

Summer Voyagers supports and celebrates children's strengths. It combines direct instruction in:

- Reading, language arts and math, taught in small groups by experienced teachers using a multisensory approach and differentiated instruction.
- Executive function skills, such as organization, planning, adaptability, impulse control, resilience and persistence—which are key factors in success at school.

## Daily Schedule\*

8:15 am – 8:30 am	Morning Meeting and Yoga or Movement Exercise led by O.T.
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Reading
9:30 am – 9:45 am	“Move On” Stretch
9:45 am – 10:30 am	Language Arts
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Snack/Recess/“Body Break”
11:00 am – 11:30 am	Math
11:30 am – 11:50 am	Learning Tricks (Learning styles, study skills, organizational skills, self-advocacy)
11:50am-12:00pm	Closing Meeting
12:00pm-4:30pm	Lunch and Recreation Program (Optional) Activities such as computer technology, creative arts, community outings, recreational swimming.

\* Schedule is approximate and may be adjusted to meet campers' needs



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A voyage of discovery...  
to confidence and  
school success



For children, ages 5-10, experiencing  
learning challenges in school

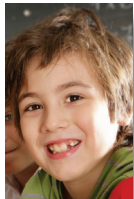
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## Our Students



### Meet Alex

Alex's creativity and imagination are energizing, but when he tries to explain his inventions he has trouble finding the words and they come out jumbled up.



### Meet Jake

Jake has trouble with inferencing. In math, word problems are frustrating for him. In reading, he decodes well but his reading comprehension is beginning to lag behind his classmates.



### Meet Leah

Leah is very talkative and fidgets a lot. She gets distracted easily. At home it takes her forever to finish her homework even though she knows the material.

Voyagers will be entering kindergarten through fifth grade in the fall. They are children of average or above average cognitive abilities who, despite many strengths, struggle in one or more academic areas or whose overall academic achievement has dipped just below grade level. Some, but not all, have diagnosed learning differences such as dyslexia, dyscalculia, dysgraphia, language processing disorder, NVLD (non-verbal learning disabilities), ADD (attention deficit disorders), or sensory processing disorder. Despite having potential to succeed at school, they seem to lack critical tools and skills.

## Our Approach

Summer Voyagers combines intensive, small group academic instruction in reading, math, language arts and written expression with social and recreational opportunities and executive function skill-building.



- **Experienced Teachers.** Our dynamic team includes experienced reading specialists, elementary and special education teachers.
- **Integrated Speech/Language Therapy.** Our on-staff SLP supports listening comprehension, expression and using language for positive social interactions.
- **Integrated Occupational Therapy.** Our on-staff O.T. collaborates with classroom teachers to support students' attention, regulation, handwriting, reading and copying, fine motor and organization/planning skills.
- **Strategies for Focus and Alertness.** Short movement activities incorporating yoga and self-regulation strategies are integrated into our daily schedule.
- **Strengthening Executive Function.** Students receive explicit instruction in learning strategies for organization and planning.
- **Parents are our Partners.** Parents are invited to visit our classrooms to see our strategies in action so they can be carried over at home.

## Program Options

To accommodate busy family schedules, Voyagers offers 4 or 6-week programs and morning-only or full-day options.

The optional afternoon recreation program includes activities chosen to promote and reinforce social and motor skills development (i.e., drumming, Zumba, pottery, sports).



## Application Process

Applications are available online at [www.summermatters.org](http://www.summermatters.org).

All applicants will undergo a screening process to determine if Voyagers is a good fit. The screening process also helps us form appropriate instructional groupings. To begin the process, please complete and return the application along with a nonrefundable \$75 application fee. Upon receipt of your application, we will contact you about setting up a screening.