



Dear Summer Academy Families,

I am delighted to welcome you to the Summer Academy at Congressional School. We are excited to offer these courses for students in rising grades 3 to 9. Our faculty have designed interactive lessons focused on reviewing skills and concepts and previewing early concepts of the next grade level. We have limited classrooms to ten children or less to ensure that each student receives individualized attention.

Academic materials needed for each course will be made available digitally in your student's Google Classroom. Below is a list of supplies students will need at home to successfully engage actively with the lessons:

- A novel (either required or selected independently) that you intend to read this summer (Making Meaning 1)
- [Composition notebook](#) (Colt's Math II) or spiral-bound notebook or binder with lined paper (Colt's Math I).
- Pencils (mechanical or regular).
- A good eraser.
- Ruler or other straight edge
- [Protractor](#)
- [Wide-ruled composition notebook](#) for each writing class (Writer's Workshop/Fluid Readers).
- Black felt tip pens such as Paper Mate Flair.
- 3x3 sticky notes.

It is important for students and their parents to attend the Summer Academy Orientation (see schedule below) to gain a better understanding of the technology, online platforms and apps, as well as organizational strategies needed for online learning. In addition, students will get a chance to meet their teachers and learn more specific information about their course. Our time together will begin with two sessions: an online "Welcome to Online Learning and Strategies for Success" with Dr. Silvia Moore, Coordinator of Summer Academy, and an online "Technology Check and Procedures" with Ali Sheibani (Director of Technology) and Tony Souphida (Technology Specialist). The schedule below shows the order of orientation sessions for each class. Following the second session, students will be dismissed to visit their classrooms. Students registered for two or more classes should visit each of their teachers at the appointed time on June 10 or 11.

The links below are essential to have during orientation in order to navigate to the various classroom meets. For example, if a student has signed up for Math Explorers I and Spanish Foundation I, orientation will start June 10 at 9:00 am in the "Technology Check and Procedures" classroom Meet, then at 9:30 am you and your student will transition to the "Welcome to Online Learning and Strategies for Success" classroom meet. At 10:00 am students and parents will go to the "Math Explorer I" classroom. Then on the following day, June 11, students and parents will meet the Fluid Readers II teacher at 11:00 am.

For those who have not used Google Classrooms Meet before, think about each classroom as a separate conference call. Classrooms are not private; be aware that others can enter the classroom and hear the conversations. Private or sensitive questions should be reserved for an email or phone call. Upon entering a classroom, please temporarily mute yourself until you can ask your question or use the chat to write your questions.

## ORIENTATION DATES & TIMES

June 10

June 11

Geometry Desmond McGlone	8:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 8:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 9:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mr. McGlone</a>		Writer's Climb Holly Keimig	8:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 8:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 9:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Keimig</a>
Youth Leadership Institute I Rebecca Ginetti Cheryl Vance	8:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 8:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom Google Drive</a> 9:00 am Meet <a href="#">Ms. Ginnetti &amp; Mrs. Vance</a>		Writer's Summit Holly Keimig	8:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 8:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 9:30 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Keimig</a>
Math Explorers I Katie Savage	9:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 9:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 10:00 am <a href="#">Meet Ms. Savage</a>		Math Explorers II Katie Savage	9:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 9:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 10:00 am <a href="#">Meet Ms. Savage</a>
Writing for Meaning I Cameron Yassine	9:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 9:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 10:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mr. Yassine</a>		Writing for Meaning II Cameron Yassine	9:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 9:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 10:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mr. Yassine</a>
Fluid Readers I Stefanie Hjalmervik	10:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 10:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Hjalmervik</a>		Fluid Readers II Stefanie Hjalmervik	10:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 10:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Hjalmervik</a>
Spanish Foundations I Mar Ramirez	10:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 10:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Ramirez</a>		Spanish Level II	10:00 am 11:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Hjalmervik</a> 10:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Ramirez</a>
Colt's Math I Sarah Smythe	10:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:30 am <a href="#">Meet Ms. Smythe</a>		Colt's Math II Sarah Smythe	10:30 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:30 am <a href="#">Meet Ms. Smythe</a>

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Making Meaning I Denise Yassine	10:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:30 am <a href="#">Meet Mrs. Yassine</a>	Writer's Workshop I Emily Manes	10:30 am <a href="#">Welcome Quickstart Google Classroom &amp; Google Drive</a> 11:00 am <a href="#">Technology check and procedures</a> 11:30 am <a href="#">Meet Ms. Manes</a>
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