

2020 Reading Academy Information

Cañon City Schools 2020 Summer Reading Academy

June, 2020

Dear Parents,

We are excited to offer our Summer Reading Academy again this year. We know that these are somewhat uncertain times, but we also recognize the importance of providing our students with world-class reading skills. The combination is that we've taken many precautions to serve your children with outstanding reading instruction AND keep everyone safe in the process. Here is some general information which I think you'll find helpful.

- **WHERE:** Canon Exploratory School (CES), located at 2855 N. 9th St, Cañon City, CO
- **WHEN:** We'll be meeting Monday-Friday, July 13 through August 7. Each day, the kids will need to be there from 9:00am to 11:45am (this does not include transportation time for bus riders). Please arrive before classes start at 9am. We will start temperature checks at 8:45am (more information on that below).
- **"GRAB and GO" FREE LUNCH:** Students will be offered a sack lunch to take home each day. A snack will also be served at 9:45am.
- **BUS TRANSPORTATION TBA:** Students who live outside of a 1.5 mile radius will qualify for free bus transportation. Bus riders will receive a phone call when an official bus route has been completed.
- **ATTENDANCE:** Attendance will be taken daily. 80% attendance is a requirement for all students who commit to the program. The program is 20 days x 2.25 hours per day, which equals 45 total instructional hours.
- **DROP OFF/PICK UP:**
 - Kindergarten drop off is located by entering the lane off of Washington Street on the north side of the building. This is over by the taller music/gymnasium buildings.
 - 1-3 grade drop off will enter the main entrance off of 9th Street in front of the school. If you have siblings in both, just do one drop off in the kindergarten lane and the older students can walk to the front of the building.
 - Staff will be outside at 8:45 to start taking temperatures. Please do not leave until you have been given the "thumbs up" from our temperature takers who will be waiting on the sidewalk in the drive through.
- If you have questions, please call the Canon City Schools administration building at 276-5700 and leave a message for Mrs. Newton or Mr. Adam Hartman. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

PLEASE READ THE BACK SIDE CAREFULLY REGARDING OUR SAFETY PROTOCOLS! →

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Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

Thank you for enrolling your child in our Canon City Schools Summer Reading Academy. We are very excited to get back in the classroom with your student! Things obviously are a little different due to COVID-19, but we are ready for the challenge. Please be patient with us as we do our best to handle all of the new safety procedures. The following are specific actions we are taking to keep our learning environment secure.

- **Temperature Checks**- each staff member and student will have a quick, “noncontact” scan of their temperature before they enter the building. Anyone with a temperature at, or above, 100.4 degrees, will be sent home and cannot return until fever free without medication for 72 hours. As a first line of defense, you can also check your child's temperature at home before leaving.
- **Student Groups**- students will be entering classrooms through the outside doors of CES. We have limited the group size to 4 students per teacher, with two groups of students in each room. This meets the recommendation of 10 people per room in a school setting. The outdoor playground is a limit of 25. Your student will have the opportunity for two short recess breaks, but we are going to stagger the use of equipment so that number is lower.
- **Hand sanitizing**- Before a student enters the building, they will be asked to get a squirt of hand sanitizer. Throughout the morning, after each session, bathroom break, recess, or snack time, they will also get a squirt.
- **Masks**- The following are the General Protocols the district is adhering to at this time:
 - Masks should be worn by staff to the best extent possible when not instructing. (ie. greeting students/parents, playground supervision, non-instructional periods)
 - Masks are recommended for visitors (parents, other district staff etc)
 - Masks are not required for children, but will be available as appropriate or requested. *If you would like your student to wear a mask during non-instruction times, please let us know in writing.
 - Masks are required for bus drivers and aids when children are on the bus.

*****Staff will NOT be wearing a mask when they are teaching.** The main reason for this is that being able to hear the proper sounds and see the instructor's lips when teaching reading is necessary and extremely important.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jen Newton