

SUFFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Keep the learning going! Suffield Schools is offering two different virtual summer learning programs for students to continue to develop their literacy and numeracy skills. You are welcome to participate in **both** programs.

Program 1- Live/Recorded Grade Level Lessons

We are running four one-week sessions from **July 6, 2020 - July 31, 2020**, in English language arts (ELA) and math. Parents may register students for either literacy or numeracy sessions, or **both!** This includes two live and interactive sessions on Mondays and Fridays and three recorded lessons each week on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, all targeting crucial skills. Live sessions will include a mini lesson and a demonstration of understanding.

Lessons each week will cover the following topics:

Students exiting Sixth Grade		ELA: Ms. Lorie Hunt Live Lessons 10:00 a.m. M/F	Math: Ms. Erika Vella Live Lessons 9:00 M/F
Week 1	July 6 - 10	Nonfiction: Developing an idea	Place Value
Week 2	July 13 - 17	Nonfiction: Look all around a word for clues to meaning	Adding, subtracting, multiplying decimals with understanding and procedural fluency
Week 3	July 20 - 24	Nonfiction: Creating a summary of the text	Introduction of Fractions: Comparing, Ordering, and Equivalency
Week 4	July 27 - 31	Nonfiction: Growing your own ideas	Addition and Subtraction of Fractions
Students exiting Seventh Grade		ELA: Ms. Kim Marker Live Lessons 9:00 a.m. M/F	Math: Ms. Samantha Pryce Live Lessons 10:00 a.m. M/F
Week 1	July 6 - 10	Characters (major): Seeing it my way	The Number System: Real World Uses
Week 2	July 13 - 17	Characters (minor): Seeing it your way	Ratio & Proportions: Solve real world problems using proportional relationship
Week 3	July 20 - 24	Themes: What do characters have to say about it \dots ?	Equations & Expressions: Real World Situations
Week 4	July 27 - 31	Themes: Putting it into writing	Representing Real World Situations

Students exiting Eighth Grade		ELA: Ms. Kim Marker Live Lessons 10:00 a.m. M/F	Math: Ms. Cindy Davis Live Lessons 9:00 a.m. M/F
Week 1	July 6 - 10	Characters: Pressures and motivations	Physics & STEM I Amusement Park
Week 2	July 13 - 17	Characters: Power dynamics	Physics & STEM II Amusement Park
Week 3	July 20 - 24	Theme: Building meaning	Real World STEM Activities I
Week 4	July 27 - 31	Themes: Putting it into writing	Real World STEM Activities II

Sign up for week long sessions here: <u>SMS Virtual Summer School Live/Recorded Lessons</u>. Students will be sent a Google Classroom code for access to lessons and live sessions.

Program 2: DreamBox Math and Lexia Literacy

Students can continue to build skills during the summer using **DreamBox** for numeracy skills and **Lexia** for literacy skills. Students received log-in accounts during the school year for DreamBox and Lexia. We would like to encourage all students to continue to engage with these programs weekly. Mrs. Jess Marzi will be online one hour a day from 9:00-10:00 a.m. to support families with any technology issues regarding these programs. Mrs. Marzi will also be sending program certificates, should your student earn one, to your student's suffieldstudent.org account. It is recommended that students complete approximately five DreamBox lessons per week and complete the posted minute goals provided through the Lexia program. For questions, login help and troubleshooting advice, email Mrs. Marzi: jmarzi@suffield.org.

Program 2 does not require a sign up. Simply have your student continue to log in to their DreamBox and Lexia accounts and utilize the programs this summer. Mrs. Marzi will help you keep track of your progress.

The Suffield School District is excited to partner with parents to prepare students for next year with this Summer Learning Opportunity.

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Sincerely,

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