



Dear Stillmeadow Families,

This year we will be offering enrichment programs after school at Stillmeadow. These enrichment programs have helped academic success in the classroom, promote physical activity, and engage students in curriculum outside of school. With the help of the many talented teachers of Stillmeadow, as well as organizations, such as Sound Waters, and the Stamford Museum and Nature Center and the Gym Guyz, we will be giving students the opportunity to participate in various programs geared towards academic achievement.

The session will begin on Monday January 7th and will run to the week of February 11th. In order to ensure that all students get the opportunity to participate you may only sign up for one program per student. Attached, please will find a description of all the programs offered after school.

Please send in your child's application and contact information no later than Tuesday, November 20, 2018.

You will be notified of your child's acceptance on a first come first serve basis as space for each program is limited.

We look forward to a successful wave of After School Enrichment Programs.

Marcella DeCarlo
Program Coordinator

Important Information

CLASSES ARE FILLED ON A FIRST COME-FIRST SERVED BASIS

Please inform your child's classroom teachers in writing as to which Enrichment class they will be taking and advise the classroom teachers of ALL schedule/pick up changes.

Sessions & Times

Date: January 4th - February 11th

Monday Program Dates: Jan. 7, Jan. 14, Jan. 28, Feb. 4, Feb. 11

Tuesday Program Dates: Jan. 8, Jan. 15, Jan. 22, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12

Sessions Begin at 2:55 and end at 3:55

Pick-up:

Pick up is at 3:55 in the lobby of the school. Please park your car, get out of your vehicle, and form a line outside of the main doors. Once in line you will be asked who you are picking up, and students will be delivered to you. This process ensures that all students safely get to their destinations without distractions. It is important that you wait outside the lobby as after school is in session and we need to ensure every child's safety and maximize learning time without interruption. Please do not socialize or linger in the lobby as other after school events may be in session.

Bus:

Students will begin boarding the bus between 4:15 and 4:30. Due to the amount of students per bus please give the bus about 45 minutes from the time students board to make it to your child's stop.

Late Fee Policy:

Pick up is at 3:55-4:05 SHARP. Habitual lateness will result in expulsion from the program. Please call the After School phone (203) 977-4507 if you are late or if there is any change with your pick up plan.

Student Conduct:

*The Enrichment Program does not have the same staff resources that are available during the school day. Unfortunately, we may not be able to adequately serve children who repeatedly require one-to-one supervision **Repeated unsafe and unkind behavior may result in a student's dismissal from the Enrichment Program.***

Medical/Social Emotional:

Please notify Marcella DeCarlo in writing if your child needs an epi-pen or inhaler, or has any special needs of concern.

Contact Info:

Marcella DeCarlo: mdecarlo@stamfordct.gov 203-977-4507

Emergency phone during Enrichment hours: 203-977-4507

Programs Offered

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MONDAY PROGRAMS

- **Sound Waters Discovery Team (Grades 3-5): Sound Waters** - The SoundWaters “Discovery Team” is hands-on and interactive and is designed to support and enhance learning in Stamford elementary school students. Students learn about the ecology of Long Island Sound. Different activities are presented to introduce students to the animals, habitats and watershed of the local area. Live animals, games that illustrate scientific concepts, related crafts, and simple experiments are among the types of activities included.
- **Lion Leaders (Grades 1-4): Miss Ackerman and Miss Kane-** Lion Leaders is a club that focuses on bringing out our best selves. Students will be challenged to be a leader. As a group, students will think about how to create a more positive community within our school. They will work on projects and implement ideas within the building to promote kindness and leadership to inspire others.
- **Stillmeadow Community Singers (Grades 2-5): Mr. Bodofsky-** The “Stillmeadow Community Singers” is a vocal ensemble consisting of students from second to fifth grades. The purpose of the group is to learn more about proper vocal technique, experience music they may have never heard before and see how it can relate to their everyday lives and even other school studies and of course to have a lot of fun while learning. The ensemble has been invited to sing at corporate parties, for the Board of Education, tree lightings, the Stamford Town Center and even the Bridgeport Sound Tigers and Blue Fish Games.
- **Gym Kidz (Grades K-2): The Gym Guyz-** GYMKIDZ is an exercise based enrichment program. It is a structured and progressive series of developmentally age and grade appropriate activities that include games, relays, sport specific and obstacle course challenges. Our GYMKIDZ program is designed to facilitate an atmosphere that encourages teamwork, comradery and confidence.
- **Game Club (Grades K-3) Ms. Cerbone:** This club focuses on having an enjoyable, entertaining time without having an electronic device in your hands. Students will learn to play and create board games while working on skills that encourage teamwork, patience, critical thinking and reasoning.
- **Forensic Detectives (Grades 3-5): Stamford Museum & Nature Center-** Discover the basics of how detectives solve human and animal crimes as we investigate different types of evidence that can be left behind. Learn how to ID fingerprints or hair samples, test pens for ink samples, or match a shoe to its print. Learn how conservationists use animal bones, scat, tracks and other artifacts to protect endangered plants and animals around the world.

TUESDAY PROGRAMS

- **Math Club (Grades 3-5): Mrs. Jones-McDowell-** Fun, hands-on math activities that activate your problem solving skills. You apply your math learning to real-life scenarios. Students will go in depth planning, problem solving and demonstrating their knowledge. Students will also build on math fluency and automaticity through interactive games
- **Readers Theater (Grade 2): Miss Rigakos** Students will bring their reading skills to life using various Reader's Theater scripts including *The Very Cranky Bear*, *The Three Billy Goats Gruff*, *Moose's Loose Tooth*, etc.. With each script students will practice reading scripts fluently, will work on comprehension of stories, engage in social interactions, perform, create, and practice public speaking skills. In addition, students will create scenery and props for each script.
- **LEGO Works (Grades K-1): Miss Balch-** LEGO Works is a hands-on program that builds teamwork, critical thinking and creative skills among students. Children work together in small groups to design and build structures reflecting a different project each week (e.g. animal habitats, communities, medieval castles, etc.) Beyond creative play, this program develops students' problem solving, presentation, and helps students gain a sense of accomplishment and builds confidence.
- **Dance Your Heart Out (K-5): Ms. Romanello & Ms. Evarts:** Students will learn a combination of different styles of dance. Each class will start with a warm up, stretching, and end with a choreographed routine that will be performed during a school assembly. This class is perfect for all students. Modifications will be made based on student dance experience.
- **After School Homework Club (Grade 5): Mr. Zaremski-** Students will have an opportunity to get help with their homework, learn about study skills to help them succeed and/or a quiet place to do their homework.

Stillmeadow Elementary School After School Enrichment Program

PARENTAL PERMISSION FORM

Dear Parents,

Stillmeadow Elementary School enrichment programs will begin soon. These programs will run on Mondays and Tuesdays after school from 2:55 – 3:55 pm. **If you are interested in your child participating, please fill out the bottom section of this notice and return it to school no later than Tuesday, November 20, 2018.**

Student Name: _____

Grade Level: _____

Teacher: _____

I give permission for my child (named above) to attend the **Stillmeadow Elementary School After School Enrichment Program** on Mondays and Tuesdays after school from 2:55 – 3:55pm

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

Printed name of Parent or Guardian

Date

Check All that Apply

My Child will be **picked up** (Please send a note to Marcella DeCarlo if your child will be picked up by someone other than yourself)

My Child will **require bus transportation**

Please provide CROSS STREETS of current bus stop _____

Current bus number _____

Session Choices (Choose from 2 based on the interest of your child)

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Choice 1: _____

Choice 2: _____

*Based on program popularity, students will only be selected for 1 program.

You will receive notice if accepted into a program or not