



EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR (ESY) 2016 FACT SHEET

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Learning Centers: July 5- July 28, 2016

Location: Brookline High School -- grades 5-8
Runkle School -- grades 2-4
Lawrence School -- grades K-1
Hours: 8:30-11:00 Mon-Thurs

Skills Club k-8: July 5- July 28, 2016

(speech and language, occupational therapy, social skills and other related services)

Location/Hours: TBD, therapy--only students are scheduled on an individual basis

RISE Program K-8

Location: Runkle School
Hours: 8:30-1:00 PM, Mon-Fri

ALC Program K-8

Location: Runkle School
Hours: 8:30-1:00 PM, Mon-Fri

RISE/Comprehensive pre-K

Location: Putterham
Hours: 9:00-1:00 PM, Mon-Fri

(RISE/ALC are in operation from July 5- August 12, 2016)

BEEP Skills and Learning

Location: Beacon
Dates: July 5-July 28 Mon-Thu
Hours: 9:00-11:30

TLC Program K-8: July 5-July 29, 2016

Location: Runkle School
Hours: 8:30-1:00 PM, Mon-Fri

LAHB Program K-8: July 5-July 28, 2016

Location: Brookline High School
Hours: 8:30-11:00 AM, Mon-Thurs

BHS Programs and Services

Community Based/RISE/Bridge Classroom

Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30-2:45
Dates: **July 5, 2016 – August 11, 2016**
Students will work on their IEP goals within the school setting.

BHS LC/LAHB Programs

Hours: Monday-Thursday 12:30-2:30
M & W – English/Language Arts skills
T & Th – Math skills
Dates: **July 5, 2016 – August 4, 2016**
Students will work on their IEP goals in targeted academic areas

TRANSPORTATION

The PSB will provide transportation to ESY Mon-Thur/Fri for all students currently receiving transportation on their IEP's. For students eligible for transportation, the PSB transports from home to school in the morning and from school to home when the ESY session ends. Families who elect to send their students to afternoon camp program are responsible to pick-up their children at the end of the day. The PSB will provide mid-day transportation for students to Summer Partners camp programs on the days students attend ESY. Students who live more than 1.5 miles from their respective ESY program may also receive transportation. Brookline Recreation offers PM bus transportation at the end of the camp day (4:00pm) for those attending recreation camp. Recreation bus services must be registered separately with the department.

FOOD SERVICES

Food Services will be supplying lunch throughout the ESY full day programs, those scheduled to end at 1:00. Lunches include bagged lunch sandwiches, salads, and wraps. There are a number of choices on a daily basis. Teachers will take lunch requests and submit their student's lunch requests to food services. Families pay for lunch through the regular PAYPAMS program, prices are consistent with same lunch prices as during the regular school year. Students eligible for free and reduced lunch continue to receive this benefit in the summer. The menu can be found online at www.brooklinerec.com

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS: FAQ's

What is ESY?

A key factor in the determination of ESY services is based on an analysis of regression and recoupment. ESY decisions are individualized and based on the needs and circumstances of the student. ESY programs may include special education and/or related services and must be specified on the IEP.

All children "regress"--lose progress, forget, revert to previous behavior--to some extent between school years. It must be determined whether a child's regression would likely be substantial, and whether the child would require a greater than usual time to "recoup"--to get back to the level the child had achieved before a break in service.

The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education interprets a child's difficulties with "recoupment" to be an aspect of "significant regression". Specifically, significant regression and recoupment consist of the following inter-related elements:(1) the loss of performance levels that were attained before a break in service,(2) the child's limited learning rate, which lengthens the amount of time the child requires to review and/or relearn previously attained objectives, and(3) the fact that the time for that child to accomplish such recoupment is greater than the period of time the school district allows all other children for review and/or relearning.

Why are ESY services different from the school year?

Since ESY services are proposed in order to avoid substantial regression/recoupment, the portion of the child's IEP for ESY services may differ from the portion of the IEP that governs the provision of services for the regular school year. Such differences may be separately described on an additional IEP service delivery grid that specifically outlines the proposed extended school year services and their duration and frequency.

The U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs, has indicated: *It is . . . reasonable for an extended school year IEP to concentrate on the areas in which the child may experience regression.*

The purpose of ESY is to maintain skills that were acquired during the school year, and to prevent substantial regression. Given this purpose, the ESY day may not be as long as the school year day, and the focus of services is on areas where students are likely to regress.

Why does my child not receive ESY?

Students receive ESY only if the IEP Team has determined that they meet the criteria for receiving this service. Decisions about whether to recommend a student for ESY are made on an individual basis at IEP Team Meetings based on data that is collected over time. If you have any questions about whether your child may qualify for ESY, please contact your team facilitator.

Why does ESY start after the private camps start?

The public school department calendar has a week after the official end of school each year that is required in the event of snow days during the year. ESY needs the following week to move programs and supplies into the buildings and to provide staff orientation and training which is required for all staff who work in the ESY program. As winter weather is unpredictable, the school department has to factor in the potential for school running a week longer than planned in any given year. For these reasons, ESY begins 2 weeks after the school year ends.

Why do ESY weeks not align with camp weeks?

As noted above, the school department is constrained by the public school calendar. Most private schools end their school years by the beginning of June. While we do our best to align wherever possible, the school department is unable to accommodate all the schedules of private and public summer camp programs.

What is SPARK?

The work of Harvard Psychiatrist John Ratey: "SPARK: the Revolutionary New Science of Exercise and the Brain is incorporated in classrooms in the PSB. This movement and exercise-oriented break is designed to provide a mid-morning "brain-break" that improves learning, attention, alertness and motivation.

How do I sign up for Food Services?

Food Services provide a bagged lunch. There are a number of choices on a daily basis. Teachers will take lunch requests each day for the following day's lunch and submit their student's lunch requests to Food Services. Families pay for lunch through the regular PAYPAMS program. Students eligible for free and reduced lunch continue to receive this benefit in the summer.

What do I need to do to sign up for afternoon program sessions?

To sign up for afternoon program sessions, please contact the respective summer partner programs. Brookline recreation can be reached at 617.730.2069 or by email to Recreation@brooklinema.gov. Adult Education can be reached at 617.730.2700 or by email to bacep@brookline.k12.ma.us.