

SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAM - SUMMER 2021

Arts & Outdoors at the UWM Children's Learning Center!

Join us for a Summer of FRIENDSHIP!

**Reconnect with old friends and make new friends.
Play games, have fun and make summer memories.**

At the UWM Children's Learning Center, children enjoy a nice blend of structured and unstructured time. The teachers plan a variety of engaging and fun learning experiences (because after all, children do not stop learning when school is out). They can relax while learning arts and crafts, challenge themselves with hands-on science and math activities and exercise their bodies in our indoor gym and on the playground. Children also have plenty of time to play, which helps them create lasting relationships with new and old friends.

We have revamped some aspects of the school-age program to focus on child-centered and developmentally-appropriate programming. Children will be placed in classrooms by the grade they are completing in school this spring. Classroom and teacher assignments for the summer may be different than those during the academic year. Below is a general outline of programming available for each summer session.

SUMMER SESSIONS:



Early Week: May 24-27 (one after-school week while MPS/Shorewood still in session)
(only available to current Lynx Room children)

Session A1: June 1-11 (two after-school weeks while MPS/Shorewood still in session)
(only available to current Lynx Room children)

Session A2: June 14 – July 9 (four weeks: full-time programming available)

Session B: July 12 – August 20 (six weeks: full-time programming available)

Parents will be able to choose between half- and full-day options for their child/ren
(minimum two days per week).

Please note that summer ends on August 20. The Center will be closed August 23-27.

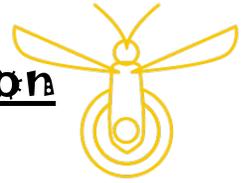
Our fall semester begins on August 30, and care that week will only be available to children enrolled in the Center's fall after-school program.

In the past we have allowed summer-only families to enroll for care during 'Early Fall,' but we're no longer able to provide this service due to significant staffing constraints & policies.

(More details on Session B & Session C programming on next page.)



Session A2: June 14-July 9 - Art Exploration



ART

Create 2-D and 3-D art, join in our drumming circles and learn how to play drums from around the world. Work on an animation project. Practice culinary arts by making a recipe or taking kids cooking classes.

Session B: July 12 - August 20 - Nature Exploration

NATURE

Programming will be provided by Center staff and nature educators/ naturalists from the Urban Ecology Center and Retzer Nature Center. We will hike and explore nearby natural areas and learn about plants and animals living around us.



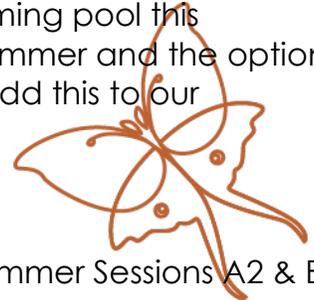
AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE SUMMER:

WATER

Water play will be a daily experience throughout the summer! Join us in playing a game of water baseball or "Drip, Drip, Dunk." Take a run through the sprinklers or pass through the Kid Wash!

At this time, we have no plans to use the Klotsche Center swimming pool this summer. If we learn we can safely take children to pools this summer and the option becomes available for us to use Klotsche Center pool, we will add this to our programming.

FIELD TRIPS



Children will go on a variety of field trips on **Thursdays** during Summer Sessions A2 & B.

Session A2 field trips include: Strawberry picking at Barthel's Fruit Farm, Boerner Botanical Gardens, Vista King boat ride and more!

Session B field trips include: Retzer Nature Center, Grant Park, Doctor's Park, Urban Ecology Center, Fox Brook Park Beach and more!

The field trips listed here are those we know we can safely incorporate into our summer plans. We hope to add more experiences at community pools and beaches, pending summer CDC guidelines.