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Summer at BLAKE



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ACOMA
DAY CAMPS

WELCOME TO SUMMER AT BLAKE!

Love of learning is a year-round endeavor at Blake. Summer at Blake provides an array of experiences that help students continue to grow as scholars, athletes and artists. Open to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area, these pre-kindergarten through grade 12 programs help foster valuable community connections.

Summer at Blake includes academic enrichment and credit-bearing courses, art, music and theatre camps, sports camps and Acoma day camps. From camps to courses and the ice arena to the engineering and programming lab, students enjoy Blake's amazing facilities and interact with talented coaches and superb teachers. Remarkable community organizations also partner with The Blake School to lead a variety of exciting programs during the summer months.

In spring of 2018, Blake will break ground on a major construction project on the Hopkins campus. We are incredibly excited about the improvements that will be made to our facilities. While our physical landscape is changing, our spring and summer programs will continue to operate at the highest standards of efficiency and safety and will provide a warm and welcoming environment for all children and families.

Visit our registration site at www.blakeschool.org to view programs by category, date or campus.

Kindest Regards,



Jessie Briol
Director of Summer at Blake

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Academic Camps



The values of love of learning and courage are central to Blake's mission and our summer academic offerings. These programs, spanning pre-kindergarten through grade 12, are open to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area. Students can investigate new topics and skills while having time to delve deeply and take risks. No grades, just growth.

ACT Test Preparation

Breakaway Test Prep, Minnesota's leading provider of ACT and SAT instruction and test prep partner to The Blake School, is pleased to offer its rigorous ACT test prep class once again this summer. If you want plenty of individualized attention and the opportunity to learn alongside a small group of motivated peers, this class is for you. The program incorporates full-length practice exams, score reports and analyses to identify your areas of strength and weakness. If you're determined to get a top score or need expert, guided instruction, Breakaway can help you reach your goals.

Test Preparation for July 14 ACT

Sessions A and B of Breakaway's summer prep class provide 24 hours of in-class instruction and are designed to get you ready for the new July 14 ACT.

For: ages 15 – 18, entering grades 10 – 12

Dates:

Session A: June 11 – July 11 (Mondays & Wednesdays; no class week of July 2 – 6)

Session B: June 12 – July 12 (Tuesdays and Thursdays; no class week of July 2 – 6)

Times:

Session A: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Session B: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Location: Minneapolis campus

Cost: \$1,195

Min/Max Students: 6/10

Students who are interested are strongly encouraged to take a practice exam prior to starting the class. There will be one makeup class/review session on Friday, July 13 from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Practice exam dates are available at <http://www.breakawaytestprep.com>.

Test Preparation for September 8 ACT

Sessions C, D and E of Breakaway's summer prep class provide 27 hours of in-class instruction and are designed to get you ready for the September 8 ACT.

For: ages 15 – 18, entering grades 10 – 12

Dates:

Session C: July 9 – August 8 (Mondays & Wednesdays)

Session D: July 10 – August 9 (Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Session E: July 10 – August 9 (Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Times:

Session C: 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Session D: 9:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Session E: 1:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.

Location: Minneapolis campus

Cost: \$1,395

Min/Max Students: 6/10

Students who are interested are strongly encouraged to take a practice exam prior to starting the class. There will be makeup classes/review sessions on August 13 and 14 from 1:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Practice exam dates are available at <http://www.breakawaytestprep.com>.

Breakaway at Blake includes:

- Comprehensive materials covering all five sections of the ACT (English, math, reading, science and the essay)
- Homework exercises, including supplementary practice tests
- Full-length, proctored ACT practice tests (offered every weekend throughout the year)
- Critical time-management strategies and helpful test-taking techniques for each section
- Essay scoring and comments
- Expert instruction provided by two veteran ACT instructors, each with subject matter expertise in English, reading and writing or math and science
- Weekly lesson summaries

To learn more about Breakaway's approach, please contact Ron Michalak, Breakaway's president, at ron@breakawaytestprep.com or 612-216-5133.

Animation Studio (Let's Make a Movie)

Create amazing movies with stop motion animation using LEGO® bricks. Students will work in teams to produce their very own movie complete with dialogue and sound effects. Movies will be uploaded to a secure site to share with family and friends! This class is led by Snapology.

Students will:

- Construct stories and develop characters
- Learn how to structure stories to be clear and cohesive
- Develop computer and technology skills
- Use stop motion animation software and web cameras

For: ages 11 – 15, entering grades 6 – 9
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$215
Min/Max Students: 4/20

Around the World en Español

Grab your passport and use your imagination to travel around the world using Spanish! This summer immersion camp will feature storytelling, singing, dancing, art, games and tons of fun. Children will learn about several different countries and cultures and develop a degree of familiarity with basic words and phrases. Campers will not only improve their language skills but will also gain appreciation for many different cultures around the world. Blake Lower School Spanish teacher Lisselin Diaz leads this camp.

For: ages 6 – 10, entering grades 1 – 4
Dates: June 18 – June 22
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$195
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Camp Curie: A Science Camp for Girls with the Science Museum of Minnesota*

Dive into the wide world of science as you develop experiments and create imaginative projects. This year, we will explore the brain and mathematics and use LEGO® bricks in engineering challenges. Campers will investigate questions like: how do our senses relate to the brain, how can we graph data that

we collect and share it with others, and how do we use the engineering design process? We will also learn about women working in the fields of math and science.

*Registration is through the Science Museum of Minnesota at <http://www.smm.org>.

For: ages 6 – 9, entering grades 1 – 4
Dates: June 18 – June 22
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$367 non-member, \$349 member
Max Students: 48

Chess Camp

Whether you want to start with the basic rules of this classic game or learn history, tactics and strategies, this camp will challenge your mind. Join in the fun while expanding your creativity and developing better powers of concentration and memory. Led by Eduard Zelkind, chess master and six-time Minnesota state chess champion, this camp offers students at any level the opportunity to advance their analytical thinking skills in an enjoyable, confidence-building environment.

For: ages 6 – 13, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 6/20



Chess Camp in Wayzata

Join 2010 Chess Coach of the Year Igor Rybakov for Chess Camp in Wayzata! Campers will learn the rules of the game, develop skills and compete in tournaments throughout the week. All campers will receive an award for tournament participation. In addition to playing chess in a relaxed, friendly environment, campers will also play a variety of other board games, complete puzzles and participate in athletic activities. Chess experience is not necessary to attend this camp. Register for one or both sessions.

For: ages 5 – 13, entering grades K – 8
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Times:

Session A: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Session B: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Wayzata campus

Cost: \$155

Min/Max Students: 6/40

Cultural Heritage and Social Justice

Grave robbers and tomb raiders wreak havoc on a culture by destroying a site before archaeologists can properly excavate, thus stealing its history and art. Militant groups and political leaders from the likes of ISIS to Hitler have attempted to destroy the memory of other cultures by reducing their heritage sites to rubble. Oftentimes antiquities are exported from the source country alongside drugs and weapons, enter the black market and end up in some of the world's most prestigious museums — sometimes at the expense of American tax payers. This highly controversial topic connects the world of antiquities to the modern world in a very real and fascinating way. This four-day camp will use excerpts from books and movies, news articles and social media to guide discussions on the problem and explore possible solutions. This course is taught by Blake Latin teacher Katrina Budde.

For: ages 14 – 18, entering grades 8 – 12
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Debate Camp: Introduction

Do you like to discuss current events? Do you wish you could speak with more confidence? Learning the art of debate will help you understand how to analyze issues, speak with authority and engage others. Debate camp will introduce you to the fundamentals of competitive academic debate while learning the basics of good argument theory, the format and rules of competitive debate, critical thinking, research and speech skills.

For: ages 11 – 15, entering grades 6 – 9
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$215
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Debate Camp: Advanced

This camp is for students who have some exposure to debate or speech activities, a strong interest in debating domestic and foreign affairs or attended Intro to Debate camps. Advanced Debate Camp reviews the fundamentals of competitive academic debate while deepening your understanding of argument theory, critical thinking, research and speech skills.

For: ages 12 – 16, entering grades 7 – 10
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$215
Min/Max Students: 6/16



Exploring Faith Traditions

This course offers a unique opportunity for students and educators to learn together about a variety of religious and non-religious beliefs and reflect on their own heritage, values and ideas about religion. Participants will be offered a framework to identify differences and similarities among religions and differing perspectives and practices within religious sects. Daily, they will visit places of worship and spiritual contemplation and hear from religious leaders and practitioners of multiple faith traditions, including Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, Judaism, Hinduism and Native American spirituality. They will also hear from believers in human secularism and atheism. Participants will be invited to consider how schools can foster welcome of, respect for and curiosity about differing religious perspectives and further interfaith dialogue.

For: ages 12 - 18, entering grades 7 - 12
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$275
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Flight Academy

Calling all aviators! As a Mad Science flight cadet in training, you will explore the history of aviation and discover how airplanes fly. Build your own kite, stunt plane, paper airplanes and model rocket. Ride the air on a hovercraft. Discover how hot air balloons, blimps and parachutes work. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 6 – 11, entering grades 1 – 5
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 10/20

For the Love of Latin: Discovering Ancient Rome

Cave Inertiam! Romam Eamus! This week we'll travel back in time to explore the history, culture and daily life of the ancient Romans. We will make Roman armor and practice battle strategies, prepare and sample Roman foods,

create Roman art and much more. We'll even learn a little Latin along the way. This camp is led by Blake Latin teacher Christy Wagner.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Gamebots Beginner Coding

Calling all gamers! Have a blast learning how to code while building robotic games. Students will learn about sequencing commands, value and sensor inputs, and loops. Whether creating a robotic hockey player, pinball machine or a ring toss, your child is sure to have fun building, learning and playing. This camp is led by Snapology.

Campers will:

- Learn fundamental coding skills such as sequencing and using inputs
- Develop abstract thinking skills
- Learn about mechanics through pulleys, gears and cranks
- Use engineering skills to solve challenges

For: ages 8 – 13, entering grades 3 – 7
Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$175
Min/Max Students: 4/20



Greek and Latin Roots of English

Ever wonder why a pedestrian is someone who travels by foot but a pediatrician is a children's doctor? Knowing that pedestrian is from the Latin word *pedes* (foot) and pediatrician is from the Greek word *pedia* (child) will help you not only keep these common words straight, but also decipher more obscure words derived from the same roots. 65 percent of all English words come from Greek and Latin. A solid foundation in the Greek and Latin roots of English provides skills to decode a word, often without looking it up. Not curious yet? Did you know that the prefix *dis* is Latin and means apart or away from, while the prefix *dys* is Greek meaning bad? The prefix *ante* is Latin for before; *anti* is Greek for against. This class will provide you with the tools needed to boost your English vocabulary, avoid many common errors and raise your scores on the English and Reading portions of the SAT and ACT exams. Many of the class activities parallel typical questions on the exams, allowing for immediate application of these invaluable skills.

This course will cover different words from last year, so former students are encouraged to register. Take one or both weeks; the first week is not a prerequisite for the second. This course is taught by Blake Latin teacher Katrina Budde.

For: ages 13 – 18, entering grades 8 – 12

Dates:

Session A: Greek Roots of English, July 9 – July 12
(Monday – Thursday)

Session B: Latin Roots of English, July 16 – July 19
(Monday – Thursday)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School

Cost: \$155

Min/Max Students: 5/16

Honors Pre-Calculus

This course is open to:

- Blake students who have successfully completed Honors Algebra II and who seek to enroll in AP Calculus AB after completing Honors Geometry
- Blake students who have successfully completed Honors Algebra II and Honors Geometry and who seek to enroll in AP Calculus AB
- Students from outside Blake who seek to complete the equivalent of a full-year Honors Pre-Calculus course during the summer. They must possess a strong foundation in algebra because the course contains advanced material and moves at a rapid pace; it is not recommended for remedial purposes.

Before registering, Blake students must obtain their teacher's permission to advance, as indicated by a signed Mathematics Acceleration Contract. Successful advancement requires a grade of B or higher on each of the comprehensive exams given during the summer course.

This course emphasizes functions and their characteristics. Topics include: function notation and transformations; combinations and compositions of functions; linear, quadratic, polynomial, rational, exponential, logarithmic and trigonometric functions; and analytical trigonometry. In addition, sequences, series, parametric equations and limits are introduced in preparation for calculus. Honors Pre-Calculus is taught by Blake mathematics teacher Kirsten Rain.

For: ages 14 – 18, entering grades 9 – 12
(See specific criteria above)

Dates: June 18 – July 26

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Location: Minneapolis campus

Cost: \$1,480

Min/Max Students: 6/16

“ Katrina was a welcoming and engaging teacher with depth of knowledge in her field and enthusiasm about Latin. ”



iMovie youMovie

Ever seen great YouTube videos and wonder how to make your own? iMovie is a great tool for creating a sports highlight reel, music video, class project, short film/documentary, family vacation anthology and more. In this class, students will learn how to plan, capture, produce and upload their own creative videos. This empowering, technical and collaborative course equips learners with valuable 21st century skills that reach far beyond the classroom. The camp is led by Blake Upper School teacher Christin Winkler.

For: ages 11 – 18, entering grades 6 – 12
Dates: July 16 – July 20
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$215
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Intro to STEM with LEGO® Materials

Give your imagination a boost with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects such as cities, garbage trucks, catamarans and dinosaurs. Design and build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in a supportive environment. This camp is led by Play-Well TEKologies.

For: ages 5 – 8, entering grades K – 2
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 11/24

Jr. Robotics Engineer

Discover the world of robots inspired by science fiction writers like Isaac Asimov and Karel Čapek. Build an OWI EM4 Robot and a Rookie Solar Racer v2 to take home. Learn about robot programming with Mad Science's Baby Steps and Sandwich programming. Program a LEGO Mindstorms® Robot to navigate through an obstacle course. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 6 – 9, entering grades 1 – 3
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 10/20

Jr. Scientist

Have you ever wanted to be a chemist, geologist, biologist, illusionist or paleontologist? These are just some of the Mad Science scientists you will become while learning about bugs, sea life, fossils, minerals, optical illusions, magic and what makes slime slimy and putty sticky. Enjoy hands-on fun and experiments as you explore a different theme each day. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 5 – 8, entering grades K – 2
Dates: July 30 – August 2 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 10/20



Junior Scientists: All About Animals

Allow your child to cultivate their love of animals. In this hands-on program, children will learn about animal life cycles, characteristics and traits using K'NEX toys and other interactive learning tools. We make animal science fun! This camp is led by Snapology.

Campers will:

- Explore the animal kingdom and discover differences in animal anatomies and structures
- Learn about insects, arachnids, vertebrates, invertebrates, mammals, birds, reptiles and fish
- Develop understanding of biology concepts
- Explore biodiversity, habitats and ecosystems

For: ages 4 – 6, entering grades PK – K
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$115
Min/Max Students: 4/14

Middle School Sneak Peek

Why wait until the first days of Middle School to find out what to expect? Come learn about daily Blake Middle School life and its schedules, routines and expectations. Through games, music and multimedia presentations, Sneak Peek participants will become familiar with the Middle School building, lock and locker use, the homeroom advisory system, planner use, homework expectations and management, the daily and weekly schedule, and the computer lab and its operating systems. Sneak Peek will help to calm those anticipatory jitters and boost a future Middle Schooler's comfort and confidence during the first weeks of school. Blake Middle School teacher Robin Ferguson teaches Sneak Peek.

For: students new to Blake Middle School (including those from the Blake Lower Schools)
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Times:
Session A, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Session B, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Session C, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 5/15

Mindfulness

Do you sometimes feel anxious or nervous before an exam or presentation? Ever have trouble falling asleep because your many thoughts are scattered? Mindfulness is a life skill to help manage all that and more. When we practice mindfulness, we can focus better and regulate our emotions more effectively. Paying attention to the present moment allows us to respond to situations rather than react. Through discussion, journaling and movement, we will explore mindfulness by experimenting with mindful breathing, listening, speaking, walking, tasting and sitting. We will also learn to be mindful of our emotions. This class is led by Blake assistant teacher and trained mindfulness instructor, Julie Monahan.

For: ages 12 – 18, entering grades 7 – 12
Dates: July 30 – August 3
Time: 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 6/16

NASA: Academy of Space Explorers

From Earth's atmosphere to the outer reaches of our solar system, this hands-on Mad Science program sends campers on a quest for galactic exploration. Comets, planets, stars, constellations, eclipses, asteroids and more are all waiting to be discovered. Learn about space travel, build a model rocket and participate in a rocket launch. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 6 – 11, entering grades 1 – 5
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 10/20

“My child was excited to start Middle School after the sneak peek week.”

Nature's Bounty

Get back to nature with Blake pre-kindergarten assistant teacher Lisa Small. We'll have fun exploring Blake's wooded areas, building shelters, observing animals and letting our imaginations run wild. Children will need to dress for the weather each day and bring a change of clothes. Rediscover the natural world with this woodland immersion camp.

For: ages 4 – 6, entering grades PK – K
Dates: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Outdoor Explorers

Let's explore the outdoors this summer! Spend time discovering Blake's wooded areas with Lower School assistant teacher Lisa Small. Campers will hike, build shelters and observe insects and animals in their natural habitats. Be sure to dress for the weather each day and bring a change of clothes. Get ready for an exciting week of outdoor learning and fun!

For: ages 6 – 9, entering grades 1 – 3
Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Reading Support: Orton-Gillingham

Does your student struggle with reading? Does your student receive additional support in reading or writing at school? Orton-Gillingham is an instructional approach used with students who have difficulty with reading, writing and spelling. Children will work 1:1 with a certified Orton-Gillingham specialist twice a week for one hour each day. Regular attendance is required for optimal growth. If you are interested in registering, please contact Summer at Blake director Jessie Briol at 952-988-3463 to determine if this program would be appropriate for your child.

For: ages 5 – 11, entering grades K – 6
Dates: June 11 – August 10
Time: Individually scheduled
Location: Hopkins & Wayzata campuses
Cost: \$170/week (6 weeks minimum, 8 weeks maximum)
Min/Max Students: 1:1 tutoring

Rocket Blast Off

Blast off into the world of Mad Science model rocketry. This action-packed week will focus solely on rockets and rocket flight. Learn about model rocket design, building, aerodynamics, propulsion, launching, safety, recovery and repair. Take part in daily launches. Bring home your own rockets and an abundance of model rocket knowledge. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 7 – 12, entering grades 2 – 6
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 10/20

Sr. Robotics Engineer

Build the OWI All Terrain 3-in-1 Robot to take home. Explore the mechanical and electrical engineering that makes robots possible. Build circuits, experiment with gears and explore sensors that robots use to guide their actions. Learn the fundamentals of programming robots with Mad Science's Sandwich programming. LEGO Mindstorms® Robots are available for building and programming. This camp is hosted by Mad Science.

For: ages 9 – 13, entering grades 4 – 7
Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$190
Min/Max Students: 10/20



Service Action & Community Engagement in the Twin Cities

Learn about needs and challenges in our local communities, and leave campus daily to participate in service action through community partners. Reflection will encourage students to consider issues they know and care about most and how they might use their skills and resources to make a difference. Come experience the gifts of mutually beneficial service and community engagement! Blake faculty member Lisa Sackreiter leads this course.

For: ages 11 – 15, entering grades 6 – 9
Dates: July 23 – July 27
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$350
Min/Max Students: 7/16

STEM Challenges with LEGO® Materials

Gear up your engineering skills with Play-Well TEKnologies and tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Apply real-world concepts in physics, engineering and architecture through engineer-designed projects such as forklifts, houseboats, mini golf courses and the London Tower Bridge design. Build as never before, and explore your craziest ideas in a supportive environment. This camp is hosted by Play-Well TEKnologies.

For: ages 8 – 11, entering grades 3 – 5
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 11/24

Study Skills

Does your backpack look like a notebook exploded in it? Do you forget what your homework is or where it is? Does it seem like it takes you longer than anyone you know to get your work done? This one-week course will provide you with the organizational tools and the mindset you need to manage your busy workload. We'll explore how the brain learns, your specific learning style, and what it means to understand. You'll put into practice brain-based learning strategies and organizational techniques. You will better understand your role in the learning process so that you can become skilled at avoiding

distractions, prioritizing and focusing on the work at hand. We will also try to make sure there is a lot of laughter during the week. After all, studies show laughter helps you learn. Blake social studies teacher Dr. Stacy Helmbrecht-Wilson teaches Study Skills.

For: ages 12 – 16, entering grades 7 – 10
Dates: July 30 – August 3
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$185
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Study Skills for 6th Grade

Do the increased academic expectations of middle school make you nervous? Does doing homework or completing class tasks take you longer than your classmates? This one-week course will provide you with the organizational tools and the mindset you will need to manage your busy workload in middle school. We'll explore how the brain learns, your specific learning style, and what it means to understand. You'll put into practice brain-based learning strategies and organizational techniques. You will better understand your role in the learning process so that you can become skilled at avoiding distractions, prioritizing and focusing on the work at hand. We will also try to make sure there is a lot of laughter during the week. After all, studies show laughter helps you learn. Blake social studies teacher Dr. Stacy Helmbrecht-Wilson teaches Study Skills.

For: ages 11 – 12, entering grade 6
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Times:
 Session A, 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
 Session B, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
 Session C, 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 6/16

“ The study skills course is extremely helpful. It is highly recommended to all students. ”

Tactical & Strategic Games

This camp introduces students to group games that require strategic thinking. We will build problem-solving skills and resilience in the context of a complex and dynamic environment. Through an interactive and experiential learning process, students will learn to collaborate, adjust strategies and consider multiple outcomes based on their own decisions and the luck of the draw. Practically speaking, we will spend most of our time playing all kinds of games but will use guided reflection and group-thinking to help students understand and build strategies. We will also explore the general theory behind winning at tactical games of all sorts: map-based games, deck-building games and cooperative games. Blake mathematics teachers Christin Winkler and Alex Fisher lead this camp.

For: ages 11 – 18, entering grades 6 – 12

Dates: July 9 – July 13

Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Hopkins campus

Cost: \$180

Min/Max Students: 6/16

“Your camps work the body and mind and my children experienced things they wouldn’t normally get to during the school year. Also, you offer a safe, secure and supervised environment.”

Video Game Design

Create your own video game in this awesome Snapology program. We’ll teach you how to design your very own online game using Stencyl that can be shared and played at home with family & friends.

Students will:

- Develop computer skills
- Manipulate program navigation, spatial planning and game mechanics
- Develop story narrative and game progression
- Select characters
- Create conflict development and solution plans

For: ages 11 – 16, entering grades 6 – 10

Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

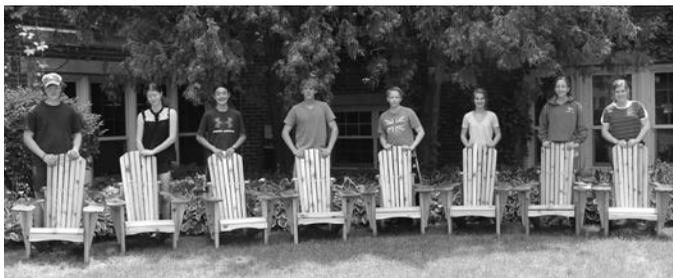
Location: Minneapolis campus

Cost: \$215

Min/Max Students: 4/20



Courses for Credit



Join The Blake School's tradition of academic excellence, rigor, small class sizes and preeminent faculty through our credit-bearing offerings. Students successfully completing a course described below will earn a semester credit from The Blake School. Students attending a school other than Blake must submit a teacher recommendation form found at www.blakeschool.org/summer. In order to earn credit at another school, students must seek permission from their school in advance. Consistent, regular attendance is essential to earning credit due to the intensive nature of the courses. Please review our attendance policies at www.blakeschool.org/summer prior to registering.

Health

This course will explore topics aimed at promoting healthy behaviors, increasing responsible decision-making and encouraging healthful living. Coursework and discussion will focus on the areas of physical, mental, chemical and sexual health. Students will gain an understanding of how to make positive lifestyle choices based on their personal values and work toward personal application of the information into their daily lives. Overarching themes of this course include accessing reliable wellness resources and learning to make healthy decisions that will reduce the risk of future health concerns. This course fulfills the Blake health requirement.

For: ages 15 – 18, entering grades 10 – 12
Dates: June 18 – July 6 (no class Wednesday, July 4)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. (includes lunch break)
Homework Expectation: .5 – 1 hour/day
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$1,880 per student
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Woodworking I

This intensive, shop-based course will engage artists in the design and craft of wood sculpture and furniture. The physical properties of wood and its potential as an expressive medium will be explored. Students will be introduced to power and hand tools used for woodworking and will develop an understanding of the social and environmental implications of materials used for furniture design and production. This course fulfills an arts requirement for Blake students.

For: ages 14 – 18, entering grades 9* – 12
Dates: June 18 – June 29
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (includes lunch break)
Homework Expectation: .5 – 1 hour/day (design tasks)
Location: Minnetonka Middle School West
Cost: \$1,880 per student
Min/Max Students: 5/12

*Students entering ninth grade must seek approval from the art department at The Blake School. Please complete the form found at www.blakeschool.org/summer.

“ Woodworking gives upper school credit and is a great course conducted by Mr. Van Bergen. ”

Art & Theatre



Blake's visual and performing arts offerings challenge students to creatively express themselves in an array of disciplines and materials from the kiln to the stage. These programs, spanning pre-kindergarten through grade 12, are open to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area.

Acting & Playwriting

Ever wanted to write your own plays and then act in them? This is the workshop for you! Using fun improvisation and writing exercises, students will develop interesting characters and plots and turn their creative ideas into actual play scripts. These budding playwrights will take their scripts from page to stage as they rehearse their short plays, add technical elements of set, props, lights and costume, and perform their works in our classroom. This workshop is taught by Blake Middle School theatre teacher Lynn Ellingboe.

For: ages 12 – 15, entering grades 7 – 9
Dates: June 25 – June 29
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$175
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Arts, Crafts & Kids

Join Blake pre-kindergarten assistant teacher Lisa Small for an arts and crafts camp. Campers will create with yarn and clay as well as learn and practice sewing and printmaking techniques. Be sure to bring your imagination and a nut-free snack to this fun and creative camp!

For: ages 4 – 6, entering grades PK – K
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Band Instrument Lessons

These lessons are for 2018-19 Blake sixth graders or incoming Blake Middle School band students. The course fee includes a lesson book, supply kit (e.g., reeds, rosins, oil) and four half-hour individual lessons between July 9 and July 20 based on student availability. More information about scheduling lessons and instrument selection details will come from instructors.

For: Blake students entering Middle School band
Dates: July 9 – July 20
Time: Individually scheduled with instructors
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$165 (includes lesson book and supplies)
Min/Max Students: 1:1 lessons

Blocks, Bars & Bongos: Intro to Percussion

This camp will introduce participants to the exciting world of percussion, which includes drums, cymbals, triangles, blocks, shakers, and pitched percussion and world percussion instruments. Students will study and prepare a percussion ensemble repertoire to perform on the last day of camp.

For: ages 11 – 15, entering grades 6 – 9
Dates: July 9 – July 20
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$315
Min/Max Students: 5/12

Budding Painters

Budding painters will love working with a watercolor, acrylic or tempera palette, turning primary colors into secondary and beyond! Campers will experiment with colors and learn specific techniques with paint and brushes while creating an expressive and vibrant painting. We'll explore different painting subjects from still life to landscapes to portraits. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 6 – 9, entering grades 1 – 3
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Buttercream Basics and Introduction to Decorating Materials

Join Danielle Winther, Blake assistant teacher and owner of DKW Cakes, to learn cake decorating basics at this unique camp. Participants will ice and smooth cakes, tint icing in different consistencies for decorating and practice basic piping and border techniques with round and star tips. We will use wafer paper, fondant and other decorating materials. Students will use their skills to decorate their own cakes on the last day of the camp.

For: ages 12 – 16, entering grades 7 – 10
Dates: July 30 – August 3
Time: 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost: \$175
Min/Max Students: 5/16



Buttercream Basics with Cake

Calling aspiring cake decorators! Join us and make buttercream in different consistencies and tint icing for decorating. Learn how to ice a cake, pipe and decorate with round and star tips. Students will practice various techniques throughout the week and complete a final project that includes icing and decorating a small cake of their own! Danielle Winther, Blake assistant teacher and owner of DKW Cakes, leads this camp.

For: ages 11 – 15, entering grades 6 – 9
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Buttercream Basics with Cookies

Looking for a fun and creative art class involving cookies and buttercream? Danielle Winther, Blake assistant teacher and owner of DKW cakes, is excited to share her decorating expertise with students at Blake this summer! Campers will learn to make buttercream and decorate cookies. We will showcase our newly acquired piping skills using round and star tips on the last day of camp.

For: ages 7 – 11, entering grades 2 – 5
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Buttercream Basics with Cupcakes

Learn to ice and decorate cupcakes with Danielle Winther, Blake teaching assistant and owner of DKW Cakes! Campers will create smooth surfaces with buttercream and practice piping on small surfaces with round and star tips. Bring your creativity and a sweet tooth – this camp is sure to be both fun and delicious!

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
Dates: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16



Clay Handbuilding: Garden Art

Let's roll up our sleeves and play with clay! Pinch, coil and slab your way to creating original pottery that everyone will love. Class clay projects will be perfect for a garden, such as gnomes and toadstool fairy houses, and will be painted with slips by campers. Projects will be glazed and fired and ready for campers to pick up in three weeks. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 30 – August 2 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 Location: Wayzata campus
 Cost: \$190
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Clay Handbuilding: Magical Creatures

Roll up your sleeves and play with clay! Pinch, coil and slab your way to creating original pottery that everyone will love. Class clay projects will feature magical creatures and environments and may include magical clay creatures with feathers, fur or fins and the enchanted habitats in which they live. Clay projects will be painted with slips by campers. Projects will be glazed and fired and ready for campers to pick up in three weeks. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$190
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Clay Surface Design: Morocco!

Let's add lively details and color to our clay! First, we will pinch, coil or slab our clay into functional or decorative pieces and then play with different surface design techniques. We'll learn how to use carving tools and stamps to add lines, shapes and patterns to our sculptures. Class clay projects will be inspired by Moroccan pottery's geometric designs and will be painted with slips by campers. Projects will be glazed and fired and ready for campers to pick up in three weeks. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$190
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Drawing Basics

Anything is possible with a pencil! Build skill and confidence in seeing details, practicing essential drawing techniques and learning visual art foundations. We will turn sketches into masterpieces using graphite, colored pencils, charcoal, pastels and markers. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 30 – August 2 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Wayzata campus
 Cost: \$180
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Forever Summer Art

Capture favorite summertime moments in miniature 2D and 3D art and relive them all year long. Draw and paint a sandy beach, wooded campsite, ice cream stand or amusement park. Then create animals or objects for your scene out of mixed-media treasures. Sculpt ice cream cones that don't melt or painted turtles that look like the real deal. Participants will learn the fundamentals of drawing, painting and sculpture in this class that encourages creativity and self-expression. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 6 – 9, entering grades 1 – 3
 Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 Location: Wayzata campus
 Cost: \$180
 Min/Max Students: 5/16



GLOBAL ART ADVENTURES

Let's bring our art supplies and imaginations on an art-filled adventure! Learn about master artists from different cultures and backgrounds, study folk art traditions, and then practice hands-on artmaking inspired by our art travels. This summer, our art adventures will take us to Australia and the American Southwest. Register for one or both camps. These programs are led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

American Southwest

The American Southwest's canyons, mesas and plateaus are breathtaking feats of nature. We'll paint the desert scenery and its hardy inhabitants, like the Gila woodpecker in its saguaro cactus nest. Learn about Modernist art pioneer, Georgia O'Keeffe, and present-day New Mexico landscape Navajo painter and printmaker Emmi Whitehorse.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$180
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Australia

Explore Australia's diverse natural landscape through artmaking. From the Great Barrier Reef to the Australian Outback, we'll draw and paint the animals, native plants and natural features of Australia. Learn about Aboriginal painter Emily Kame Kngwarreye and environmental artist Diana Boyer, who painted their amazing Australian homeland.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$180
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Imagine This!

Imagine an acting ensemble of enthusiastic students exploring their actors' tools of voice, body and imagination saying, "OK, I'll try it!" as they develop their stage skills. Wowee! Blake theatre teacher Cynthia Hechter will lead the class in improvisation activities and scene building to create lively characters in an original play (based on a great story and student ideas) to share in performance on the last day of class.

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
 Dates: July 23 – July 27
 Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
 Location: Wayzata campus
 Cost: \$175
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Improv!

Move, express and think quickly on your feet! This workshop is full of fun theatre games and improvisational activities where students will work collaboratively to create numerous characters and plots and then bring them to life on stage. We will learn and laugh a lot together. We will focus on the process of building an actor's skills by using improvisation as the tool for exploration and discovery. Blake Middle School theatre teacher Lynn Ellingboe teaches this workshop.

For: ages 11 – 14, entering grades 6 – 8
 Dates: June 25 – June 29
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Price: \$175
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Knit, Purl

Learn how to knit or take your knitting skills to the next level with hours of instruction and practice in this hands-on camp. Beginning knitters will learn how to cast on, knit, purl and sew their creations together. More advanced knitters will practice reducing and adding stitches while learning about tension and gauge. Needles, yarn and patterns will be provided for each student. Blake assistant teacher Lisa Small leads this course.

For: ages 7 – 14, entering grades 2 – 8
 Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Wayzata campus
 Cost: \$155 (includes materials)
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

LEGO® Brick Mania Art Camp with Kidcreate Studio

Back by popular demand! In this camp, we will play with and create art with LEGO® bricks. We'll use our awesome skills to construct larger than life LEGO® bricks, play games and conquer LEGO® challenges. But that's not all. We will also learn art terms and techniques while working with a variety of art materials and supplies. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3
Dates: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 7/20

Let's Paint on Canvas with Kidcreate Studio

Make room on your walls because your child is going to be very proud of their masterpieces! In this popular camp, children will paint on canvas like professional artists. They will learn simple, step-by-step painting techniques as they create colorful owls, inspirational quotes, impasto landscapes and more on real canvas boards. What's impasto? Ask your child after camp and see how much they've learned. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 7/20

Magic: The Gathering – Introduction

Have you ever wanted to raise an army of the mightiest elves and soldiers in the land? Cast enchantments and spells during this fun-filled week. Take on the role of a Planeswalker (A Powerful Mage) and battle other Planeswalkers. Learn the basics and even a few advanced moves. The week will conclude with an exciting tournament. A deck of cards will be waiting for you!

For: ages 8 – 14, entering grades 3 – 8
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$140 (includes cards)
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Magic: The Gathering – Advanced

Calling all Planeswalkers of the Multiverse! This camp is for those who have cast spells, summoned creatures and conquered their kitchen tables but are still hungry for more. This course offers the opportunity to grow as a Magic: The Gathering player and take the game to the next level. Participants will learn new concepts, etiquette and, most importantly, test their skills against other players with the same determination. Prior experience is necessary for this course.

For: ages 13 – 18, entering grades 7 – 12
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 6/16

Mapping the Marimba

Mapping the Marimba is an exciting and engaging children's music camp. During this camp, children will use their imagination to travel around the world as they sing, play percussion instruments and dance to traditional folk songs from Africa, South America, Mexico, Japan and the United States. Participants will each make an instrument to take home.

For: ages 4 – 6, entering grades PK – K
Dates: July 30 – August 2 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 5/16

“ Our son is very interested in art and was excited to have projects every day to bring home. ”

Page to Stage

Lights, camera, action – calling all actors and actresses! Through theatre games, acting exercises, brainstorming and improvisation, students will explore the art of transforming stories into theatre as they take the basic premise of familiar tales and craft new characters, settings and scenarios. Guided by Blake drama teacher Lori Opsal, students will unleash their imaginations as they transform what they have created and bring it from the page to the stage. We invite family and friends to join us for a presentation on the last day of camp to share our work. Register for one or both sessions.

For: ages 9 – 12, entering grades 4 – 6

Dates: June 18 – June 22

Times:

Session A, 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Session B, 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School

Cost: \$175

Min/Max Students: 5/16

Pinch, Slab, Coil Clay Camp with Kidcreate Studio

It's time for young artists to roll up their sleeves, make a mess and play with clay! In this camp, children will use a variety of tools and techniques to make animals, castles, bowls and much more. We will work with a variety of types of clay, including both Model Magic® and air-dry clay. Campers will use their fingers to pinch, assemble a slab and create coils as they learn the basics of working with clay. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3

Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Location: Wayzata campus

Cost: \$140

Min/Max Students: 7/20



Shopkins Cute Art Camp with Kidcreate Studio

Come and create the most delicious and cute art projects of all time. We will learn step-by-step drawing and sculpting techniques as we create Melonie Pips, D'lish Donut, Berry Smoothie and many more of your favorite Shopkins characters. We'll even make a carrying case for you to keep your Shopkins collection in. Grab your shopping carts and let's get creating. This class is going to be D'lish! Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3

Dates: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4)

Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Hopkins campus, Lower school

Cost: \$140

Min/Max Students: 7/20

Sparkle Love Art Camp with Kidcreate Studio

Kids LOVE sparkles and just can't get enough of them! In this camp, children will go sparkle crazy and create multiple projects covered with sparkles galore. Campers will tie-dye, play with clay, create sun catchers and more as they work with different types of clay, paint and other spectacularly, sparkly art supplies. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3

Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)

Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Wayzata campus

Cost: \$140

Min/Max Students: 7/20

Stitch It!

Do you love to sew or want to learn how? Each day will feature a project including cross stitch, embroidery, hand sewing and machine sewing. Take away cool creations and new skills. Materials are provided for each student. Blake assistant teacher Lisa Small leads this camp.

For: ages 7 – 14, entering grades 2 – 8

Dates: July 30 – August 2 (Monday – Thursday)

Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Wayzata campus

Cost: \$155 (includes materials)

Min/Max Students: 5/16

Strings Lessons

Want to continue playing your string instrument over the summer but need a little weekly motivation? Interested in learning how to play a string instrument but not sure which instrument is for you? Take summer lessons with Blake strings teacher, Ann Marie Letsinger. Ms. Letsinger will send scheduling information in May 2018 to registered students.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: June 18 – August 10 (Mondays or Tuesdays)
Time: Individually scheduled in May with instructor
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$40 per lesson (3 lessons minimum, 6 lessons maximum)
Min/Max Students: 1:1 lessons

Tap, Shake, Scrape – It's Only Natural!

Percussion instruments are some of the world's oldest instruments, and they are "all natural!" Participants in this camp will experience the exciting world of percussion as they tap, shake and scrape traditional drums, blocks, xylophones, bells, cymbals, shakers and guiros from around the world. Children will create music using found sounds and even make their own instruments out of natural materials!

Session A
For: ages 5 – 8, entering grades K – 2
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Campers: 5/16

Session B
For: ages 8 – 11, entering grades 3 – 5
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Campers: 5/16

The Best Ever Art Camp with Kidcreate Studio

This camp is packed full of fan favorites! From snow globes and projects that glow-in-the-dark to messy clay masterpieces, we will create the most requested Kidcreate projects of all time in this highly anticipated camp. It's guaranteed to be an artsy good time! Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 5 – 9, entering grades K – 3
Dates: July 23 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 7/20

Twin Cities Jazz Workshop*

The Twin Cities Jazz Workshop is one of the most established summer music programs in the metro area. Students play their instruments as part of small jazz combos that meet for three hours each day over the course of a one-week session. They receive instruction from a top-notch faculty of jazz professionals whose credits include international tours, numerous CDs and several major awards. Each workshop session concludes with a Saturday afternoon student concert and live recording at a real Minneapolis jazz club! Students may enroll in multiple sessions.

*Enroll online at <http://www.tcjazzworkshop.com>

Contact workshop at 612-871-3534 or info@tcjazzworkshop.com.

For: ages 13 – 18, entering grades 8 – 12
Dates: July 16 – July 20; July 23 – July 27;
July 30 – August 3; August 6 - 10
Times:
Morning session, 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.
Afternoon session, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Location: Minneapolis campus
Cost:
\$235 for any a.m. or p.m. weekly session
\$205 for any additional second a.m. or p.m. weekly session
\$175 for any additional third a.m. or p.m. weekly session

“ Our daughter really enjoyed the Page to Stage camp. Having a smaller group and one play was fun for her (and the parents!). ”

Sports Camps



Blake sports camps offer opportunities to try new activities while enhancing and increasing physical fitness skills. Campers are guided by Blake's award-winning coaches and mentored by our championship athletes to apply Blake's core values of respect, integrity and courage to their efforts in the pool or on the field, ice or court. These programs, spanning pre-kindergarten through grade 12, are open to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area.

Archery

Campers will learn and advance their skills in shooting, standing, drawing and releasing. Concentration, slow steady breaths, release and safety are overarching themes, and Blake fourth grade teacher Don Quinn offers more than 30 years of archery experience. Archery camp hits the bulls-eye with both parents and kids!

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$165
Min/Max Athletes: 5/15

Baseball

Join Blake varsity baseball coach Jon Nuss for a fun-filled week of baseball. Participants will receive valuable instruction in refining hitting and throwing mechanics and proper fielding techniques, all while learning more about the game of baseball. Players will be grouped based on age and experience. Participants must provide their own glove, helmet and bat.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 5/40

Boys' Basketball Development Workouts

Commit to summer-long basketball training by joining Blake boys' varsity basketball coach Tyler Biwan and his staff on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We will have 75 minutes of skill workouts including but not limited to shooting, ball handling, passing, defense and much more. This is followed by 45 minutes of strength and conditioning work to improve overall athleticism. Athletes do not need to attend The Blake School to participate. No camp July 3 & 5.

For: ages 14 – 18, entering grades 9 – 12
Dates: Tuesdays & Thursdays, June 12 – July 26
(No camp July 3 & 5)
Time: 4:45 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, gymnasium
Cost: \$120
Min/Max Athletes: 5/40

Youth Boys' Basketball Camp

Join Blake boys' varsity basketball coach Tyler Biwan and his staff for an awesome week of basketball fun. This camp targets skill development, overall basketball knowledge and court sense. Athletes do not need to attend The Blake School to participate. Participants will be grouped based on age and experience.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: July 23 – July 25 (Monday – Wednesday)
Time: 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, gymnasium
Cost: \$120
Min/Max Athletes: 5/40

Youth Girls' Basketball Camp

Join Blake girls' varsity basketball coach Kelly Vang and her staff for an awesome week of basketball fun. This camp targets skill development, overall basketball knowledge and court sense. Athletes do not need to attend The Blake School to participate. Participants will be grouped based on age and experience.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, gymnasium
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 5/40

Cross Country Running

Join Blake varsity cross country coach Jason Shantz for summer cross country running programs. Coach Shantz will offer biweekly summer workouts as well as a weeklong cross country camp. Campers can sign up to participate in summer workouts, cross country camp or both. These programs will provide a fun, challenging and engaging approach to training. A cumulative stress approach takes into account the combination of run, technique, strength, psychology and cross training as total volume of training. This approach has proven to provide high performance and a low incidence of injury. Although we take training very seriously, we will keep things fun with running-based games, healthy/fun snack choices and good times!

For: ages 11 – 18, entering grades 6 – 12

Options:

A) Monday and Wednesday Workouts,
9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m., June 11 – July 18
(no camp week of July 2 – July 6), \$150

B) Cross Country Camp, July 9 – 12 (Monday – Thursday) 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., \$200

C) Summer workouts and Cross Country Camp
(see dates & times above), \$300

Location: Hopkins campus
Min/Max Athletes: 10/30

Fencing: Beginning

Lunge, parry, riposte, touché! Fencing camp introduces basic fencing techniques to fifth through ninth graders who are interested in trying a new sport. Students will learn about fencing weapons while practicing footwork

and bouting skills for this Olympic sport. An informal competition will conclude the week of fencing fun to showcase participants' skills. Fencing equipment will be provided. This camp will be led by Minnesota Sword Club.

For: ages 10 – 15, entering grades 5 – 9
Dates: July 9 – July 13
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, gymnasium
Cost: \$175
Min/Max Athletes: 6/18

Fencing: Advanced

Enhance your fencing skills with this fast-paced camp. Advanced fencing builds upon camper knowledge and practice of footwork and bouting skills. An informal competition to showcase participants' development will conclude the week of fencing fun. Students completing the Beginning Fencing camp last summer or this summer are encouraged to attend. Fencing equipment will be provided. This camp will be led by Minnesota Sword Club.

For: ages 11 – 16, entering grades 6 – 10
Dates: July 16 – July 20
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, gymnasium
Cost: \$175
Min/Max Athletes: 6/18

Football Camp

Join Wolfpack varsity football coach Collin Quinn for an awesome week of football fundamentals and training. Campers will learn a variety of playing positions at this fun, safe and non-contact camp. Campers should bring football cleats and tennis shoes. Athletes will be grouped based on age and experience.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40



Hop, Skip & A Jump Rope

Are you looking for a way to enhance physical fitness while having fun this summer? Join Blake physical education teacher and skilled jump roper Charlie Cracraft for a jump rope specialty camp. In addition to playing double dutch and other games, participants will learn and practice single rope and long rope tricks. Jump into summer at this high energy camp!

For: ages 7 – 12, entering grades 2 – 6
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 6/20

Boys' Lacrosse Camp

Join Blake boys' varsity lacrosse coach Justin Young, along with his staff and student athletes, for a week of skill development, team building and conditioning. Campers will be divided into two divisions based on age, size and skill level. This allows campers the best opportunity to absorb and replicate the skills necessary to have success playing. Experienced coaches ensure that campers are appropriately challenged and have a fun and rewarding time. Participants must provide their own lacrosse stick, helmet (with face mask), gloves and arm pads. Please contact the Summer at Blake staff to arrange equipment if needed.

For: ages 7 – 14, entering grades 2 – 8
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40

Girls' Lacrosse Camp

Join Blake girl's lacrosse coach Maria Slusser for the fastest game on two feet! This camp will help athletes develop fundamental skills to grow and master the sport — all while having a whole lot of fun. Each day focuses on a specific skill set, beginning with a series of drills and concluding with a game-like setting during which campers put those skills to use. Former and current high school varsity lacrosse players are present to ensure that each camper receives individual attention throughout the week. All levels are welcome; beginners are

encouraged. Players are grouped based on age and experience. Participants must provide their own lacrosse stick, goggles, cleats, mouth guard and water bottle.

Session A
For: ages 10 – 14, entering grades 5 – 8
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40

Session B
For: ages 6 – 10, entering grades 1 – 4
Dates: July 16 – July 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40

Youth Lacrosse Camp: Learn to Play

Interested in learning how to play lacrosse? Join us at this fun and active coed camp for beginners. Former Blake lacrosse coach Bobby Nichols will guide players in skill development, basic strategy, teamwork and sportsmanship. Participants must provide their own lacrosse stick, helmet (with face mask), elbow pads, shoulder pads and padded gloves (comparable hockey equipment is acceptable).

For: ages 5 – 8, entering grades K – 2
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40

“ In the four days our daughter participated in the lacrosse camp, her skills increased by leaps and bounds. She loved the personalized attention and the introduction to Blake Athletics! ”

Sailing Camps

Head out to the Lake Minnetonka Sailing School (LMSS) to enjoy a wide range of sailing fun! As a nationally accredited program, LMSS offers classes to fit the needs of every Blake sailor, at any age or experience level. In addition to teaching sailing, LMSS offers REACH curriculum for those ready to explore our waters through science, technology, engineering and math (STEM). Visit their website to find the right fit for you and your sailors. To learn more and register, visit Lake Minnetonka Sailing School online at www.lmss.us.

Soccer Camp

Join Blake varsity soccer assistant coach Paul Armstrong for a fun week of soccer. The camp, like the Blake soccer teams, will emphasize teamwork, leadership, hard work and good sportsmanship. Campers with playing experience, and those playing soccer for the first time, can get much out of the learning-by-playing approach of this camp. Activities will include large group warm-ups, individual skill development and small group competitions. Bring a soccer ball, shin guards, water and sunscreen. But most importantly, be prepared to have some serious soccer fun! Athletes will be grouped based on age and experience.

For: ages 6 – 11, entering grades 1 – 5
Dates: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 10/40

Survival Skills

Join fisherman, hunter, outdoorsman, adventurer and Blake fourth grade teacher Don Quinn for Survival Skills. Topics for the class include finding food and water, building shelter, basic first aid, attaining warmth and keeping cool. Campers will learn to pack a survival kit, start a fire, find food from plants, track animals, build shelters, fish and much more. Be prepared for an outdoor adventure at this exciting and informative camp!

For: ages 8 – 12, entering grades 3 – 6
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$165
Min/Max Participants: 5/16

Swim Team Camp

This three-week swimming technique camp is designed to foster development and refinement of competitive swimming strokes for junior varsity and varsity caliber swimmers. Athletes begin with basic body balance and progress to swimming with maximum efficiency. Starts and turns will also be emphasized daily. This training program is designed for high school season success. Have a great time while you take this lifetime activity to the next level with Blake's award-winning coaching staff.

For: ages 11 – 18, entering grades 6 – 12
Dates: July 9 – July 26 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, pool
Cost: \$270
Min/Max Athletes: 5/15

Swimming Lessons: Developing & Learn-to-Swim

Participate in American Red Cross swimming lessons at Blake this summer! You will be amazed at how much your child can grow as a swimmer with daily instruction. Your child will improve basic swimming skills, gain confidence in the water and improve their stroke proficiency. A swim assessment on the first day of camp will guide goal setting and performance outcomes. Blake's coaching staff prides itself on utilizing individualized instruction to coach each swimmer to the next level. Staff to swimmer in-the-water ratio will be 1:6. Daily swim lessons are a great way to wrap up a day of camps and classes at Blake and/or combine with Extended Day (see online registration for options). Sign up for multiple sessions to see the best results.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates:
Week 1, June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Week 2, June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Week 3, July 2 – July 6 (no lessons Wednesday, July 4)
Week 4, July 9 – July 12 (Monday – Thursday)
Week 5, July 16 – 19 (Monday – Thursday)
Times: 3:40 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, pool
Cost: \$75
Min/Max Swimmers: 6/16

“ Our child started competitive swimming as a result of her Blake ‘learn-to-swim’ participation years ago. The Swim Team camp was perfect for her now as she’s swimming competitively. ”

Track & Field

Run, jump, sprint, hurdle, throw and vault your way through a terrific week of track and field fun. Join Blake coaches and athletes to learn and practice the myriad of skills involved in each event while improving your speed, endurance and overall athletic potential. Events for track and field include running sprints and long distances, hurdles, long jump, pole vault, triple jump, high jump and throwing the shot put and discus. Additionally, the training for track and field can serve as a strong foundation for many other sports. Athletes will be grouped based on age and experience. This camp is led by Blake teacher and coach Vince Donahoe.

For: ages 6 – 14, entering grades 1 – 8
Dates: June 25 – June 28 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, track
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 5/40

Ultimate Frisbee

Grab a disc and lace up your sneakers for a week of skill development and strategy. Campers will learn positioning, handling and catching techniques as well as participate in friendly, fast-paced competitions. Be sure to bring a water bottle and dress for the weather. Ultimate Frisbee camp is sure to be ultimate fun! This camp is led by Blake physical education teacher Charlie Cracraft.

For: ages 8 – 14, entering grades 3 – 8
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Athletes: 6/30

Yoga Fitness

Join us for yoga and fitness fun! This camp includes yoga, movement, music, crafts, group games, projects and story activities. Each day will have its own theme and encourage your child’s creativity. Yoga brings out the best in kids and teaches positive lessons. Colleen Evon, founder of Fun Sun Kids Yoga and former preschool teacher, is a certified yoga instructor. She is currently an instructor at CorePower Yoga and teaches kids’ yoga programs at several Twin Cities schools, including The Blake School.

Session A

For: ages 4 – 8, entering grades PK – 2
Dates: June 18 – June 21 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Campers: 5/16

Session B

For: ages 8 – 11, entering grades 3 – 5
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Campers: 5/16

Session C

For: ages 4 – 8, entering grades PK – 2
Dates: August 6 – August 9 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Location: Wayzata campus
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Campers: 5/16



Acoma Day Camps



Looking for fun, adventure, sports, arts and friendships? Blake's Camp Acoma has brought together children from across the Twin Cities for more than 50 years. Campers engage in the arts and athletics while developing curiosity, creativity and positive risk-taking skills. Unique session themes provide opportunities to grow physically, socially and intellectually in a friendly and safe environment. Blake's core values of respect, love of learning, integrity and courage are explored as campers embrace the magic of summer at Camp Acoma. Need a summer's worth of fun in one place? Each Acoma session offers unique themes, field trips and projects. All of this and more keep campers on their toes and covered in sunscreen!

Acoma Cubs

We play to learn and learn to play! Day camp fun meets school readiness at Camp Acoma Cubs. Our youngest campers learn to love camp and school through arts and crafts, fantasy and dramatic play, athletics, biking, scooting, ice skating (Hopkins campus only), cooking and games. Session themes emphasize early literacy, mathematical thinking and scientific exploration in addition to cooperative and independent play. Pack swim suits and towels — we'll have water fun and games on hot days (there is no pool swimming in Cubs). Weekly morning field trips enhance each theme-based session.

Blake faculty and counselors who are caring role models with unique talents lead Camp Acoma. The faculty to student ratio is below 1:7. A foundation of Camp Acoma is developing strong relationships with other campers and counselors. Acoma Cubs campers enjoy a safe, enriched environment in Blake's generous early childhood facilities on both the Hopkins and Wayzata campuses. Parents of children entering kindergarten can choose between Cubs and Bears based on age, swimming ability and camp readiness.*

IMPORTANT: Please be sure to register for Camp Acoma Cubs on the proper campus — Hopkins or Wayzata.

Camp Acoma Cubs

For: ages 4 – 5, entering pre-kindergarten and kindergarten*

*Parents of children entering kindergarten can choose between Cubs and Bears based on age, swimming ability and camp readiness.

Dates:

Session A: June 18 – June 29 (2 weeks), Hopkins campus

Session B: July 2 – July 6 (four days; no camp Wednesday, July 4), Hopkins campus

Session C: July 9 – July 20 (2 weeks), Hopkins campus

Session D: July 23 – August 3 (2 weeks), Wayzata campus

Times:

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., full day (pack a nut-free lunch each day)

8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m., mornings (option to stay for lunch is included)

Cost:

\$450 full day (per two-week session)

\$245 mornings (per two-week session)

\$195 full day (per four-day session), week of July 2 – 6

\$110 mornings (per four-day session), week of July 2 – 6



Acoma Bears

Join Camp Acoma Bears for a summer of action, creation and relaxation in seven unique sessions. Acoma Bears takes full advantage of Blake's rolling acres, pool (Hopkins campus only), gymnasium, ice arena (Hopkins campus only) and nearby lakes. Local field trips serve as capstones and opportunities for more hands-on learning and adventure. A foundation of Camp Acoma is developing strong relationships with other campers and counselors. Blake faculty and counselors who are caring role models with unique talents lead Camp Acoma. Dedicated arts and physical education faculty deepen athletic and artistic experiences throughout each session. Our counselor-to-student ratio is below 1:8.

Each session offers hours of water-based activities. Certified lifeguards and instructors lead American Red Cross swimming lessons, and swim assessments guide the instruction of each child. New or reluctant swimmers will be guided gently in water adjustment and learn-to-swim exercises. Be amazed at how much your child can grow in one summer!

Please pack a nut-free lunch, afternoon snack and water bottle for your child each day. Refrigerators and microwaves are not available.

IMPORTANT: Please be sure to register for Camp Acoma Bears on the proper campus — Hopkins or Wayzata.

Camp Acoma Bears

For: ages 6 – 8, entering grades K* – 2

*Parents of children entering kindergarten can choose between Cubs and Bears based on age, swimming ability and camp readiness.

Dates:

- Week 1: June 18 – June 22, Hopkins campus
- Week 2: June 25 – June 29, Hopkins campus
- Week 3: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4), Hopkins campus
- Week 4: July 9 – July 13, Hopkins campus
- Week 5: July 16 – July 20, Hopkins campus
- Week 6: July 23 – July 27, Wayzata campus
- Week 7: July 30 – August 3, Wayzata campus

Time:

- 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., full day
- 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)
- 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)

Cost:

- \$245 full day (per one-week session)
- \$195 full day (per four-day session), week of July 2 – 6
- \$125 – \$135 half day (one week in combination with other Blake offerings)
- **Register for 4 or more weeks of full-day Acoma Bears and receive \$75 off!****



Acoma Adventure

Camp Acoma Adventure revs up the camp fun for children entering grades three and four. Daily activities emphasize positive risk-taking, team building and Acoma traditions such as visual arts, athletics, daily swimming and ice skating (Hopkins campus only). Weekly field trips emphasize adventure!

Camp Acoma is led by Blake faculty and counselors who are caring role models with unique talents. Our counselor-to-student ratio is below 1:8. Dedicated arts and physical education faculty deepen athletic and artistic experiences throughout each session. Certified lifeguards and instructors lead American Red Cross swimming lessons, helping campers improve their swimming proficiency while learning new strokes and skills. New or reluctant swimmers will be guided gently in water adjustment and learn-to-swim exercises. Each camp session offers hours of swimming lessons and water-based activities.

Please pack a nut-free lunch, afternoon snack and water bottle for your child each day. Refrigerators and microwaves are not available.

IMPORTANT: Please be sure to register for Camp Acoma Adventure on the proper campus — Hopkins or Wayzata

Camp Acoma Adventure

For: ages 8 – 10, entering grades 3 – 4

Dates:

- Week 1: June 18 – June 22, Hopkins campus
- Week 2: June 25 – June 29, Hopkins campus
- Week 3: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4), Hopkins campus
- Week 4: July 9 – July 13, Hopkins campus
- Week 5: July 16 – July 20, Hopkins campus
- Week 6: July 23 – July 27, Wayzata campus
- Week 7: July 30 – August 3, Wayzata campus

Time:

- 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., full day
- 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)
- 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)

Cost:

- \$250 full day (per one-week session)
- \$200 full day (per four-day session), week of July 2 – 6
- \$130 – \$140 half day (one week in combination with other Blake offerings)
- **Register for 4 or more weeks of full-day Acoma Adventure and receive \$75 off!****

Acoma in Training: Leadership Development

Looking to enhance your leadership skills while having fun this summer? Become a Leader in Training! In our Acoma Leaders in Training program, you will explore and develop your leadership style, participate in team building activities, experience positive risk-taking and practice overseeing creative camp activities. Day camp favorites of group games, outdoor learning, American Red Cross swimming lessons, ice skating (Hopkins campus only), athletics, songs and visual art projects round out each day. Local field trips serve as capstones and opportunities for more hands-on learning and adventure. Spend your summer learning and growing at this fun and inspiring camp!

IMPORTANT: Please be sure to register for Camp Acoma Leaders in Training on the proper campus — Hopkins or Wayzata

Camp Acoma Leaders in Training

For: ages 10 – 13, entering grades 5 – 7

Dates:

Week 1: June 18 – June 22, Hopkins campus

Week 2: June 25 – June 29, Hopkins campus

Week 3: July 2 – July 6 (no camp Wednesday, July 4), Hopkins campus

Week 4: July 9 – July 13, Hopkins campus

Week 5: July 16 – July 20, Hopkins campus

Week 6: July 23 – July 27, Wayzata campus

Week 7: July 30 – August 3, Wayzata campus

Time:

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., full day

8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)

11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., half day (available in combination with other Blake offerings)

Cost:

\$250 full day (per one-week session)

\$200 full day (per four-day session), week of July 2 – 6

\$130 – \$140 half day (one week in combination with other Blake offerings)

****Register for 4 or more weeks of full-day Acoma Leaders in Training and receive \$75 off!****

Mix & Match Camps

Please read through the wide array of options for children entering grades K – 7. Camp Acoma Bears, Acoma Adventure and Acoma Leaders in Training are offered in both half-day weekly sessions (when combined with other Blake camps) and full-day weekly sessions to give children the opportunity to have fun in Acoma and the many other camps at Blake.



“ We have heard from many friends that Acoma is amazing and this was now our second year. We LOVED everything about it! ”

Spring Break Camps



Join us for learning, creativity, exploration and friendships at Spring Break at Blake! Our fun and engaging arts, sports and academic camps are led by caring and knowledgeable instructors and provide students with opportunities to try new activities and enhance skills. Half-day and full-day options are available, and Extended Day child care will be offered each morning and afternoon. These pre-kindergarten through grade 12 programs are open to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area.

Art Terrarium

Attention nature lovers! In this art camp, we'll sculpt fabulous critters and build a miniature ecosystem. In addition to building a garden terrarium and a felted planter combining a variety of art materials, plants and bits of nature, we'll also make animals, birds and insects from air-drying clay and mixed media. This camp is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 11, grades 3 – 5
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Arts, Crafts & Kids

Join Blake pre-kindergarten assistant teacher Lisa Small for an arts and crafts camp. Campers will create with yarn and clay as well as learn and practice sewing and printmaking techniques. Be sure to bring your imagination and a nut-free snack to this fun and creative camp!

For: ages 4 – 6, grades PK – K
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Basketball Camp

Join coach Marsille Reed for a week of basketball skill development and strategy. In addition to developing shooting, passing and dribbling techniques, we will focus on teamwork and good sportsmanship. Campers will also participate in fun, friendly and fast-paced competitions throughout the week.

Please wear tennis shoes and comfortable clothing, and be sure to bring a water bottle and nut-free snack.

For: ages 9 – 13, grades 4 – 7
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Gymnasium
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 6/20

Canvas & Clay with Kidcreate Studio

Creating with clay and painting on canvas – it just doesn't get any better than that! In this camp, your child will explore the incredible world of art while learning simple step-by-step painting and clay techniques. Children will make 3D bears, owls that glow-in-the-dark, a scratchboard painting of a cat and so much more. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child each day.

For: ages 4 – 8, grades PK – 2
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 7/20

“ Both children enjoyed being in a small class environment. They also liked meeting kids from other schools and other grades. They thought the teachers were excellent and very kind. ”



Chess Camp

Whether you want to start with the basic rules of this classic game or learn history, tactics and strategies, this camp challenges your mind. Join in the fun while expanding your creativity and developing better powers of concentration and memory. Led by Eduard Zelkind, chess master and six-time Minnesota state chess champion, this camp offers students at any level the opportunity to advance their analytical thinking skills in an enjoyable, confidence-building environment.

For: ages 6 – 14, grades 1 – 8
 Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$155
 Min/Max Students: 7/20

Digging the Dirt

Do you love playing in the dirt? Join Blake pre-kindergarten assistant teacher Charlie Billadeau for a nature immersion camp developed just for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten children. The class will take nature walks throughout Blake’s wonderful natural campus and explore the grounds in springtime. We will ask questions like, what makes the snow disappear? What will spring and summer look like? And what colors around us will change? Children will be encouraged to explore the world around them and see natural surroundings in new ways. Let’s spend the week making new and exciting discoveries outdoors!

For: ages 4 – 6, grades PK – K
 Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$145
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Dungeons & Tabletops

Join Blake assistant teacher Charlie Billadeau and learn how to play a variety of tabletop, board, and role-playing games from Dominion to simplified Dungeons & Dragons. The games will be chosen based on group interest, but we will spend at least one day trying out an assortment of games. Tabletop games teach mathematical and strategic thinking, teamwork, creative thinking and imaginative play, theatrical and dramatic storytelling, and social skills – but best of all, games are fun! Other games we might play include but aren’t limited to: Settlers of Catan, Telestrations, Codenames, Mysterium, Pandemic, Fate Accelerated, Dungeon World and made-up games. If you’ve ever wanted to try out role-play or tabletop games, please join us. There’s no experience necessary.

For: ages 11 – 14, grades 6 – 8
 Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
 Cost: \$145
 Min/Max Students: 5/16

Fencing Camp

Lunge, parry, riposte, touché! This camp introduces basic fencing techniques to fourth through eighth graders who are interested in trying a new sport. Students will learn about fencing weapons while practicing footwork and bouting skills used in this Olympic sport. An informal competition will conclude the week of fencing fun to showcase participants’ skills. Fencing equipment will be provided. This camp is hosted by Minnesota Sword Club.

For: ages 9 – 14, grades 4 – 8
 Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
 Time: 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
 Location: Hopkins campus, Gymnasium
 Cost: \$180
 Min/Max Students: 6/18

“ My child became an expert SAORI Weaver and learned strategy in chess. ”

Forensic Lab

Use forensic science to help solve Mad Science mysteries. Learn about collecting evidence, blood typing, pH and fingerprints as you help solve a case. Extract the DNA from wheat germ and make a model cell. Create a mystery scene for fellow campers to analyze and solve. This camp is led by Mad Science.

For: ages 7 – 11, grades 2 – 5
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 10/20

Mess to the Max with Kidcreate Studio

We will maximize the mess to make this art class the very best! Paint with plaster, sculpt with goeey gunk, make papier-mâché puppies and fling paint like Jackson Pollock. We will even learn some really cool stuff along the way. Please pack a nut-free snack and drink for your child.

For: ages 4 – 8, grades PK – 2
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$140
Min/Max Students: 7/20

Outdoor Explorers

Let's explore the outdoors over spring break! Spend time discovering Blake's wooded areas with Lower School assistant teacher Lisa Small. Campers will hike, build shelters and observe insects and animals in their natural habitats. Be sure to dress for the weather each day and bring a change of clothes. Get ready for an exciting week of outdoor learning and fun!

For: ages 6 – 8, grades 1 – 2
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$145
Min/Max Students: 5/16

Résumé & Interviewing Skills Workshop

Join Blake Associate Head of School Dr. Anne Graybeal for a workshop on constructing effective résumés, writing engaging cover letters and practicing interview strategies. This hands-on experience will be helpful for students applying for summer jobs and internships or preparing for the college admission process. Bonus: Participants can seek personalized feedback on résumés and cover letters from Dr. Graybeal any time in the year following the workshop.

For: ages 13 – 18, grades 8 – 12
Dates: March 28 – March 29 (Wednesday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$80
Min/Max Students: 5/16

SAORI Weaving

Join The Blake School's 2015 McGuire visiting artist, Chiaki O'Brien for a SAORI weaving workshop. SAORI is freestyle hand weaving with no rules and restrictions. It is an art form in which weavers express themselves. There are no patterns to follow and nothing is a mistake. Weavers will work independently and create with complete freedom and natural creativity at this unique camp.

For: ages 9 – 18, grades 4 – 12
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 6/9



Science Kaleidoscope

Have fun and learn with Mad Science as you explore the fields of chemistry, Egyptology and engineering. Help build a giant geodesic dome and a model pyramid, and write with hieroglyphs. Make your own chromatography T-shirt and mix different ingredients to create sidewalk chalk, bath fizzers and edible treats. This camp is led by Mad Science.

For: ages 6 – 10, grades 1 – 4
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 12:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$160
Min/Max Students: 10/20

Spring into Art

Capture favorite springtime moments in miniature 2D and 3D art. Projects may include garden art, relief printed windsocks to welcome the spring breeze or mixed-media treasures for your room. This class combines painting, printing and sculpting projects in imaginative ways and is led by the Minnetonka Center for the Arts.

For: ages 8 – 11, grades 3 – 5
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$180
Min/Max Students: 5/16

“ So glad that Blake offers this as an option. From my perspective, it was organized and the topics were interesting for a high energy, inquisitive kid. ”

Yoga Fitness

Join us for yoga and fitness fun! This camp includes yoga, movement, music, crafts, group games, projects and story activities. Each day will have its own theme and encourage your child's creativity. Yoga brings out the best in kids and teaches positive lessons. Colleen Evon, founder of Fun Sun Kids Yoga and former preschool teacher, is a certified yoga instructor. She is currently an instructor at CorePower Yoga and teaches kids' yoga programs at several Twin Cities schools, including The Blake School.

For: ages 4 – 7, grades PK – 1
Dates: March 26 – March 29 (Monday – Thursday)
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Location: Hopkins campus, Lower School
Cost: \$155
Min/Max Students: 5/16



NEED FULL DAY CAMPS OR EXTENDED CARE?

Spring Break at Blake and Summer at Blake offer several options to craft a full day of camp fun. Staffed by Blake faculty and Acoma staff, each option below provides a safe and fun place for campers before, between or after camps. The online registration system will prompt you when Extended Day, Recess Bridge or Camp Acoma (summer only) match your selection.

Extended Day

Extend the day and extend the fun! Children enjoy indoor and outdoor games, arts and crafts and an afternoon snack. Extended Day is a fun and safe place for children to ramp up and wind down before or after a great day at Blake.

Spring Break:

Extended Day is available for care before and after camps during Spring Break at Blake. Morning sessions are available from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. and afternoon sessions run from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Children must be picked up by 5:30 p.m. each evening; late charges will be assessed.

Extended Day at Hopkins campus: March 26 – March 29

For: ages 4 – 11 or PK – grade 5

Dates: March 26 – March 29

Time: Morning 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.; Afternoon 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Hopkins campus, playground or Lower School library

Cost: Mornings \$25 for 4 days; Afternoons \$50 for 4 days

Summer:

Extended Day is available for care before and after camps during Summer at Blake the weeks of June 18 – July 20 on the Hopkins campus and July 23 – August 9 on the Wayzata campus. Students may enroll in the morning session from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m., the afternoon session from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m., or both depending on the course offerings at each of our campuses. Children do not need to attend Camp Acoma to be a part of Extended Day. Children must be picked up by 5:30 p.m. each evening; late charges will be assessed. If you would like to participate in afternoon swimming lessons within Extended Day, please review the information in the Sports Camps section.

Extended Day at Hopkins campus: June 18 – July 20

For: ages 4 – 11 or entering PK – grade 5

Dates: One-week sessions, June 18 – July 20

Time: Morning 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.; Afternoon 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Hopkins campus, playground or room #109

Cost: Mornings \$30 per one-week session/\$25 week of July 2 – July 6;

Afternoons \$60 per one-week session/\$50 week July 2 – July 6

Extended Day at Wayzata campus: July 23 – August 9

For: ages 4 – 11 or entering PK – grade 5

Date: One-week sessions, July 23 – August 9

Time: Morning 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.; Afternoon 3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Location: Wayzata campus, playground or room #222

Cost: Mornings \$30 per one-week session/\$25 week of August 6 – August 9;

Afternoons \$60 per one-week session/\$50 week of August 6 – August 9

Mix & Match Half-Day Camps and Courses

Many of our camps and courses are either in the morning or afternoon. Mix and match offerings are based on age and interest. Recess Bridge is available for campers between camps (see below). In the summer, Camp Acoma Bears, Adventure & Leaders in Training programs offer weekly morning and afternoon sessions to begin or end the day for campers ages 6 – 13. The online registration system will prompt you when Extended Day, Recess Bridge or Camp Acoma (summer only) match your selection.

Morning to Afternoon Camp Transition: Recess Bridge

To ensure safety, all children on campus must be affiliated with a program. If you are pairing morning and afternoon camps, we can provide supervision between programs. All children staying on campus between morning and afternoon camps must enroll in Recess Bridge unless accompanied by a parent/guardian. However, Recess Bridge is not necessary if a program is paired with half-day Camp Acoma (summer only). The online registration system will prompt you when Recess Bridge matches your selection. All campers are escorted to and from program offerings by staff. Be sure to bring a nut-free lunch and beverage.

For: ages 4 – 14 or entering PK – grade 8

Spring Break Cost: \$10– 25/week

Summer Cost: \$25 – 35/week

General Information & Policies

Spring Break at Blake and Summer at Blake camps and courses are available to students throughout the greater Twin Cities area. Children do not need to attend The Blake School to participate in spring break and summer programming. For spring break camps, register using your child's current grade level. For summer camps, register based on the grade your child will be entering next fall.

Registration Options

Spring Break at Blake registration will open on November 1 and Summer at Blake registration will open on January 1. Please register online at www.blakeschool.org/summer. Credit card and e-check payment options are available. All medical information is collected via online registration.

Cancellations & Refunds

Please register for courses and camps carefully. Any request for a change or refund must be made in writing to the Summer at Blake director. There is a \$75 non-refundable deposit for all Spring Break at Blake and Summer at Blake camps and courses.

Spring Break: \$75 non-refundable deposit for all camps and courses. Requests for refunds prior to February 15 will receive a full refund minus non-refundable deposits and any administrative fees per class/camp. No refunds will be issued after February 15 to ensure staffing and programmatic commitments to all families. This policy includes cancellations due to vacation schedules, conflicting activities and/or just a change in plans.

Summer: \$75 non-refundable deposit for all camps and courses. Requests for refunds prior to May 1 will receive a full refund minus non-refundable deposits and any administrative fees per class/camp. No refunds will be issued after May 1 to ensure staffing and programmatic commitments to all families. This policy includes cancellations due to vacation schedules, conflicting activities and/or just a change in plans.

Blake reserves the right to change or cancel any course in the event enrollment does not meet minimum participation. In the event of a program change or cancellation, Blake will make every effort to notify families immediately and will offer the option of transferring enrollment toward another class or receiving a full refund for the class. No refund is granted for a cancellation of a single class or session due to circumstances beyond our control such as weather. No refunds or credits will be issued in the case of dismissal from a course or camp due to conduct.

Absences

There will be no refunds for illnesses, absences, vacations, cancellations due to weather or late matriculation. No refund will be given if a student is dismissed from a program because of disciplinary action. In courses for high school academic credit, consistent attendance is essential to earning credit due to the intensive nature of the courses. All absences must be reported to the Summer at Blake Office at 952-988-3463 or summer@blakeschool.org. Please do not enroll your child in a credit-bearing course at the high school level if you expect them to be traveling to a sporting event, a cultural activity or any other event that will require missing more than two days of the course.

Construction Update: In spring of 2018, Blake will break ground on a major, multi-year construction project on the Hopkins campus. During this time, our spring and summer programs will continue to operate at the highest standards of efficiency and safety and will provide a warm and welcoming environment for all children and families. Once projects are underway, visit www.blakeschool.org for the most up-to-date information. We are very excited about the improvements that are being made on campus!

Inclement Weather

If Spring Break at Blake or Summer at Blake must be closed for any reason, the staff will make every effort to alert families prior to the start of class via text, email or at drop off. There are no refunds for cancellations due to weather.

Drop-off & Pick-up Procedures

Pick-up and drop-off can take some time given the number of campers coming and going at the start and end of each day. Please plan for approximately 10 minutes. Traffic in and around the Twin Cities can be heavy and delays may occur, so please plan accordingly. Students are expected to arrive on campus in time for the beginning of each activity. If a pick-up time is more than 15 minutes late, your child will be cared for in the camp office or at Extended Day. Late fees will be assessed. There is no transportation provided between campuses.

Hopkins campus: To drop off your child or children for Summer at Blake on the Hopkins campus, enter the campus via Blake Road South. Follow the driveway as it curves to the left and then to the right and up a small hill to the main parking lot. Follow signage to various camps and courses. Pre-camp communication will provide specific locations.

Wayzata campus: To drop off your child or children on the Wayzata campus, enter the campus via Peavey Lane. There is limited parking in the front, so please park in the back of the school if you are entering the building. Follow signage to various camps and courses. Pre-camp communication will provide specific locations.

Minneapolis campus: To drop off your child or children on the Minneapolis campus, park in the east parking lot and enter the building through the doors adjacent to the lot. Follow signage to various camps and courses. Pre-camp communication will provide specific locations.

Transportation

Transportation is not available between Blake campuses. Please review locations carefully as camps and courses are located on all three campuses. No refunds will be issued for registering for a class at an incorrect location.

Code of Conduct

Summer at Blake welcomes all families and children and provides a safe and respectful environment that honors The Blake School's core values of respect, love of learning, integrity and courage. Summer at Blake encourages high standards of behavior rooted in an environment of welcome, safety and respect. Campers and students must be with their counselors or teachers at all times. Summer at Blake reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to deny any camper or student the opportunity to participate in an activity or the remainder of a camp or class if the child's social conduct or behavior is deemed unsatisfactory by the Summer at Blake administration. No refunds or credits will be issued in the case of dismissal from a camp or course due to conduct.

“ We LOVED the handling of the logistics. We felt very well informed and that our child mattered. ”





Summer at BLAKE

Summer at Blake offers students dozens of wonderful opportunities to find fun, enrichment and new friends in a caring and supportive environment.

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 or call us at 952-988-3463
 for more information.

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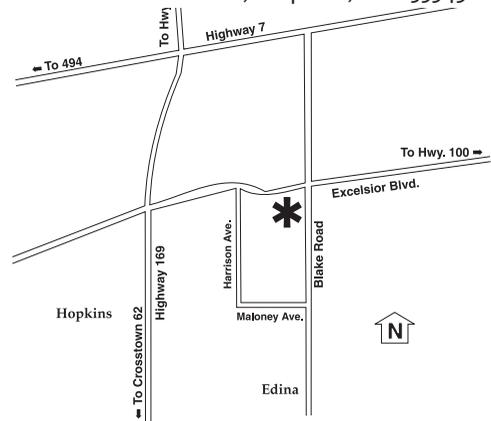
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THANK YOU!

The Blake School

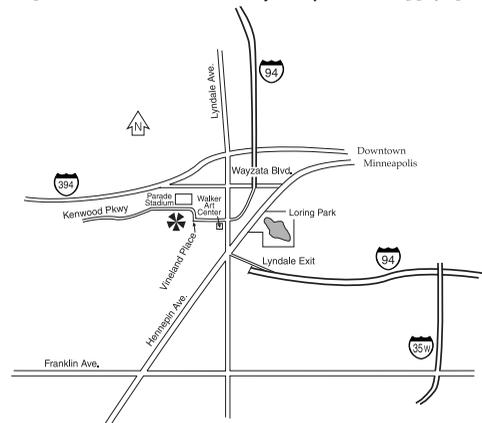
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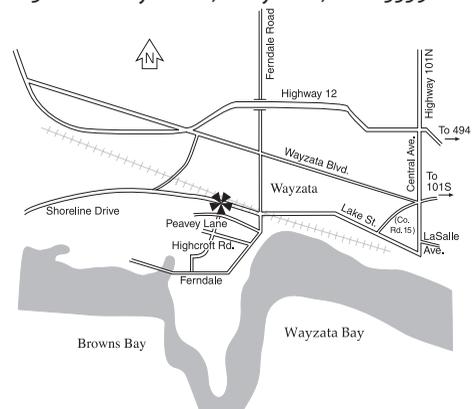
Minneapolis Campus

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