

Dear Parents,

The week of July 10-14th (Monday -Friday), Bowdon Elementary School will host a STEAM/Technology Summer Camp (B.E.S.T. Robots). This opportunity will be presented from 9:00 to 4:00 pm each day with classes in Robotics (beginner and advanced robotics), Animated Graphics, Photography, Digital Video Production, Coding and all new is 3D Modeling/Gaming. The summer camp will be open to all currently enrolled second, third, fourth, and fifth graders at Bowdon Elementary and 6-8th grade students from Bowdon Middle.

The cost of Summer Camp for the week will be \$75.00 for the morning session (9-12pm) and \$75.00 for the afternoon session (12-4pm). A full day session will be \$150.00. Students attending both morning and all day sessions, or the morning session alone, will be given breakfast and lunch; those attending the afternoon session can have lunch if they come by 12:00. From 12-1pm, we will have lunch and recess.

The morning camp session (robotics for beginners and advanced robotics students) will be held from 9:00am until 11:00pm. If students are not attending both sessions they will need to be picked up at the front drive at 12:00pm.

The afternoon session will begin at 12:00 with Animated Graphics where students will create an interactive cartoon on the computer. Next, the students will be participating in 3-D Design. This is a new activity this summer, and we hope to eventually get a 3D Printer to produce the students' productions. How exciting! The next session will be Coding where the students will be learning the language of the computer. It is fun and the students love using the programming to work their mini robots. The next to last session will be Photography, where students will be going around the campus taking pictures and using the computer to enhance the photography. The last session is Digital Video production, where students will be learning the aspects of video shots, development and making videos for the school. If you need clarification of what these classes look like, go to Bowdon Elementary Facebook page to see some of our projects that were made over the school year.

The focus of the summer camp is to encourage student achievement in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Math (STEAM) and to promote development and learning in these areas, thereby encouraging our youth to consider these fields for higher education.

Students will need to be dropped off and picked up at the front of the school in the bus line. Students must be picked up promptly at 12:00pm or 4:00pm, depending on a full or half day Camp. At the end of the week there will be a video uploaded on the BES Facebook page of the weeks event, projects, and all the fun!

Space in the club is **limited**. If you and your child are interested in the program, please fill out the attached permission form. The student will then receive a slip that your child made it in time and that the payment is due. You will need to submit your payment on or before May 24, 2017 or risk having your child dropped from the program. The fee will cover all necessary costs for the program, kit replacement and refurbishing, t-shirt, food, and any additional cost. To obtain more information or ask any questions about the club, please email ronda.stapleton@carrollcountyschools.com or call Bowdon Elementary and leave a message.

Please keep this page for your information of the dates and time. We will email or call you and remind you the week before camp is set to start.

Mrs. Stapleton

Please check one of the following camps you would like your child to participate in:

_____ I give my child _____ permission to participate in the B.E.S.T. Club at Bowdon Elementary School. I understand that club meetings will be held on the week of July 10th-14th (Monday -Friday) from 9:00 to 12:00. **(MORNING ONLY \$75.00)**

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Please initial to show your have read and understand the following:

_____ If any child willfully destroys or attempts to misuse or damage any components of the kit, he/she will be dismissed from the club, and the Parent/Guardian will be held responsible for replacing the damaged items in the kit. Kits have been fully checked for functionality and inventoried for parts. They will be assigned to student teams of two by number, and checked/inventoried again at the end of the program. Only those students and their parents who agree to these terms will be eligible to participate in the club. Normal use of the kits and proper care of the components will not result in damage.

_____ **There is a \$75.00 fee for half day and \$150.00 for whole day to participate in this camp. This fee will be used for parts for the LEGO kits, t-shirts and costs to run the camp. Any fees remaining at the end of camp will remain in the Robot fund at BES for future robot kits and classes.**

Name of Child _____

Homerroom Teacher _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Numbers: _____ work _____ cell

_____ home _____ additional phone

Email address: _____

(I will email the week prior to remind you)

Emergency Contact Name: _____

Emergency Contact Relationship: _____

Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Any food allergies: _____

Circle the T-shirt Size: Youth S Youth M Youth L Adult S Adult M Adult L Adult XL

I have read both pages of this document.

I have initialed appropriate areas.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Registration fee due on or before May 24, 2015. Failure to pay on time may cause your child to lose their spot for the summer camp.