



## S.T.E.A.M. Extended Day FAQ

### What is S.T.E.A.M.?

At Museum School, S.T.E.A.M. refers to the **S**cience **T**echnology **E**ngineering **A**rt and **M**ath extension activities that will enrich your child's experience and knowledge of the weekly science or history topic.

### What are the characteristics of an Extended Day student?

- ♦ A student who is able to remain in a group setting without parental assistance for an extended period of time.
- ♦ An independent child who is able to eat in a group setting, seated at a table.
- ♦ An inquisitive learner who finds joy in building, investigating, creating, and engaging in sensory activities.

### Will my child nap in the Extended Day class?

There is not a rest time in the Extended Day schedule.

### Will my child be with the same classmates all day?

Children enrolled in an Extended Day class are in a self-contained class with the same group of students throughout the day. Children in the Extended Day class are in attendance from 9:00 AM until 1:55 PM.

### What should my child wear to class?

Children should wear comfortable play clothes that allow for independence and mobility when using the restroom and participating in gross motor activities. Closed-toed shoes are highly recommended; tennis shoes are the safest choice for engaging in gross motor activities.

### Will I send a lunch and a snack with my child?

Children should bring an **8-12 ounce reusable thermos of water and a lunchbox** to class each day, clearly labeled with the child's first and last name. Water bottles should be child size and easily accessible for the child to open independently. Only **clear, unflavored water** is permitted.

Lunch and snack will be provided by each child's parent/guardian. **All lunches and snacks must be free of peanuts and tree nuts.**

## Sample Extended Day Schedule

9:00	Greet Children, Exploration and Free Play
9:30 – 10:15	Circle Time Lesson and Visit FWMSH Museum Exhibit (as applicable to topic)
10:15 – 11:05	Discovery Centers, Art Projects, and Exploration
11:05 – 11:20	Live Animal Science Talk OR Continue Discovery Centers, Art Projects, Exploration & Outside Play
11:20 – 11:30	Restroom, Handwashing & Clean Up
11:30 – 12:00	Lunch
12:00 – 12:30	Gross Motor Activities
12:30 - 1:30	STEAM Extension
1:30 – 1:45	Snack
1:45 – 1:55	Closing Circle & Story
1:55	Dismissal

*\*The classroom schedule and activities will vary based on the developmental stage of each age group (ages 3-6), children's interests, the unit of study, and the progression of the school year.*