

Black River Elementary Summer Camps and Enrichment Opportunities 2024

General Information

The time has finally come, we are excited to announce we have moved to ONLINE registration!!!! This is a new set up, so we ask for your patience and understanding as we pilot it this summer! You may scan the QR code below, which will take you to the registration form and online payment information.

Camps are open to any Black River elementary students. We welcome all students who want to have fun, improve their skills, and enjoy a camp with individualized instruction. Invite your BR friends! Each camp has a minimum participation level of 10 campers. For lunch supervision, there needs to be a minimum of 5 participants.

- An email a week prior to the camp will be sent out with camp-specific information. If a camp needs to be canceled due to low involvement, an email will be sent out 2 weeks prior, allowing parents the opportunity to find alternative child care.
- Individual coaches/teachers run camps. **Please contact coaches through email if you have any questions about camp. Administration/paperwork questions can be directed to Krista Ekdahl- ekdahk@brpsk12.org**
- All registration should be submitted through the QR code below, and fees should be collected online through GOFan
- Please register for camps SOON! As some have limited availability. Deadlines for registration need to be 2 weeks prior to the camp meeting to ensure we have enough to run the camp.
- Refunds will be provided prior to June 7, 2024. After June 7, 2024, no refunds will be available



Elementary Camps

Arts and Crafts

- June 17-20, 9am-12pm— \$65
- Grades 1-5
- Rachael Naylor-Tatterson
- naylor-tatterson@brpsk12.org

This camp will inspire your child to embrace the world of art, while connecting art with other themes, such as nature, science, world culture, or literature. Meet in elementary building daily

Elementary Basketball Camp

- June 17-20, 1pm-2:30pm— \$45
- Brent Rowe
- roweb@brpsk12.org

The varsity girls basketball team will be leading this exciting camp for ALL students who are ready to learn the game of basketball and build their overall athletics skills alongside their peers! In small groups, students will learn new skills, play exciting games, and develop a love of the game of basketball. The young athletes will also gain instruction from varsity head coach, Brent Rowe, who is excited to meet a new generation of River Rat basketball players in the gym!

Volleyball

- June 17-20, 2:45-4:15 pm— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Izzy Schroeder
- ikschroeder@icloud.com

Want to learn more about the game of volleyball? Come join us for our summer youth volleyball camp! This camp is designed to introduce young athletes to the game of volleyball while focusing on learning good technique. During this session we will learn about serving, passing, setting, and hitting. Most importantly, this camp is a great way to meet new friends and have some fun in the gym!

Outdoor Discovery Camp

- June 24-27, 9am-12pm— \$95
- Grades 1-5
- Krista Ekdahl/Carly Johnson
- ekdahk@brpsk12.org/johnsonc@brpsk12.org

This 4-day elementary outdoor discovery camp is designed to give students an opportunity to explore and discover nature around their neighborhood and town. Students will hike to different locations each day and explore and discover nature's wonders all around them. Day trips will include visits to Rosy Mound, Pigeon Creek, Hemlock Crossing and John Ball Zoo. Plan for a long day on Thursday to enjoy the zoo (1-5pm Thursday only). Location: Meet in Lyceum daily.

Tour De Playground

- June 24-27 1pm-4pm—\$50
- Grades 1-5
- Krista Ekdahl/Missy Bayn
- ekdahk@brpsk12.org/baynm@brpsk12.org

YES! That's right we are taking a tour of the playgrounds in our area and just PLAYING! This is a great camp for kiddos to get outside, enjoy the outdoors alongside peers and have a blast. Students will tour two playgrounds per camp session.

Unwritten Adventures

- July 8-11, 1-5pm— \$115
- Grades 1-5
- Krista Ekdahl/ Missy Bayn
- ekdahk@brpsk12.org/baynm@brpsk12.org

This 4 day camp will explore the fun we have right in our own area. We will visit places like; The Critter Barn, The Grand Rapids Children's Museum, Frederik Meijer Gardens, and other fun places. Destinations are based on availability and could change. Limited space available, maximum of 20 participants.

Track and Field

- July 15-18, 1-2:30 pm— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Brad Lynch
- bradlynchmi@gmail.com

This summer we will be hosting a 4 day camp for grades 1 through 5th. During this camp we will be teaching student-athletes running technique, as well as introducing all students to other track and field events. Such events include shot put, long jump, and hurdles. This camp is for any students who want to be introduced or continue to learn about the many great events in track and field.

Exploring Holland

- July 15-18, 2:30-4pm—\$60
- Grades 1-5
- Sydney Putzke and Allyson Cosentino
- putzkes@brpsk12.org / cosentinoa@brpsk12.org

We are thrilled to announce our summer camp where we get to explore various attractions in Holland with your child! During this camp, we will be visiting the Window on the Waterfront, the Herrick library, enjoying a downtown tour, indulging in sweet treats, exploring the splash pad, visiting Centennial Park, and more!

Elementary Basketball

- July 22-25, 1pm-2:30— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Darrion Denham
- ddenham05@icloud.com

The varsity boys basketball teams will be leading this camp for young players ready to learn the love of the game. Our summer basketball camp is designed to elevate each player's skills through live game play. We will focus on dribbling, shooting, defensive footwork, defensive positioning and communication skills on how to stay engaged. Toward the end of the camp we will scrimmage using the skills we learned. Come ready to work hard, learn and have fun!

Elementary Soccer Camp

- July 22-25, 2:45-4:15 pm— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Kyle Lawton
- lawtonk@brpsk12.org

This 4 day elementary soccer camp is designed to allow kids to learn the basics and more advanced skills of soccer. Kids will have a ball at their feet for a majority of this camp. We will end each day with 30 minutes of game play/scrimmaging which will give kids the opportunity to work on the skills we implement each day.

Board Games

- July 29-August 1, 1-4pm— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Krystin Krasnowski
- krasnowskik@brpsk12.org

You won't be "bored" at board game camp! Learn to play new board and card games and enjoy some old favorites, too. You'll even get to build your own game!

Myth Busters

- August 5-8, 9am-12pm— \$45
- Grades 1-5
- Jessie Davenport
- davenportj@brpsk12.org

Is yawning really contagious? Can you really cook an egg on the sidewalk on a hot summer day? Can you actually pull out a tablecloth from under dishes without breaking them? Can you pop popcorn with a magnifying glass? These are just a few of the myths that we will try to bust (or not) during camp. Come prepared to get dirty and experience science and engineering while having a ton of fun!

Robotics

- August 5-8— 1pm-4pm— \$50
- Incoming 4th and 5th grade
- Melissa Meyer
- meyerm@bempsk12.org
- 12 camper MAX

Looking for creative problem solvers to come learn the basics of building a robot and then programming it to accomplish a task. This camp will introduce campers to robotics with block-based coding software, building robots, robot mechanics, and problem solving through completing missions. Campers will experience project-based learning, hands-on activities, leadership skills, communication, and TEAMWORK. No prior experience necessary, and those with prior experience will still be challenged. If you think you might be interested in participating in Upper Elementary FLL during the school year, this is a great introduction to a *part* of what the program is about. (*Please note- participating in this camp does NOT guarantee a spot on the team in the fall.*) **Limited space available, maximum of 12 participants.**

Lunch Supervision— 12-1pm— There must be at least 5 students sign up for this to be offered! \$25 Per Week

June 17-20—NEED

June 24-27— Krista

July 8-11—Krista/Missy

July 15-18—Missy

July 22-25—Adam

July 29-August 1— Adam

August-5-8— Adriann

→ Krista Ekdahl & Missy Bayn

→ ekdahik@brpsk12.org/ baynm@brpsk12.org

If parents want to take advantage of Summer School and an afternoon camp, and do not want to have to worry about the lunch hour, send you students with a sack lunch that week and teachers will care for them during this down time for a cost \$25 per week. Location will be outdoor tables,, unless weather does not allow, then alternative space will be provided.

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