

ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SUMMER PROGRAMS



7500 Barstow St. NE Albuquerque, NM 87109

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome to Dennis Chavez' Summer Learning Adventure and Extended School Year!

My name is Jenna Blutworth and I am thrilled to be your principal for this year's Summer Learning Adventure at Dennis Chavez Elementary School as well as Extended School Year! During the regular school year, I am the principal at Marie Hughes Elementary School. I cannot wait to kick off a fun-filled summer with our amazing students and staff!

As we get closer to beginning our summer together, I wanted to reach out and give you all some important information to get us started. Please know:

- ★ Our Summer Learning Adventure will take place June 12- July 3 from 8:00 -2:30.
 - We do not have school on June 19
 - If your student misses more than the 2 days, they will be dis-enrolled.
- ★ Extended School Year (ESY) will take place June 12- June 28 from 8:00-2:30
 - We do not have school on June 19
- ★ You will receive a phone call from your child's teacher on Monday June 10 or Tuesday June 11. They will introduce themselves and also let you know where they will meet your child on our first day together (Wednesday June 12)
- ★ Students may be dropped off between 7:50 and 8:00 and need to be picked up each day at 2:30.
 - Please do not drop off your child before 8:00.
 - Wait until you see duty teachers out in the drop off/pick-up area before having students exit your vehicle. Duty teachers will signal when to have students exit the vehicle. Please take their lead.
 - If your child arrives at school after 8:00, please have them come in through the front office.
 - *Please see the map at the end of this letter for dropoff and pickup directions
- ★ If your child is going to ride a bus from their home school, they will be dropped off and picked up in our bus lane and taken to their home school.
 - Please note that if your child is not picked up at their home school in the afternoon when the bus driver drops them off, the bus driver will take your child to APS City Center (6400 Uptown Boulevard NE) and you will need to pick them up from there.
 - Bus schedules can be found here <https://www.aps.edu/summer-programs/summer-learning-adventure> scroll to transportation and bus routes
- ★ Summer Reading Initiative
 - NMPED/SWREC partnered with APS to integrate Literacy Instruction into the SLA.
 - More information and registration information can be found here: <https://www.literacy.nm.gov/>
 - Instruction will take place during SLA in a small group setting

★ Field Trips

- Students will be going on one field trip per grade level. In addition to field trips, there will be several walking field trips to nearby parks/nature areas. Please complete the following form for field trip permission. Exact times and dates will be forthcoming [Link](#).

★ Behavior Expectations

- SLA students will follow the APS Student Behavior Handbook: APS Handbook for Student Success
- Summer violations of the student handbook may result in disenrollment. We want everyone to enjoy the program and stay safe.
- There will be a behavior contract sent home Wednesday, June 12 for students to bring back signed.

★ What to Bring?

- Students need to dress accordingly. Wear tennis shoes/closed-toed shoes. No sandals or flip flops.
- For the first day, we recommend bringing a hat, sunglasses, sunscreen, water bottle, snack, and backpack.

★ We will not have before and after school programs or activities available.

★ Breakfast and lunch is free to all students.

If you have any questions, please call Marie Hughes Elementary at 505-897-3080 prior to the start of summer school, Dennis Chavez Elementary School at [\(505\) 821-1810](tel:5058211810) or you may visit www.aps.edu/summer-programs/summer-learning-adventure for more information.

On behalf of all of the Summer Learning Adventure staff here at Dennis Chavez we welcome you to our program and cannot wait to meet all of our students on Wednesday, June 12th!

With enthusiasm,

Principal Blutworth

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505-250-7817 txt if you have any questions, responses will be during business hours

