

THE

# Scratching Post



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Auburn Elementary – 810 N Commercial St – Auburn, KS 66402

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Melinda Patterson, Principal



**SPRING  
FLING**

APRIL 28  
AUBURN ELEMENTARY  
PLAYGROUND

6:00 - 7:30

- ~ LIVE MUSIC
- ~ DINNER PROVIDED
- ~ FOOD TRUCKS
- ~ SILENT AUCTION

BRING LAWN CHAIRS

# SUMMER SCIENCE CAMP 2023

## \*\*What is Science Camp?

Small classes where students explore nature, wildlife and science fun.

The focus of instruction is hands-on experiences emphasizing conservation, environmental education and wildlife education through activities including identification of insects, wildflowers, birds, and pond life and lots of nature hiking.



## \*\*Who is Science Camp for?

Students who will be entering 1st through 7th grades for the 2023-2024 school year.

Instructors: Gifted Facilitator, Jenni Howard & 437 Outdoor Ed coordinator, Donna Sanders

## \*\*Where is Science Camp?

The camp is located at the USD 437 Environmental lab, behind WRMS.

## \*\*When is Science Camp?

**\*May 30 – June 2 Tues. – Fri.** session 1.....8:00-10:00-----cost  
\$60.00 session 2....10:30-12:30----  
-cost \$60.00

**\*June 5 – June 8 Mon. - Thurs.,** session 3.....8:00-10:00-----  
cost \$60.00

**\*Advanced Session: June 5-8 Mon.-Thurs., session 4.....10:30-12:30----**  
-cost

\$60.00. The advanced class is recommended for students who have attended summer science camp for at least 2 years previously OR are students currently in 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

## \*\*Entry Deadline...

Registration forms including fees must be received by **May 24, 2023**. It is first come, first serve and class sizes are limited, so don't delay! **Send the completed registration form and a check payable to SUMMER SCIENCE** and mail to: **Donna Sanders, 1625 SW 26th St., Topeka, KS 66611.** OR scan and email the registration form to [dmsanders450@gmail.com](mailto:dmsanders450@gmail.com) and pay by Venmo to **@Jenni-Howard-4** (in "what's it for" please note your child's name and Summer Science camp and please choose payment between friends). Registration confirmation will be sent to you before sessions begin by **e-mail**, on or before May 26<sup>th</sup>. For registration questions call Donna Sanders, c: 633-8579 or email at [dmsanders450@gmail.com](mailto:dmsanders450@gmail.com). Other ?'s contact Jenni Howard, w:339-4459/c:224-4252 or e-mail at [howarjen@usd437.net](mailto:howarjen@usd437.net).



**\*\*Summer Science Registration**

(Cut Here and Keep the Top Half of This Form)

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent's Work #'s  
(m) \_\_\_\_\_ (d) \_\_\_\_\_

\*e-mail \_\_\_\_\_



Emergency Name and  
Number \_\_\_\_\_

List medical concerns (allergies, medications, limitations) \_\_\_\_\_



Signed by Parent or Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

\*By signing this registration form you agree not to hold Summer Science Instructors & the Auburn Washburn school district liable for any injuries or accidents your child might incur. It is understood that this is an academic opportunity for your child. If the child persists in being a distraction, he/she will be dismissed from this class and no refund will be given.

**\*\*Session Preference**

Please mark your 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> choice sessions. We will try to give you your first choice, however registration is on a first come, first serve basis and we may have to make other arrangements.

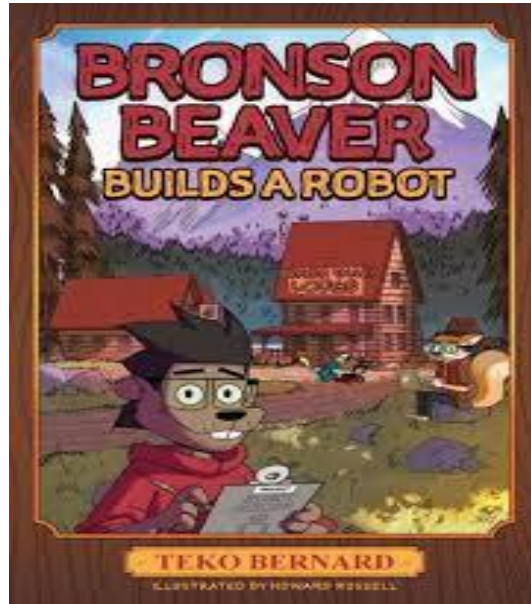
**May 30 – June 2** session 1, 8:00-10:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**May 30 – June 2** session 2, 10:30-12:30 \_\_\_\_\_

**June 5-8** session 3, 8:00-10:00 \_\_\_\_\_

**\*Advanced - June 5-8,** session 4, 10:30-12:30 \_\_\_\_\_





We are excited to welcome Teko Bernard, the author and illustrator of the book *Bronson Beaver Builds A Robot*, March 31st. Students will learn what he does as a graphic designer, how he writes his books, what inspired him to write a book about beavers, cool facts about real beavers, and why their building skills can help the environment.

He is from Overland Park, and a seasoned graphic designer that was awarded Mom's choice Gold Winner for his book *Bronson Beaver Builds A Robot*. We are looking forward to his presentation and grateful to our PTO for sponsoring this event.

Happy Reading

Rachel Dial

Librarian

Auburn Elementary School

It is time to order 2022-23 Auburn Elementary yearbooks!

### **Important Notes:**

- Orders can only be purchased online through our yearbook company, Balfour's website. No cash or checks.
- Here is the link to order:

<https://www.balfour.com/kansas/auburn/auburn-elementary-school>

- Each yearbook is \$14.
- You can scan the QR code below to access the link to Balfour's website and purchase your yearbook or click on the link above.
- Once on the website, just type in the school's name, your student's grade level, and your student's first and last name.

**The deadline to order a yearbook is April 3.**



## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

### April

- 5 EARLY RELEASE – 3pm  
One in the Sun (1<sup>st</sup> Grade)  
Field Trip 9:15am – 2pm
- 7 NO SCHOOL – Staff Work Day
- 10 NO SCHOOL
- 11 PTO Meeting 6:30pm
- 12 6<sup>th</sup> Grade to WRHS  
Musical Matinee – Time TBD
- 14 Kindergarten Roundup  
(No Kindergarten Classes)
- 18 Kindergarten Sprout Out  
Field Trip 9:15am – 2pm
- 19 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting at  
WRMS 6:30pm – 7:30pm
- 26 EARLY RELEASE – 3pm

### May

- 9 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Band/Orchestra  
Concert 7pm – 8pm
- 10 EARLY RELEASE – 3PM
- 19 Talent Show 9am – 11am
- 22 **Field Day** 9am – 11am  
KDNG 1<sup>st</sup> Grade 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
**Field Day** 1:30pm – 3:30pm  
3<sup>rd</sup> Grade 4<sup>th</sup> Grade  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
- 24 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**  
8:45am – 12:45pm



Don't forget to like us on Facebook. Make sure you look for the Auburn Elementary Icon to "Like" the school. Stay informed of activities and events happening throughout the school year.

## NEW/REPLACEMENT BUS CARDS

Complete the [New or Replacement Student Bus Cards Form](#) to order a new or replacement bus card. After the first new or replacement card requested, a fee may apply.

**\*Kindergarten students do not need to order their first card.**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxZlJYhexiU9e6Yx3pstmzfAGPMiyQljny6YudLPrE1wKBWA/viewform>

In order to improve access and efficiency, The Scratching Post will be posted to our school website and emailed through campus portal for future viewing (<https://usd437.net/schools/auburn/>).

## LUNCH PRICES

Guest Breakfast: \$1.65

Guest Lunch: \$3.65

Extra Milk: \$0.50

**To purchase a school lunch for yourself, you will need to contact the front office by 9:30am. Please bring exact currency for a guest lunch.**

## HELPFUL LINKS

### Calendar

<https://usd437.net/calendars/auburn.html>

### Breakfast and Lunch Menu

<https://www.schoolcafe.com/auburnwashburnusd437/menu>

## TRANSPORTATION REMINDERS:

Items **not** allowed on the bus:

- Balloons of any kind
- Large stuffed toys
- Skateboards
- Glass containers
- Animals, bugs, snakes
- Firearms, explosives, or other dangerous objects
- Skates of any kinds must be inside a bag and only then can they be transported on the bus.

**Students are not allowed to ride home with other students.**