SUMMER CAMPS FOR FUN AND ENRICHMENT

SUMMER ON THE POINT 2016

Inspiring INNOVATION

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

JUNE 6–JULY 1 | JULY 4–29
St. Francis is proud to present the Summer on the Point 2016 selection of classes and explorations!

Students learn best through hands-on experiences that can be connected to their daily lives. With that idea in mind, we have designed a course curriculum that allows for real-world investigations in both everyday knowledge and new concepts. From Primary School students linking favorite literature to the world around them to teens making discoveries in science and technology, we challenge students to push their own boundaries with curiosity and excitement.

Offered in the mornings and afternoons, camps run through the month of June and three weeks in July. Geared toward preschoolers through high school students, Summer on the Point is open to students ready to grow in mind, body, and spirit.

JOIN US FOR A SUMMER OF WONDER AND DISCOVERY!
REGISTRATION

Children should be registered based on the grade they are entering in the 2016–17 school year. Please complete a separate registration for each student. Registration is on a first-come, first-served basis and is available online at www.StFrancisHouston.org/Summer. All pending registrations will be reviewed by the St. Francis business office, and will only be considered complete when payment is received by credit card or e-check and all of the family’s student accounts at St. Francis are current. Registration for students with outstanding balances will be considered pending. All courses must meet minimum enrollment figures, and St. Francis reserves the right to cancel programs that are under-enrolled.

Registration for all Dan L. Duncan Clinic Reading Camps must be received by May 23, 2016. Classes fill quickly, so we encourage you to register early.

CONFIRMATION

Confirmations of receipt are sent automatically via e-mail. Your registration is not complete until you receive this confirmation. These initial letters contain no camp details, only acknowledgement of receipt. Follow-up letters with camp-specific information are sent, by e-mail, approximately ten days prior to the start of individual sessions.

REFUND POLICY

Tuition will only be refunded through a written request submitted to Margaret Newsom, director of summer and after-school programs; a ten percent (10%) cancellation fee will be retained. After June 1, 2016, for June courses, or July 8, 2016, for July courses, no refund of fees will be made to any student who withdraws or is dismissed from a course or session. St. Francis reserves the right to dismiss any child who does not comply with the expectations of the program. Fees will be refunded in full if St. Francis cancels a course offering.

NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

St. Francis Episcopal Day School admits qualified students of any race, color, nationality, or ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges, programs, and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the school. It does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, nationality, or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admissions policies, scholarships, or athletics or other school-administered programs. St. Francis is an equal opportunity employer.

EXTENDED CARE

Extended care, both before and after camps, is available beginning at 7:30 a.m. and ending at 5:30 p.m. during the weeks that summer programs are offered. To register, please contact the Office of Summer and After-School Programs at 713.458.6467 or MNewsom@StFrancisHouston.org. The fee for extended care (including early bird drop-off at 7:30 a.m. and after-camp care until 5:30 p.m.) is $40/day or $150/week.

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Primary School Discovery Camps run Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to noon or 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Children are grouped by age and investigate the session topic through a variety of planned activities, as well as free exploration. Dramatic play and planned literacy, music, motor, cooking, art, and science projects will all help students gain a deeper understanding of the concept at hand. One day each week is designated as a special events day, and on these days children enjoy Splash Days, petting zoos, on-campus learning adventures, and other fun activities. Snacks are provided. Children attending full day (9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.) should bring a lunch from home each day. Extended care is available from 3:00–5:30 p.m. daily for an additional fee. Early bird drop-off is available beginning at 7:30 a.m.

The Pet Shop

- June 6–10 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- Location: South Campus
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty
- Cost: $220 for half-day session; $360 for full-day session

Join us at the neighborhood pet shop! Students in this camp will explore the idea of pets—animals, their care, their habitats, and what they eat. There will be opportunities for exploration through dramatic play, science concepts, cooking, literature, and large motor games. Special visitors during the week will also help enhance learning.

¡Mis Amigos!—Around the World

- June 13–17 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- Grades: Primary I–K
- Location: Main Campus
- Instructors: Señora Claudia Schoelman and St. Francis Faculty
- Cost: $220 for half-day session; $360 for full-day session

Pack your passport and join our beloved Primary School Spanish teacher on an international adventure! In this session, students will be immersed in the Spanish language and culture through literature, music, movement, and art. As they cook traditional Latin recipes, they will practice following simple directions in Spanish. Repetition through story, song, and rhyme will reinforce school-year learning and engage Spanish beginners as well as those who are already comfortable with the language. Each day will be an adventure in a different part of the Spanish-speaking world.

In the Bakery

- June 20–24 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- Location: Main Campus
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty
- Cost: $220 for half-day session; $360 for full-day session

Prepare to join our faculty in The Bakery, where students will dive into all things related to batter and dough, cooking up tasty cookies, cakes, cupcakes, breads, buns, and biscuits! Using classic children’s literature as springboards, students will explore measurements, the science of cooking and chemical changes in food, and early proportion concepts while having fun with mixing, pouring, egg cracking, kneading, and decorating!

In the Science Lab

- June 27–July 1 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- Location: South Campus
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty
- Cost: $220 for half-day session; $360 for full-day session

Grab your lab coat and don your goggles as we explore all things related to science—messy, gooey, hands-on science, that is! Students will be presented with problems to solve and asked to apply the scientific method to their experimentation. Literacy will be enhanced through group journaling of results, and higher-level thinking will be encouraged in this fun, fast-paced camp full of sensory discovery!

Lower School Discovery Camps are themed adventures that run Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to noon. Some sessions are available with a full-day option. Children are placed into groups by age and move through a wide variety of activities that allow for skill development in literacy, math, music, problem solving, gross and fine motor skills, cooking, science, and art. Special visitors and on-campus field trips and events make the sessions even more special. While all snacks are provided, students staying for afternoon sessions should bring a lunch each day. Extended care is available until 5:30 p.m. for an additional fee. Early bird drop-off is available beginning at 7:30 a.m.
Celebrations Around the World
• June 6–10  •  9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.  /  9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
• Grades: K–4
• Instructors: St. Francis faculty
• Cost: $200 for half-day session; $325 for full-day session

Pack up your suitcase and join our crew as we journey around the world in search of celebrations! Every day of this camp is, literally, a party—in one way or another! Using children’s literature as a starting point, students will investigate the ways in which various cultures traditionally celebrate birthdays, holidays, and special events. Fly kites in Japan, eat noodles with the Chinese, parade through the streets of Rio de Janeiro, cook up some sauerkraut for Oktoberfest in Germany, and much more! Students will create their own decorations and artwork each day, cook foods to fit their country’s celebrations, and participate in games from that culture.

Jedi Academy
• June 20–24  •  9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.  /  9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.
• Grades: K–4
• Instructors: St. Francis faculty
• Cost: $200 for half-day session; $325 for full-day session

Calling all Padawans—the time has come to join the academy and prepare to face the Dark Side! You will need to train both mentally and physically for this challenge. Our young apprentices will study space in preparation for travel; develop critical thinking as they work in the Jedi labs; and prepare healthy snacks to ready us for physical training that targets agility, reaction time, and endurance. May the Force be with you as each day brings a new mission!

Decades and Dolls
• June 13–17  •  8:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m.
• Grades: K–4
• Instructors: St. Francis faculty
• Cost: $250

This popular annual camp returns for another year, with new dolls and new traditions. Each day, students will use the popular American Girl dolls to venture to another time and place, learning about the day-to-day life of the girls in that era and immersing themselves in the games, dances, music, food, history, and stories of their times. Each day will include a special event, and girls are allowed to both bring dolls and dress up, though this is not required. Dolls for this year will include the 2016 Doll of the Year—Maryellen (a girl of the 1950s), plus Addy, Rebecca, and Serafina.

Spy School
• June 27–July 1  •  9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Grades: K–4
• Instructors: St. Francis faculty
• Cost: $200 (Discount when combined with Weird Science camp—$350 for full day, including supervised lunch break)

Time to don a disguise and pull out your passports—there is information to be gathered and secrets to uncover! In Spy School, we’ll investigate the latest gadgets for surveillance, create disguises and aliases, plot out our trips using maps, research our target destinations, and work in the lab to refine our spy gear. Join us for mornings full of intrigue and adventure!

Weird Science
• June 27–July 1  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
• Grades: K–4
• Instructors: St. Francis faculty
• Cost: $200 (Discount when combined with Spy School camp—$350 for full day, including supervised lunch break)

Science is an incredible balance between observation and exploration. There are unbelievable things that happen when simple household ingredients are combined, and we’ll experiment to find some of these unique compounds. Mix polymers, investigate the properties of magnets, make discoveries about the states of matter and water, explore solar power, and more in this fun afternoon camp where theories can be tested and students are expected to make mistakes and try again... and again!

Fun With Fairy Tales
• June 6–10  •  8:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Grades: K–2
• Instructor: Monica Masini
• Cost: $200

Classic fairy tales have enriched our lives and sparked imaginations for generations. This exciting camp invites knights and princesses to join us on a journey as we use classic fairy tales as a guide through enchanted activities involving art, music, and free play to enhance literary concepts such as sequencing, predictions, fluency, and comprehension. Come join our magical adventure!
Ahoy There, Matey!
- **June 6–10** • 1:00–4:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** K–2
- **Instructor:** Monica Masini
- **Cost:** $200

Ahoy, boys and girls, it’s time to hoist the sails and prepare for some pirate fun! Come join your fellow pirates as we hunt for buried treasure, make ships that float, read stories, use maps, act, sing, and much more! This camp will be filled with hands-on activities and lessons as we explore the high seas together.

**STEAM CAMPS**

Multimedia Art and Jewelry Making
- **June 6–10** • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 5–10
- **Instructor:** Amy Chandler, Middle School art teacher
- **Cost:** $275 for half-day session; $495 for full-day session (includes all materials)

Students in this camp will learn new techniques and revisit favorite past media explorations in more depth, creating more intricate projects than school year classes allow. Students will work with glass, wire, beads, paint, metal, and clay. Possible projects will include fused glass, jewelry making, copper enameling, and painting. (Please note that half-day students will not complete all projects, but will have choices about which materials they use.)

Lower School Drama Exploration
- **June 6–10** • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 1–4
- **Instructors:** Lyndsay Sweeney and Julia Traber
- **Cost:** $220

Students will engage their imaginations to create characters and explore the fundamentals of dramatization, pantomime, improvisation, and theatre games. With a classic story as a base, a performance will be built for family and friends. Parents are invited to see the children’s work in storytelling, acting, and costume/set/prop design on the last day.

Dance Camp
- **Session I:** June 20–24 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 12:00–3:00 p.m.
- **Session II:** July 18–22 • 1:00–4:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** K–5
- **Instructor:** Christie Crummel
- **Cost:** $200 for half-day session; $325 for full-day session

This fun, fast-paced dance camp focuses on a different style of dance each day. Starting with ballet-based warm-ups, students will explore jazz, hip-hop, pom-pom, and novelty dance styles to fun, age-appropriate music. Campers will be divided by age group and learn dance basics and routines to share. On the last day of each session, parents and friends will be invited to come watch the routines. Campers will also enjoy fun movement games, dance-related activities, snacks, and the joy of preparing for a performance. Students may choose a morning-only or full-day session, with afternoon campers learning different dances and participating in additional activities.

Group Guitar Camp
- **Session I:** June 13–17 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 3–10
- **Instructor:** Marc Garvin
- **Cost:** $250

This guitar camp is for beginners or those who have been playing for a few years. Join us for a fun and educational way to learn to play an instrument and refine early playing skills. Students will work with strumming patterns, group playing, note reading, and classical technique as they learn new songs. There will be a performance at the end of each session. This is a great way to introduce young musicians to ensemble performances!

Note: Students will need a nylon-stringed classical guitar for this session.
Computer Science Academy

- **June 13–24** (two-week session)  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 5–10
- **Instructors:** Steve Johnson and Lenny Morales
- **Cost:** $380

Led by St. Francis’s Middle School Technology Instructor Steve Johnson and Head of Technology Lenny Morales, this popular camp from 2015 returns with an updated curriculum! Students will gain experience in three different stages of programming. Beginning with basic programming commands in Python and JavaScript, students will engage in writing code. Teachers will offer hands-on instruction and building experience in working with actual networking equipment, leading up to building and programming individual microcomputers that go home with students at the end of the course. Students will gain skills needed for high school and beyond, as today's educational experiences increasingly rely on technological comfort. Specific projects will be determined by the needs and interests of the group.

Critical Thinking Boot Camp for Kids

- **June 13–17**  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** Primary II–2
- **Instructor:** Kara Cooney-Galli
- **Cost:** $325

This academic enrichment program helps students advance their thinking skills through a method of hands-on play, natural curiosity, and abstract questioning. Games, custom puzzles, and fun activities help students enrich their listening skills, confidence, and abilities. Exercises in pattern decoding, math reasoning, reading, literacy cognitive processing, spatial perception, memory, concentration, analogy-solving skills, and logical thinking will aid students as they progress into higher-level, multistep processing.

Sweet Spa

- **June 6–10**  •  1:00–2:30 p.m.
- **Grades:** K–3
- **Instructor:** Kara Cooney-Galli
- **Cost:** $225 (Discount when combined with GoldieBlox camp—$400 for full afternoon)

Mix it, make it, try it out, and take it home! Get busy making fizzy bath bombs, sweet lip smackers, shake-'em-up bath salts, yummy face masks, and more. We’ll become clever spa scientists for the week, learning about ingredients and how they can be combined to make fun and fabulous pampering goodies—great for home or gifts! Don’t forget the yummies we’ll make, too, as we’ll need something good to munch while we work.

GoldieBlox

- **June 6–10**  •  2:30–4:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 1–4
- **Instructor:** Kara Cooney-Galli
- **Cost:** $225 (Discount when combined with Sweet Spa camp—$400 for full afternoon)

This special session incorporates the GoldieBlox system, which was designed by two female engineers at Stanford University to engage children in imaginative engineering. The system taps into the students’ verbal skills and uses a story-based construction set. During the week, our campers will learn spatial and fine motor skills, basic circuitry, and creative design. Watch self-confidence grow as they build and discover!

3-D Wacky Workshop

- **June 13–17**  •  9:00–10:30 a.m.
- **Grades:** 1–3
- **Instructor:** Kara Cooney-Galli
- **Cost:** $225 (Discount when combined with Tinkerbotics camp—$400 for full morning)

Who doesn’t love art and science? Individually, these spark our creative sides and ignite curiosity. Together, they’re irresistible! In this camp, we will create and print three-dimensional images. Students will work with 3-D pens to make amazing sculptures, and build creatures from paper, foam and clay. Be prepared to create and take home really cool projects as we learn all about design and production in a 3-D world!

Tinkerbotics

- **June 13–17**  •  10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** 1–3
- **Instructor:** Kara Cooney-Galli
- **Cost:** $225 (Discount when combined with 3-D Wacky Workshop camp—$400 for full morning)

This camp has a little bit of everything for budding engineers! Join us as we learn the basics of circuitry and robotics. Build a Bristlebot robot and create all kinds of things to take home with multiple materials, including the popular Tinkertoys!)
**Frozen Summer Frolics**
- July 11–15 • 9:00–10:30 a.m.
- Grades: K–2
- Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
- Cost: $225 (Discount when combined with Fairylicious camp—$400 for full morning)

Campers join us for a magical adventure in science, creating wonderful treasures and tasty treats based on the popular movie *Frozen*. Explore the slippery science of ice in this class—experiment with properties of water, learn how igloos are built, and paint with ice cubes. We’ll enjoy homemade slushy treats and other frozen goodies!

**Fairylicious**
- July 11–15 • 10:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Grades: K–2
- Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
- Cost: $225 (Discount when combined with Frozen Summer Frolics camp—$400 for full morning)

We’ll come together in a sparkling adventure where anything is possible! Explore the whimsical side of imagination with fairy dancing, costumes, a tea party, glitter creations, fairy games, and more! Our creative sides will lead the way as we make discoveries!

**Primary I and II Engineering Club**
- July 18–22 • 1:00–2:30 p.m.
- Grades: Primary I and Primary II
- Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
- Cost: $225

This club is a perfect mixture of fun and learning for our youngest engineers. Using Duplo bricks and other manipulatives, our students will learn the engineering design process to complete engineering challenges while exploring concepts such as alike/different, patterns, weight, height, tunnels, bridges, and more. Young engineers will grow in confidence as they are gently guided in their discoveries.

**LEGO Math Train**
- July 25–29 • 1:00–2:30 p.m.
- Grades: Primary II and Bridge
- Instructor: Kara Cooney-Galli
- Cost: $225

Time to discover counting, patterning, and simple addition and subtraction with a fun and imaginative set that also teaches the purpose of stations and trains. Children will role-play exciting transportation scenarios as they use the crane to load and unload colorful train cargo and construct stations along a delivery route that they create themselves. Using children’s love of play, education happens through a natural process of experimentation and discovery.

**Cooking Exploration**
- June 20–24 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Grades: 1–5
- Instructor: Maria Cruzalegui
- Cost: $250

Tie on your apron and dust off your spatula as we embark on a cooking adventure! Students in this camp will work with a variety of ingredients and cooking techniques to create everything from tasty beverages to appetizers and desserts. Math proportions will come into play as our young chefs double and half recipes and use their own research and preferences to create unique versions of favorites. Students will also decorate aprons, create their own cookbooks, and learn the language of food!

**Chess Camp**
- Session I: June 13–17 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Session II: June 27–July 1 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Session III: July 11–15 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. / 1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Session IV: July 25–29 • 1:00–4:00 p.m. only
- Grades: 1–10
- Instructor: USA Chess
- Cost: $295 for half-day session; $490 for full-day chess; $460 for full-day chess/video design combo

USA Chess is the largest and leading chess camp organization for children in the United States, with some of the finest chess instructors in the country. Campers will experience chess instruction and play in a fun environment designed to improve their skills, whether for casual or competitive play. Tuition includes a chess set to take home, a trophy, and all snacks.
Active Learning’s video game creation camps offer custom-designed curriculums, providing campers a chance to use creativity as they program video games using step-by-step instructions. Students will learn about the history of video game design, design concepts, styles, and more. There are no prerequisites. All video creation camps are half-day sessions, but can be combined with other design or chess camps to create a full-day camp. (Exception: The 3-D Concepts camp is ONLY available as a full-day session.)

- Grades: 2–10 (See specific sessions for grade details)
- Instructor: Active Learning through USA Chess
- Cost: $335 for half-day session; $535 for full-day video design; $460 for full-day video design/chess combo

### Video Game Creation—Platform Style

- **Session I:** June 13–17 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–10
- **Session II:** July 11–15 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–10

Campers will build a game described as a platform, similar to Sonic or Mario. Characters will do the impossible, overcome obstacles, and conquer the Big Boss. The character’s journey progresses along a path with a background, adversaries, prizes, and obstacles programmed into the game along the way. Basic lessons are similar to the Arcade Style camp the first day, then diverge with different techniques.

### Video Game Creation—Arcade Style

- **Session I:** June 27–July 1 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–10
- **Session II:** July 25–29 • 1:00–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–10

The Arcade session of design creates a game where each level has action on one separate screen. Students create a main character, which can be anything. Other characters act as the enemies and pursue the main character. Characters dodge, pick up, and destroy objects. There’s no limit to the levels that can be created!

### Video Game Creation—3-D Concepts [New for 2016]

- **Session I:** June 27–July 1 • 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 4–10
- **Session II:** July 11–15 • 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 4–10

This session is designed for those with prior GameMaker software experience. Campers will learn the principles of creating 3-D games while creating their own home base defense-style games. Lessons include perspective, style, infinity, and other art and design concepts. Students will be challenged to problem solve as they learn how game designers make 2-D computer screens come to life with 3-D effects. This is a full-day camp.

### Modding, Networking, and Hosting with Minecraft [New For 2016]

- **Session I:** July 11–15 • 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–7
- **Session II:** July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 3–7

Minecraft is immensely popular because it is a collaborative, open-ended, and moddable game. Our program preserves these qualities and adds a dose of extra fun. The week begins with game basics, controls, and recipes, as well as a bit about hosting and networking. Next, campers connect to different worlds hosted on our secure server and experiment with character skins, mods, and custom maps. Day by day, the students will build in the Active Learning world, which grows over time. Adding a room, building a moat, or creating a chessboard—the possibilities are nearly limitless!

### Kudo Video Game Creation—Adventure Style With Xbox Controller

- **Session I:** June 13–17 • 1:00–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 2–9
- **Session II:** July 11–15 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Grades: 2–9

Campers will have the option of learning how to program using a Microsoft Xbox controller! Students will create their own custom world and learn how to navigate through it. Within this world, they will create tasks for characters which might include escaping a maze, surviving an attack, outwitting rivals, creating decoys, or collecting bonus items. *Xbox controller is optional and must be supplied by the student.*

### Kudo Video Game Creation—Go-Kart Style

- **Session I:** June 27–July 1 • 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. • Grades: 2–9
- **Session II:** July 25–29 • 1:00–4:00 p.m. • Grades: 2–9

Campers in this session will create a game similar to the popular Mario Kart go-kart style games. First, a world is designed—mountains, lakes, valleys, hills, and anything else that can be dreamed up! Next, characters are placed into this world and programmed to move and interact with one another, and scripts are written to create conversation between characters. Characters can pick up objects, engage opponents, and defeat villains. Their challenge is to build a world full of racing-based tasks—collecting objects, navigating an obstacle course, beating the clock. It’s up to them!
**Flag Football**
- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- Grades: 2–5
- Instructor: Steve Johnson
- Cost: $150

This camp provides students with an introduction to America’s favorite game! This non-tackle-based game teaches kids the fun and fundamentals of this popular sport, with lessons on rules, skill drills, and fun matches between in-camp teams!

**Ade Youth Soccer Camp**
- June 6–10  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Grades: Primary II–8
- Instructor: Ade Adeniran
- Cost: $180

Ade Adeniran, a former professional soccer player and member of Nigeria’s ‘84 Olympic team, brings his crew of coaches to St. Francis for the sixth year of our developmental soccer camps. Students are broken into age groups to work on basic skills, strategies, ball handling, and game play. Each day will include an indoor break for snacks along with a video or chat regarding game play. Students will work on both individual and team scrimmages during the session.

**7-on-7 Football**
- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- Grades: 5–8
- Instructor: Steve Johnson
- Cost: $150

7-on-7 football is a low-impact, fast-paced version of the game. It is an excellent opportunity for players to work on their technique, improve understanding of St. Francis offense and defense schemes, and have fun. Practices and tournaments will be run by Middle School football coach Steve Johnson. Teams will be led by alumni from our Wolves Varsity Football Team and other area alum high school players.

**Multi-Sport Fun Camp**
- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Grades: K–4
- Instructors: Just Play Sports
- Cost: $180

Students in this session will learn the basics of a variety of sports, including basketball, volleyball, soccer, and more, all while acquiring the vital skills and discipline they need to become stronger, healthier athletes. The fundamentals of each sport will be covered, with a special emphasis on teamwork. Groups will be determined by age and experience level.

**Wolves Wrestling**
- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  1:00–3:00 p.m.  •  Grades: 2–5
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  9:00–11:00 a.m.  •  Grades: 5–8
- Instructor: Steve Johnson
- Cost: $150

This camp is for those new to wrestling or those who are already experienced. Campers will focus on fundamentals of wrestling, technique, conditioning, and fun! New wrestling moves will be introduced and basics reinforced. There will be live competition and active, wrestling-based games. This camp is a great way to sharpen skills and stay in shape!

**Basketball**
- June 20–24  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Grades: K–5
- Instructor: Just Play Sports
- Cost: $180

Come explore the fun of basketball while learning the basics of passing, shooting, dribbling, defending, and teamwork! Through creative planning, our coaches take an exciting sport and make it more enjoyable and accessible. Lessons will be geared toward each age group, giving campers the chance to successfully develop good ball handling technique while engaging in playful competition with friends. Older campers will be offered leadership opportunities while still progressing in their own game skills. Younger students will develop team rapport and work on basic proficiencies.
Volleyball

- July 25–29  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: 3–8
- Instructor: Doug Durkee
- Cost: $180

Come participate in this high-energy sport and meet some great teammates along the way! Campers will learn and develop the basics of serving, attacking, blocking, defending, passing, and setting, while having fun in a safe environment. More experienced players will build on basic skills to smooth out technique and perfect skills in both defense and attack.

Gymnastics With Brown’s Gym

- Session I: June 6–10  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Session II: June 27–July 1   •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Session III: July 11–15  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Session IV: July 25–29  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: Primary II–5
- Instructors: Mark Weathers and Brown’s Gymnastics
- Cost: $180

This perennial camp favorite focuses on the areas of floor tumbling, balance beam, and mini trampoline, providing additional information on health, fitness, and well-being. Students are encouraged to work hard and achieve goals, control their bodies both physically and mentally, and—of course—have fun! Campers will form groups based on skill level and physical size. The week will include snack breaks and some surprise activities.

Tae Kwon Do Fun Camp

- July 11–15  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: K–5
- Instructors: Master Bruce Alamdari and Olympia Tae Kwon Do
- Cost: $180

During this exciting week, campers will participate in a variety of activities that center on Tae Kwon Do. Each day, one half of camp time will be devoted to Tae Kwon Do lessons, with the remaining time spent on games, developing speed and strength, and various other activities and exercises. Students will make T-shirts and, on the last day of camp, will watch a clip of an age-appropriate Tae Kwon Do-themed movie while enjoying a special snack. Uniforms are not required for this session. Open to those new to Tae Kwon Do as well as to veteran martial artists.

Dodge Ball Challenge

- June 20–24  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: 1–6
- Instructor: Master Bruce Alamdari
- Cost: $180

Dodge ball employed for agility, quick thinking, and explosive movement has become a favorite break-out activity within the Tae Kwon Do fun camps. Now, for the second year—at the request of campers—Master Bruce will lead a separate camp for Dodge Ball Challenges! Students will develop teamwork skills as they strategize, agree upon rules, choose teams, and compete in “King of the Gym” tournaments. Utilizing full-body movements, ball-handling skills, and thoughtful strategy, dodge ball is a fun sport that enhances all locomotor functions. Campers will have opportunities to drill, play championship games, engage in plyometric exercises during warm-ups, and enjoy a daily snack break!

Howlers Spirit/Cheer Camp

- June 13–17  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: K–5
- Instructors: Christie Crummel and the Howlers
- Cost: $200

Join the Howlers for a week of cheers, jumps, dance routines, and fun. The St. Francis Howlers cheerleaders will lead campers through this energy-packed camp that emphasizes the basics of cheer while promoting teamwork and leadership. We will work on St. Francis cheers and fight song motions, simple “spirit dance” routines, and foundational skills. Campers will also enjoy fun team-building games and spirit-related activities with the Howlers. The week will culminate in a performance for family and friends!

Wolf Ninja Warriors

- July 18–22  •  1:00–4:00 p.m.
- Grades: 3–6
- Instructor: Coach Danny Lewis
- Cost: $275 (includes field trip fees)

Children have been fascinated with the televised airing of American Ninja Warrior and the endeavors of the athletes competing. This style of movement takes conditioning, agility, balance, and a strong sense of confidence. In this fun camp, students will work on gaining skills in balance, movement, coordination, cooperation, and strength through a week of fun challenges and exercises. Students will take field trips to nearby parks and rock-climbing facilities to challenge their bodies and practice problem solving. Our own coaches will be joined by experts in the Parkour movement.
Wolf Pack Sports Strength and Conditioning Clinics

- Session I: Mondays and Wednesdays: June 6–29 and July 11–20
  6:00–7:30 p.m.
  (Students may choose to attend 6 sessions or all 12)
- Grades: 5–8
- Instructor: Coach Danny Lewis
- Cost: $275 for 6 sessions; $475 for 12 sessions

This series of clinics is geared toward keeping kids in shape and in form for their future sports seasons. Each summer, students have free time that can be used in a positive and productive manner, supporting their excellence in the sport(s) they will play in the coming year and encouraging daily physical activity. Each 90-minute session will be split into two periods covering different styles of age-appropriate conditioning and strength training. This camp is for anyone who wants to grow in strength, speed, and agility!

DAN L. DUNCAN CHILDREN’S NEURODEVELOPMENTAL CLINIC CAMPS

The Dan L. Duncan Children’s Neurodevelopmental Clinic at the Children’s Learning Institute, a part of the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, is pleased to offer academic summer camps in reading and math. Camps are staffed by tutors trained in evidence-based reading methods and are supervised by University of Texas staff. The advisory panel for the clinic includes Dr. Linda Ewing-Cobbs, director; Dr. Marcia Barnes; Dr. Daniel Williamson; and Dr. Mike Assel.

- Instructors: Dan L. Duncan Clinic tutors
- Cost: $240/session*

*Session minimum is 2 students and maximum is 6 students. Additional sessions may be added, if necessary.

Wacky Word Play (Phonemic Awareness I) and Linking Letters to Sounds (Phonics I)

- Session I: June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- Session II: June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

Before students learn to identify and manipulate sounds within words, they must be able to produce oral language. In addition, students must possess the ability to produce words that end with the same sounds. This camp is designed for the student who would like to be primed for reading instruction or who is looking to build oral language and rhyming skills. It is also designed to ready the reader for the next step in reading comprehension: blending. Improvement in these skills—along with recognizing and naming letters, identifying the letters of the alphabet, and understanding the sound-symbol relationship of each—will be a main goal of the camp.

Wacky Word Play (Phonemic Awareness II) and Sound Blending (Phonics II)

- Session I: June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- Session II: June 27–July 1  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

Being able to produce words that start with the same sound and identify words in a sentence are vital to the reading process. This camp is designed for the student who can identify, manipulate, and rhyme sounds, but who requires extra preparation for the next level of reading readiness.

Read Alouds and Retells (Listening Comprehension I)

- Session I: June 6–10  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- Session II: June 20–24  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

During this camp, students will listen and respond to stories about well-known characters, themes, plots, and settings. They will be asked to listen to the stories with the eventual goal of retelling them. In addition, they will work on ordering and summarizing information from a story to make inferences and develop an understanding of its deeper meaning. This camp is designed to help pre-readers develop comprehension skills that are parallel to decoding and encoding skills.
Read Alouds and Retells (Listening Comprehension II)

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

During this camp, students will continue to build skills in listening and responding to stories about well-known characters, themes, plots, and settings. They will be asked to listen to the stories with the eventual goal of retelling them. In addition, they will work on ordering and summarizing information from a story to make inferences and develop an understanding of its deeper meaning. This camp is designed to continue to help pre-readers develop comprehension skills that are parallel to decoding and encoding skills.

Number Discovery and Problem Solvers, Part I

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session III:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session IV:** June 27–July 1  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

This camp is designed for preschoolers who want to prepare for kindergarten. Students will focus on developing core numeracy concepts, including place value, addition and subtraction, and early algebraic reasoning. Students will also enhance their geometry and measurement skills as they reason with shapes and interpret data. Improvement in these skills, conceptual understanding, and confidence building are the main goals of this camp.

### GRADE 1 ACADEMIC CAMPS

Word Wonder (Phonemic Awareness I) and Diving Into Letter Substitution and Vowel Sounds (Phonics I)

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

This camp is designed for students who have mastered oral language, rhyming, alliteration, and sentence segmentation. The ability to separate and delete syllables in words and then pronounce the remaining syllables will prepare students for more advanced phonemic awareness. Students will practice replacing consonants at the beginning and end of words as well as replacing middle vowels and initial and final blends. In order to become confident spellers, they will learn the letters used to represent different vowel sounds in different words.

Funky Phoneme Fun (Phonemic Awareness II) and Dipping Into Diphthongs and Spelling (Phonics II)

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

This camp helps develop the student’s ability to compare the differences between beginning, middle, and ending sounds in words. In addition, students will learn the sounds and spellings of different diphthongs, the pronunciation of vowels followed by an “r”, and consonant digraphs. Students will become ready for multi-syllable spelling.

Rolling Reader Strategies (Reading Comprehension I)

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students will develop a variety of approaches to help them understand and connect with what they read. This camp will prepare the student to progress to Sampling Story Elements.

Sampling Story Elements (Reading Comprehension II)

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students will focus on the primary story elements of main idea, theme, character, setting, and plot. This camp is designed to help the student read with a significant depth of understanding and analysis through story elements.

Number Discovery and Problem Solvers, Part II

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session III:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session IV:** June 27–July 1  •  8:30–10:30 a.m. / 10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students preparing for first grade will build on core numeracy concepts by solving arithmetic problems with unknown integers, working with three-digit numbers, and solving one-step and two-step story problems. By working with money, telling time, and representing data within graphs, students will develop deep conceptual understanding of mathematical concepts. Along with these skills, confidence building and excitement about math are main goals of this camp.
Summer Reading Intensives

- **Monday—Thursday:** June 6–30  •  9:00–11:00 a.m. / 12:00–2:00 p.m.
- **Grades:** Bridge–6  •  **Cost:** $2,250 (for four weeks)

The same one-on-one reading program that is offered after school through the St. Francis reading program is available during the month of June. This allows students to complete more than a semester’s worth of curriculum. All intervention programs are evidence-based and have been identified as effective approaches to reading instruction. Based on assessment results and needs, a tailored instructional plan will be implemented in the areas of phonemic awareness, phonics, word attack skills, spelling, listening and reading comprehension, vocabulary, and fluency.

For more information or to schedule an assessment, contact the Office of Summer and After-School Programs at 713.458.6467.

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**GRADE 2 ACADEMIC CAMPS**

**Funky Phoneme Fun (Phonemic Awareness I) and Silly Syllables (Word Work I)**

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

This camp is designed to enable students to both blend individual sounds into words and delete sounds from words and combine the remaining sounds together. These two skills, known respectively as sound blending and eliding, enhance students’ ability to decode words that are not familiar, thereby giving them deeper word knowledge. These exercises will promote dexterity in reading polysyllabic words.

**Funky Phoneme Fun (Phonemic Awareness II) and Daring Doubling Consonants and Endings (Word Work II)**

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

This camp builds on a student’s basic ability to blend and delete sounds in words. Students will also master the consonant-doubling spelling rule and inflectional suffixes.

**Rolling Reader Strategies (Reading Comprehension I)**

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

Using leveled readers, the students will develop a variety of approaches for understanding and connecting with their reading material. This camp will prepare the student to progress to Sampling Story Elements.

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**GRADE 3 AND 4 ACADEMIC CAMPS**

**Sampling Story Elements (Reading Comprehension II)**

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students will focus on the primary story elements of main idea, theme, character, setting, and plot. This camp is designed to help the student read with a significant depth of understanding and analysis through story elements.

**Rolling Reader Strategies (Reading Comprehension I)**

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  8:30–10:30 a.m.

This camp will help students develop a variety of approaches for understanding and connecting with their reading material. Students will practice retaining what they have read, as well as connecting prior knowledge and experience to their reading. This camp will prepare the student to progress to Sampling Story Elements.

**Sampling Story Elements (Reading Comprehension II)**

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students will focus on the primary story elements of main idea, theme, character, setting, and plot. This camp is designed to help the student read with a significant depth of understanding and analysis through story elements.

**Fantastic Foundation Writing Skills (Writing I)**

- **Session I:** June 6–10  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 20–24  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

This camp will help students develop writing skills by first teaching the basics of creating complex sentences and then leading them to write paragraphs and whole stories.

**Beaming Basics Writing Skills (Writing II)**

- **Session I:** June 13–17  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
- **Session II:** June 27–July 1  •  10:30 a.m.–12:30 p.m.

Students will learn to follow an effective routine as they write. The routine will consist of prewriting, sharing work, revising, and editing/publishing.
ACADEMIC JUMPSTART AND ENRICHMENT

JUMP INTO PRIMARY SCHOOL

These camps meet on the South Campus.

• Week 1: July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Week 2: July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Grades: Rising Primary I, Primary II, and Bridge students
• Instructors: St. Francis Primary School faculty • Cost: $275/session

It’s time to Jump Into Primary School for the 2016–17 school year! This program is perfect for new students, returning students moving into a new grade, or those who need to reacquaint themselves with school routines after a busy summer. Children will spend time getting to know some of the Primary School faculty; orienting themselves to classroom environments and buildings they will use in the fall; and working on basics such as fine motor, listening, and social skills. Days will be filled with story time, class discussions, Spanish, small and large group cooperation, games, art, cooking, outdoor recreation, and centers play. All groups will be led by St. Francis Primary School faculty. Daily activities include a provided snack.

JUMP INTO LOWER SCHOOL

Jump Into Kindergarten

• Week 1: “All About Me” • July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Week 2: “Interesting Insects” • July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty • Cost: $275/session

During these weeks, children entering St. Francis’s kindergarten program will get to know some of the faces and places they will see during the school year. They will practice listening, fine motor skills, math, writing, and group cooperation to prepare them for the coming year. Using a weekly theme as a focus, students will engage in group learning activities, individual explorations, art, and Spanish. Learning will occur in both large- and small-group settings. Daily activities include a provided snack.

Jump Into First Grade

• Week 1: “Creatures Feature” • July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Week 2: “Under the Sea” • July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty • Cost: $275/session

These sessions are for students entering the first grade, either as new or returning students, who need to solidify skills before beginning the academic year, or for those who need time to return to a school routine. Students will develop successful listening and writing skills, reading strategies, group learning dynamics, math concepts, and cooperation within large and small groups. Through weekly themes, students will engage in art, Spanish, centers, and individual explorations. Daily activities include a provided snack.

Jump Into Second Grade

• Week 1: “Earth Exploration” • July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Week 2: “Beyond Our Walls” • July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty • Cost: $275/session

New or returning second graders can attend one or both of these weeks to help them prepare for a successful start to the 2016–17 school year. Using a weekly theme as a starting point, students will work on mental math, problem solving, writing mechanics, reading fluency and comprehension, group learning dynamics, and listening skills. Additional daily activities will include art, Spanish, centers, and individual explorations. Daily activities include a provided snack.

Jump Into Third Grade

• Week 1: Language Arts • July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty • Cost: $275/session

During the first week of Jump Into Third Grade, students will focus on writing mechanics, reading comprehension strategies, and expression of ideas in both verbal and written form. They will also practice clearly communicating stories, ideas, and questions. Other activities will include storytelling, cooking, art projects, and exercises at the SMART Board. A snack will be provided.

• Week 2: Math and Science • July 25–29 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
• Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty • Cost: $275/session

During the second week of Jump Into Third Grade, students will work on cementing skills in operations, number stories, math facts, arrays, and groups. They will tackle strategies for problem solving, the scientific method, and documenting observations. Other activities may include group missions, games to enhance problem-solving strategies, and special projects. A snack will be provided.

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Jump Into Fourth Grade

- Week 1: Language Arts  •  July 18–22  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty  •  Cost: $275

During the first week of Jump Into Fourth Grade, students will focus on strengthening their writing mechanics, reading comprehension, and expression of ideas in both written and verbal form. Students will develop vocabulary, spelling strategies, and reading responses, as well as practice communication through story structure. Other activities may include storytelling, creative writing, and special literature-inspired activities such as cooking or art. A snack will be provided.

- Week 2: Math and Science  •  July 25–29  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Instructors: St. Francis Lower School faculty  •  Cost: $275

During the second week of Jump Into Fourth Grade, children will work to solidify skills in operations, math facts, problem solving, measurement, the scientific method, and documenting observations. Activities will include hands-on experiments, games to enhance problem-solving strategies, using measurements to cook, and special projects. A snack will be provided.

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Study Skills and Academic Organization: Grades 5 and 6

- Session I: July 18–22  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Session II: July 25–29  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Instructor: Laurie Curtis, EdD, director of school counseling  •  Cost: $175/session

Students entering grades 5 and 6 have recently moved from the more contained atmosphere of Lower School into rotating classes and teachers, locker stops, athletics, and increasing leadership opportunities. Sometimes the greatest challenge is in the organization of resources, time, study materials, and notes. Students in this course will review learning styles, strategies for studying and note-taking, effective reading for information, and time management.

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Study Skills and Academic Organization: Grades 7 and 8

- Session I: July 18–22  •  10:35 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Session II: July 25–29  •  10:35 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Instructor: Laurie Curtis, EdD, director of school counseling  •  Cost: $175/session

As reading for information and study loads increase, and with the addition of higher-level thinking assignments and research papers, Middle School students will need strong organizational skills to stay on track. Our St. Francis faculty help scaffold this learning through the year, but this summer course is designed to help students identify their own personal strengths and weaknesses in learning styles and study habits and create strategies for jumping into the new year more organized and on task. By putting these into use during the fall, students will have a strong foundation for moving on to high school.

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Keyboarding

- Session I: July 18–22  •  10:35 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Session II: July 25–29  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Grades: 5–8
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty  •  Cost: $175 / session

This course is designed to teach and sharpen basic skills in keyboarding and word processing applications, with emphasis on skills necessary for the Middle School curriculum. Students will develop basic strategies for touch-typing and improvement of speed and accuracy. Students will also review document creation and editing, as well as the specific tools used in word processing.

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Jump Into Middle School Math

- Session I: July 18–22  •  9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Session II: July 25–29  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Grades: 5–8
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty  •  Cost: $175 / session

Math sessions for JumpStart have been divided by skill level and approximate grade level for concept introduction and mastery. Any questions regarding student placement should be directed to their grade-level math teacher for referrals.

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Jump Into Spanish

- Session I: July 18–22  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Session II: July 25–29  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Grades: 5–8
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty  •  Cost: $175 / session

Whether students are new to Spanish or building on previous learning, this course will help them gain practice in written and oral use of the language through hands-on activities, pencil-and-paper exercises, role play, cooking projects, and mucho conversation.

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Just the Facts

- July 18–22  •  9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Grade: 5
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty  •  Cost: $175

This course is aimed at helping students entering Middle School who need to solidify basic math facts and operations. Fundamental number sense will be emphasized as students work to improve speed and accuracy in working with math facts and being able to apply these to word problems and problem-solving strategies.
Fractions, Decimals, and Division

- July 25–29 • 10:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Grades: 5 and 6
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $175

Before students begin algebraic processes, they need to truly understand and be comfortable working with fractions and decimals—and comprehend what they represent. Students will also work with division, as fractions also suggest the operation of division. Mastery of these skills is key before entering pre-algebra.

All About Integers

- Session I: July 18–22 • 9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Session II: July 25–29 • 10:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Grades: 6 and 7
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $175/session

Moving toward abstract math, beginning with pre-algebra concepts, students need to understand integers and what they truly denote. Whole numbers and their opposites can be manipulated in equations in ways that non-integers cannot. Understanding integers versus non-integers and how they can be used (or cannot be used) is a key to opening up understanding in solving simple equations.

Combining Like Terms and Integer Operations

- Session I: July 18–22 • 10:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Session II: July 25–29 • 9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Grades: 7 and 8
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $175/session

Students in this session will practice combining like terms, becoming more comfortable with variables and exponents and how simple expressions can be simplified and combined. Understanding that $2x$ is not the same as $x^2$ sets the foundation for recognizing expressions and how operations can be applied to them. Through individual and group activities, students will gain a stronger understanding of these underlying concepts to help them succeed in algebra classes.

Writing for Grades 5 and 6

- Session I: July 18–22 • 10:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Session II: July 25–29 • 9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $175/session

Students entering grades 5 and 6 will review processes from the Lower School curriculum for brainstorming, outlining, writing, editing, and producing final drafts. Focus is on writing essays. Grammar and punctuation will be reviewed as needed. Note: Enrichment writing for grades 5–7 is offered in our Creative Writing camp in June. See course description below.

Writing for Grades 7 and 8

- Session I: July 18–22 • 9:00–10:25 a.m.
- Session II: July 25–29 • 10:35 a.m.—12:00 p.m.
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $175/session

Students entering grades 7 and 8 will review the format for five-paragraph essays and focus on writing for information and support of a main idea. Emphasis will be placed on use and placement of the thesis statement, use of citations, and correct documentation of sources. Grammar and punctuation will be reviewed as needed.

Writing the Research Paper

- July 18–22 • 9:00 a.m.—12:00 p.m. • Grades: 7 and 8
- Instructors: St. Francis faculty • Cost: $200

This course is for those students entering grades 7 and 8 who are confident writers with a clear understanding of basic writing mechanics and essay writing with a thesis statement. Emphasis is on essay structure, supporting main ideas, research processes, note taking, citations, and supporting a strong conclusion. This is a course that turns good writers into writers of strong academic papers.

Creative Writing

- June 13–17 • 9:00—11:00 a.m. • Grades: 5–7
- Instructor: Kate Giarratano • Cost: $150

This course is designed for students who are comfortable with basic writing mechanics, but are ready to move to the next level in written communication. Creative Writing covers personal narratives, short stories, fiction, and poetry. Students can apply these to school projects, personal writing, blogs, and even script writing. During this fun course, students will work from prompts in a relaxed atmosphere, brainstorming ideas and reading from examples of good literary writing. The only materials needed are strong imaginations and active voices.
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