Summer School 2026

Watertown Unified School District
111 Dodge Street, Watertown, WI 53094



April 13, 2026	**4:00 PM**	**Online Scheduling opens for grade Schedule via Skyward Family Access**
May 8, 2026	**11:59 PM**	**Online Scheduling closes**
June 15, 2026	**4:00-6:00 PM**	**Open House**
June 16, 2026		**First day of Summer School classes**
June 26, 2026		**No School**
July 3 and 6, 2026		**No School**
July 16, 2026		**Last day of Summer School classes**
June 8-July 23, 2026		**Unified Strength (Monday-Thursday)**

2026 Summer School Daily Schedule

WHERE:

4K & Kindergarten:	Schurz Elementary
Grades 1-4:	Watertown High School
Grades 5-8:	Riverside Middle School
Grades 9-12:	Watertown High School

WHEN:

4K & K

Session 1..... 8:00 am - 11:30 am

Grades 1-4

Session 1 .....7:45 am - 8:40 am
Session 2 .....8:45 am - 9:40 am
Recess .....9:45 am - 10:00 am
Session 3 .....10:05 am - 11:00 am
Lunch .....11:05 am - 11:35 am
Session 4 .....11:40 am - 12:35 pm
Session 5.....12:40 pm - 1:35 pm

Grades 5-8

Session 1.....8:00 am - 8:55 am
Session 2.....9:00 am - 9:55 am
Session 3.....10:00 am - 10:55 am
Lunch .....11:00 am - 11:30 am
Session 4.....11:35 am - 12:30 pm
Session 5.....12:35 pm - 1:30 pm

Grades 9-12

Session: 6/16-7/16

Morning .....7:45 am -10:30 am
Lunch..... 10:35 am - 11:00 am
Afternoon.....11:05 am- 1:35 pm

2026 Summer School

The Watertown Unified School District welcomes you to Summer School 2026!

Summer School offers half- or full-day learning opportunities through a variety of programs and activities. These experiences are designed for students preparing for the next grade level, those who may need extra support or practice to strengthen their skills, and those interested in exploring enrichment classes.

Sign Up

Registration opens on **April 13 at 4:00 PM.** Families are encouraged to register through Skyward Family Access. We recommend logging in ahead of time to ensure your account information is current before Summer School registration begins.

If you need your Skyward login information, please contact your school office for assistance or reach out to Cheryl Hollatz at hollatzc@mywusd.org.

Lunch

A free daily lunch will be provided at the RMS & WHS sites.

Tuition & Fees

Students who reside in the Watertown Unified School District may enroll tuition-free, regardless of which school they attend during the regular school year. Students living outside of the district must pay tuition or be open enrolled in WUSD to participate. Those interested should contact the Educational Service Center at 920-262-1460.

Attendance

Students who enroll are expected to attend daily. District protocols regarding illness will continue to be followed. Families must call the Summer School attendance line to report absences due to vacation or illness and provide details about the illness and symptoms.

4K & Kindergarten Attendance:
Schurz Elementary *(920)262-1485*
Grade 1-4 & 9-12 Attendance:
WHS *(920)262-7500*
Grade 5-8 Attendance:
RMS *(920)262-1480*

Course Information

- Choose a course according to the grade the student was in during the 2025-2026 school year.
- Courses with insufficient enrollments will be canceled.
- Online scheduling will close on May 8, 2026

Transportation

May 22nd is the deadline to sign up for rural and shuttle bus service via electronic form.

Shuttle Bus Services Sites:

- **Douglas Elementary**
- **Lincoln Elementary STEM School**
- **Riverside Middle School**
- **Schurz Elementary School**
- **Webster Elementary School**
- **Pepsi West Side Subdivision**
- **Rural**

Shuttle bus students MUST be at their pick-up site by 7:10 AM each day. Please make every effort to be at the sites at the end of the day to pick up students at the appropriate time. Please contact Riteway Bus Company (920-390-4446) immediately in the event a child has not arrived home at the expected time.

BUS STUDENTS: IMPORTANT! A name tag will be provided for all 4K and Kindergarten children riding rural and shuttle buses. These tags will include their name, school destination, address, home phone number, and bus route number or shuttle site. The tags MUST be worn for all 20 days of Summer School.

GRADES 1 – 4

COURSE OFFERINGS

Academic Classes

Book Club Fanatics 1-4
I hope you are ready to read some terrific books! We will be digging into amazing, new books from a variety of authors. We'll have book club conversations, book talks, and choose some fun projects with our books. Come ready to talk, listen, and create!

Ready, Set, Read 1-4
This class will allow the time for reading and writing support students need to be ready for the next grade. We will be listening to an interactive read-aloud daily and working in small groups to improve comprehension and fluency.
**Teacher Recommendation*

Math For Me! 1-4
Do you want to keep your math skills sharp this summer? In Math for Me, students will have the opportunity to play math games online to keep their math skills on track. This class is for students of all levels as they will have the opportunity to work on skills at their own level through the interactive programs.

Enrichment Classes

Arts and Crafts
Here's your chance to use various artistic mediums. These projects are made from recyclable materials or household objects, which allows you to recreate these items at home. Bring your creativity.

Backyard Games
Students will learn games such as corn hole, bocce ball, croquet, frisbee, ring toss, and more. Friendly competition will occur daily.

Card Games
Learn to play a variety of card games while building essential skills! These activities will help you practice paying attention, taking turns, listening, being a gracious winner, and handling losses with resilience.

Disney Days
Welcome to Disney Days, where your child will revisit the magic of Disney stories through arts, crafts, snacks, music, and movement. Activities will be centered on the Disney movies we all know and love. Join us as we have fun exploring Disney!

Great Gardening
Get ready to start planting. Students will learn all about the art of gardening!

Gym Games
If you like to play basketball, dodgeball, and survivor, this class is for you. This class is designed to get the most fun out of your summer while practicing teamwork and good sportsmanship. **Gym shoes required.**

Gymnastics
Join us for a non-competitive program designed to teach flexibility, strength, coordination, and body awareness while building self-esteem in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. This instructional course is offered for students of any ability level.

Into the Wild
Take a walk on the wild side and join our animal adventures this summer. We will explore different types of wild animals through books, games, stories, crafts, and more.

LEGO Learning
Students will read and analyze LEGO books. They will create patterns and figures, follow directions, make graphs, and solve math problems using Legos. Students will also have the opportunity to compare and contrast and write to describe LEGO figures.

Let the Games Begin
Students will enjoy a bit of math, critical thinking, and strategizing as they learn and take part in a variety of card and board games.

Let's Dance
This course focuses on building foundational dance skills through activities like stretching, yoga, and fitness-based dance activities. Students will develop flexibility, strength, balance, and coordination while participating in team-building exercises that encourage both collaboration and confidence. We will also introduce age-appropriate goal-setting and mindfulness to support overall personal growth.

Pickleball
Come and learn one of the fastest-growing sports on earth! Students will play while learning rules, scoring, and bits and pieces in between. NO heels or sandals.

Rising Stars
Did you ever want to sing and dance on the big stage in front of a live audience with your friends? This class gives you your chance to shine like the stars! Purchase of a t-shirt for $9.00 is required for the end of session concert. Price of t-shirt to be determined. A separate form for sizing will be provided at the time of registration and you may pay for the t-shirt at that time.

Science Rocks
Come and join us in an exciting hands-on science adventure. Each day you will learn more about science through fun science experiments and have a blast in the process!

Snack Time
In this class, students will have an opportunity to learn about healthy living and make healthy snacks that incorporate ingredients from various food groups.

Spanish Fiesta
Spanish Fiesta! is an interactive, hands-on introduction to Spanish for 3rd–4th graders. Students will explore Spanish through music, movement, games, crafts, stories, and delicious food tastings from Spanish-speaking cultures. Learn basic vocabulary through a variety of games and songs. Practice your dance moves and sample some new foods. This lively summer experience builds curiosity, confidence, and cultural appreciation—all while having a fiesta every day!

Under the Sea
Calling all mermaids and sharks! Dive into this underwater literacy adventure as we explore life under the sea. Students will be engaged in books focused on ocean life, sea animals, and other marine life. This is a class you'll want to submerge yourself in!

Wrestling
Students will learn basic techniques and skills in the sport of wrestling. Fun and encouraging mat games along with team-building activities will be included. Students will be divided by age/skill level.

Elementary Grades 1-4 Course Selection

Please choose classes based on the grade your child will complete in June 2026.

Updates

Session 1: 7:45-8:40
Arts & Crafts 3-4
Backyard Games 3-4
Book Club Fanatics Gr. 3-4
Disney Days 1-2
Great Gardening 1-2
Gym Games 3-4
Gymnastics
Lego Learning 1-2
Let's Dance 1-2
Math For Me Grade 1
Math For Me Grade 2
Math For Me Grade 3
Math For Me Grade 4
Pickleball 1-2
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 1
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 2
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 3
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 4
Science Rocks 3-4
Snack Time 3-4
Wrestling

Session 2: 8:45-9:40
Arts & Crafts 1-2
Backyard Games 3-4
Book Club Fanatics Gr. 1-2
Disney Days 3-4
Great Gardening 3-4
Gym Games 1-2
Gymnastics
Lego Learning 3-4
Let's Dance 3-4
Math For Me Grade 1
Math For Me Grade 2
Math For Me Grade 3
Math For Me Grade 4
Pickleball 3-4
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 1
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 2
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 3
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 4
Rising Stars Girls 3-4 All boys($9.00)
Science Rocks 1-2
Snack Time 1-2
Wrestling

Session 3: 10:05-11:00
Arts and Crafts 3-4
Backyard Games 1-2
Book Club Fanatics Gr.3-4
Disney Days 1-2
Great Gardening 1-2
Gym Games 3-4
Gymnastics
Lego Learning 1-2
Let's Dance 3-4
Math For Me Grade 1
Math For Me Grade 2
Math For Me Grade 3
Math For Me Grade 4
Pickleball 3-4
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 1
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 2
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 3
Ready, Set, Read Gr. 4
Rising Stars Girls 1-2 ($9.00)
Science Rocks 1-2
Snack Time 3-4

Session 4: 11:40-12:35
Arts & Crafts 1-2
Backyard Games 3-4
Card Games 3-4
Disney Days 1-2
Great Gardening 3-4
Gym Games 1-2
Into the Wild 3-4
Let the Games Begin 1-2
Let's Dance 1-2
Science Rocks 1-2
Snack Time 1-2
Spanish Fiesta 3-4
Under the Sea 3-4
Walk and Talk 1-2

Session 5: 12:40-1:35
Arts & Crafts 3-4
Backyard Games 1-2
Card Games 1-2
Disney Days 3-4
Great Gardening 1-2
Gym Games 3-4
Into the Wild 1-2
Let the Games Begin 3-4
Let's Dance 3-4
Spanish Fiesta 3-4
Science Rocks 3-4
Snack Time 3-4
Under the Sea 1-2
Walk and Talk 3-4

Grades 5-8

COURSE OFFERINGS

Academic Classes

IXL MATH 6th-8th grade
IXL Math summer school course will include direct instruction of basic math fundamentals, pre-teaching, and re-teaching of grade-level math skills. Each student will work on an independent IXL computer curriculum geared toward their specific math needs. Each student will be evaluated and work at their own pace with support from an instructor. IXL helps students at all levels learn math more effectively. It offers extensive coverage of middle school math topics and empowers learners at every step so they can succeed while working independently.

IXL English (ELA) IXL ELA summer school course will include direct instruction of basic ELA fundamentals, pre-teaching, and re-teaching of grade-level ELA skills. Each student will work on an independent IXL computer curriculum geared toward their ELAneeds. Each student will be evaluated and work at their own pace with support from an instructor. IXL helps students at all levels learn ELA more effectively. It offers extensive coverage of middle school ELA topics and empowers learners at every step so they can succeed while working independently.

Enrichment Classes

MS Agriculture
Three Meals A Day. We know that's what we are supposed to consume; yet do you know what it takes to get those meals every day? Join us as we cover all sorts of topics about a favorite subject – FOOD! We will take a closer look at plants and plant identification, wildlife and animals in agriculture, and you will even be able to get your WI Hunter Safety card! This class will be outside nearly every day working in the RMS garden as well as the Outdoor Classroom (across Hall St.).

Basketball
Students will learn the basics of basketball as well as build on individual skill levels and position-specific skills. The friendly competition will occur daily while multiple offensive and defensive sets, strategies, and play are taught.

Beading
Students will learn the art of beading and jewelry making!

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Biking the Town

For experienced riders!

Students taking this class will learn basic bicycle maintenance, safety, and practical riding skills. Get ready to HAVE FUN while applying your newfound skills on group rides around “The Town”. (**Helmet and Bike Required)***

Board Games

Students will enjoy a bit of math, critical thinking, and strategizing as they learn and take part in a variety of card and board games.

Cooking

This class is for students who want to make more than peanut butter and jelly sandwiches. It is a mix of baking and cooking to improve kitchen skills and encourage students to cook at home.

Gym and Outdoor Games

Students will have the opportunity to play multiple individual and team games both indoors and outdoors.

Middle School Unified Strength

Opportunity for students to learn introductory lifts and speed drills in the Riverside weight room. Students will learn proper form and lifting techniques. Students will begin to build confidence in the weight room.

Minecraft

This class will include individual and cooperative play. Students will work together to build a scale replica of the school and search for hidden treasures. Compete to build castles, statues, treehouses, cabins, and historical buildings along with creating adventure maps with quests for others to explore and complete.

Oregon Trail

We will read "Oregon Trail - Choose your own trail" books and play the Oregon Trail video game. There are 8 "Oregon Trail - Choose Your Own Trail" books that we will read in large and small groups. We will play the Oregon Trail game as a large group, with all of us successfully navigating the trail (or dying of dysentery together).

Rising Stars

Did you ever want to sing and dance on the big stage in front of a live audience with your friends? This class gives you your chance to shine like the stars! Purchase of a t-shirt is required for the end of session concert. Price of the t-shirt is $9.00. A separate form for sizing will be provided at the time of registration and you may pay for the t-shirt at that time.

Social Studies

Are you curious about your world? Perhaps you want to know more about what is happening right now; or perhaps you are interested in the geography of our amazing planet. In this course we will go Geocaching to help us learn about maps. We will cover historical things that affect our Watertown and Wisconsin communities. We will see how what happens here both is affected and affects others all around the world!

Spanish Fiesta

Spanish Fiesta! is an interactive, hands-on introduction to Spanish for 3rd–4th graders. Students will explore Spanish through music, movement, games, crafts, stories, and delicious food tastings from Spanish-speaking cultures. Learn basic vocabulary through a variety of games and songs. Practice your dance moves and sample some new foods. This lively summer experience builds curiosity, confidence, and cultural appreciation—all while having a fiesta every day!

Woods
In this hands-on class you will take projects through the design process to complete projects. Bird houses, yard games, fishing rods, and a wooden puzzle game are all possibilities for you to design and make.

Wrestling
Students will learn basic techniques and skills in the sport of wrestling. Fun and encouraging mat games along with team-building activities will be included. Students will be divided by age/skill level.

Walk and Talk
The art of conversation is the core of this class. Conversation starters will get students talking about themselves and the world around them as they “walk and talk.” This is the perfect opportunity for students to have quality discussions face-to-face while getting some exercise, gaining confidence, and growing friendships. Wear walking shoes - NO heels or sandals.

***By enrolling your student in this course, you provide implied consent for their participation in Watertown Unified School District Summer School activities, which may occur off-premises during summer school hours. You acknowledge that the school district and its employees will not be held liable for any accidents or injuries that may occur during participation. Supervisors will take all reasonable precautions to ensure the safety of your child.**

Grades 5-8 Course Selection

Please choose classes based on the grade your child will complete in June 2026.

Session 1: 8:00-8:55am
Beading
Biking the Town
Board Games
Cooking
Gym & Outdoor Games
IXL English (ELA)
IXL Math
Minecraft
Spanish Fiesta 5-6
Unified Strength
Woods

Session 2: 9:00-9:55am
MS Agriculture
Beading
Biking the Town
Board Games
Cooking
Gym & Outdoor Games
IXL English (ELA)
IXL Math
Minecraft
Spanish Fiesta 7-8
Unified Strength

Session 3: 10:00-10:55am
Beading
Biking the Town
Board Games
Cooking
Gym & Outdoor Games
IXL English (ELA)
IXL Math
Oregon Trail
Social Studies
Spanish Fiesta 5-6
Unified Strength
Wrestling

Session 4: 11:35 -12:30pm

Basketball 5-6
Beading
Board Games
Cooking
Gym & Outdoor Games
IXL English (ELA)
IXL Math
Minecraft
Rising Stars ($9.00)
Walk & Talk
Woods

Session 5: 12:35- 1:30pm
MS Agriculture
Basketball 7-8
Beading
Board Games
Cooking
Gym & Outdoor Games
IXL English (ELA)
IXL Math
Minecraft
Rising Stars ($9.00)
Walk & Talk

Incoming Freshman- Grade 12

COURSE OFFERINGS

Freshman Health

This online course satisfies your health requirement for graduation.

Financial Literacy

Available to current 9-11 Graders

Online Credit Recovery

WHS School Counselors will assist students to ensure proper course selection.

Unified Strength

Available for all students *entering* 9th - 12th grade in the 2026-2027 school year.

One Session June 8- July 23, 2026
Monday -Thursday

Period 0: 6:15 am - 7:45 am **Period 1: 7:00 am - 8:30 am** **Period 2: 7:45-9:15 am**
Period 3: 8:30 am - 10:00 am **Period 4: 9:15 am-10:45 am**

Watertown Unified Strength Teachers:

Andy Cashin Jennifer Cashin
Chris Mertens Alex Crogan Noah Gibson

Program Goals:

The Watertown High School Summer Unified Strength Program offers students the opportunity to become better athletes through a sound workout program of both weight and speed training. Students who participate in this program will be better prepared to have success in their respective sports. Three goals of the program are:

-To give each athlete a greater chance to reach his/her potential.
-To help increase each athlete's self-confidence and self-esteem.
-To offer an opportunity for athletes to compete and work hard every day they attend a workout session.

4K Program

***Registration Opens April 13 at 4PM.**

This program is intended for children who will be:

- 5 YEARS OF AGE ON OR BEFORE SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2026
- ENTERING KINDERGARTEN IN THE FALL OF 2026
- RESIDE WITHIN THE WATERTOWN UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

Location:
Schurz Elementary: 1508 Neenah Street
This class meets from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Please register early, as the classes do fill quickly.
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS: 15

****Families may register via Skyward Family Access. If you are in need of your login information, please contact any of the elementary offices or Cheryl Hollatz hollatzc@mywusd.org.**

CURRICULUM:
The purpose of this program is to help your child get ready for kindergarten. The curriculum for this program will focus on:

- Learning readiness skills.
- Social interaction and skill development.
- Learning social skills of how to share and take turns.
- Acquisition of listening and following directions skills.
- The development of language skills through a variety of language experiences.
- Hands-on exploration of various types of art media.
- The development of physical and coordination skills through games.
- Music activities related to group singing and rhythms.

ABSENCES: If your child is going to be absent, please call the school office at 920-262-1485.

BUS STUDENTS: IMPORTANT! A name tag will be provided for all 4K and Kindergarten children riding rural and shuttle buses. These tags will include their name, school destination, address, home phone number, and bus route number or shuttle site.

Please have children dressed appropriately for the weather. Children should wear tennis shoes or sandals with backs. NO FLIP-FLOPS PLEASE!

Kindergarten Program

***Registration Opens April 13 at 4PM.**

Kindergarten level courses are intended for children entering
the first grade in the fall of 2026..

Location:
Schurz Elementary: 1508 Neenah Street
This class meets from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Please register early, as the classes do fill quickly.
MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS PER CLASS: 15

****Families may register via Skyward Family Access. If you are in need of your login information, please contact any of the elementary offices or Cheryl Hollatz hollatzc@mywusd.org**

CURRICULUM:
Kindergarten Kids - Join us for a morning of reading, writing, math, and science. Students will polish up on all the skills needed for 1st grade. There will be read alouds, small group reading, and plenty of time for some summertime fun!

ABSENCES: If your child is going to be absent, please call the school office at 920-262-1485.

BUS STUDENTS: IMPORTANT! A name tag will be provided for all 4K and Kindergarten children riding rural and shuttle buses. These tags will include their name, school destination, address, home phone number, and bus route number or shuttle site.

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