



## Y.E.S. ACADEMY SUMMER 2021 FAQ'S

### *Quick Links:*

[Register for College for Kids & Sally Ride Science Courses \(4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>\)](#)

[Register for FREE Career Exploration Webinars \(9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>\)](#)

### **When do Y.E.S. Academy's College for Kids & Sally Ride Science courses take place?**

Courses take place during the following sessions:

**Session I:** June 21-July 1, 2021, Monday-Thursday

**Session II:** July 6-15, 2021 (No program July 5), Monday-Thursday

Course times available include: 9:00 am – 10:30 am, 11:00 am – 12:30 pm, & 1:00 -2:30 pm

### **Are courses being held in-person or virtually?**

Summer 2021 courses will be offered virtually.

### **What grade levels are College for Kids and Sally Ride Science courses open to?**

Our College for Kids and Sally Ride Science courses are for entering 4<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade students. When registering your student(s), please select courses using their entering grade level for fall 2021.

### **Do I need to show proof of eligibility for my student to participate in College for Kids and/or Sally Ride Science courses?**

We offer courses for all academic and creativity levels. Proof of eligibility is **not** required. Read the descriptions of each course to find the right fit for your student(s)!

### **How much does each course cost?**

Each course has a fee required at the time of registration, with some courses also requiring a supplies to be purchased by the parent/caregiver. The fees for each course, including any estimated supply costs, are listed under each course description.

### **How can I register my student for College for Kids and/or Sally Ride Science?**

Registration can be completed online at <http://bit.ly/3w1hlaP> or by visiting our Y.E.S. Academy webpage at [www.swccd.edu/yes](http://www.swccd.edu/yes). When registering, please select courses based off of the grade level your student is entering in Fall 2021. **Additional students can be added to your registration account by going to "My Account" and selecting "Manage Members"**. All major credit cards are accepted.

### **Do you offer any discounts?**

Yes, we do! Take advantage of our **Jump Start Rate!** Register by April 30<sup>th</sup> to receive \$10 off per course.

### **Is my student required to register for a certain amount of courses or can they build their own experience?**

Students participating in College for Kids and Sally Ride Science virtual courses can create their own custom experience. There is no minimum or maximum amount of courses a student can participate in throughout the summer. After viewing the course options, students can be registered in as few or as many courses desired.

### **How will classes meet?**

Classes will meet using Zoom, and may use other online programs or web-based platforms throughout class based on the instruction. Instructors may also use Google Classroom to manage their classes. Although not required, it is highly encouraged that students and/or parents create a Gmail account (if one is not already established) to easily access Google Classroom. Please note: Zoom sessions may be recorded to allow for absent students to access missed classes if need be.

### **What technology needs are required?**

Students will need to have access to a computer/laptop and a reliable internet source. Many instructors will also be using a variety of web-based programs and/or websites for their classes. Please refer to the student's syllabus for more information.

### **Can you tell me more about the Creative Cloud Licenses needed for the Making Movies and Photo Editing with Photoshop Classes?**

Students registering in *Making Movies* or *Photo Editing with Photoshop* will need to purchase an Adobe Creative Cloud License from Y.E.S. Academy in order to utilize Adobe Premiere Pro and Photoshop, programs necessary for these classes. Each license will cost \$39.99 per student, and will provide access to all of the programs within Adobe Creative Cloud for 6 months, allowing students to practice their skills well after the program ends. Only one license needs to be purchased for the summer, and since it can be used for both classes, it is encouraged that students register for both classes to take advantage of what Creative Cloud has to offer! **If your student already has access to Adobe Premiere Pro and/or Photoshop for the above classes, you may decline to purchase the license when registering.** Students must register in the Making Movies course by May 10, 2021 and in Photo Editing with Photoshop by May 24, 2021 in order to receive the license. Once purchased, there are no refunds for the licenses.

**Will you provide me with more information before the course begins?**

Yes, you will receive an email from the Y.E.S. Academy Coordinator and/or instructor about 1-2 weeks before your student's course is scheduled to begin with more information. Information will include web links to the meetings and other tech-related details, supply information, contact information, behavior policies, etc. Please make sure to provide your preferred email address when registering your student(s).

**What supplies are needed for my student's course?**

Some classes require supplies, while others do not. Please refer to your student's class description to determine if supplies will be needed. Parents/caregivers are responsible for providing supplies for courses where supplies are needed. A supply list will be provided via email prior to this course beginning. These supplies may be common household items found in your home, or may need to be purchased from a local store or online.

**My student has special needs. How can I inform you of these needs?**

Please include any special needs or other important information about your student in the special needs section when registering. We will do our best to accommodate all students virtually.

**Can you tell me a little bit more about the instructors?**

Y.E.S. Academy instructors are experts in the course subject matter they are teaching and have all passed Livescan fingerprinting with background checks. Many of our instructors are returning, and many are joining us for the first time this year.

**Are you offering SAT Prep, Writer's Café, and volunteering opportunities this year?**

These programs will not be offered in summer 2021, however we hope to offer them again in the near future.

**Are you offering programs for high school students and parents?**

Yes, to register for our FREE career exploration webinars, please visit <https://bit.ly/3a6rgrB>. Parent workshops are also being planned! Visit our website at [www.swccd.edu/yes](http://www.swccd.edu/yes) for the latest updates.

**Are you selling t-shirts this year?**

Y.E.S. Academy will not be selling t-shirts this year.

## **I would like to transfer my student to a different course. How can I do this?**

Transfers are allowed if requested more than 3 weeks prior to the start of the student's course. No transfers are available when requested less than 3 weeks prior to the start of the student's course. To request a transfer, please email us at [SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu](mailto:SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu).

## **Can a course be cancelled?**

Yes, a course can be cancelled based on low enrollment. In the event that a course is cancelled, you will be notified in advance with the option to switch to a new course or be refunded the full cost of the cancelled course.

## **What if I need to cancel my student(s) registration?**

If you need to cancel your student(s) registration, please email [SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu](mailto:SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu). Refund requests may be considered when meeting the following deadlines:

### Session I:

- May 17, 2021 to receive a full refund
- May 18, 2021 – June 6, 2021 to receive a full refund, less \$25
- After June 6, 2021, no refunds are provided

### Session II:

- June 8, 2021 to receive a full refund
- June 9, 2021 – June 21, 2021 to receive a full refund, less \$25
- After June 21, 2021, no refunds are provided

## **Are you providing scholarships to students this year?**

The scholarship application period for summer 2021 is currently closed. If additional scholarship opportunities become available, they will be posted on our website at [www.swccd.edu/yes](http://www.swccd.edu/yes), or you can check the status of available scholarship opportunities by emailing us at [SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu](mailto:SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu).

## **Can I donate funds to the Y.E.S. Academy program to go towards student scholarships?**

We welcome any donations to help support the tuition of Y.E.S. Academy students who are in need. All donated funds will be sent directly to our Southwestern College Y.E.S. Academy Foundation Fund, which will be applied towards the tuition of students in need for the summer. To sponsor a student, please visit [www.swccd.edu/yes](http://www.swccd.edu/yes).

## **How can I contact the Y.E.S. Academy office?**

Although currently working remotely, Y.E.S. Academy staff are available to answer your questions:

Phone: (619) 421-6700 ext. 5953

Email: [SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu](mailto:SWCYESAcademy@swccd.edu)

Website: [www.swccd.edu/yes](http://www.swccd.edu/yes)

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