

What Happens at School in the Summer?

Cedar Mountain is like many other area schools, with learning taking place throughout the year. This summer, Cedar Mountain is offering a school-age childcare program for students starting 1st - 5th grade that will be based out of the elementary school in Franklin. The summer care program starts June 11 and runs from 6:45am until 5:30pm Monday-Friday. The cost for families who contract for full or part time care is less than \$3.00 an hour. In addition, the fee includes free participation in the Morgan Summer Rec on Tuesdays and Thursdays, reduced costs for Summer Rec trips, lots of mini field trips, arts and crafts activities, organized games, trips to the pool, and fun times with friends. More information is available on the Cedar Mountain web site.

This summer, Cedar Mountain is also offering summer meals at the Franklin school. This is the first year for this program, and we will be providing free transportation to students from Morgan, with a bus or van leaving each day at 11:00 am and returning by 12:15 pm. The meals are free for students age 18 and younger. A snack is also served daily from 2:00-3:00 pm. Sorry, there is no transportation for the snack program.

The Lead and Learn Academy is an opportunity for students to participate in leadership activities focused on teamwork, personal confidence, and communication skills. Cedar Mountain is working with the Sleepy Eye school district to offer this to students in grades 3-5 in June. Students will engage in hand-on activities that teach them about history, environment, and culture that surrounds them. Activities include fishing, canoeing, Geocaching, science experiments, hiking, and birdwatching.

Cedar Mountain Community Education is sponsoring Arts, Sports, and Activities classes for students currently in grades K-5. The class is offered in Morgan on Mondays and Wednesdays, and in Franklin on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Students have the opportunity to express their creativity, learn to work with others, build friendships, explore different interest areas, and get exercise.

The days of traveling a hundred miles to camp are gone. We have volleyball camp. We have basketball camp. We have football camp. In addition, there is Cougar Athletic Training at the high school for students in grades 6-12. The training incorporates weights, functional training, agility/footwork skills, and conditioning. The program is offered Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays throughout the summer.

The 2018 Career Institute, sponsored by Farmward Cooperative (Morgan site), is set for July 17 & 18 from 8:00-4:30. While this is not a school event, it is available to students in grades 7-12 who register by June 1. Students can experience in small groups the skills required for careers in agronomics, health care, vet science, industrial technology and more using simulation labs!

I haven't even touched on our summer school credit recovery or our FFA program. Yes, it's summer. But learning is still taking place in our district.