



WCSU Summer Arts Institute FAQ's

Who can attend Institute?

The Summer Arts Institute is designed for children entering grades 5-8 in the fall of 2018 who have an interest in performing and visual arts. Each participant will choose a track (art, dance, music or theatre) for the 1st half of the day and then select electives from any discipline for the remainder of the afternoon.

What does a typical day of the WCSU Summer Arts Institute look like?

The daily schedule starts at 9 AM with a group convocation (morning meeting) and ends at 5 PM. Lunch is served mid-day in the Campus Center dining room.

For the daily schedule please click [here](#).

Who are the Summer Institute instructors?

In addition to the WCSU's experienced faculty, professionals from the Greater Danbury Area will be instructing the participants. A complete list of all camp faculty will be available on our website 4/1/18.

What are behavioral expectations?

Institute Participants are expected to be respectful to other participants, staff, volunteers, spaces, and WCSU property. The WCSU Summer Institute reserves the right, upon notification of parents, to dismiss any child for conduct that the Summer Institute administrative staff deems

detrimental to the well-being of other participant, staff, or overall operation of the Summer Institute.

Will the Summer Institute Participants share their projects and performance pieces?

Participants will share what they have learned and created at an open house on Saturday, July 21, 2018 from 10am - 1pm. Family and Friends are welcome to travel freely from class to class throughout the Visual and Performing Arts Center. The open house day is a condensed version of the regular daily schedule. Please note that there is limited space for guests in the classrooms.

What is included in tuition?

All classes; one Summer Institute t-shirt; lunch daily. *Please note included in tuition is a \$100 non refundable deposit.*

Do you provide scholarships or discounts?

Early Bird Discount! Tuition for participants who register prior to February 1, 2018 will receive a \$70 off the \$695 price

Multi child family discount of \$100 per child please email piechotal@wcsu.edu for a coupon code that will allow you to register siblings with a discount.

Need Based Scholarship Support:

\$300 Partial scholarship support may be available for students with financial need. Connecticut residents are given priority, although out of state students are eligible as well.

Click [here](#) to download the need base scholarship form.

What if my student can no longer attend the Summer Institute? What is the refund policy?

- The SVPA Summer Institute reserves the right to cancel a class if enrollment is insufficient. If a class is canceled due to insufficient enrollment, any tuition paid will be refunded in full (deposit included) and any registered students will be notified by email and by phone.
- No refunds or tuition credit will be given once the session has begun.
- No refunds after June 1, 2018.

- For cancellations prior to June 1, 2018 refunds will be given less the \$100 non refundable deposit.

Do you provide snacks & lunch?

The SVPA Summer Institute will provide lunch mid-day. Participants may bring their own snack from home to eat in between classes.

What if my child has a food allergy?

Sodexo at WCSU will do its best to accommodate for children with food allergies. More information can be found on the [Sodexo website](#).

Does the Summer Institute offer extended care?

The Summer Institute does not have extended care available for participants. Please make arrangements for your child to arrive on time and be picked up on time.

Can i pick my child up early or drop off late?

Yes but missed time cannot be made up. It is recommended that every attempt be made to avoid scheduling conflicts.

What does my child need to bring?

Comfortable clothing should be worn for all classes. Please note that participants taking an art class should wear clothes that can get messy. We recommend that children bring a reusable water bottle to Summer Institute every day for easy access to water. Please label all items that participants bring.

Why do I need to accept the media release terms?

The WCSU Summer Institute will be taking video clips and photographs of participants to produce an overview of the program for parents at the open house. Video clips and photographs also may also be used to promote Summer Institutes in the future or shared with our sponsors to thank them for their generous support of the program. We will respect the rights of families who wish for their child not to be photographed, but they will not be featured in this culminating experience (camp slide show, camp videos). By giving WCSU media release permission, your child's image may also be used for other promotional publications. The media release is included in the Summer Institute Form.

Medical Forms

All students are required by law to have a current medical form filled out on or prior to the first day of the program. Please indicate on this form any and all medical conditions the student has, and any medications that must be administered on a regular basis or in the case of an emergency. The student's pediatrician must sign this form. This information is strictly confidential and will only be shared with the proper personnel in the case of a medical emergency. You will be asked to upload completed forms during the course selection process.

Camper Medications - Please review carefully!

In accordance with CT Department of Public Health (DPH) requirements, all students participating in the Summer Arts Institute who plan to bring medication (including prescription AND non-prescription over-the-counter) with them to the camp must be aware of the following regulations:

- All prescription medications must be presented to the Camp Director or Alternate Director to be kept in our locked first aid cabinet.
- No expired prescriptions will be accepted, nor will any medical devices (eg Ventolin Inhalers, Epi-Pens, etc) be accepted without original prescription label on the device or on the container/box in which the device is stored. Please let us know if medications need any special storage conditions, such as refrigeration.
- During camp, all medications (prescription AND non-prescription) must be self-administered by the student, supervised by the Director of First Aid.
- Per DPH requirements, the camp will not provide any medication to any student under any circumstances. This includes over-the-counter pain relievers, topical first aid creams/ointments, or sunscreen.