Our Summer Program begins with a deep respect for each child as an individual. We use Montessori methods to educate and inspire interest in learning and the exploration of science, nature, global awareness, and most of all...to have FUN!

### **Our Children**

We welcome children between 3 and 12 years of age for the summer sessions. Many Montessori students attend, but Montessori experience is not required. For more information, please call (518) 323-5400, or visit our website at woodlandhill.org.

### **Schedule**

Regular Hours
9 am - 3 pm
Extended Day
8 am - 5:30 pm
Threes Camp Half day
9 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

### About Woodland Hill Montessori School

WHMS is entering its 58th year of exciting and engaging programs for children in the Montessori Philosophy and Method. Our beautiful 11-acre wooded campus is conveniently located just off I-90 across the river from Downtown Albany.

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# Summertime Learning and **fun**

Every day will include activities that promote learning in a fun and peaceful environment. Each session will include theme-based activities as outlined in camp descriptions.

Daily activities may include music, movement, gardening, games, arts & crafts, and time in nature. A morning snack time is set aside, with lunch at approximately 12 pm.

Extended Day is offered before and after the Summer Program (8 am - 9 am and 3 pm - 5:30 pm) and consists of more outdoor playtime fun, which may include arts & crafts, stories, and games.



"The child, making use of all that he finds around him, shapes himself for the future."

- Maria Montessori

# Programs

## Three's Camp



Our threes program allows our youngest campers the opportunity to dive into summer camp supported by our nurturing, experienced Montessori staff.

Our teachers are eager to help make the transition to camp and beyond a smooth one for these new campers.

We will spend our mornings exploring beautiful shelf work, creating with art materials, and learning about the world through a variety of interesting themes. Our afternoons will be peaceful as we rest our bodies to calming music in a quiet classroom. In between, we will explore the playground, splash through sprinklers, ride the zip line and climb to our heart's content.

While not a replacement for our school-year phase-in, this program will give children the chance to become comfortable with the Woodland Hill campus and Primary level environment. They will gain confidence in their ability to make new friends, try new challenges and have a fabulous summer!

Our three-year-old children sign up per week for camp and may choose a half-day option. Children who attend half-day will attend from 9:00 am until 11:45 am. Children who attend for a full day will be eligible to attend our extended day option. Camp themes for three-year-old children are listed below.

WEEK ONE (June 27-July 1) - Library: Eric Carle

**WEEK TWO** (July 5-8) – Dinosaurs: Art

WEEK THREE (July 11- 15) - Farm: Plants

WEEK FOUR (July 18-22) - Farm: Animals

WEEK FIVE (July 25-29) - Vehicles: Land

WEEK SIX (Aug 1-5) - Vehicles: Water and Air

WEEK SEVEN (Aug 8-12) - Messy Art: Paint

WEEK EIGHT (Aug 15-19) - Messy Art: Glue

WEEK NINE (Aug 22-26) - Dinosaurs: Science

## Primary & Elementary Camps ...

WEEK 1: 6/27 - 7/1

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

**Around the World In 7 Days During** our adventure, we will learn about different cultures, languages, traditions, cuisine, wildlife, and more! Join us as we explore the customs and landmarks that make all the parts of the world special.

**Aquatic Adventures** Explore the sea in this fun interactive camp! You'll learn about all types of sea creatures that inhabit different bodies of water, the ocean's ancient history, its current condition, and its future!

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Save the Planet Reduce, reuse, and recycle your way into this "green" camp session! You will learn about the forms of pollution, renewable energy sources, biodiversity, and conservation efforts currently in progress.

**Outdoor Obstacles and Games Run!** Crawl! Climb! In this camp we will be doing all the activities required to complete an obstacle course. You will learn how to build your own obstacle course where you will be able to determine the level of difficulty.

**Dungeons and Dragons** Elves, halflings, orcs, trolls, and humans! Dungeons & Dragons is a wonderful way to escape the confines of your world through group storytelling. Players will be grouped in adventuring teams and will embark on a week-long quest!

**Cardboard Creations** Seize the opportunity to create, create, create. There will be cardboard challenges like the tallest structure, cardboard cities anything your creative mind can build!

**World Chefs 1** Join us for this immersive cooking camp to explore our culinary skills and love for food! We'll hone our cooking skills while creating our favorite dishes and some new ones too!

### **WEEK 2: 7/5 - 7/8**

\*no camp on Monday July 4th

### PRIMARY CAMP **OFFERINGS**

Around the World In 7 Days **Aquatic Adventures** 

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Save the Planet **Outdoor Obstacles and Games Dungeons and Dragons Cardboard Creations** World Chefs (1)

**WEEK 3: 7/11 - 7/15** 

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

Old Fashioned Outdoor Fun This camp is all about bringing it back to basics! We'll play outdoor games, explore nature in the woods, tie dye colorful shirts and much more!

**Ooey Gooey Science We can mix things** to eat, mix things that are fantastic to watch, and make things that are fun to combine with our hands. Let's see what we can concoct together!

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

#### **Rockets and Engineering Camp**

1....2....3....Blast off! In this camp we will learn all about rockets! We will work on crafting rockets together & the science behind rockets. Join us for an exploration of how things drift, zoom, scuttle, circle, sail and fly through the air.

**Styled Creations** We invite you to enrich our classroom with your artistic expression! We'll explore different types of artistic styles and medias. We'll paint, draw, collage and work on collaborative artistic challenges.

Viking Camp Who were the Vikings? Why were they so successful? In this camp, we will be making longboats and Viking coins. We will design and build pottery, play trading games with the Viking goods we create, and learn about the history and significance of the Vikings.

Archeologists Dig Explore the world of archeology as we brush the dust away from the years past. Search for answers as you work to make mummies, explore, make your own fossils, dig for dinosaur bones, and examine the forms of ancient languages!

**Survivor Series Camp 1** This popular camp series is back! Could you survive on your own in the wild? In this camp we will learn the life skills needed in order to

WEEK 4: 7/18 - 7/22

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

**Old Fashioned Outdoor Fun Ooey Gooey Science** 

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

**Rockets and Engineering Camp Styled Creations Viking Camp Archeologists Dig** Survivor Series Camp



Week 1: 6/27 - 7/1 & \*no camp on Monday July 4th

Week 2: 7/5 - 7/8

### Middle School Writer's Workshop

Join Middle School Teacher Alisa Scapatici for her writer's workshop! In this camp we will sharpen our skills and explore various writing styles and genres.



**WEEK 6: 8/1 - 8/5** 

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

Puppetry Create characters and put on your own shows in this creative puppet camp. Students will be able to tap into their imagination and make their own scenery come to life!

Dinosaur Park Step back to a time when the land was filled with plants and dinosaurs. Be the first humans to see these creatures with your own eyes! Travel among the dinosaurs and see how small your footsteps are compared to theirs.

**ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS** 

**Beyond The Earth** Campers are invited to come study space, the history and future of the universe. We will learn about planets, stars, and galaxies. What else could be beyond this earth?

Microscopic Camp In this camp, students will explore the microscopic world through magnifiers and microscopes. Students will learn how to make a wet mount slide, classify different microscopic creatures, collect specimens to observe around the Woodland Hill campus.

Wonderful World of Wizardry Immerse yourself into fictional worlds as you don your house colors, mix magical potions, play games and challenge your skills in the tournaments we create.

Blast from the Past! This camp will explore all things from the past 80's, 90's and today. From big hair to mood rings to platform shoes, we will explore all the trends that make these decades what they were. Nostalgia will hit as we recreate fashion trends, learn about history and listen to music of the times.

Maker Space Camp • In this camp we will explore woodworking, building, crafting and the architecture behind making an actual house. You will learn techniques used to cut, form and create these architectural structures.

WEEK 7: 8/8 - 8/12

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

Puppetry Dinosaur Park

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Beyond The Earth
Microscopic Camp
Wonderful World of Wizardry
Blast from the Past!
Maker Space Camp 1

WEEK 8: 8/15 - 8/19

### **PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Imagination Land Build puzzles, play charades, paint a landscape of your dream world! This camp is all about letting your imagination run wild. Imagination and creative play is how we learn about the world around us. Come have fun with us in this camp experience!

**All About Legos** In this camp we will be utilizing a children toy favorite: Legos! We will be building all sorts of creations in this camp. From cars, to houses to towns!

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Live Action Role Play In this camp we'll explore the world of fantasy and strategy games and other role-playing games. We'll work on character creation, gameplay, and the creation of our own fantastic games to play with our peers.

Myth Busters This camp is all about investigating age old questions. If a tree falls in the woods and no one is around the hear it, does it make a sound? Which came first the egg or the chicken? We will be testing various hypothesis and using our scientific minds to solve different cases!

Fun and Games This camp will focus on getting fitter, faster, and, stronger! We'll learn about all kinds of sports and exercise and how to have fun doing it! We'll work on physical challenges that test coordination, endurance, and balance. We'll play games that foster teamwork and good sportsmanship as well as challenge our own personal records in individual challenges.

Survivor Camp Series II\* 1 This popular camp series is back for a second go around! Missed the first camp offering? Not a problem, we will go over some of the things you may have missed plus some new editions!

WEEK 9: 8/22 - 8/26

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

Imagination Land All About Legos

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Live Action Role Play Myth Busters Fun and Games Survivor Camp Series II\* (1)

### **WEEK 5: 7/25 - 7/29 TRAVELERS CAMP**

### PRIMARY CAMP OFFERINGS

Visitors Camp While the elementary students are on field trips throughout the Capital Region, we'll have our own version of fun here at school as we host a week's worth of special visitors.

We'll have visits from interesting animals, vehicles, science presentations, and community members.

### **ELEMENTARY CAMP OFFERINGS**

Summer Fun Traveler Camp Woodland Hill Campers are off on another great trip around the Capital Region for our most popular, field-trip based camp! This summer we will visit museums, historical sites, and other areas of interest. Join us for another great week of fascinating trips!

Stay on Campus Crawl Stay here on campus with us for the week as we explore our of 11 acres property. Together we will work on projects to beautify our campus with your creativity.





SUMMER CAMPS	REGULAR RATES
One Week	\$250
One Week Extended Day	\$325
1 One Week Immersion Camp*	\$295
One Week Immersion Camp Extended Day*	\$370
Three's Camp	\$250
Three's Camp ½ Day	\$175
Three's Camp Extended Day	\$325
Traveler's Camp/Visitors Camp**	\$318
Traveler's Camp/Visitor's Camp Ext. Day**	\$390

<sup>\* 🕕</sup> Immersion Camp is a camp option which allows our campers to have an opportunity to develop and refine skills centered around an area of expertise. Spaces are limited.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes WHMS Travelers Camp Shirt

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### **EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT**

A discount of \$30 off per week will be given to families who register before April 8, 2022.

### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

A 50% deposit is due at the time of registration. Registrations are not guaranteed without a deposit. Payment in full is due by June 18, 2022. Cancellations made two weeks or more prior to the camp start date will receive a full refund, less a \$50 administrative fee per week. No refunds will be issued for cancellations later than that. There is a \$20 charge for change to registration. Changes to weeks will not be accepted unless submitted in writing to summercamp@woodlandhill.org. Children absent from camp will not be entitled to a refund or exchange of dates. There are no drop-ins for extended day, children who use extended day will be charged for the week. Changes to weeks must be requested before start date of each camp, as requests may not be able to be accommodated once camp is underway.

### **COVID-19 SAFETY POLICY**

The health and safety of our students, our staff and their families are our top priority. Children will remain with their camp group the whole week in an effort not to mix cohorts. Mask wearing, social distancing, hand washing & cleaning protocols will be in place while camp is in session.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

If you have any questions please contact our summer camp email at summercamp@ woodlandhill.org or Eraena Fraites-Gonzalez, Director of Auxiliary Services at efraites@ woodlandhill.org.

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