



## June 1 - 5, 2026 Grades K-5 Columbia Independent School

*Hello, Families and Friends,*

**Columbia Independent School** proudly announces the **2026 Summer Enrichment Program!** Our talented and dedicated faculty have designed diverse academic, enrichment, and personal growth courses for students of all ages. Our camp classes are tailored to enhance academic performance while allowing students to explore their interests.

Choose from morning and afternoon sessions during the week of **June 1–5**:

- **Morning session:** 8:30 AM – 11:30 AM
- **Afternoon session:** 12:30 PM – 3:30 PM
- Students may enroll in one or both sessions.

**Lunch** – Students attending morning and afternoon sessions should bring a sack lunch. They will stay on campus during the lunch hour to eat with friends under staff supervision.

### **Enroll Now**

- Fee per course: \$200
- Fee for both sessions: \$385 per child
- Course fees include all materials.

Don't miss this exciting opportunity—secure your spot today! To register, go to **CIS Summer Programs**.

Please contact us at [douced@cislions.org](mailto:douced@cislions.org) or [ferlingt@cislions.org](mailto:ferlingt@cislions.org) if you have any questions.

We sincerely hope you can join us!

Respectfully,

Daisy A. Douce  
Director of Summer Programs

## KINDERGARTEN - MORNING SESSION 8:30 – 11:30

### **Oceans of Fun! — K - 1**

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— Instructor: Mrs. Blume — Room: 225

### **Move & Groove: Dance, Cheer & Shine! — K - 5**

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**Move your body. Use your voice. Be a star!** — Instructor: Dr. Primmer — Room: PAC

### **Outdoor Explorers Camp —K-2**

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**Explore. Discover. Play outside!** — Instructor: Ms. Huskey — Room: 207

## KINDERGARTEN - AFTERNOON SESSION 12:30 – 3:30

**Shark Quest: Little Scientists of the Sea! —K- 1** Shark Quest is a hands-on ocean adventure that sparks curiosity and excitement as young learners dive into the fascinating world of sharks through stories, experiments, crafts, and creative design challenges. Campers will explore different shark species each day while learning about shark anatomy, habitats, and the important role sharks play in keeping oceans healthy. Students will even invent their own unique shark species with special adaptations, discover fun facts like how sharks grow new teeth, and learn simple ways they can help protect sharks and marine life—even from mid-Missouri. This camp builds early STEM skills through observation, questioning, creativity, and problem-solving while fostering a love for science and ocean conservation. **Explore. Discover. Protect the ocean!**

—Instructor: Mr. White — Room: 214

## KINDERGARTEN - AFTERNOON SESSION 12:30 – 3:30 (cont)

### **Art Explorers Camp — K- 2**

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—Instructor: Coach Armontrout — Room: Gym

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As students read stories together, they will discover that the main characters face problems that need creative solutions. Using basic engineering principles, students will define the problem, brainstorm ideas, design and build a solution, and then test and troubleshoot their designs. This hands-on camp blends storytelling with STEM as students think critically, collaborate, and use their imagination to bring stories to life through engineering. **Design, Brainstorm, Problem Solve.** — Instructor: Ms. Bullard — Room US124

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## SECOND GRADE - AFTERNOON SESSION 12:30 – 3:30

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### THIRD GRADE - AFTERNOON SESSION 12:30 – 3:30

#### **The Wizarding World of CIS! — 3 - 7**

Are you a magical soul living in a world of Muggles? Then it's time to step into The Wizarding World of CIS, where your Hogwarts dreams come to life! Spend a week immersed in magical adventures through a mix of exciting individual and group activities, both indoors and outdoors. Get sorted into your house, attend Potions and Herbology classes, take part in Quidditch, and work together to compete for the House Cup. **Imagination. Teamwork. Unforgettable Fun!**

— Instructors: Ms. Nickerson & Mrs. Qureshi — Room: 303

### THIRD GRADE - AFTERNOON SESSION 12:30 – 3:30 (cont)

#### **The Show Must Go On! Lights up—It's Showtime! — 3 - 5**

Get ready to sing, dance, and perform in this exciting week-long show choir and musical theatre camp. Students will combine expressive singing with engaging, high-energy choreography to create a full-stage experience. No show choir experience is needed—just bring your energy, creativity, and willingness to try something new! Whether you love being on stage or are performing for the first time, you'll build confidence, grow your music skills, and work as a team while learning to shine together. Bring a water bottle, comfortable clothes for movement, and athletic shoes. **Sing. Dance. Showtime!**

— *Instructor: Mrs. Miller — Room: 408*

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— *Instructor: Ms. Nickerson — Room: 504*

#### FOURTH GRADE - MORNING SESSION 8:30 – 11:30 (cont)

##### **Spy Camp — 4–6**

Do you have what it takes to be a spy? We're recruiting students who are ready to solve logic puzzles, analyze maps and geography, crack enemy codes, and—most importantly—show courage and teamwork. At Spy Camp, campers will sharpen their stealth skills, think strategically, and tackle exciting missions that challenge their minds and reward quick thinking, creativity, and collaboration in a fun, action-packed environment. **Courage. Teamwork. Be Stealth.** — *Instructor: Bullard — Room: US124*

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##### **Ink & Imagination: Unleash Your Storytelling Superpower — 4 - 7**

Writing is a superpower that lets you imagine new worlds, tell fun stories, and bring ideas to life, and *Ink & Imagination* is designed for fourth to seventh-grade students who love to dream, pretend, and create. During this playful and magical week, students will turn their pencils into storytelling tools as they explore comics, silly stories, gentle mysteries, imaginative adventures, and realistic tales in age-appropriate ways. Campers will practice finding their own voice, using descriptive words, and sharing ideas through fun writing games, creative exercises, and group storytelling in a supportive, low-pressure environment. By the end of the week, each student will have at least one finished story to share, with optional creative extensions such as drawing or simple digital storytelling based on student interests. This camp is perfect for young learners who enjoy stories and for those who want a gentle, encouraging space to build confidence and excitement around writing. 🌟 **Imagine it. Write it. Bring it to life.** — *Instructor: Mrs. Amy Floyd — Room: US222*

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### **Quiz Bowl for Beginners — 5 - 7**

Quiz Bowl for Beginners is an exciting, fast-paced introduction to the world of Quiz Bowl for students entering grades 5–7 who love trivia, competition, and games like Jeopardy! In this team-based camp, students will work with the CIS coaching staff and Mr. Dodig to learn Quiz Bowl rules, practice buzzer techniques, and develop key skills such as quick thinking, active listening, strategy, and teamwork. Through practice rounds, subject showdowns, memorization challenges, and friendly competitions, campers will build confidence and experience the thrill of thinking on their feet in a fun, supportive environment. Perfect for curious students who enjoy learning and competition— come find out what the buzz is all about! **Think fast. Work together. Buzz in!** — *Instructor: Mr. Dodig — Room: 208*

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### **Sports & Gaming! – Train. Compete. Lead. — 5–9**

Sports & Gaming is an exciting, high-energy camp for 5th–9th grade students who love competition, movement, and fun. Campers will sharpen their athletic abilities through cardio, mobility drills, and sport-specific training to build skills, boost performance, and take their game to the next level. Gaming will bring even more action with fast-paced sports play, plus thrilling gaming tournaments during breaks that add strategy, teamwork, and friendly competition. Each day features a new sport—such as baseball, basketball, soccer, and more—keeping the experience fresh and engaging. Whether you're a competitive athlete or just looking to have a great time staying active with friends, Sports & Gaming will deliver the ultimate blend of sports, gaming, and excitement you won't want to miss. **Train. Compete. Lead.** — *Instructor: Coach Rad — Room: Gym*

**The Show Must Go On!** Lights up—it's showtime! — 3 - 5

Get ready to sing, dance, and perform in this exciting week-long show choir and musical theatre camp. Students will combine expressive singing with engaging, high-energy choreography to create a full-stage experience. No show choir experience is needed—just bring your energy, creativity, and willingness to try something new! Whether you love being on stage or are performing for the first time, you'll build confidence, grow your music skills, and work as a team while learning to shine together. Bring a water bottle, comfortable clothes for movement, and athletic shoes. **Sing. Dance. Showtime!** — *Instructor: Mrs. Miller — Room*