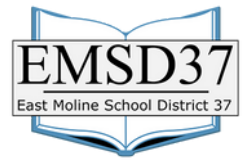


# Summer '23 ENRICHMENT CAMPS



## EAST MOLINE SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT

Spring Forward partnered with the East Moline School District to offer two summer enrichment camps at no cost to families for students first through fourth grade. The five-week camps, offered to students in need of an academic boost combined academics with fun and engaging activities.

Summer camp can replace the historical mandatory summer school model. Spring Forward camps have proven this by welcoming thousands of students to camps with an overwhelming majority making academic gains.

# OF CAMPERS:

**66** WELLS  
ELEMENTARY

**60** HILLCREST  
ELEMENTARY

## Academics

One of the goals for summer camp was to help fill in the learning gaps and equip children with new skills. Morning instruction with teachers included math and reading in small groups using the district's curriculum to help provide a smooth transition from summer to the 2023-24 school year.



June 12 - July 14 (off July 3 & 4)  
Monday - Friday, 9 am - 2pm

	M	T	W	TH	F
9-9:30AM	Check-in and Breakfast				
9:30 - 11:45AM	Reading and Math				Field Trips
11:45AM - 12:30PM	Lunch and Recess				
12:30 - 2PM	Enrichment with Community Partners				

**38.2** HOURS OF MATH & READING  
INSTRUCTION PER STUDENT



**50.5** EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING  
HOURS PER STUDENT

(including enrichment and field trips)

**BE THE  
LIGHT**

Our camp theme was "Be the Light" in memory of friend and former Ascentra Credit Union CEO Dale Owen. Dale was a champion of summer learning and inspired all to get involved and pay it forward, leaving us with a simple message of inspiration to "Be the Light".





# Afternoon Enrichment

Enrichment activities were planned to provide students with opportunities to learn beyond the traditional classroom setting. Campers participated in a broad range of activities that included yoga, art, dance, cooking, and music. A dozen different community-based organizations provided enrichment activities.

## ENRICHMENT PARTNERS

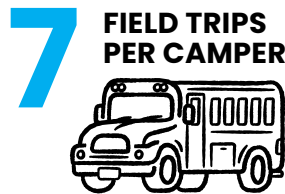
- Junior Achievement of the Heartland
- American Red Cross of the Quad Cities Area
- Putnam Museum and Science Center
- East Moline Public Library
- Illinois Extension
- Challenge to Change
- Karpeles Manuscript Library Museum
- Quad City Animal Welfare Center
- Ballet Quad Cities
- Quad City Symphony Orchestra
- Quad City Arts
- MAI: Tae Kwon Do, Karate & Hapkido



## FIELD TRIPS

Campers went on seven different field trips. The trips provided opportunities to visit and learn about Quad Cities destinations that many had not previously experienced.

- Putnam Museum and Science Center
- Schwiebert Riverfront Park
- Circa 21 Dinner Playhouse
- Scott County Park
- Bettendorf Family Museum
- Centennial Park
- John Deere Classic



Camp ended with a pool party for campers and families at Whitewater Junction. The party was a reward for campers who attended 80% or more camp days.



Campers attended **Stepping up for Summer Learning** at the Vibrant Arena along with 500 other campers from the Boys and Girls Club, Martin Luther King Center, Skip-A-Long, and It's a Child's World. The John Deere sponsored event is the single largest summer learning celebration in Iowa and Illinois.



**25**  
COMMUNITY PARTNERS

**40**  
VOLUNTEERS