

Participants

Since the first College Days event in 1985, more than 16,000 sixth graders have participated. Interested school districts throughout Central Wisconsin are invited to select top-performing sixth graders to attend College Days for Kids. Students may or may not be formally identified as “gifted” — they should, however, be able to benefit from stimulating, fast-paced classes.

Teachers and/or other adult chaperones, in the ratio of 1:10, accompany each group. In addition to helping supervise lunch, adults are encouraged to attend classes and provide valuable program feedback. A typical College Days session involves 300 students from as many as 25 different schools.

Is It Fun?

“I really enjoyed today. It really encouraged me a lot and I would come back!”

“This was one of the most funniest things I have ever done.”

“I really enjoyed my experience and hope that I get to do it again in 7th grade!”

I wish that I could come here every day. Definitely considering here. Love the teachers. So nice!

- 2018 College Days for Kids Participant



Sponsor

College Days for Kids is sponsored by the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point School of Education Talent Development Center which offers enrichment opportunities for high-ability students throughout Central Wisconsin.

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College Days for Kids 2020



For Sixth Graders



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About

College Days for Kids is a program designed for high-ability sixth graders. Participants visit the UW-Stevens Point campus for enrichment classes taught by faculty and academic staff. The goals of the program are to:

- introduce sixth graders to a university setting and thereby encourage them to set appropriate educational goals
- provide higher level enrichment through exposure to a variety of topics
- promote healthy, effective development through interactions with high-ability peers from other schools.

Dates

College Days for Kids is held on three Fridays in April. Students are enrolled in three classes per session. Schools can select any combination of one, two or three sessions.

Unique classes are offered each day. Attending more than once broadens a participant's course opportunities and overall experience.

2019 Dates

Session I: April 17
Session II: April 24
Session III: May 1

Cost

Any One Session (3 classes): \$40
Any Two Sessions (6 classes): \$70
All Three Sessions (9 classes): \$100

Session fees include all class materials, lunch (for the student participant and required chaperones), a T- shirt and backpack. Schools are responsible for any and all transportation expenses.

The bookstore is located within the Dreyfus University Center. Students will not have an opportunity to shop during the program; however, schools may opt to visit the bookstore after dismissal.



Location

The headquarters for College Days for Kids is located in the Multi-Activity Center (MAC) which is in the Health Enhancement Center (HEC). Actual classes are hosted in several academic buildings around campus. UW-Stevens Point students will escort program participants between classes. Students will "regroup" at the headquarters several times during the day.

Every effort is made to provide a safe and reassuring environment for students while they take advantage of the many resources UWSP has to offer.

"Great options and variety. We love this program and will be back!"
- 2018 Participating Teacher

Courses

College Days class offerings vary from year to year. A detailed course list is provided for participating schools in advance, and efforts are made to structure individual student schedules according to their choices. This is not always possible, but students report enjoying and learning from all of our classes.

Typical classes include the topics in the following:

SCIENCES

Astronomy
Chemistry
Communication
Geology
Microorganisms
Mathematics
Physics
Soils

PHYSICAL

Rock Climbing
Taekwondo
Yoga
Wrestling

INTERPERSONAL

Advertising
Leadership
Poetry
Psychology
Creative Writing

HUMANITIES

Foreign Languages
Sociology
Medieval History
Theatre

"I thought this day was awesome and it should continue so other kids can have this awesome experience just like I did."

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