



June 2019

## Welcome to Mount Olive School District's 2019 STEAM Camp!

Be prepared for your child to make new friends and explore new worlds! Whether it is high in the sky or deep in the earth, we planned wonderful activities, exciting trips and cool things to build! So, ensure your child gets plenty of sleep the night before, eats a healthy breakfast and fastens his/her seat belt to soar and design their way to FUN! Be sure to read and review all the information in this packet. If you have any questions, please notify us at [hershey.ramchandani@motsd.org](mailto:hershey.ramchandani@motsd.org) and [gretel.perez@motsd.org](mailto:gretel.perez@motsd.org).

STEAM Camp will be once again at Mount Olive High School on 18 Corey Road in Flanders, NJ. In order to maintain balanced class sizes and low campers to teacher ratio, there will be no team changes. Rest assured, there will be plenty of time for campers to see their friends during lunch. Specific schedules will be sent at the end of June.

### HEALTH & SAFETY

If there are any changes to the medical information you provided online, immediately notify: [maureen.moles@motsd.org](mailto:maureen.moles@motsd.org)

Medical information must be provided via ActiveWorks prior to the start of camp. Campers may be denied admission if the medical form is inaccurate/incomplete. In the event of serious illness or injury, parents will be notified immediately.

### Medications/Epi-Pens/Allergies

- Drop off doctor's notes/orders, Epi-Pens and/or medications on the first day of STEAM Camp to the nurse. The nurse **CAN** administer medication to your child. **However**, you must make the necessary arrangements with our nurse, as well as provide a doctor's note prior to the start of camp. Please contact [maureen.moles@motsd.org](mailto:maureen.moles@motsd.org)
- School lunches are peanut-free. There will be peanut-free tables in the cafeteria for any student with special dietary needs.

### CONTACT NUMBERS/EMAIL

- **Before camp:** Please contact Hershey Ramchandani at 973-691-4008, ext. 8302 / [hershey.ramchandani@motsd.org](mailto:hershey.ramchandani@motsd.org) or Dr. Perez at [gretel.perez@motsd.org](mailto:gretel.perez@motsd.org).
- **During camp:** The STEAM Camp office will be in the Commons area of the main entrance. Please contact Lisa Newberg-Brown with any questions and/or concerns Monday - Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. 973-927- 2208, ext. 7455 or Lisa [lisa.newbergbrown@motsd.org](mailto:lisa.newbergbrown@motsd.org).
- Nurse's Office (weeks of camp only): 973-927-2208, ext. 7485.



### POLICIES & WHAT TO BRING & WEAR?

It is our goal to ensure your child(ren) has(ve) a great experience during STEAM Camp. We will always emphasize positive ways to deal with all situations. However, failure to adhere to the rules and policies of STEAM Camp may result in expulsion from the program with no refund.

**Dress Code:** Parents will be called to either bring a change of clothes or take their child home if the clothing is deemed inappropriate by our staff.

- It is best that your child **wear sneakers/proper play shoes. Flip-flops, crocs, jellies, and other forms of open-toed shoes are dangerous** in an environment full of play, science experiments, wood-cutting, and outdoor activities.

**\*\*Not wearing sneakers will prevent your child from participating in planned activities, especially in Woodshop 101, Survival Camp, High Ropes Challenge, and Science of Art.\*\***

- While it is warm out, ensure your child wears age-appropriate clothes:
  - no string tops, mid-drifts, tank tops, miniskirts, etc.
  - no tight clothing
  - modest shorts (below fingertips when standing)
  - no visible undergarments or see through clothing
  - no attire referencing alcoholic beverage(s), illegal substance(s); lewd, vulgar, indecent and/or sexually suggestive subject(s)
  - other attire deemed inappropriate by our staff

**Discipline:** We will address and resolve any misconduct before contacting parents. We reserve the right to remove any student from the program who does not follow the rules and/or poses a threat to him-/herself and/or others.

**Cell Phones:** STEAM Camp provides a great opportunity for students to connect and learn about others without having to use an electronic device. Therefore, please help us explain to your child(ren) that phones cannot be used. Any student who uses his/her phone during the AM/PM sessions will have to turn it in to the STEAM Camp staff. We will then call the parent to pick up the cell phone after school or the following morning. If the child is found using his/her phone again and/or inappropriately, other measures may result, such as but not limited to, the Staff holding the phone until the program ends.

**NOTE:** Ensure your child wears sunscreen and has a water bottle. All belongings should be labeled with your child's name in case they are misplaced.



## SCHEDULE

- 8:45am Bus or Parents drop off—Parents DO NOT park in the bus lanes.
- K-2 enter the doors of the **Performing Arts Center** on the right.
  - 3-5 enter the main entrance; go to the right of the Commons.
  - 6-9 enter the main entrance and then through the double doors to line up in front of the security office.
- Students line up according to their team's name and grade.
- 9-11:30am AM Session of Activities
- 11:30am - 12:30pm Lunch and Recess (refer to the STEAM Camp website for the menu).
- Your child may bring his/her lunch. If you have concerns or questions about the ingredients in the food, please contact our cafeteria manager, Ms.Toscano: [stoscano@maschiofood.com](mailto:stoscano@maschiofood.com)
- 12:30pm - 3pm PM Session of Activities
- 2:55pm Parent/Authorized Individual Pickup in the Main Lobby
- You must park your car in the lot. **Do not block** the bus lanes.
  - Authorized individuals must sign out the child in the main lobby.
- 3:00pm Busing
- Each bus will park in the order of their route number so students can easily identify their bus. Our staff will help them board in the afternoon.

**REMINDER:** Only if you are a Mount Olive resident who registered by Friday, 5/24/19, will bus transportation be provided. The Transportation Department will send out letters to each parent advising them of the bus route and number prior to the start of STEAM Camp. You may contact the Transportation Department at: (973) 691-4005 x1 or [transportation.dept@motsd.org](mailto:transportation.dept@motsd.org)



**THEME DAYS:** Starts on the Tuesday of each week. Participation is voluntary.

**Week 1**

- Tues: Superhero or Villain Day
- Wed: Scientist or Nerd Day
- Thurs: Halloween/Zombie Day—no masks/weapons
- Fri: Tie-Dye Camp Pride Day

**Week 2**

- Tues: Crazy Hair Day
- Wed: Mismatched Everything Day
- Thurs: Twin Day
- Fri: Tie-Dye Camp Pride Day

**WEEKS 1 & 2 FIELD TRIP\* SCHEDULE**

Depending on the activity chosen, campers will take trips throughout the week. Please complete a separate permission slip.

Gr.	Monday, 7/15 & 7/22	Tuesday, 7/16 & 7/23	Wednesday, 7/17 & 7/24	Thursday, 7/18 & 7/25	Friday, 7/19 & 7/26
K-2		Zoo Cool Science: Spring Valley Equestrian Center	Week 1- Little Astronomers: CCM's Planetarium	Week 2 Little Astronomers: CCM's Planetarium	
3-5			Week 1-Let It Fly : CCM's Planetarium	Week 2- Let It Fly: CCM's Planetarium	

\*All trips are subject to change due to availability, inclement weather, etc. There are no rain dates.