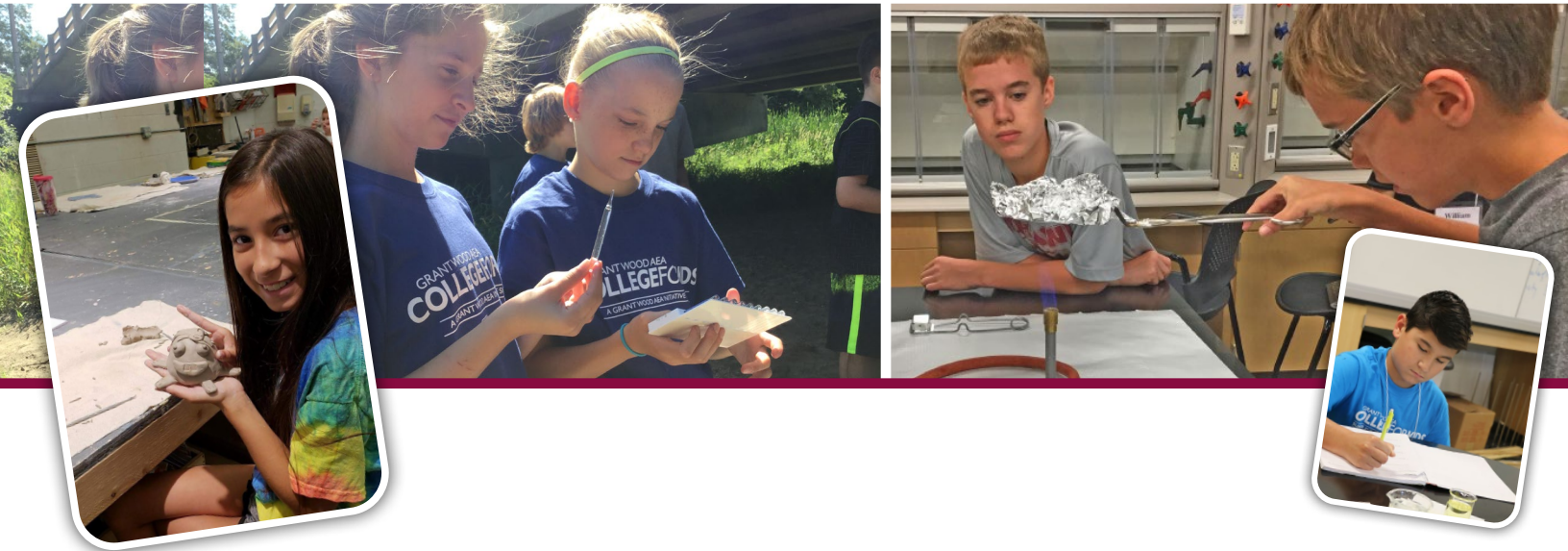


GRANT WOOD AEA COLLEGE FOR KIDS



REGISTRATION GUIDE

JUNE 17-27 AND JULY 8-18, 2024

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The mission of Grant Wood AEA is to ensure success for all learners.
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FOR MORE INFO ABOUT COLLEGE FOR KIDS, CONTACT:
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CONGRATULATIONS!

Dear Parents and Students:

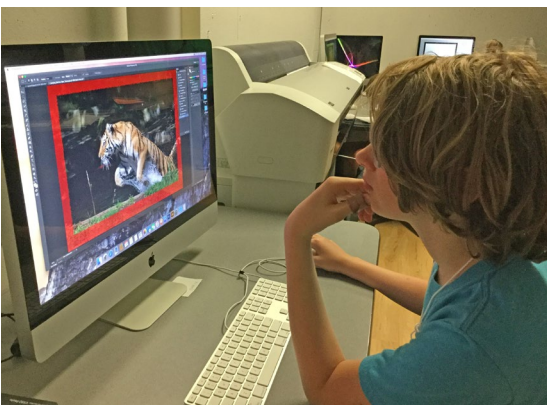
Welcome to Grant Wood AEA's College for Kids Summer Enrichment Program and thank you for selecting us! We are very proud of our 37 years of serving high-ability middle school students through our summer enrichment programs.

College for Kids offers nominated students the opportunity to:

- interact with challenging curriculum
- explore new topics
- select from a wide range of classes
- immerse in courses and topics of personal interest, and
- interact with others of like ability from other schools and communities.

If you have questions regarding this Registration Guide or the online registration process, please use the contact information below. We look forward to sharing our program with you this summer!

Susie Green
Grant Wood AEA Student Programs Specialist
Email: sgreen@gwaea.org
319-399-6775



“ My daughter was able to attend College for Kids this summer and LOVED it! She really enjoys her down time in the summer, so I anticipated she may be frustrated when she had to wake up early every day for 2 weeks, but she never complained. She had an amazing time ... Everything is organized so well and the communication from you and your staff was outstanding. ”
- *Taresa*

“ My daughter had such a wonderful time - engaging with teachers, making new friends, and creative learning. ”
- *Melanie*



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OUR PROGRAM

WHAT IS COLLEGE FOR KIDS?

Founded in 1987, the College for Kids Summer Enrichment Program is offered to eligible high-ability middle school students who enjoy being academically and/or creatively challenged and who wish to expand on their advanced talents and abilities by taking faster-passed, topic-specific courses in the college setting.

College for Kids:

- is a Grant Wood AEA program and is held at Coe College in Cedar Rapids.
- offers more than 50 courses taught by talented area educators and professionals.
- provides opportunities for inquiry-based learning, independent study, group and individual projects, cooperative learning, and various other hands-on activities.
- is attended by over 900 students each summer, representing schools in our 7-county region.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND?

Eligible students have completed 6th, 7th or 8th grade by summer 2024. Eligible students are capable learners who demonstrate the following:

- the ability to work cooperatively to solve problems and apply concepts.
- the ability to exhibit independence, perseverance and flexibility in their work.
- the ability to keep pace with advanced learning opportunities.
- a curiosity in a wide range of interests with the ability to create and invent.

Students nominated for the Academic Strand of the program have been identified for/participated in a gifted education program at School; and/or achieved the required testing criteria on the ISASP, CogAT and/or NWEA MAP.

Students nominated for the Fine Arts Strand of the program have demonstrated exemplary fine arts ability or performance at school; and/or have enthusiastically participated in school or community-based fine arts programming.

Eligible College for Kids Students may exhibit several of the following traits:

- intellectual curiosity in school-related and/or personal interests
- critical thinking skills (toward concepts and self)
- goal-directed behavior
- high expectations for self and others
- outward empathy, eagerness, and passion (service focused)
- focused and determined behaviors or personality

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2024 PROGRAM FORMAT

Summer 2024 will offer two 9-day sessions of College for Kids. Session A begins on Monday, June 17, ending on Thursday, June 27. Session B begins on Monday, July 8, ending on Thursday, July 18.

During a 9-day session of College for Kids, each student attends 3 classes a day, per their selected class schedule (classes selected at the time of registration). College for Kids courses are offered in the areas of STEM (science, technology, engineering and math), history, fine arts, social sciences, world languages, and more. Classes are 67 minutes in length, and are held in multiple buildings across campus.

Daily class times are 8:30-9:37 a.m., 9:45-10:52 a.m., and 11:00 a.m.-12:07 p.m. Students also have the option to add a daily Early Bird Class, 7:45-8:20 a.m. The average class size for 2024 is expected to be 12-15 students.

DAILY SCHEDULE

(weekdays only)

7:45-8:20 a.m.	Early Bird Class <i>(optional – additional fee)</i>
8:15-8:30 a.m.	Student Drop Off
8:30-9:37 a.m.	First Period Class
9:45-10:52 a.m.	Second Period Class
11:00 a.m.-12:07 p.m.	Third Period Class
12:07-12:35 p.m.	Student Pick Up

“My teenage son is not much of a talker, but each day he comes home and tells me all that he is working on and what happened, and he said that he is really glad to be going. He is also not one for taking art, but he told me this morning he was excited to work on and finish his sculpture. I also think getting around on a college campus is giving him more confidence, especially coming from a small school like Alburnett. Thanks so much!”

- Valerie

LOCATION

College for Kids is held on the campus of Coe College in Cedar Rapids. Classes are held in multiple buildings taking advantage of college-level classrooms, labs and learning spaces.

The campus is supervised by the College for Kids staff and instructors, as well as the Coe Security Staff.



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DATES & TUITION

Dates for the 2024 College for Kids program are June 17-27 (Session A) and July 8-18 (Session B). Each session is 9 days in duration with classes held 8:30 a.m.-12:07 p.m. weekdays. An optional Early Bird class is also available for an additional fee. Early Bird classes are held from 7:45-8:20 a.m. daily. College for Kids is held at Coe College in Cedar Rapids, offering students college-level classrooms, science labs and amenities.

DATES	TUITION PER SESSION
<p>Session A Monday, June 17- Thursday, June 27</p>	<p>\$300/student</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-day Session • 3 daily classes • program t-shirt
<p>Session B Monday, July 8- Thursday, July 18</p>	<p>\$300/student</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-day Session • 3 daily classes • program t-shirt



OPTIONAL EARLY BIRD CLASS

Extend your College for Kids experience by signing up for an “Early Bird” class! Students signing up for Early Bird will attend a total of four classes each day. Spaces are limited so act quickly! As they say, “the early bird gets the worm!”

The optional Early Bird class fee is an additional \$70/student per 9-day session.



All registered students will receive a College for Kids t-shirt.

COMING FROM IOWA CITY AREA?

The Lincoln Elementary PTO organizes bus transportation for Iowa City area students for a fee. For more information and to sign up for the bus, click on the Iowa City Bus Sign Up link at www.gwaea.org/college4kids.

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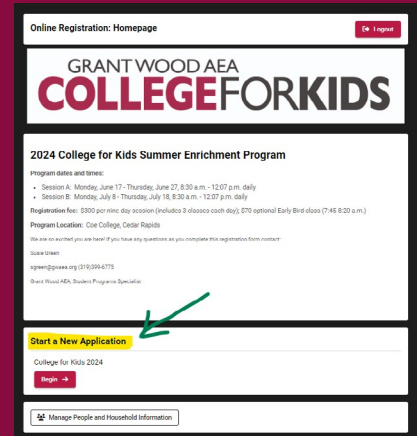
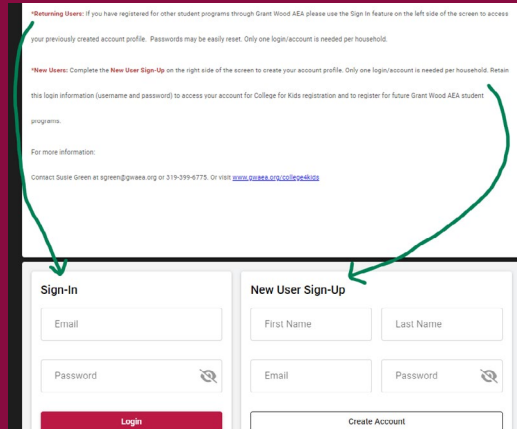
ONLINE REGISTRATION WILL OPEN AT 12:00 P.M. ON FRIDAY, MARCH 1!

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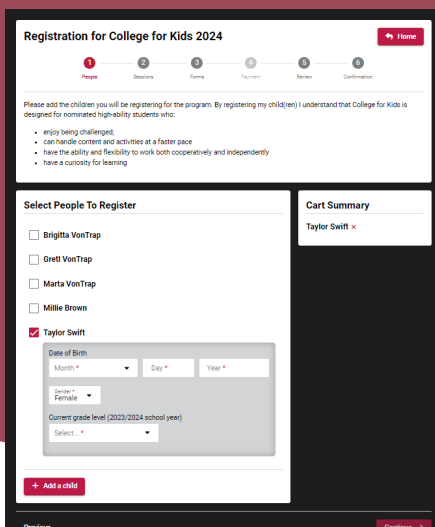
Due to the high volume of traffic on the first day of registration, it is helpful to be prepared prior to March 1. Below is some general guidance for completing the registration form.

LOGIN

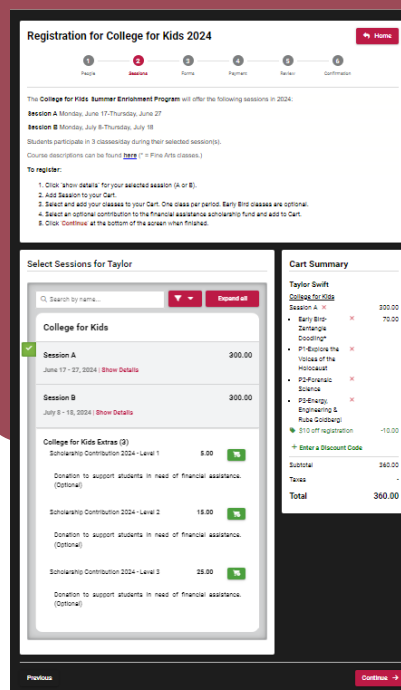
Once registration is open, complete the New User Sign-Up. If you have previously registered for other student programs through Grant Wood AEA, please use the Sign In feature to access your previously created account profile. Passwords may be easily reset.



STEP 1: PEOPLE



STEP 2: SESSIONS



PRO TIP

Parents and Students, It is highly recommended that you have a few alternate class choices jotted down when registering, as some classes will fill up very quickly.

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STEP 3: FORMS

Registration for College for Kids 2024

1 People 2 Sessions 3 **Forms** 4 Payment 5 Review 6 Confirmation

Please complete the three mandatory forms below. Each student must have a completed Participant Information Form, Student Health Information Form and a Household Form. Note: only one 'Household Form' is required per family. When all forms are completed, click 'Continue'.

Complete Required Forms
Forms marked with an asterisk(*) are mandatory.

- Household Form* [Open Form](#)
- Participant Information Form* [Open Form](#)
- Student Health Information* [Open Form](#)
- Financial Assistance Request (optional) [Open Form](#)

Cart Summary

Taylor Swift
College for Kids
Session A 300.00

- Early Bird-Zentangle Doodling* 70.00
- P1-Explore the Voices of the Holocaust
- P2-Forensic Science
- P3-Energy, Engineering & Rubie Goldberg
- \$10 off registration -10.00

+ Enter a Discount Code [Open Form](#)

Subtotal 360.00
Taxes -
Total 360.00

Previous [Continue](#)

STEP 4: PAYMENT

Registration for College for Kids 2024

1 People 2 Sessions 3 Forms 4 **Payment** 5 Review 6 Confirmation

Payment for College for Kids is due at the time of registration and is accepted via online credit card payment (Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card). If you have a discount code and haven't already entered it in Your Cart, do so now.

If you have questions regarding payment please contact Susie Green at sgreen@gwaea.org or 319-399-6775.

[Refund/Cancellations Policy](#)

Cancellation requests are eligible for a refund minus a \$10 administrative fee through May 31, 2024. Cancellation requests made after May 31, 2024, and until 7 days prior to the start of the program session are eligible for a refund minus 50%. No refunds will be given for cancellation requests received within 7 days of the program start date unless necessitated by an emergency situation. Cancellation requests are accepted via email or in writing via U.S. Mail. Students removed from the College for Kids program for violation of student safety and behavior expectations will not receive a refund.

Choose a Payment Option

- Pay 360.00 via credit card
- Pay 75.00 now via credit card and remainder due as scheduled via credit card.
- Applying for College for Kids financial assistance. Pay 75.00 now via credit card and any remaining 285.00 due after available scholarship funding is applied. (Scholarships are not guaranteed and cover approximately 50% of single-session tuition.)
- United Way Summer application submitted. You will be billed for remainder due after application is verified with the United Way. Opportunity limited to Johnson and Washington county residents.
- SAFE grant application submitted. No payment due at this time. Application requires school counselor assistance and verification. Limited opportunity for CRCSD students.

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Taxes -
Total 360.00

Select a Payment Method

- Credit Card

STEP 5: REVIEW

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Please review all of your information and make sure everything is accurate, including your class selections. If you need to make a change please simply click on the appropriate "return" to return to that specific area.

Review, Pay and Submit

[Return to People](#) [Return to Sessions](#)

Registration Items

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College for Kids
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Total: 360.00

Forms

Household Form* COMPLETED

Taylor Swift

- Participant Information Form* COMPLETED
- Student Health Information* COMPLETED
- Financial Assistance Request (optional) COMPLETED

[Search for Forms](#)

Payment

Payment Option

- Pay 75.00 now via credit card and remainder due as scheduled via credit card.

Date	Amount
Today	75.00
Apr 30, 2024	98.00
May 30, 2024	98.00
Jun 30, 2024	98.00

Payment Method

- Credit Card

Credit card details

Cardholder Name: _____
 Card Number: _____ Exp. (MM/YY): _____ CVV: _____
 Street Address: _____ City: _____ State/Postal Code: _____

LOGGING OUT

Note that the text in blue will occur immediately upon submission of your application.

This is normal and not a cause for concern. Click **“Home”** and log out.

We are displaying limited registration and financial information because we're currently processing your submission. Once completed, full details will be available. Refresh in a few moments to check the progress.

Register at www.gwaea.org/college4kids beginning March 1 @ 12 p.m.

PAYMENT INFORMATION

ACCEPTED PAYMENT

Payment for College for Kids is accepted at time of registration. We accept Visa, MasterCard and Discover credit cards. If you experience an issue with your payment, contact Susie Green at sgreen@gwaea.org or 319-399-6775.

There are a few resources available for families seeking financial assistance for the 2024 College for Kids Summer Enrichment Program, including Deposit + Installment Payments. To learn more about these resources, and their limitations, thoroughly review the Financial Assistance information found on the next page.

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

DEPOSIT + INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS

- Open to all families
- Requires deposit at time of registration
- Payments are setup monthly (April-May-June)

Select the **Deposit + Installment** Plan option on the Payment screen of the online registration. Contact Susie Green if you have questions or need to adjust your payment dates after registering.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE REQUEST + DEPOSIT

- Intended for families in need of support
- \$145 max per student (families responsible for tuition/fees beyond \$145)
- Limited funding available

Complete the **Financial Assistance Request Form** in Step 3 of the online registration and select the “**Applying for Financial Assistance**” payment option on the Payment screen. Susie will contact you regarding your financial assistance request and to set up payment of any remaining balance.

UNITED WAY SUMMERSHIP

(STUDENTS IN JOHNSON & WASHINGTON COUNTIES)

- Only for students residing in Johnson and Washington County who are eligible for Free & Reduced Lunch. A maximum of five Summership scholarships are available.
- Up to \$250/child
- Applications are reviewed and awarded in the order they are received.

Select **United Way Summership applicant** on the Payment screen of the online registration.

Complete an application form found at: www.unitedwayjwc.org/summerships

Contact Wendy Nolan wendy.nolan@unitedwayjwc.org or 319-338-7823 with any questions.

If approved for funding, the United Way will send payment directly to Grant Wood AEA/College for Kids.

SAFE GRANT

(CEDAR RAPIDS SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS ONLY)

- Limited to students who attend school in the Cedar Rapids Community School District
- Intended for families in need of support
- Requires that a school district employee submit the grant application on behalf of the student (requested amount based on family need)

Select **SAFE grant application submitted** option on the Payment screen of the online registration.

How to apply for these funds:

Contact your school counseling office and indicate you would like to pursue a SAFE grant for your child to pay for College for Kids tuition.

The school will send SAFE grant payment directly to Grant Wood AEA/College for Kids.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I know which nomination my child received?

Your child's nomination information can be found in the brochure you received in the mail. If you have any questions, simply contact Susie Green sgreen@gwaea.org or 319-399-6775.

I think my child was only selected for College for Kids because of her high science assessment score. Does this mean she can only register for science classes at College for Kids?

No. Regardless of assessment scores, if a student is nominated for College for Kids in the Academic Strand, they may select any of the classes listed in the Course Catalog at the time of registration.

My child was nominated for College for Kids by his Fine Arts teacher. How will we know which classes he can choose from in the Fine Arts Strand of the program?

All of the classes included in the Fine Arts Strand are noted by an "*" in the course catalog and in the registration system.

How can I request financial assistance?

If you wish to request financial assistance please review the Financial Assistance page of the Registration Guide and complete the financial assistance form as part of the online registration system.

Do you have payment plans available?

If you need a payment plan to handle the cost of tuition, please call Susie Green to register over the phone. 319-399-6775

