

MODESTO CITY SCHOOLS

TO: Dr. Sara Noguchi, Superintendent  
SUBJECT: Report on Summer Programs 2020

Regular Meeting  
May 18, 2020

BACKGROUND

Modesto City Schools traditionally provides various summer school programs for elementary academic and enrichment, Special Education, Secondary 7-12, as well as site-based, specialized programs during the summer. Due to the coronavirus COVID-19, the District will be offering a variety of distance model programs for students.

GOAL ALIGNMENT

Goal One: Increase academic achievement and ensure equitable access to enable all students to attain college and career readiness.

- 1.2 Increase students being identified as “prepared” in College/Career Indicators.
- 1.4 Develop a Multi-Tiered System of Support for all students.
- 1.5 Ensure students have access to enrichment activities at all school sites.

REPORT

LCAP Goal 3 recommends summer school as a strategy to support students who are not meeting grade level expectations in English Language Arts and Math. The goal of summer programs is to extend the school year in order to provide enrichment and academic support for students. Recognizing the potential learning loss that may occur because of the COVID-19 pandemic, this goal has become of even greater importance.

For the Summer Programs 2020, Modesto City Schools will be offering a variety of Distance Model programs to support students. Summer remediation for kindergarten through sixth grade and credit recovery options for grades 7-12 will be offered June 4, 2020 to June 30, 2020. (see Chart 1)

**Chart 1**

<b>Program</b>	<b>Dates</b>	<b># of Teachers</b>	<b># Students</b>
K-6 Remediation	June 4 – June 30	60	3000*
7-8 Credit Recovery	June 4 – June 30	4	160*
9-12 Credit Recovery	June 4 – June 30	72	2800*
Swun Math	June 4 – June 30	40	1000**
Extended School Year (ESY)	June 3 – June 30	TBD	TBD

\*Maximum enrollment

\*\*Class sizes vary by grade level

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### K-6 Remediation

Students will be invited to participate in K-6 summer remediation based on teacher recommendation and achievement scores. This year, the District will pilot the use of Freckle™ by Renaissance Learning to provide support for students. Students will work independently, based on their diagnostic placement level, on research-based lessons.

Teachers will provide support to students and their families. Teachers will reach out to support families in accessing the program, completing the placement diagnostic, and monitor student progress and achievement so that guidance can be provided to struggling students. The focus will be on English Language Arts and Mathematics. Freckle™ will be available for all students in grades K-7, without teacher support, from mid-May to August.

### Junior High and High School

Students in grades 7-8 and 9-12 who need to remediate a grade for credit recovery will be invited to participate in summer school via a distance model. Students will complete work using Apex Learning. Teachers will be available to monitor student progress and provide guidance and support. To facilitate communication and support, a morning and an afternoon session will be offered daily.

### SWUN Math

SWUN Math pilot sites will offer the SWUN Math Summer Program to recommended students. The program will follow the SWUN Math guidelines for Distance Learning. Teachers will provide lessons through Schoology for students utilizing the SWUN created video lessons, coupled with teacher additions. Teachers will provide support and feedback to the students regarding their progress on the lesson. Initial lessons will focus on review, with later lessons providing a preview of the next level.

### Summer Enrichment

The purpose of Summer Enrichment is to provide enrichment opportunities to MCS students and families that will be educational and fun. Students will explore a variety of topics through virtual field trips and engage in hands-on activities and challenges related to the subject. The content is organized into eight self-paced thematic units that include STEAM, Physical Activity, History, and Social Emotional learning. All the topics will offer a variety of activities appropriate for all grade levels.

Themes include content on Space, Earth, Around the World (Travel & Culture), Ocean, Environment, At the Movies, Animals, Travel in Time, and Fashion. In addition to the thematic units, students may participate in Lego and Reading challenges or register for a Coding course. The summer enrichment program will be offered through Distance Learning and students and families can access the units through the District Webpage.

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Special Education

Extended School Year (ESY) will be offered through a distance learning format designed to meet the guidelines established by the Department of Education. The Special Education summer program will run for 20 days of instruction.

SUMMARY

Summer Programs 2020 provides a great opportunity for student to obtain remedial instruction, earn credit recovery, and explore enrichment options through a distance model during the COVID-19 pandemic.