



Seymour Middle School



Summer Opportunities

As we continue to expand our summer school offerings, we are excited to introduce new classes in our **June Summer Exploration** program, along with sports camps led by our very own coaches!

New this year

- ★ **Transportation** to school/from Summer School in June for the regular 8-12PM sessions (including Transportation from BC to SMS for sports camps)
- ★ **Library Incentive Program** for Summer Exploration Students
- ★ **August Summer Camps** with a variety of engaging opportunities, including a special program designed just for our incoming 6th graders! *Plus a Parent Learning Session!*

All of our summer opportunities are open to **current students in grades 5-8**, regardless of the school they currently attend. We highly encourage any students in the Seymour Community to take advantage of these exciting programs! Transportation will be provided for students to come to Seymour Middle School Summer School Sessions and from BC to SMS for Sports Camps.

Our summer programs provide middle school students with:

- ✓ **Hands-on learning** experiences that make education fun and interactive
- ✓ **Opportunities to build confidence** in academic and social settings
- ✓ **Skill development** in sports, teamwork, and leadership
- ✓ **A smooth transition** for incoming 6th graders to middle school life
- ✓ **A chance to stay active** and engaged during the summer months

Breakfast: Students can enter the building at 7:40am if they are eating breakfast. They will eat in the cafeteria, not the classrooms. Breakfast will be the same price as during the school year.

Lunch: Lunch at school is not available but they can bring their own lunch to eat in the cafeteria, if they are staying for Sports Camps.

Take a moment to explore these exciting events and sign up through [PowerSchool](#) in the **Parent Portal** or go to [this link](#) if your child isn't currently attending Seymour Community Schools. Here is a [how to](#) in PowerSchool. We look forward to a summer of learning, growth, and fun!

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Summer Exploration

June 9 - June 26, 2025

Monday - Thursday

Session 1: 8:00-9:00 AM

Session 2: 9:00-10:00 AM

Session 3: 10:00-11:00 AM

Session 4: 11:00-12:00 PM

Sports Camp Sessions: 12:30 - 2:00 PM

Current 5th - 8th Graders				
8:00-9:00AM	Cooking Creations	Lego Building Blocks	Archery	Page to Stage (only current 6-8th graders)
9:00-10:00AM	Cooking Creations	Fun with a Deck of Cards	Archery	Broadway Musicals (only current 6-8th graders)
10:00-11:00AM	Outdoor & Favorite PE Games	Walking Fun	Exciting Experiments	Game Masters Unleashed
11:00-12:00PM	Outdoor & Favorite PE Games	Escape Room	Space Science	Strength & Conditioning (only current 6th & 7th graders)
12:30-2:00 PM: Sports Camps (see descriptions below for date/time)				

Session 1-4: Classes and Descriptions

Archery

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Johnson

Time: 8:00am & 9:00am

Location: SMS Gym

Description: This course will focus on the National Archery in the Schools Program (NASP®) which is an introductory level program that teaches youth about the lifetime sport of target archery and provides an opportunity to grow their interest through local, state, national and world tournaments. And through it, students are learning focus, self-control, discipline, patience, and the life lessons required to be successful in the classroom and in life.

Broadway Musicals

Grade: Current 6-8

Teacher: Mrs. Jelenic

Time: 9:00am

Location: SMS Room 324

Description: "Playbills and Print" is a dynamic summer school course designed to immerse seventh and eighth-grade students in the world of Broadway musicals. This course will focus on musicals that are based on real events, books, and movies. Through this exploration, students will engage in critical analysis of dialogue, character motivation, and historical context, enhancing their understanding of both literature and history.

Cooking Creations

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mr. Herrala

Time: 8:00am & 9:00am

Location: FACE Room 409

Description: This session teaches students in middle school how to prepare meals with hands-on learning. Students will participate in the cooking process, learning basic kitchen skills, and creating a variety of dishes. The class may cover a range of easy and quick recipes, allowing students to expand their cooking knowledge and experience with different ingredients and cooking methods. This type of summer school program is a great way for middle school students to develop life skills and have fun in the kitchen.

Escape Room

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Jelenic

Time: 11:00am

Location: SMS Room 324

Description: Greetings, future escape room enthusiasts! Get ready to embark on a thrilling and mind-bending adventure this summer in our unique "Escape Adventure" class. Whether you're a puzzle pro or a novice seeking the excitement of unlocking mysteries, this experience will challenge your wits both on paper, on the computer, and in real life! This summer, prepare to unlock the full spectrum of escape room experiences. Sharpen your mind, hone your problem-solving skills, and join us for an unforgettable "Escape Adventure". Are you up for the challenge? The journey awaits!

Exciting Experiments

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Mathe

Time: 10:00am

Location: SMS Room 319

Description: Welcome to Exciting Experiments! Students will engage in a variety of hands-on experiments throughout this course such as making slime, rock candy, bottle rockets, and even growing plants! We will also learn about lab safety and incorporate Bunsen Burners into our experiments! It's sure to be an exciting time!

Fun with a Deck of Cards

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Arneson

Time: 9:00am

Location: SMS Room 355

Description: Join us for our "Fun with a Deck of Cards" summer school class, where students will explore the world of card games, probability, and strategies! Participants will learn classic games like Uno, Rummy, and Sequence, while also discovering fun building concepts through creating strong card towers. Each session will feature interactive games and challenges. This class promises to be an engaging mix of learning and fun!

Game Masters Unleashed

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Jelenic

Time: 10:00am

Location: SMS Room 324

Description: Hey, future game masters! Welcome to the coolest summer school class ever—"Game Masters Unleashed" Get ready to dive into a world of strategy, luck, and endless fun as we explore the magic of playing a variety of games. Whether you're a seasoned pro or a total newbie, this class is all about having a blast and making friends through the power of games! "Game Masters Unleashed" is all about creating a community of gamers who celebrate each other's victories and share in the excitement of every game played. So roll the dice and join us for a summer filled with laughter, strategy, and unforgettable memories. "Game Masters Unleashed" is your ticket to a summer of fun and games—let the adventure begin!

Lego Building Blocks

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Arneson

Time: 8:00am

Location: SMS Room 355

Description: Join our Lego Building Blocks Summer School class for a fun and creative experience! Participants will explore architecture, engineering principles, and teamwork while building amazing structures and models with Lego bricks. Each session will include guided projects and free build time, allowing kids to express their imagination and enhance their problem-solving skills. Perfect for all ages and skill levels, this class promises to inspire and engage young builders in a vibrant, hands-on learning environment. Get ready for a summer of creativity and fun with Legos!

Library Incentive Program

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Erickson

Day: Tuesday

Location: SMS Library

Description: Students enrolled in any Summer Exploration class from 8 AM to 12 PM can check out library books on Tuesday during their session and participate in a weekly reading incentive program to earn prizes. The program offers a variety of activities that encourage reading and engagement. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to visit the Seymour Middle School Library on Tuesdays during regular Summer Exploration hours. **(Students do not need to enroll in this program, it will be part of classes and announced on Tuesdays during Summer Exploration Sessions)**

Outdoor & Favorite PE Games

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mr. Herrala

Time: 10:00am & 11:00am

Location: SMS Gym

Description: We will play a bunch of different games, normal ones like kickball, but also learn new ones like ultimate frisbee, tailgate toss, four square, capture the flag, disc golf, going through an outdoor obstacle course, and many more of your favorite PE games!

Page to Stage

Grade: Current 6-8

Teacher: Mrs. Jelenic

Time: 8:00am

Location: SMS Room 324

Description: Welcome to "Page to Stage," a dynamic summer school course where middle school students will embark on a literary journey from the written word to its cinematic counterpart. This course is designed to deepen students' understanding of storytelling through the exploration of short stories, plays, and a picture book, followed by their film adaptations. Students will engage in various activities that promote critical thinking, creativity, and analytical skills.

Space Science

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Mathe

Time: 11:00am

Location: SMS Room 319

Description: Get ready for an exciting journey into space as we dive into the wonders of our universe with interactive experiments, exciting research, and imaginative projects. Students will participate in activities that broaden their knowledge of the cosmos. We'll create and cook with a solar oven, utilize 3D viewers to investigate the International Space Station and various planets, and design, build, and launch model rockets! The experience will be out-of-this-world!

Strength & Conditioning

Grade: Current 6-7

Teacher: Variety

Time: 11:00am

Location: SHS Fitness Center

Description: This is at the High School at 11:00am for any Middle School students to learn the basics to improve their performance. Seymour Community High School partners with Bellin Health to provide a Licensed Athletic Trainer and a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist for our students. **This class runs until the end of July, students can attend just the June sessions or all of them!**

Walking Fun

Grade: Current 5-8

Teacher: Mrs. Arneson

Time: 10:00am

Location: SMS Room 355

Description: Join our Fun Walking Summer School Class, where we combine physical activity with learning and exploration! Each session will take place in local parks and scenic neighborhoods, encouraging participants to enjoy the outdoors. With creative games, group activities, and guided walk-and-talk sessions, this class is perfect for individuals of all ages looking to stay active, meet new friends, and discover the world around them. Don't forget to wear comfortable shoes and bring plenty of water!



Sports Camp

Monday - Thursday: 12:30-2:00 PM

Grades Current 5-8

Week 1: June 9-12

Week 2: June 16-19

Week 3: June 23-26

These Sports Camps are run by Seymour High School Coaches and are designed for young athletes in middle school who are ready to learn more and develop their skills. These camps focus on improving the skills and techniques of the players through fun games and drills to build confidence in their sport. This program is a great way for middle school students to stay active, have fun, and improve their skills while working with the MS and HS Coaching Staff. Lunch at school is not available but they can bring their own lunch to eat in the cafeteria, if they are staying for Sports Camps. Students will need to be picked up at SMS at 2:00PM.

Week 1: June 9-12 Winter Athletics

- Boys Basketball - Coach VanDomelen, SMS Basketball Coach
 - SMS Gym
- Girls Basketball - Coach Oskey, SHS Girls Varsity Basketball Coach
 - SHS Back Fieldhouse
- Wrestling COED - Adam Pashouwer, SHS Varsity Wrestling Coach
 - SMS Balcony

Week 2: June 16-19 Spring Athletics

- Softball: Chris Rettler, SHS Softball Coach
 - Diamond #1
- Baseball: TBA
 - Rockledge Park - Legion Diamond #5
- Track COED: Sarah Tracy, SHS Varsity Track Coach
 - Thunder Stadium

Week 3: June 23-26 Fall Athletics

- Cross Country COED: Caitlin Kastning, SHS Varsity Cross Country Coach
 - Meet in SHS Fieldhouse Lobby
- Football COED: Jason Bins, SHS Varsity Football Coach
 - Practice Fields
- Soccer COED: Todd Messner, SHS Varsity Soccer Coach
 - Field #3
- Golf COED: Mick Herrala, SHS Girls Varsity Coach **(only Monday-Wednesday)**
 - Crystal Springs Golf Course
 - Bus will be provided from SMS to Crystal Springs
 - Students will need to be picked up at Crystal Springs at 2:00PM
- Volleyball COED: Coach Johnson, SMS Volleyball Coach
 - SMS Gym



Seymour Community Schools August Summer Camps



6th Grade Academy

Grade: Incoming Seymour Middle School 6th Graders

Date: August 19

Time: 11:00AM - 3:00PM

Location: Meet in SMS Cafeteria

Description: All incoming 6th graders are invited to a morning of fun and excitement at Seymour Middle School! The day is all about you! During this event, students will get FREE LUNCH, have the opportunity to explore the building, receive their class schedule, practice locker combinations, meet their teachers, and hang out with their classmates through fun activities.

Led by our dedicated staff and student leadership/HOPE Squad members, this experience will help students feel comfortable and confident before the school year begins. It's a fantastic way to get a great start to middle school! Before picking up your child at 3:00 PM, we invite all parents and guardians to join us at 2:30 PM in the SMS Library. This session will provide brief, five-minute overviews on Middle School Topics such as; Grading, Chromebook Usage, GoGuardian, PowerSchool, and Google Classroom—helpful insights before your child begins Middle School!

STEM Camp

Grade: Incoming 6-8

Teacher: Ms. Buchholtz

Location: Room 351

Dates: Pick on grouping

- August 4 & 5 - 9:00-11:00AM
- August 11 & 12 - 1:00-3:00PM

Description: This program is a two day program and will include STEM activities that challenge students with various interests. You will work together through team-building exercises by brainstorming ideas, creating prototypes, and testing your creations to determine what improvements can be made. Come ready to apply your critical thinking skills and creativity to various STEM challenges!

Theater Group

Grade: Incoming 7-12


Teacher: Mrs. Lemke


Dates: August 13-14

Time: 9:00-3:00PM

Location: SHS Auditorium

Description: Join us for an exciting Seymour Theater workshop where you'll explore the magic of the stage! In this hands-on experience, participants will:

 **Build, paint, & Create** – Work behind the scenes to paint and construct set pieces.

 **Play Theatre Games** – Develop acting skills, teamwork, and confidence through fun and engaging activities.

Whether you're a seasoned performer or brand new to theatre, this workshop is the perfect place to explore, create, and have fun! Come ready to have fun and make new friends at Seymour Theater! *Students need to bring their own lunch.