



K-12 WCED Summer School

Description:

WCED sponsors and organizes a two week summer session typically at the end of July into the first week of August. The program is housed in the Sauk Centre Secondary building. The primary purpose is to provide social and academic skill instruction within the contexts of independent living, community based, and recreational environments. Case managers will receive information and registration forms by March of each school.

Albany, Melrose, Paynesville and Sauk Centre all participate in sending students to WCED Summer School and are billed for the service based on attendance.

Who should attend:

This program is most appropriate for students with primary needs in the areas of social skills, functional academics, independent living skills and community based experiences. Careful consideration should be made regarding the referral of students with significant behavior concerns or high needs for personal care

K-12 WCED Summer School is not intended to be a Special Education Extended School Year (ESY) program, however, a student who qualifies for ESY through the IEP process might attend K-12 Summer School to address an ESY goal - if the IEP team determines it is appropriate.

How to register a student:

There is a Summer School local contact designated for each member district. That individual will contact case managers via email/personal connection during a spring window in March - April with registration information. Case managers are expected to work with parents to complete the registration process and provide WCED staff with IEP goals/objectives for students they case manage.

Summer School and IEPs

Unless it is determined that a student is attending under an ESY umbrella, you should not reference Summer School participation on the IEP.

WCED Summer school coordinators will ask teachers to include IEP goals and objectives for students with the registration materials that are sent to WCED. The intent is to give Summer School teachers information on students to help inform instruction that takes place.

Staffing

There is a Summer School teacher/coordinator and three additional teachers. Paraprofessionals are recruited and hired, both as 1:1 and classroom support. It is helpful to hire paraprofessionals who currently work in the districts with students, case managers may be asked to help facilitate appropriate staffing for high need students.

Transportation

Each member district coordinates transportation for the students who will be attending. WCED works directly with Transportation Directors to make arrangements. Parents may choose to transport children themselves. Field trips taken during Summer School are coordinated with the Sauk Centre Transportation Director.

For more information:

Contact Sandy Meyer at WCED, 320-352-2258 xt 4100.