REGISTRATION IS ONLINE ONLY

Online Registration Opens on Monday, February 3rd

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1. Create an account at Osseo.ce.eleyo.com - This allows you access to program information all summer.
2. Complete the online registration form.
3. Admission is based on classroom and grade level spaces. Upon admission, you will be notified by email. You must confirm your acceptance. If we do not hear back from you, we will open the space for another scholar to participate.
4. Attend mandatory Parent Orientation. More information will be provided upon acceptance.

FREEDOM SCHOOLS OFFERS

* Scholars receive books to take home
* Cultural & Global Literature
* Intergenerational Learning & Experiences
* Student to Instructor (Servant Leader Intern) ratio 1:10
* Fun and Enriching S.T.E.A.M. Experiences
* Final Student Performance Program

EXTENDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES/FIELD TRIPS

We take several field trips and have field experiences come to us! You will receive a calendar of events. Make sure to check the calendar for specific dates and times.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. I live in the Osseo area but my student attends a charter school/private school such as Parcassus, Athlos, and Marnatha in Brooklyn Park (or Maple Grove area), can my child participate in Freedom Schools?

A. No. You must attend an Osseo Area Schools ISD 279 school.

Q. My student will begin Kindergarten in the Fall of 2020, can she/he attend Freedom Schools?

A. No. K-7 students only. Students must have completed Kindergarten and be entering into first grade in the Fall 2020.

Q. I heard that Freedom Schools is for students with an IEP.

A. All of Osseo Area Schools ISD 279 summer programs accept students with IEPs. We are a summer literacy enrichment program. We focus on reading and the love of reading.

Q. What happens if I’m later than the 4:00 pm pick up time?

A. You must pick up at 4:00 pm. We do not have extended day care. There are late fees if picked up after 4:00 pm. Many of our Freedom Schools families pull together (Harambee) with other families to create a parent pick up schedule.

HARAMBEE means let’s pull together in Swahili. In Osseo Area Schools ISD 279 Children’s Defense Fund Freedom Summer Literacy Enrichment Program, we begin each morning with Harambee. This is an opportunity to build community, instill the love of reading, empower scholars to make a difference in our community and world, recognize and celebrate scholars, and prepare for the day of reading and other fun activities.

LOCATIONS:
Crest View Elementary School
8200 Zane Ave N, Brooklyn Park, MN 55443

Garden City Elementary School
3501 65th Ave N, Brooklyn Center, MN 55429

GRADES
K - 7th grade (the grade level during 19-20 school year)

You must be a student attending an elementary or middle school within Osseo Area Schools ISD 279. * See FAQ for details.

COST
Families must participate in weekly family nights and/or volunteer. Freedom Schools Summer Literacy Enrichment Program is free.

TRANSPORTATION
The parent or guardian is responsible for transportation to and from Freedom Schools Summer Literacy Enrichment Program.

No buses are provided.

ATTENDANCE
Scholars are expected to arrive 15-20 minutes before the Harambee start time. All scholars must be picked up promptly at 4pm. Late fees apply.

The Children’s Defense Fund - Freedom Schools program provides summer enrichment that helps children fall in love with reading, increases their self-esteem, and generates more positive attitudes towards learning. Children are taught using a model pedagogy that supports children and families around five essential components: high-quality academic enrichment; parent and family involvement; civic engagement and social action; intergenerational leadership development; and nutrition, health and mental health.

DATES
June 15th - July 23rd (No programming July 3rd)

HOURS
Monday - Friday from 9 - 4 pm

Late fees are administered. Chronic late pickups may be subject to program dismissal.

JUNE 15 - JULY 23, 2020
(No programming July 3rd)

Monday - Friday
9 am - 4 pm

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Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

Scholars in this program will receive a healthy breakfast, lunch and snack to sustain them through a day filled with research-based Integrated Reading pedagogy, enrichment activities, including Harambee, art, recreation, science, technology, and weekly field trips.

Scholars are provided with numerous group leadership activities to challenge their thinking and expand their perspectives on the world. Freedom Schools scholars are taught that they can make a difference in this world.

Parent Engagement

Parents or adult representatives are required to attend the Parent Orientation. Parents must be actively involved by attending Parent Nights one time per week and/or volunteering for 1 hour per week.

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Volunteer Opportunities

- Be a Guest Reader. Volunteer by reading a short book during Harambee. We have wonderful books for you to choose from or you may bring your favorite book.

- Join us during Harambee. Don’t just stand there! Get up, sing along and dance with our scholars. We love to have family members as Harambee participants.

- Classroom Volunteer. You are welcome to spend some time helping in a class.

- Join us during Field trips. You may be assigned a small group to chaperone. We need your full adult support and dedication. Do not bring younger siblings or relatives.