

The Steamboat Summer Academy
June 24-July 28, 2012
At The Lowell Whiteman School

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Application Checklist

- 1) Complete and return the application for admission by May 10, 2012. Include a \$25 application fee.
- 2) Write and submit a short essay about your expectations (see page 5).
- 3) Arrange for two (2) recommendations to be sent to our summer admissions office. The recommendation forms are included in this packet. One is for a classroom teacher in the subject for which you are applying, and the second is for another adult (teacher, coach, mentor...).
- 4) Send a transcript from your current school. Release form is included in this packet.
- 5) Schedule an interview. If at all possible, we ask that students visit our campus. A phone interview will suffice.

Applicant Information

I am applying for the summer of 20____, as a boarding ____ day ____ student.

Student's name _____ M ____ F ____ Date of Birth ____/____/____
Last First M D Year

Applicant's email address _____

Home address _____
Street address

City, State, Zip Country (if not USA) _____

Home phone (____) _____ Cell phone (____) _____

How did you hear about the SSA?

Family Information

Mother's/female guardian's name _____

Home address (if different than above) _____

Cell phone (____) _____ Other phone (____) _____

Email address _____

Occupation/Employer _____

Father's/male guardian's name _____

Home address (if different than above) _____

Cell phone (____) _____ Other phone (____) _____

Email address _____

Occupation/Employer _____

With whom does the applicant reside? _____

Additional family information or notes _____

Names and ages of siblings _____

Parent Questionnaire

Your insights will assist the SSA's admission committee in evaluating your child's application, and will also help us to educate, guide, support, and encourage your son or daughter upon enrollment in the SSA.

Has your child ever been involved in a summer day or boarding camp before? Yes No

If "Yes, how did your child handle the experience, and what benefits did you see from the experience? If "No," how do you think your child will handle—emotionally, physically, intellectually—five weeks of rigorous academic and physical activity?

Please describe how your child uses his or her free time, and your impressions of his or her friends.

Does your child have any impairments—physical, psychological, or otherwise—that would prevent him or her from participating in the SSA's program? If "Yes," please describe and provide any relevant documentation or testing that will help us serve your child effectively.

Is your child currently taking any prescription medication? If "Yes," please list the medication(s) and the reasons for their prescription.

Has your child been subject to any disciplinary measures in or out of school in the last year? Yes No
If "Yes," please explain in detail.

Student Questionnaire

Complete the following activity chart by listing three activities of importance to you. These may include creative and artistic pursuits, athletic commitments, and hobbies. Include how long you have participated and any special achievements.

Activity	How Long?	Special Achievements

Each student at the SSA will enroll in one class for the entire 5-week session. What class are you interested in, and would you be taking this class to advance, or to remediate?

Please explain any outdoor experience you have, including activities you've participated in or are interested in learning.

Briefly describe a positive relationship you have with another adult outside of your immediate family.

The SSA asks for 5 weeks of your summer. Explain how you are ready for this commitment.

Student Essay

Please answer one of the following questions in a three- to four-paragraph essay. Write the essay in your own handwriting using blue or black ink, and include the essay with this application. If applying digitally, please email, fax, or mail a hand-written copy of this essay, so that we can see an example of your handwriting.

Option #1. If the President of the United States called you and said that he or she would implement any program or policy of your choice, what would you request? Why?

Option #2. Would you rather be a respected judge, an acclaimed actor, a renowned athlete, or an admired scientist? What most appeals to you about the position you selected?

The Lowell Whiteman School is dedicated to the highest ethical and academic standards. We expect honesty, respect for persons and property, and honorable behavior from all members of our community. Your signature below is considered verification of your intention to uphold, support, and enforce Lowell Whiteman School's expectations of achievement and conduct. It also attests to the fact that the answers in this application are uncompromisingly true. The reward is an enriched community filled with trust and affection, where people are supported and cared for and their unique talents, interests, and beliefs are celebrated by all.

Your signature _____

Date _____

The Lowell Whiteman School does not discriminate on the basis of race, gender, religion, sexual orientation, political affiliation, or national or ethnic origin in the administration of its educational policies, admission policies, scholarship and loan programs, athletic program, or other school-administered programs and activities. All interested families are encouraged to apply.

Teacher Recommendation

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To the Applicant: Please write your name below and give this form to a current English teacher. Please provide the teacher with a stamped envelope addressed to SSA Admissions.

Student Name _____ **Course** _____

To the Teacher:

The Steamboat Summer Academy is a small, coeducational boarding and day summer camp offering a rigorous academic program in a supportive atmosphere. This recommendation will help the Admissions Committee determine whether we are the appropriate summer setting for this student. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and candor and we assure your confidentiality. Thank you in advance for your time and expertise. If you'd like to learn more about us, please visit our website.

Please note that we gladly accept narrative recommendations, phone calls, or other common forms you may have already completed for this candidate.

Academic Qualities: 1 is Very Poor, 5 is Superlative

		Comments or notes
Study habits	1 2 3 4 5	
Attention span	1 2 3 4 5	
Ability to work independently	1 2 3 4 5	
Organization	1 2 3 4 5	
Motivation	1 2 3 4 5	
Intellectual curiosity	1 2 3 4 5	
Critical/abstract thinking skills	1 2 3 4 5	
Writing ability	1 2 3 4 5	

Personal Qualities

		Comments or Notes
Leadership	1 2 3 4 5	
Reaction to criticism	1 2 3 4 5	
Concern for others	1 2 3 4 5	
Conduct	1 2 3 4 5	
Integrity	1 2 3 4 5	
Maturity	1 2 3 4 5	
Sense of humor	1 2 3 4 5	
Self-confidence	1 2 3 4 5	

Teacher Recommendation Continued

Please answer the following questions about the student.

1. What is this student's primary strength and weakness in this discipline?
2. How does this student's academic achievement compare to his/her ability in your class?
3. The SSA is a small, close community where the ability to work closely and well with others is important to everyone's success. Please discuss the student's ability to work closely with others and his/her potential for success in a small setting.
4. Does this student require any additional prodding or supervision in order to complete work?
5. Is this student academically ready for the challenges of an intensive summer program? Yes ___ No ___

I recommend this student:

	Not at all	With Reservation	Mildly	With Confidence	Enthusiastically
Academic Ability					
Character					
Overall					

Your name _____ **Email** _____

Position _____ **School** _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

Thank you for your expertise in evaluating this candidate. The Steamboat Summer Academy understands the time required and we sincerely appreciate your effort. If you have any need or interest to email the admissions office, please do so at summer@lws.edu.

Personal Recommendation

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To the Applicant:

Please write your name below and give this form to a non-family member with whom you have a close personal relationship. Please provide the person with a stamped envelope, addressed to The Steamboat Summer Academy Admissions..

Student Name _____

To the Recommender:

The Steamboat Summer Academy is a small, coeducational boarding and day summer camp. This recommendation will help the Admissions Committee determine whether we are the appropriate high school setting for this student. We sincerely appreciate your cooperation and candor and we assure your confidentiality. Thank you in advance for your time and expertise. If you'd like to learn more about us, please visit our website.

Please describe your relationship to the candidate, including how long you've known him or her and in what context.

Personal Qualities: 1 is Very Poor, 5 is Superlative

		Comments or notes
Leadership	1 2 3 4 5	
Reaction to criticism	1 2 3 4 5	
Concern for others	1 2 3 4 5	
Conduct	1 2 3 4 5	
Integrity	1 2 3 4 5	
Maturity	1 2 3 4 5	
Sense of humor	1 2 3 4 5	
Self-confidence	1 2 3 4 5	

Personal Recommendation Continued

Please answer the following questions about the student.

1. What is this student's primary strengths in regards to work habits?

2. Would you be comfortable with this student house-sitting for you? Why or why not?

3. The Steamboat Summer Academy is a small, close community where the ability to work closely and well with others is important to everyone's success. Please discuss the student's ability to work closely with others and his/her potential for success in a small setting.

4. Please offer a thought or two about how this candidate responds to adversity or challenging situations.

5. Is this candidate emotionally ready for the challenges of a 5-week summer camp? Yes ___ No ___

I recommend this candidate:

	Not at all	With Reservation	Mildly	With Confidence	Enthusiastically
Leadership					
Integrity					
Overall					

Your name _____ Email _____

Position _____ School _____

Signature _____ Date _____

Thank you for your expertise in evaluating this candidate. The SSA understands the time required and we sincerely appreciate your effort. If you have any need or interest to email the admissions office, please do so at summer@lws.edu.

Transcript Release Form

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To the Applicant:

Please fill in the following information. Your parent or guardian must sign in the box below to authorize the release of your school records and transcripts to The Steamboat Summer Academy.

Please give **this form to your current school's office** with a stamped envelope addressed to SSA Admissions.

Student Name _____ Current Grade _____

Reporting School _____

For the student named above, I authorize the release of all school records, including an official transcript for grades 7-11, as applicable, as well as results of any academic testing.

Signature of Parent/Guardian

Date

To the School:

Please send the above student's official transcript for grades 7-11 as applicable. This should include all grades earned for courses taken to date, the scores for all aptitude and achievement tests, and first semester grades for the current school year as soon as they become available.

Return relevant materials to:

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Thank you in advance for your time and assistance. Should you have any questions, please contact us at 970-879-1350.15 (fax 970-879-0506), or through email at summer@lws.edu.