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## RMS Summer Camps 2021



**Richmond Montessori School**  
**SUMMER ENRICHMENT CAMPS**

**Toddlers through 8th grade**

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## Welcome to Richmond Montessori School Summer Enrichment Camps!

Richmond Montessori is like no other school in the community, offering a different kind of education as unique as each child, empowering them in the classroom so they can create a meaningful life beyond it. Richmond Montessori School's Summer Enrichment Camps are playful, relaxed, and fun. Your child is invited to join our specialty All Day Camps, each fostering the Montessori hallmarks of mutual respect, love of learning, curiosity, compassion, and freedom with responsibility.

This year we are running in-person camps in two, three-week sessions. Due to the pandemic, RMS is keeping campers in pods for three weeks. This is to ensure maximum safety of students and staff. Toddler camp will run from 9-11:30 a.m. Primary/elementary/middle school camps will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. to allow teachers & staff ample time for disinfecting & cleaning spaces and materials. This summer, we will offer A-La-Carte remote camps for Elementary & Middle School students.

Take advantage of all the best summer has to offer, right here at RMS—the outdoors, sports, science, movement, and the arts! Carefully examine the many choices, and register early, as spaces are limited, so we can maintain high staff-to-student ratios. You'll find that we offer a true alternative to other local camp options.

*Thank you for choosing Richmond Montessori School for summer!*

### Shanthi Wickramasinghe

Coordinator of Montessori Enrichment Programs

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# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## Who can attend?

(Register your child for camps for the level in which they were enrolled for the 2020-21 school year.)

### Toddlers

Camp is open to current RMS students only (students enrolled at RMS for the 2020-21 school year.) Toddlers who turn 3 before June 5, 2021 can register for primary camps.

### Primary Level (age 3-6)

Camp is open to current RMS primary students and students already enrolled at RMS for the 2021-2022 school year who will be age 3 by June 5, 2021.

### Elementary & Middle School

Camp is open to current RMS students and students already enrolled for the 2021-2022 school year.

### Non RMS students

Camp is open to elementary and middle school-aged siblings of enrolled RMS students and elementary and middle school-aged children of RMS staff. (Non-RMS students will need to process additional paperwork before attending camp.)

### Virtual camps

Virtual camps are open to any elementary or middle school child.

## For Non-RMS Students & Staff Children

***You will need to fill out and submit information not requested by the online registration platform to confirm your child's attendance after you register.***

Additionally, prior to your child's first day of attendance, you must present in person your child's birth certificate, birth registration card, or passport. Photocopies are not acceptable. Virginia state law requires that we have viewed and documented legal proof of your child's identity and age, and that we notify law enforcement authorities if we do not have proof.

RMS must have a current immunization record on file before the first day of attendance. By state law, we cannot accept immunization records that are not current. Immunization records can be mailed or faxed to us or brought in with the proof of identity.

The following forms can be downloaded from the [Summer Enrichment page](#) of the RMS website as needed:

- Parental Permission Form (required for all students)
- Medicine Authorization Form
- Form authorizing insect repellent, sunscreen and over-the-counter creams and lotions
- Montessori Enrichment Handbook Addendum
- General Summer Program Information
- Health Form (new or non-RMS students only)
- Proof of ID Instructions (new or non-RMS students only)

### For Virtual Camps:

- RMS Parent Permission for Virtual Camps
- Acceptable Technology and Internet Safety Policy

**NOTE:** Parents who do virtual AND in-person camps must fill out both sets of forms.

*Please feel free to contact Shanthi Wickramasinghe at 804-741-0040 x 24, or [shanthi@richmont.org](mailto:shanthi@richmont.org) with any questions about camps or the registration process.*

# REGISTRATION INFORMATION

## How to Register Online

**Before you begin registration, please:**

- 1 Identify all selections for your child in advance. Use the schedule to help you plan. **Please note that camps are running in two separate sessions for primary, elementary and middle school students. When registering, choose "Session One" and/or "Session Two."** Each session includes three weeks of camp (the toddler session is two weeks of camp). Due to the pandemic, RMS is keeping campers in pods for three weeks for maximum safety of students and staff. Camp will run from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. to allow teachers and staff ample time for disinfecting & cleaning spaces.
- 2 Gather name, phone number and complete address information for a non-parent emergency contact. These are required fields.

### To register:

- 1 Go to the RMS website at [richmont.org/summer](https://richmont.org/summer) (see registration dates below)
- 2 Each child is registered separately.
- 3 Please register your child for camps in the level they were enrolled at RMS for the the 2020-2021 school year. (Campers who turn age 3 by June 5, 2021 can register for primary camps).

*Any changes can be requested directly to Shanthi Wickramasinghe at [shanthi@richmont.org](mailto:shanthi@richmont.org).*

### Important Registration Dates!

**Registration opens for all students on March 5, 2021.**

### Early Bird Registration

If you submit your 2021-2022 RMS enrollment contract before you register for camp, you get early access to camp registration. Early birds with a submitted contract can register for camp between Feb. 19 and March 4.

# FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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*Our online registration platform accepts credit cards only. If you must pay with a check, please contact Shanathi Wickramasinghe.*

## Refund Policy

There are no refunds unless RMS cancels a camp or a camper is required to quarantine or isolate due to RMS exposure of COVID-19. RMS will process a refund for the days of camp missed for individual campers or if a camp group needs to quarantine. If campers are quarantined due to outside exposure of COVID-19, we will offer Montessori Enrichment credits towards the 21-22 school year.

Notify Shanathi of any exposure to COVID or a COVID diagnosis within the household. Please see the COVID-19 Policy Below.

## COVID-19 Policy

Please complete the Healthy Roster Survey that comes through text for each child enrolled in RMS Summer Camp. You will be asked to show your Green Screen in the carpool line.

We will maintain the same COVID policies and health and safety protocols from the school year. If your child is experiencing any symptoms please keep them home

and notify Shanathi Wickramasinghe; RMS will not refund absences due to illness. Children with any COVID symptoms can return to camp when they are symptom free and with a **negative COVID test** or **an oral/written release from their doctor** to return to camp. If you are deciding to keep your child home for any reason please contact Shanathi via email at [shanathi@richmont.org](mailto:shanathi@richmont.org) or 804-741-0040 x 24.

## Cancellation Policy

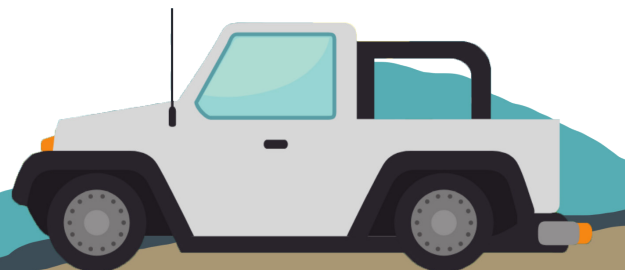
RMS reserves the right to cancel any under-enrolled program up to two weeks before the program is scheduled to start.

## Substitution Policy

RMS reserves the right to substitute appropriate staff as needed.

## Camp Session Fees

Fees are listed with each camp session. Although the camps are priced per three-week session, they are in line with what we charge in a typical summer.



# Summer Camps At-a-Glance

Session 1				
		June 21-25	June 28-July 2	July 5-9
9 - 11:30 a.m.	Toddler	Montessori Mornings (Two Week Session: \$375)		
9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Primary Option 1	Under the Sea Adventure	Groovy Science	Flutter, Roar and Chirp
	Primary Option 2	Nature Arts	Arts & Crafts	Singing & Dancing Fun
9 a.m. - 3 pm.	Elementary	Dungeons & Dragons	Photography & Scrapbooking	Make Your Own Mystery Movie
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Middle School	Intro to Lacrosse	Science & Art	All-Star Sports Classics
9-11 a.m.	Virtual Elementary	The Art of Geometry \$125	All About Me \$125	
10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Virtual Middle School	Chopped \$125		

Session 2				
		July 12-16	July 19-23	July 26-30
9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Primary Option 1	Marvelous Music & Movement	Passport Around the World	Stellar Space
	Primary Option 2	The Different Ways We Travel	Storybook Adventures	The Great Outdoors
9 a.m. - 3 pm.	Elementary	Creative Writing	Outdoor Adventures	Little Picassos and Newtons
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.	Middle School	Anime	Wearable Art	Outdoor Sports

**Note:**  
RMS Summer Camps are closed on July 5 in observance of the Independence Day holiday.

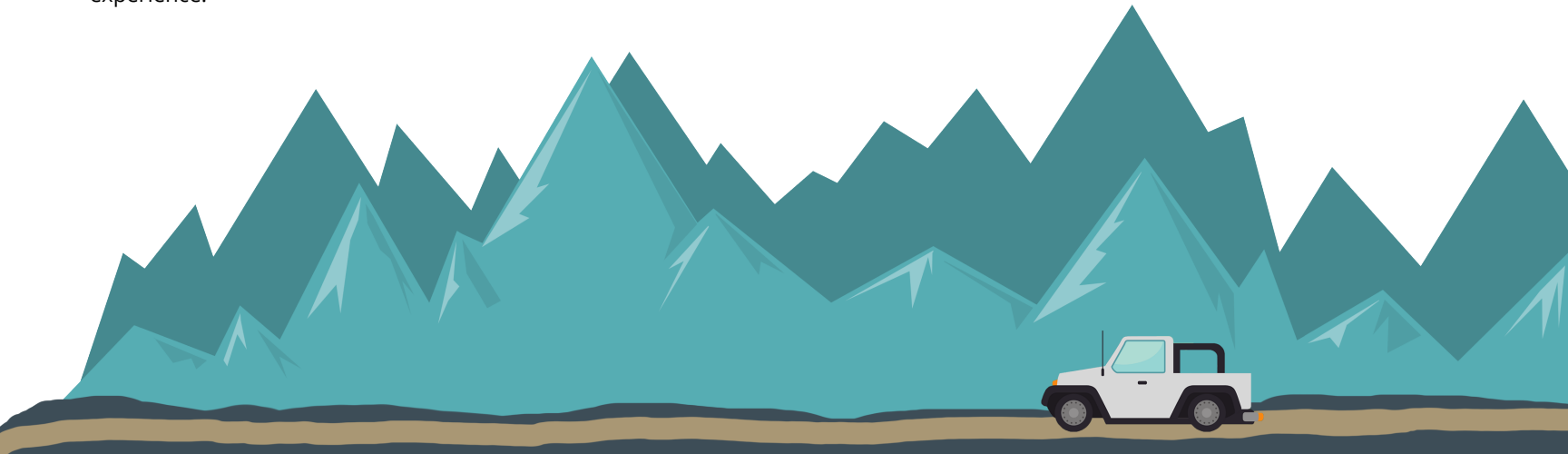
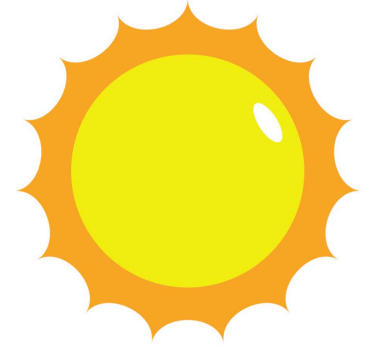
# TODDLER CAMP - TWO WEEK SESSION

## Montessori Mornings

*9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.*

*\$375 for Two Week Session: June 21-July 2*

**Montessori Mornings** is a continuation of the procedures and practices that we implement everyday in the classroom during the school year. We will cover every area of the environment such as practical life, science, language and manipulatives. Grace and courtesy skills will be practiced daily, along with introductions to materials and lessons that promote growth and development. This camp will be led by Ms. Lavell & Mrs. Kathleen, both Toddler Lead Teachers with years of combined experience.



# PRIMARY CAMPS - SESSION 1

## Session 1

June 21-July 9

**PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS.**

### NOTE:

Lunchtime & Rest/Nap is included in the pricing for Primary Camps. All students will bring their own lunches.

All camps include time for snack, time for lunch, games and outdoor play.

### Option 1

\$835 for all three weeks. Camps are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

#### **Week 1 June 21-25: Under The Sea**

**Adventure** with Ms. Emily. Join us for an underwater adventure! We will explore and learn about marine animals and habitats through art, activities, and music. Come experience a unique week under the sea!

**Week 2 June 28-July 2: Groovy Science** with Mrs. Lili. Join Ms. Lili for a groovy time at science camp! Ms. Lili is our Librarian, but she loves science! In Groovy Science Camp, we will learn about fun science concepts, do some groovy science experiments, and of course, read fun books about science, too!

**Week 3 July 5-9\*: Flutter, Roar, and Chirp.** Welcome to Flutter, Roar and Chirp! with Ms. Claire. We are so excited to embark on summer fun learning about all the animals for this week. Each day we will learn and discover a different animal with crafts and books. Get ready to explore and learn about all types of animals, insects, and birds! **\*(Please note: camp is closed on July 5).**

### Option 2

\$835 for all three weeks. Camps are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Week 1 June 21-25: Nature Arts** with Mrs. Claire. Welcome to a world of natural art. Each day we will discover the outdoors and use the beauty all around us to create nature art. We will also use cameras to catch the beauty of nature and each child will have a portfolio of their nature art to remember our camp.

**Week 2 June 28-July 2: Arts & Crafts Camp** with Ms. Emily. Come and learn about different types of art mediums and creative crafts! This camp will be filled with various sensory experiences while exploring our artistic abilities. Join us for a week of creative fun!

**Week 3 July 5-9\*: Singing & Dancing Fun** with Mrs. Trisha. Laugh and sing the silliest songs – then dance the day away! Go on a bear hunt, learn the electric slide, do the hokey pokey and learn motions to goofy lyrics (all of your favorites and some you don't know). Of course we include art, books and more! **\*(Please note: camp is closed on July 5).**



# PRIMARY CAMPS - SESSION 2

## Session 2

July 12-30th

PLEASE CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING  
OPTIONS.

### NOTE:

Lunchtime & Rest/Nap is included in the pricing for Primary Camps. All students will bring their own lunches.

All camps include time for snack, time for lunch, games and outdoor play.

### Option 1

\$895 for all three weeks. Camps are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Week 1 July 12-16: Marvelous Music & Movement** with Ms. Sarah. Boogie with Ms. Sarah in Music & Movement where we find the beat to our own drum. During the week we'll explore how music is connected to not only our bodies, but our minds. With changing tempos and creative movement prompts, students will find new grooves and build confidence. Come slither like a snake, take up space, release emotions, and have fun!

**Week 2 July 19-23: Passport Around The World** with Ms. Sarah. Join us for a trip around the world! With our passports in hand, each day we'll "travel" to a new country to learn about the region's culture and unique geography. Students will broaden their world view by interacting with regional music, art, dress, and food. This trip is filled with imaginative play and fun, and by the end of the week students will have a full passport and some souvenirs to take home!

**Week 3 July 26-30: Stellar Space** with Ms. Lavell. Explore the galaxy with imaginary space travel. Learn about planets, moons, stars and rocket ships with stories, songs, and art projects. It is a sci-fi fun week!

### Option 2

\$895 for all three weeks. Camps are daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

**Week 1 July 12-16: The Different Ways We Travel** with Mrs. Claire. Ready, Set, Lets GO! Each day we will learn about a new way of traveling and immerse ourselves in that new place. We will have crafts, songs and fun to reflect our travels for the summer. Be ready to "leave" RMS and learn about our amazing world!

**Week 2 July 19-23: Storybook Adventures** with Mrs. Claire. Welcome to the wonderful world of books! Stories can take us anywhere and anytime in history or even the future. Only our imagination will take us to these amazing places. We will read books from famous children authors and have daily crafts and activities to bring those stories to life. Be ready for a fun summer of stories and fun.

**Week 3 July 26-30: The Great Outdoors** with Ms. Emily. Join us as we explore various aspects of the great outdoors! From learning about animal tracks, camping techniques, and endless nature art activities. This camp is filled with outdoor fun!

# ELEMENTARY CAMPS - SESSION 1 & 2

## Elementary Camp Session 1

*June 21-July 9*

Open to 1st-4th graders. \$835 for all three weeks.  
Camps are daily from 9:00-3:00 p.m. (\*Camp is closed July 5)

**Week 1 June 21-25: Dungeons & Dragons** with Mr. Chris. Welcome to the world's greatest roleplaying game. In Dungeons and Dragons, students become characters in a fantasy story of their own creation. Will you be a brilliant wizard solving problems with your intelligence and magic spells, or a mighty barbarian smashing your way to glory? In this story, you decide! Mr. Chris is the narrator guiding the students through the plot, describing the setting, and presenting the students with situations to collaboratively deal with as their unique story unfolds. Students will also be given the tools to create their own characters to play the game on their own with family or friends.

**Week 2 June 28-July 2: Photography & Scrapbooking** with Mrs. Trisha. Learn the history of photography, how to take and crop amazing photos, design scrapbook pages, and capture great memories. Students will take their own photos and are welcome to bring their own to complete a scrapbook to take home by the end of

camp. Students will learn about angles, point of view and much more! With so much history taking place, it's only right we document it!

**Week 3 July 5-9\*: Make Your Own Mystery iMovie** with Mrs. Lili & Ms. Lisa. Do you love a good mystery? If so, we're looking for a few good sleuths to join us for Make Your Own Mystery iMovie Camp. Ms. Lisa and Ms. Lili will lead this group of detectives as we talk about our favorite mysteries, learn about some famous detectives, and find out how real detectives solve mysteries. Using our mystery expertise, we will create mystery iMovies to share with our friends and families. **\*(Please note: camp is closed on July 5).**

## Elementary Camp Session 2

*July 12-July 30*

Open to 1st-4th graders. \$895 for all three weeks.  
Camps are daily from 9:00-3:00 p.m.

**Week 1 July 12-16: Creative Writing** with Mrs. Trisha. Discover your writing abilities with poetry, short stories, plays and lyrics. You will be amazed at what you can accomplish in one week! Connect with your inner muse and be guided by our professional writer. Get ready to get your creative juices flowing!

**Week 2 July 19-23: Outdoor Adventures** with Mr. Chris. There's nature all around us, so we're going to take a closer look at the wilderness in our backyard. Campers will journey into the natural areas around the RMS campus creating their own explorer's journal to document their observations and reflections. Whether they're identifying trees, writing haiku, or building shelters, students in this camp will learn there's an adventure right outside your door, if you know where to look.

**Week 3 July 26-July 30: Little Picassos & Newtons** with Mrs. Julisa. Campers will be able to explore science and art in this exciting camp led by Mrs. Julisa. Children will have the opportunity to learn about famous scientists and artists while having fun creating their own experiments & projects.

**All camps include time for snack, time for lunch, games and outdoor play. All campers will bring their own lunch.**

# MIDDLE SCHOOL CAMPS - SESSION 1 & 2

## Middle School Camp Session 1

*June 21-July 9.*

Open to 5th-8th grade students. \$835 for all three weeks. Camp is daily from 9:00-3:00 p.m.

**Week 1 June 21-25: Intro To Lacrosse** with Mr. Cassidy. This lacrosse camp is an introduction to the sport for players that may have never played before or have limited experience. Campers will learn the fundamental skills of lacrosse of passing, catching, scooping, and shooting, as well as a brief history of the origin of the sport in North America. Campers will learn these skills in a fun and high energy setting to set them up for success and confidence for the future. It is recommended that the participants have their own stick, but a stick can be provided for if needed. No other equipment is required!

**Week 2 June 28-July 2: Science & Art** with Ms. Lisa. See how art and science connect by creating fractals, mapping the universe, and sketching the plant and animal kingdom. Campers will have the time to engineer moving sculptures, make optical illusions, and learn the chemistry of painting.

**Week 3 July 5-9\*: All-Star Sports Classics** with Mr. Nilay. Join Coach Nilay to learn about different classic sports! This camp is great for the athlete who enjoys a variety of sports and outdoor games. Campers are taught skills and have the opportunity to play multiple sports including soccer, track and basketball! This camp will have an emphasis on sportsmanship and playing with character. **\*(Please note: camp is closed on July 5).**

## Middle School Camp Session 2

*July 12-July 30th.*

Open to 5th-8th grade students. \$895 for all three weeks. Camp is daily from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

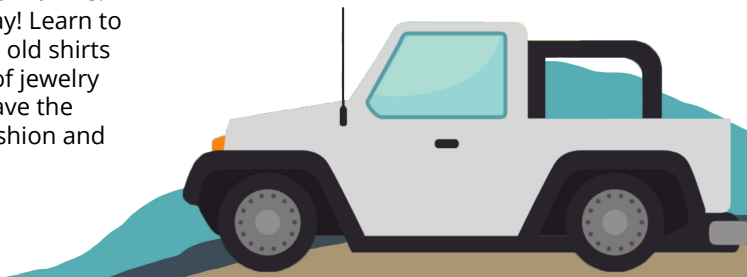
**Week 1 July 12-16: Anime Camp** with Ms. Lisa. Explore the art and adventures of anime, manga and comic books! Learn about the history of graphic storytelling, create your own comics and anime, and make costumes of your favorite characters!

**Week 2 July 19-23: Wearable Art** with Ms. Lisa. Put your creativity on display! Learn to dye and print clothing, refashion old shirts and shoes, and create a variety of jewelry and accessories. Campers will have the time to learn about & explore fashion and

art from all over the world.

**Week 3 July 26-July 30: Outdoor Sports Adventure** with Mr. Derrhyl. A fun-filled week long sports camp that will focus on learning the importance of teamwork, rules and most importantly how to have fun safely. Students will learn various sports skills with kickball, baseball, soccer and much more. An emphasis will be on sportsmanship and playing with good character!

**All camps include time for snack, time for lunch, games and outdoor play. All campers will bring their own lunch.**



# VIRTUAL CAMPS

**IMPORTANT** Please note that the email address provided during registration is the email address that will be used for all notifications (we will send the link to connect to camp to this email address).

## Who Can Attend?

Elementary & Middle School students. RMS enrollment is not required.

## Behavioral Expectations Online

Children are expected to follow the RMS code of conduct: use good manners, respect other students and staff, and follow RMS technology rules. The program, then, as a whole, forms a safe, supportive community where children learn to trust adults and to trust themselves and their peers.

Disruptive or disrespectful behavior or language may result in dismissal.

## Technology

Parents and students must sign a permission form including a technology agreement. Campers need access to a computer or tablet with a Chrome browser.

## Elementary Virtual Camps *A La Carte* (one-week camps)

### The Art of Geometry *with Mrs. O'Shea*

Open to 1st-4th graders. Spend the week learning and creating with various geometric shapes and patterns. Using math, the campers create colorful geometric drawings; discovering symmetry and patterns. Live instruction followed by interactive time to create, then fun time playing math games using dice. Please make sure you have a device to access the camp.  
**\$125; June 21-25; 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.**

### All About Me *with Mr. Derrhyl*

Open to 1st-6th graders. This camp will be full of fun as we explore what makes everyone different as well as what things we all have in common. We want everyone to learn that differences are a good thing and we are all special and unique in our own way. Monday we will introduce ourselves and get to know each other by playing games and doing activities that highlight who we are. Tuesday we will learn about the many types of families and cultures present in our school and world.

Wednesday we will focus on commonalities we all share such as where we grew up, favorite foods and favorite activities. Thursday we will talk about dreams and what we want to be when we grow up and Friday we will wrap up the week with some fun activities to sum up everything we learned.  
**\$125; June 28-July 2; 9:00-11:00 a.m.**

## Middle School Virtual Camp *A La Carte* (one-week camp)

### Chopped RMS *with Ms. Anjali*

Open to 5th-8th graders. Do you think you have what it takes to become the next RMS Chopped Chef? Middle School students will have the chance to get creative and cook! Each student will receive a bag of mystery items included with the camp price. An item from the mystery box must be incorporated into the daily dish campers make combined with pantry items families already have at home. The group will taste and discuss each dish and culinary creations! Learn live and online about kitchen safety, techniques, and how to critique dishes. **\$125; July 5-9\* (Camp is closed on Monday, July 5); 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**

# RMS GENERAL SUMMER PROGRAM INFORMATION

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## Contact Information

Shanthi Wickramasinghe is the Coordinator of Montessori Enrichment. You can contact her at 804-741-0040, ext. 24, or by email at shanthi@richmont.org. If you have a message for your child and cannot reach Montessori Enrichment, you can call the school receptionist at 804-741-0040 until 3:00 p.m.

## Summer Program Dates

The summer program begins on Monday, June 21, 2021 and ends on Friday, July 30, 2021. Summer camp will operate in two, three-week sessions. Session 1 is from June 21-July 9th and Session 2 is from July 12th-July 30th. Camp is closed on Monday, July 5th. Toddler Camp is one, two-week session from June 21-July 2nd.

## Mask Policy

All students ages 3+ will wear masks along with all staff. Please pack extra labeled masks for your child.

## Behavioral Expectations

Children are expected to follow the RMS code of conduct: use good manners, respect other students and staff, and follow classroom and campus rules. The program, then, as a whole, forms a safe, supportive community where children learn to trust adults and to trust themselves and their peers.

Disruptive or disrespectful behavior may result in dismissal.

## Snack and Medication

Please send one or two snacks and a water bottle for your child from home. We will avoid serving food or doing food works to minimize transmission of COVID-19.

If you need medication of any type to be on hand, please download the Medicine Authorization Form, or contact Shanthi Wickramasinghe with questions.

## Primary Student Extra Clothes / Toileting Policy

The school toileting policy is observed during the summer program. Children must be wearing underpants and be able to change themselves completely if they have an accident.

In case of occasional accidents, please provide an extra set of summer clothes for your child. The set should include shorts, shirt, underwear, and extra shoes, and masks. Staff will leave your child's clothes in his/her tote bag so that they will be available no matter where they are on campus. Labeling each item and the bag in which you send the clothes will help prevent mix-ups.

## Footwear

Please have your child wear sturdy play shoes. Flip-flops, sandals, and other shoes with holes are dangerous on our mulched playgrounds.

## Insect Repellent and SunBlock

Please apply the products of your choice before morning drop-off. If you would like insect repellent or sunblock reapplied in the afternoon, please download and sign the over-the-counter product authorization form before camp starts. Bring the insect repellent or sunblock with you on the first day of the session to hand to a staff person. It must be in the original container and labeled with your child's name.

## Lunch

All students will bring their own lunches. Please make sure your child's name is clearly marked on their lunchbox.

## Rest N' Play

Primary campers will take a nap/rest after lunch. Please provide a lightweight child-size sleeping bag that is open on three sides and labeled with your child's name. Sleeping bags are sent home Friday to launder; please return clean sleeping bags on Monday.

# DROP OFF & DISMISSAL

## Morning Drop-off for all: 8:45-9:00 a.m.

The carpool procedure is the same as during the school year. All morning campers arrive through the carpool line. Please enter the one-way drive at 499 N. Parham Road (south campus). Please have on a mask & be ready to show your Green Screen from The Healthy Roster App. You will follow the loop and your child will have their temperature taken by staff.

\*Toddler parents, after the temperature screening, please park in front of the South Campus entrance and get your child out of the car. With your mask on please walk them to Mrs. Kathleen's Toddler Room on the patio.

## All other students after the health screening:

- 1 Remain in the carpool line and move forward.
- 2 If your child can safely exit the car independently, the child may exit and proceed to the sidewalk and then on to class with staff supervision.
- 3 If your child is unable to exit the car independently, turn off your engine,

safely exit and proceed to the passenger side of the car to assist your child out of the car and to the sidewalk.

- 4 Students will enter the gym and wait with the rest of the campers from their pod.
- 5 Return to your car, and proceed to the exit.

## Pick-up Procedures:

**Toddler Morning Dismissal:** 11:30 a.m.

All toddlers must be picked up promptly at 11:30 a.m. and no later than 11:45 a.m.

\*Toddler parents, please maintain social distance as you wait for your child. Park your vehicle with your mask on in front of the South Campus and walk to Ms. Kathleen's patio to pick up your child.

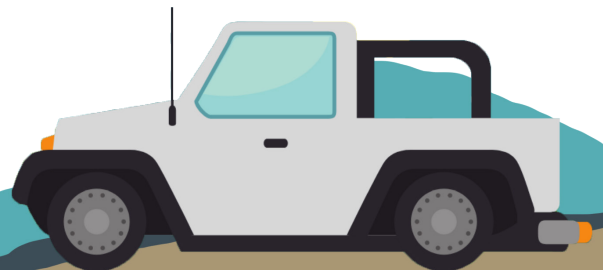
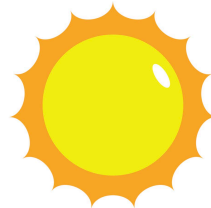
You will be charged a late fee after 11:45 a.m.

**Primary, Elementary & Middle School Dismissal:** 3:00 p.m.

Campers will follow the same carpool procedure as during the school year. All campers will be dismissed from 499 N. Parham Road (south campus).

- 1 Enter the school driveway, turn right and proceed through the carpool line.

- 2 The students will be called to the front sidewalk to line up, spaced apart, with staff assistance.
- 3 Your child will be escorted to the car so that you can safely put him/her in the car seat, or so that he/she can enter the car independently. Please make sure to wear a mask.



# SUMMER FACULTY

**Anjali Suresh** joined RMS as a substitute during the fall of 2020. She is a current student at James Madison University earning her degree majoring in Interdisciplinary Liberal Studies with a minor in Inclusive Early Childhood Education. Anjali loves working with children and hopes to be in an early elementary classroom in the future! In her free time, she enjoys singing and watching Disney movies!

**Cassidy Houston** joined RMS in 2017 as the middle school math teacher. He has a Bachelor of Science from the University of Mary Washington, and has completed his Montessori training. Cassidy is a long time lacrosse player and enthusiast.

**Chris Ecolano** came to RMS for the 2019-2020 school year as an associate instructor in lower elementary. Chris is currently an assistant in Upper Elementary and a Writers Workshop specialty teacher. He has his AMS Elementary certification and is an avid outdoorsman.

**Claire Leake** earned her Bachelor's in Recreation, Parks and Tourism from Radford University. Claire is our permanent substitute this year and has been an elementary assistant, a primary assistant, and regular camp instructor at RMS for over ten years.

**Derrhyl Duncan** is a toddler assistant teacher with Ms. Lavell. Derrhyl has many years of teaching experience working with children of all ages. He worked for Bright Horizons family solutions for over five years, has taught elementary education in Henrico, and currently coaches high school girls track and field at Saint Catherine's school.

**Emily Smart** is grateful to have joined the Richmond Montessori team in the fall of 2020. After years of working with young children in various childcare facilities, Emily is excited to experience the Montessori classroom as a primary assistant. She earned a certificate in Early Childhood in 2019 and is eager to continue her education while working at RMS. Emily loves any opportunity to create, connect with others, be outdoors, and spend time with family and friends.

**Enas Saad** has been at RMS since 2018 as a substitute and a member of the Montessori Enrichment team. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Elementary education from Alexandria University in Egypt.

**Julisa Robinson** earned her Montessori 3-6 teacher certification from Malcolm-King College, New York, New York and taught for five years at the West Side Montessori School in New York City before joining the faculty at RMS in 1993. After teaching at

the primary level for many years, she went back to New York City and completed her Montessori Elementary I (6-9) teaching credential in June 2019 from the West Side Montessori School's Teacher Education Program. She is now at RMS teaching at the lower elementary level. She is the proud parent of an RMS graduate.

**Kathleen Williams** is a toddler lead teacher & longtime staff member at RMS. Over the years, she's led popular extracurricular and summer arts and crafts instruction. She is an avid outdoors athlete and camper.

**Lavell Brown** is a toddler lead teacher with AMS certification and a longtime toddler assistant and camp staff member at RMS since 1999. She is a member of the early childhood team, providing cooking, craft and other specialty programs for summer.

**Lili Boyd** has been the RMS librarian since 2015. She has her Masters in Elementary Education. Lili is a musician and a crafter, and she has led multiple summer programs at RMS.

**Lisa Rowh** holds her Bachelor's in Art History from James Madison University and her teaching certificate from Old Dominion University. She has served as an assistant in middle school and upper elementary classes and is currently the reading instruction specialist at RMS.



# SUMMER FACULTY

**Nilay Patel** joined the RMS community in 2015 as the head basketball coach. He graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a degree in Social Work and Psychology. After eight years in the social work field, Nilay changed his full-time career and entered the recreation and sports field in 2017. Nilay believes that having a background in both social work and athletics allows him to develop strong relationships that can impact student athletes for the long term. He absolutely enjoys traveling, being a husband and father, and he lives by a simple phrase – “work hard, have some fun, be nice.”

**Rachael Filla** started at Richmond Montessori School as a substitute teacher and Montessori Enrichment team member. Rachael works in Montessori Enrichment with a primary lunch & nap group. Rachael majored in Social Work at Longwood University with a minor in Sociology.

**Sarah Wills** was excited to join RMS in the fall of 2020 as a Montessori Enrichment team member. After earning her Bachelors of Science in Psychology at VCU in 2017, she moved to American Samoa to teach 4th and 5th grade. Since then she has continued to work in education in Southeast DC as a literacy tutor. Sarah is excited to be back in Richmond, fostering students' learning from

a holistic perspective using the tools of the Montessori method. She enjoys exploring the great outdoors, music and dancing, and meeting new people in her community.

**Stacy O'Shea** has a BA in Mathematics as well as her AMS certification in lower elementary. She has been at RMS since 2006. Stacy's children were RMS students and Stacy has been co-organizer of Winterfest the last two years.

**Trisha Potter** earned her Bachelor's in English and French from Hollins University. She is a professional writer and has taught after school French and creative writing at RMS. Trisha is a longtime member of the Montessori Enrichment staff and also serves as an assistant in lower elementary.

**Shanthi Wickramasinghe** is the Coordinator of Montessori Enrichment at Richmond Montessori School. Shanthi joined the Richmond Montessori School community in June 2011 working with the Montessori Enrichment team while obtaining her Bachelors Degree with Honors in Psychology, and a minor in Sociology from Virginia Commonwealth University. Since working at RMS, Shanthi has worked with toddlers, elementary students, and in Montessori Enrichment. While earning her undergraduate degree at VCU, Shanthi interned at the Clark Hill

Center for Child Psychology as a research assistant. In December 2015, Shanthi received her Master of Science in Addiction Studies from The Medical College of Virginia at Virginia Commonwealth University. Before moving to Richmond, Shanthi worked as a primary assistant teacher for Community Montessori School in Reston, VA. Shanthi attended Montessori until first grade and feels that foundation helped shape her leadership and academic success throughout her educational and professional career.





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