

# FORT WORTH MUSEUM SCHOOL

Fall/Spring 2019-2020

Ages 3 through 6 by September 1, 2019

What extraordinary learning is all about!



For more than 69 years, Museum School has been opening young minds to a world of natural wonder. Founded in 1949, the program was first called the "Frisky and Blossom Club." Today, Museum School continues to be a national model for informal science education. The curriculum combines natural and physical science, history and anthropology with art, music and literature. The playful learning environments are supported by specimens and artifacts from both science and history teaching collections.

The richness of real objects, plus curatorial support and a dedicated staff ensure first-hand, developmentally-appropriate learning experiences that enrich children's lives.

# Museum School® Fall/Spring 2019-2020 for Ages 3-6

# **Engaging Learning Experiences**

Each week, Museum School class topics and activities for all ages change or build on each other, taking children on an exciting journey of investigation and discovery.

Three-year-old children become familiar with individual animals – what they look like, what they eat and the kind of homes they prefer. They soon learn the differences between mammals, reptiles, birds, insects and other animals.

Four-year-old children find out how individual animals with similar characteristics are grouped into families. Their curriculum includes many other topics such as simple machines, earth science, Native American cultures and early Texas settlers.





The curriculum for five-year-old children introduces the concept of habitats and the interdependence of all living things. Caves, deserts, forests, prairies and space are just a few of the exciting topics that reinforce the idea that there are many types of environments, all with their own unique features.

Children who are age five and six have additional choices of extended classes (Museum School Explorers and Museum School STEM Crew) which integrate STEM concepts with the traditional Museum School curriculum. Descriptions of these classes are listed on the following page.

Fort Worth Museum School has proudly inspired over six decades of early learners and their families. We hope you will join us this year!

# Fall/Spring 2019-2020 Museum School® Class Schedule

Classes meet once a week from the week of September 10, 2019 through the week of May 13, 2020. To be eligible for enrollment, children must be 3, 4, 5 or 6 years of age by September 1, 2019, and must be completely toilet-trained and toilet-independent by the first class day.

All morning classes are 2 1/2 hours long. Wednesday and Thursday afternoon classes are 2 1/2 hours long. Tuesday and Friday afternoon classes are 2 hours long. There are no classes on Mondays.

The fees listed below include tuition, supplies and the \$50 non-refundable registration fee. Payment information and schedule is listed on page 4.

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AGE 3	no classes	Cltd55ed	Cligsed	ĈĽĠSED	ĈĽĠŜED
		<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775
AGE	no classes	-: -: \$950	-: -: \$950	CLQSED	@amdi39250
4		<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775
AGE 5	no classes	Museum School Explorers (Day 1) 9 am-11:30 am \$1,350	<b>9 am-11:30 am</b> \$950	Museum School Explorers (Day 2)	<b>9 am-11:30 am</b> \$950
		<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12-2:30 pm</b> \$950	<b>12:30-2:30 pm</b> \$775
AGE 6	no classes	Museum School STEM Crew (Day 1) 9 am-11:30 am \$1,350	•	Museum School STEM Crew (Day 2)	••••



#### **Museum School Explorers**

For children age 5 by September 1, 2019 / Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-11:30 am

Museum School Explorers features the traditional natural science and history curriculum for five-year-olds integrated with STEM science and engineering concepts and activities.

The first class day introduces children to the weekly science or history topic along with the appropriate specimens or artifacts. The second class day will integrate STEM concepts and activities (engineering, physical science, building, etc.) that connect with the previous learning.

This class will meet two mornings a week, giving children the opportunity to absorb the information from the first class day. That knowledge expands in the second class through investigation of the same topic with additional STEM activities.

#### **Museum School STEM Crew**

For children age 6 by September 1, 2019 / Tuesdays and Thursdays, 9-11:30 am

Young students already have experience with STEM through activities like rolling balls down ramps, weighing, pouring and designing and building structures. This class will introduce the concept of engineering through STEM activities that compliment the traditional Museum School natural science and history curriculum.

This class will meet two mornings a week, giving children time to reflect on their learning from the first class day. New ideas spark further exploration during the second class.



# Fall/Spring 2019-2020 Registration Information

# **Age Levels of Classes**

Each class is designed for the skill and social level of a particular age group. To be eligible for enrollment, children must be 3, 4, 5 or 6 years of age by September 1, 2019, and must be completely toilettrained AND toilet-independent.

## **Registration Information**

Emailed registrations will be the first to be processed and must include a credit card for payment. Payment by check is welcome, but please note that registrations using a check as payment must be sent by mail and will be processed after those that are sent by email.

If paying by check, the registration must be sent by mail. Step-by-step instructions on registering by email are on the right side of this page. <u>In-person or drop-off</u> registration is not available.

#### **Class Fees**

Class fees are listed on the class schedule grid on the previous page. The class fee listed **includes** tuition, a supply fee and the \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Fall/Spring 2019-2020 tuition payments may be made in three installations with the use of a credit card (please see the following page for further details).

## **Class Confirmation**

Class closings do not appear in this brochure in real time, therefore we encourage you to call Museum School before emailing or mailing a registration to be sure the class you want is still available.

Registrations are processed in the order they are received. If the fir t class choice for your child is unavailable, the second choice of class will be used. If registering by email, you will receive a reply confirmation letting you know the status of your registration.

Registrations that are not accompanied by payment cannot be processed and will result in a delay of the enrollment.

A Welcome Letter and Parent Paperwork will be mailed by the second week in August. All paperwork is due by August 30.

#### TO CONTACT MUSEUM SCHOOL

**Phone** 817-255-9333 **Email** museumschool@fwmsh.org

Address 1600 Gendy St., Fort Worth, TX 76107

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#### **EMAIL REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS**

Before you begin, be sure that you have the most recent version of Adobe Acrobat Reader (download it for free from the Adobe® web site.)

1. Click on the following link to open a fillable PD form. Download the form after opening it then directly type in your child's information.

## **Fall/Spring PDF Registration Form**

If you are registering more than one child, please use a separate form for each child being registered but attach both forms in one email.

- 2. Save the completed form/s as a PDF and include your child's last name in the file name. Please email only a PDF of the registration form (no photos of registration forms, please). Before returning your registration, please check to be sure it opens in a full-page format that can be easily read.
- **3.** Email the completed form/s to this Museum School email address:

#### registermuschool@fwmsh.org

Write "Museum School Registration" in the email subject line. Emailed registrations require the use of a credit card.

**4. Please add the registermuschool@fwmsh.org email address to your contact list** to ensure that you receive an automatic email reply confirming that the registration was received. *The automatic reply is not a class confirmation, but lets you know the registration was received.* 

#### Register by mail anytime

Registrations that are mailed will be processed after those that are returned by email. Complete the fillable registration form by computer, copy and mail it to

> Museum School 1600 Gendy Street Fort Worth, TX 76107

Mailed registrations may be paid by check or credit card.

#### Register by phone

Registration by phone requires the use of a credit card. Have your information ready and call the Museum School office at 817-255-9333 during business hours, Monday - Friday, 9 am - 4 pm.

# Fall/Spring 2019-2020 Tuition, Scholarships and Refunds

Registrations submitted in August and September may be made in full or in two installments.

If the installment payment option is chosen, a credit card must be used for the deposit with authorization for the automatic charge of the final payment when it is due. See below for the deposit payment and the scheduled date for the final payment.

CLASSES AND TUITION  PAYMENT DUE DATES	MORNING CLASS 9-11:30 am Offered Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday OR Friday morning for ages 3-5 \$950 (includes the non-refundable \$50 registration fee)	AFTERNOON CLASS 12-2:30 pm Offered Wednesday OR Thursday afternoon for ages 3-5 \$950 (includes the non-refundable \$50 registration fee)	AFTERNOON CLASS 12:30-2:30 pm Offered Tuesday OR Friday afternoons for ages 3-5 \$775 (includes the non-refundable \$50 registration fee	"MUSEUM SCHOOL EXPLORERS" 9-11:30 am Meets Tuesday AND Thursday morning Age 5 \$1,350 (includes the non-refundable \$50 registration fee)	"MUSEUM SCHOOL STEM CREW" 9-11:30 am Meets Tuesday AND Thursday morning Age 6 \$1,350 (includes the non-refundable \$50 registration fee)
FIRST DEPOSIT PAYMENT DUE AT REGISTRATION	<b>\$475</b> <b>deposit payment</b> \$475 balance	\$475 deposit payment \$475 balance	<b>\$388</b> deposit payment  \$387 balance	\$675 deposit payment \$675 balance	<b>\$675</b> deposit payment \$675 balance

# **Scholarships**

ALL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS HAVE BEEN AWARDED FOR THE FALL/SPRING 2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR.

A limited number of full and partial scholarships are awarded on financial need and will be given on a first-come basis. Museum School class scholarships are for tuition only and do not cover the \$50 non-refundable registration fee, which must be paid by the applicant. (A child who receives a tuition scholarship for the Fall/Spring 2019-2020 school year is not eligible for a Summer 2019 scholarship.)

The scholarship application and \$50 registration fee should be sent with your child's registration form by one of the methods listed in the Registration Information section (page 3.) Write "applying for a scholarship" on the payment portion of the registration.

Scholarship approval waives the tuition only and does not guarantee placement in a class. in the event your choices of class are full the registration fee will be returned and your child will be added to the wait list. A class confirmation with a scholarship award notice (if received) will be mailed soon after the registration is received. If a scholarship is not awarded, you will receive a notice with that information.

## **Refunds**

Request for tuition refunds must be made in writing and either emailed or mailed to the Museum School office.

Refund letters for the first half of the school year must be received by July 29, 2019 (for any tuition paid so far, less the \$50 non-refundable registration fee.)

Refund letters for the second half of the school year must be received by December 13 (for the remaining tuition less the \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Refunds are made in the original form of payment.

#### **General Information**

Students enrolled in the current Fall/Spring 2018-2019 Preschool school year (and/or their age-eligible siblings) may pre-register for the Fall/Spring 2019-2020 program. Some classes may have limited or no available places when open registration begins.

Museum School attempts to maintain an equal ratio of boys and girls in all classes. However, the demand for enrollment occasionally results in classes that are not coeducational. Museum School admits students of any race, nationality or ethnic origin.

## FALL/SPRING 2019-2020 MUSEUM SCHOOL REGISTRATION FORM (AGES 3-6) Please use one form per child. Child's first name (the one your child goes by) \_\_\_\_\_\_ Child's last name\_\_\_\_ Child's Age on September 1, 2019 Child's birthdate l | Male Does your child have any medical needs, conditions or allergies? No Yes: please explain Does your child take any medications? No Yes: (ex. EPI Pen? Benedryl?, etc.) List medication names and doses below Home Address (Required - For communication from the classroom teachers and the Museum School Office) Email Parent/Guardian #1 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name\_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Number \_\_\_ Home Cell Office \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name\_\_\_\_\_ Daytime Number \_\_\_ Parent/Guardian #2 First Name If both parents/guardians are not listed above, an additional emergency contact is required: Home | Cell | Office Relationship to your child Daytime Number **CLASS CHOICE** First Choice: Day \_\_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_\_ Second Choice: Day \_\_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_\_ Want to register with a friend? List that friend's name here When asking to be placed with a friend, that friend must also make the same request on their registration form. Every effort will be made to accomodate at least one friend request, however due to space availability and student ratio needs, it is not always possible to be placed with more than one friend. PAYMENT INFORMATION Please check the class you have chosen for your child for Fall/Spring 2019-2020. Tuesday, Wednesday Thursday or Friday Morning Class (Ages 3-5) 9-11:30 am (2 1/2 hours long) \$950 (Deposit \$475 / Final \$475) Wednesday or Thursday Afternoon Class (Ages 3-5) 12-2:30 pm (2 1/2 hours long) \$950 (Deposit \$475 / Final \$475) Tuesday OR Friday Afternoon Class (Ages 3-5) 12:30-2:30 pm (2 hours long) \$775 (Deposit \$388 / Final \$387) MS Explorers (Age 5) / Tuesdays and Thursdays \$1,350 (Deposit \$675 / Final \$675) 9-11:30 am (2 1/2 hours long) MS STEM Crew (Age 6) Tuesdays and Thursdays 9-11:30 am (2 1/2 hours long) \$1,350 (Deposit \$675 / Final \$675) I'd like to make one payment now for the entire tuition (\$0 balance)......\$\_\_\_\_\_ (The full payment includes the \$50 non-refundable registration fee. Please refer to the tuition amounts above.) I'd like to make two payments. The deposit (per child) of the total fee is due now at registration....\$ (The deposit includes the \$50 non-refundable registration fee. Refer to the tuition payment amounts and deposit amount above.) PLEASE INITIAL (Your typed initials in the box serves as an electronic agreement for the automatic charge of the final payment.) I understand that the final balance will be automatically charged when it is due to the credit card listed below. CREDIT CARD # Cardholder's Name \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK # \_\_\_\_\_ (For mailed registrations only / Payable to Fort Worth Museum of Science and History) Please check both boxes and initial your preference for the photo release in the second section. I understand: that the Fort Worth Museum of Science and History will arrange any necessary emergency treatment in the event the parents or authorized person listed above cannot be reached.

PLEASE INITIAL YOUR PREFERENCE: \_\_\_\_ YES, my child's photograph may be used. \_\_\_\_ NO, my child's photograph may not be used.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

Your typed name on the signature line above serves as an electronic signature for this registration form.

that during each session, photographs or film of children in Museum School classes may be taken for archival and promotional purposes (for use in newspapers, television stories, Museum School brochures, Museum School Facebook page, etc.) No identification of students will ever be used.