to staff, following instructions, kind/helpful to other students, etc.). They will be rewarded with an ACORN. If your child has an ACORN at the end of the week they will be rewarded with candy or popsicles. Each week, two students (a Teacher’s Choice & the child with the most ACORNS during the week) will be given a prize card to cash in to use for: choose your own snack, double snack, large candy bar, line leader all day, etc.