

GRANT WOOD AEA COLLEGE FOR KIDS



REGISTRATION GUIDE

JUNE 16-27 AND JULY 7-17, 2025

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The mission of Grant Wood AEA is to ensure success for all learners.
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Register at www.gwaea.org/college4kids beginning March 1 @ 3:30 p.m.

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 38 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!

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“ 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-paced, 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 2025. 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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2025 PROGRAM FORMAT

Summer 2025 will offer two 9-day sessions of College for Kids. Session A begins on Monday, June 16, ending on Friday, June 27. Session B begins on Monday, July 7, ending on Thursday, July 17.

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 2025 is expected to be 12-15 students.

DAILY SCHEDULE

(weekdays only)

7:45-8:20 a.m.	Early Bird Class (optional – additional fee)
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 2025 College for Kids program are June 16-27 (Session A) and July 7-17 (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
Session A Monday, June 16 - Friday, June 27 <i>with no programming on June 19th</i>	\$325/student <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9-day Session • 3 daily classes • program t-shirt
Session B Monday, July 7 - Thursday, July 17	\$325/student <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 \$75/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.



REGISTER HERE: www.gwaea.org/college4kids

LOGIN

***Remaining Users:** If you have registered for other student programs through Great World AEA please use the Sign In feature on the left side of the screen to access your previously created account profile. Passwords may be easily reset. Only one login/account is needed per household.

***New Users:** Complete the **New User Sign-Up** on the right side of the screen to create your account profile. Only one login/account is needed per household. Below this login information (username and password) to access your account for College for Kids registration and to register for future Great World AEA student programs.

For more information:
Contact Suire Green at sgreen@gwaesa.org or 319-399-6775. Or visit www.gwaesa.org/carecredit

Sign-In

New User Sign-Up

Online Registration: Homepage

Log Out

GRANT WOOD AEA

COLLEGE FOR KIDS

2024 College for Kids Summer Enrichment Program

Program dates and times:

- Session A: Monday, June 17 - Thursday, June 27, 8:30 a.m. - 12:07 p.m. daily
- Session B: Monday, July 8 - Thursday, July 18, 8:30 a.m. - 12:07 p.m. daily

Registration fee: \$200 on one-day session (includes 1 closure each day, \$70 optional Early Bird class (7-8:30 a.m.))

Program Location: Cox College, Cedar Rapids

We are so excited you are here! If you have any questions or you complete this registration form contact:

Sue Drent

Agnew@grownschools.org | 319.394.6775

Grant Wood AEA Student Programs Specialist

Start a New Application

College for Kids 2024

Register

Manage People and Household Information

STEP 1: PEOPLE

Registration for College for Kids 2024

[+ Home](#)

1
People

2
Sessions

3
Rooms

4
Payments

5
Batches

6
Confirmation

Please add the children you will be registering for the program. By registering my child(ren) I understand that College for Kids is designed for nominated high-ability students who:

- enjoy being challenged,
- can handle content and activities at a faster pace
- have the ability and flexibility to work both cooperatively and independently
- have a curiosity for learning

Select People To Register

☐ Britt VonTrap

☐ Grett VonTrap

☐ Marfa VonTrap

☐ Millie Brown

☒ Taylor Swift

Date of Birth

Month

Day

Year

Gender

Female

Current grade level (2023/2024 school year)

Select

[+ Add a child](#)

Cart Summary

Taylor Swift

STEP 2: SESSIONS

Registration for College for Kids 2024

1 Pick a

2 Select a

3 Select a

4 Payment

5 Review

6 Confirmation

The **College for Kids Summer Enrichment Program** will offer the following sessions in 2024:

Session A Monday, June 17-Thursday, July 27

Session B Monday, July 15-Thursday, July 18

Students participate in 3 class days after their selected sessions(s).
(Course descriptions can be found [here](#).) * Fine Arts classes.)

To register:

- Click when asked to join your selected session (A or B).
- Add Session(s) to your Cart.
- Select and add your class to your Cart. One class per period. Early bird classes are optional.
- Select an optional contribution to the Financial assistance scholarship fund and add to cart.
- Click **Continue** at the bottom of this page when finished.

Select Sessions for Taylor

▼

Repeat all

College for Kids

Session A

June 17 - 27, 2024 [Show Dates](#)

\$90.00

Session B

July 8 - 18, 2024 [Show Dates](#)

\$90.00

College for Kids Grades (3)

Scholarship Contribution 2024 - Level 1

\$ 0.00

Go

Donation to support students in need of financial assistance. (Optional)

Scholarship Contribution 2024 - Level 2

15.00

Go

Donation to support students in need of financial assistance. (Optional)

Scholarship Contribution 2024 - Level 3

25.00

Go

Donation to support students in need of financial assistance. (Optional)

Cart Summary

Taylor Swift

Early Bird	\$30.00
Early Bird - Zephaniah Gooding*	75.00
P1-Explore the Voices of the Midwest	
P2-Financial	
P3-Intro, Engineering & Data Gooding	
\$15 off registration	-15.00
Enter a Discount Code	
Subtotal:	\$60.00
Taxes:	-
Total:	\$60.00

Printout

Continue

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.

Register at www.gwaea.org/college4kids beginning March 1 @ 3:30 p.m.

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](#)

Taylor

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	
Subtotal	360.00
Taxes	-
Total	360.00

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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 Summership 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.

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	
Subtotal	360.00
Taxes	-
Total	360.00

Select a Payment Method

☐ Credit Card

STEP 5: REVIEW

Registration for College for Kids 2024

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

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 'with tag' to return to that specific area.

Review, Pay and Submit

Registration Items

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

Taylor Swift
College for Kids

Session A (June 17 - 27, 2024)	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
Total	360.00

Forms

Household Form* **COMPLETED**

Taylor Swift

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

[Return to 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 20, 2024	95.00
May 20, 2024	95.00
Jun 20, 2024	95.00

Payment Method

• Credit Card

Credit card details

Cardholder Name:

Card Number: Expiry (MM/YY): CVV:

[Return to Payment](#)

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.

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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 Emily Burmeister at eburmeister@gwaea.org or 319-399-6581.

There are a few resources available for families seeking financial assistance for the 2025 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 Emily Burmeister 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. Emily 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 \$350/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 Amy Schaefer amy.schaefer@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.

ENSURING EXTRACURRICULARS FUND

(CEDAR RAPIDS SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS ONLY)

- ☐ Limited to students who attend school in the Cedar Rapids Community School District
- ☐ Intended for students who are eligible for Free & Reduced Lunch
- ☐ Requires that a school district employee submit the grant application on behalf of the student (requested amount based on family need)

Select **Ensuring Extracurriculars Fund 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 Ensuring Extracurriculars Fund for your child to pay for College for Kids tuition.

The school will send Ensuring Extracurriculars Fund 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 Emily Burmeister eburmeister@gwaea.org or 319-399-6581.

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 Emily Burmeister to register over the phone. 319-399-6581

