

FSMN Summer Camps 2023

Registration opened on Tuesday, January 17th. You can find the registration form at <https://fsmn.org/about/summer-camp/> or at fsmn.org on the summer camp page.

WAITLIST!

If the camp you are looking for has a “waitlist,” check the registration form for how to get on the waitlist.

Summer Camps at FSMN are open to students at FSMN as well as our larger community!

Week 1: 06/20-06/23

(No camps on the 19th in honor of Juneteenth)

❖ Kindergarten Camp

Join us for a week of discovery and fun at Kindergarten Camp! Plan for days of playing outside in the sun, digging in the sand pit, taking walks to nearby gardens and parks, and exploring our school! Campers will have plenty of time to make friends and practice cooperative play. Together, we will learn all about having fun at school. Kindergarten Camp is open to those entering Kindergarten and those moving from Kindergarten to 1st grade in the Fall.

Leader: Kim Omdalen

Type: Half-day (9:00 am-12:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering K-1

Cost: \$180.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ Fun in the Sun

This camp will focus on the joy of being outside together during the summer. Activities will include lots of community-building outdoor field games, water play, nature-based art projects, reading aloud under the oak tree, crafting, and singing. The rhythm of our day will consist of gathering, greeting with songs and a game, and alternating between high and low-energy activities throughout our day. We will take neighborhood walks and a field trip to Como Park to explore the woodlands and enjoy the playground. Expect your camper to come home happily tired out and kissed by the sun!

Leader: Monique Wentzel

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 2nd - 4th

Cost: \$290.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **WAITLIST!** **Bike Camp: Easy Riders**

Join us and enjoy the Twin Cities' many bike trails! We will bike 8-10 miles each day, learn about trail etiquette and safety as well as basic bike care and maintenance. There will be time for stops at parks and possibly lake swimming!

Participants must be able to confidently ride a bike, should be able to ride ten miles comfortably, and have a general understanding of their brakes and gear system. Given our type of riding, a geared bike in working order is necessary for this camp.

Leader: Linda Mockler

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th - 8th

Cost: \$310.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Strategy Board Games**

Catan! Diplomacy! Wingspan! A 1970s Napoleonic Naval Warfare game that Chrissy is obsessed with! Sign up and play these intense board games and more with Chrissy and friends!

Leader: Chrissy Erickson

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th - 8th

Cost: \$290.00

Participants: 20 campers

Week 2: 06/26-06/30

❖ **WAITLIST!** **Nature, Arts, and the City**

Come and discover the beautiful Twin Cities with us! We will explore different parks and natural spaces around the Cities. Each day we will use the school's buses to visit a different space. Students will explore these natural spaces, play games, and make art.

Leader: Marshall Anderson

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering K - 4th

Cost: \$350.00

Participants: 28 campers



❖ **SAORI Weaving and Paper Arts**

Throughout the week, campers will do SAORI Weaving, Japanese braiding called “Kumihimo,” and dye with Bengala Mud Dyes. For paper arts, campers will explore bookmaking and other paper art creations.

Leaders: Angie Brain and Chiaki O'Brien

Type: Full-day (9:00 am–3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 4th–8th

Cost: \$375.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Insect Investigations**

BUGS! This camp is an introduction to the amazing world of insects! Learn how to collect, preserve and identify insect specimens while learning about insect life history and ecology. Throughout the week students will work to build their very own insect collection!

Leader: Emily Mader-Gilbert

Type: Full-day (9:00 am–3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th–8th

Cost: \$350.00

Participants: 8 campers

❖ **Bike Camp: Not-So-Easy Riders**

Explore the trails in the Twin Cities and see places you've never seen before as we ride 15–20 miles each day! Learn about trail etiquette, bike safety, and basic bike maintenance. We'll make stops at local parks and hope for some warm days for lake swimming.

Participants must be able to confidently ride a bike, should be able to ride fifteen miles comfortably, and have a general understanding of their brake and gear system. Given our type of riding, a geared bike in working order is necessary for this camp.

Leader: Linda Mockler

Type: Full-day (9:00 am–3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th–8th

Cost: \$380.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Mock Trial (Session 1)**

Lawyers! Witnesses! Objections! Competitive Acting! Join Chrissy for Mock Trial and we'll write a case, prepare a trial, and present it on the last day!

Leader: Chrissy Erickson

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th-8th

Cost: \$350.00

Participants: 16 campers

Week 3: 07/05-07/07

(No camps on the 3rd and 4th)

❖ **WAITLIST!** **Youngsters' Camp**

It's time for Youngsters' Camp! Plan for a week full of fun in the sun! Campers in grades K-2 will spend their days playing (and making) games, creating art outdoors, building friendships, exploring our neighborhood, and splashing in the sprinklers. We will have choice time to foster independent decision-making and cooperation through play. This camp is designed to bring joy into learning.

Leader: Kim Omdalen

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering K-2nd

Cost: \$230.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Cardboard Creations**

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, and Create! Are you ready to put your construction skills to the test? Campers will be using cardboard to construct many creations including masks, buildings, animals, puppets, and much more! Campers will explore engineering through the planning, design, and building process. We are so excited to see what our campers will create!

Leader: Matt Weathers

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 3rd-8th

Cost: \$245.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Dungeons and Dragons**

Join Chrissy for a fantasy adventure powered by our collective imagination! You'll build your character and conquer your quests! We might even play some new games that are like D&D but for spies, heists, monster hunts, and more!

Leader: Chrissy Erickson

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th - 8th

Cost: \$230.00

Participants: 16 campers

❖ **Chemistry Magic**

Dust off your lab coats and goggles because this camp is going to get messy! Come and check out cool chemistry experiments and learn the science behind them.

Leader: Emily Mader-Gilbert

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th - 8th

Cost: \$230.00

Participants: 8 campers

❖ **5th and 6th Overnight**

Join Amber and Egohsa for three days of camping! This camp is intended for current 4th and 5th grade students (next year's 5th and 6th grade students). Student campers will spend three days and two nights playing games, hiking and enjoying the great outdoors. In the evening, students will play night games such as Thicket, Trolls in the Trees, and Ghosts in the Graveyard. Camping will be family style so campers will be expected to pitch in with preparing food, setting up camp, and keeping the camp clean. Additional information will be announced as we approach the 120-day window within which we are able to begin reserving campsites.

Leaders: Amber Todd and Egohsa Awaah

Type: Overnight

Grades: Campers entering 5th - 6th

Cost: \$450.00

Participants: 16 campers

Week 4: 07/10-07/14

❖ **Animals and their Habitats**

If you love connecting with animals, learning about animals and (especially) imaginatively *being* an animal, then this camp is for you! Each day we will focus on a single animal and this creature, whether one that lives in the water, the sky or on land, will inspire all of our activities of the day. We'll read stories about our animals, make masks and/or other costume elements and creatively explore the world as potential habitat. We will do lots of creative free play, navigating the world as our animal of the day and in the process learning much about them.

Leader: Monique Wentzel

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering K - 2nd

Cost: \$350.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **Creative Movement and Acting**

Get ready to move your body! Throughout the week, campers will explore different ways to move through space, move to music, and move to tell stories. We will play theater games and put on skits. Whether you are interested in dance, acting, or just finding new ways to move, this camp is for you.

Leader: Amber Todd

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 3rd-5th

Cost: \$350.00

Participants: 12 campers

❖ **WAITLIST!** **Fun with Stop Motion**

Lights! Camera! Stop motion action! Campers will step into the role of set designer, writer, director, and more as they work to film the next great classic. Campers will work together to design characters, a backdrop, and create a short stop animation video by the end of the week.

Leader: Lucy Michelle

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 4th-8th

Cost: \$360.00

Participants: 16 campers

❖ **Mock Trial (Session 2)**

Lawyers! Witnesses! Objections! Competitive Acting! Join Chrissy for Mock Trial and we'll write a case, prepare a trial, and present it on the last day! (Please note that the trial will be different from Session 1. Participants are welcome to hone their skills from Session 1 during Session 2.)

Leader: Chrissy Erickson

Type: Full-day (9:00 am-3:00 pm)

Grades: Campers entering 5th-8th

Cost: 350.00

Participants: 16

❖ **6th - 8th Overnight**

Join Egohsa and Karen for five days of camping! We will hike, cook over a campfire, play night games, and sleep under the stars. Camping will be family style so campers will be expected to pitch in with preparing food, setting up camp, and keeping the camp clean. More information will be announced as we approach the 120-day window within which we are able to begin reserving campsites. Please note that the cost of this trip includes an activities fee of \$25.00. This fee may be refunded if scheduling or availability makes certain activities unavailable.

Leaders: Egohsa Awaah and Karen Salter

Type: Overnight

Grades: Campers entering 6th-8th

Cost: \$800.00

Participants: 16 campers

Week 5: 07/17-07/21

❖ **5th - 8th Overnight**

Join Steve and Marshall for five days of camping! This will be a fantastic week of hiking, cooking over a campfire, playing games, and exploring nature. Camping will be family style so campers will be expected to pitch in with preparing food, setting up camp, and keeping the camp clean. More information will be announced as we approach the 120-day window within which we are able to begin reserving campsites. Please note that the cost of this trip includes an activities fee of \$50.00. This fee may be refunded if scheduling or availability makes certain activities unavailable.

Leaders: Steve Moe and Marshall Anderson

Type: Overnight

Grades: Campers entering 5th–8th

Cost: \$850.00

Participants: 16 campers

Billing Information

- ❖ A non-refundable deposit of \$100.00 per camp is required. You will receive this invoice through FACTS (our online payment portal) in order to complete registration.
- ❖ The remaining payment will be due by May 1st. You will receive an invoice two weeks prior to this due date.
- ❖ An additional non-refundable Registration Fee of \$25 per camper will be required for campers not currently attending FSMN.
- ❖ For those receiving tuition aid from FSMN, tuition aid will be applied to the cost of summer camp for up to 50% of the total expense. For those not currently enrolled at FSMN, contact the business office (bookkeeper@fsmn.org) for aid information.
- ❖ A full refund will be given (minus the non-refundable deposit) to those who cancel by May 1st. No refunds will be issued after May 1st to ensure staffing and programmatic commitments to all families. This policy includes cancellations due to vacations, conflicting activities, and/or changes in families' plans.

Additional Information

- ❖ FSMN will not be offering a hot lunch option during Summer Camp. All information and guidelines regarding lunch and snacks will be communicated by your camp(s) leader(s) prior to the start of camp.
- ❖ FSMN will not be offering before or aftercare. All campers must be dropped off and picked up at their camp's designated time(s).
- ❖ To ensure the safety, well-being, and enjoyment of all, Summer Camps at FSMN will follow the behavior expectations set forth in FSMN's Family Handbook. Each camper must:
 - Respect themselves. Respect others. Respect their surroundings.
 - Use words to solve problems.
 - Take responsibility for themselves and their actions.
 - Follow all directions and rules from adults at camp.

Parents/guardians of campers who are unable to follow these expectations will be asked to pick up their camper(s). In some cases, the camper may not be able to return for the remainder of the camp. No refund will be given.