



2018

# summer camp guide



# SELECT A GRADE LEVEL



Storytellers  
Grades K-2:

*Storytellers* experience dramatic play, reading, dictation, journaling, and independent writing in creative ways. Children create short stories, plays, and poems for a class anthology and performance. Basic literacy skills are addressed in context, and are not a prerequisite for entering kindergarteners.



Writers  
Grades 3-6:

*Writers* write stories, essays, poems, and plays with daily exercises that teach literary techniques, extend vocabulary, and encourage creative expression. Students write, edit, and revise original writing that is shared through readings, performances, and an anthology.



Inventors  
Grades 7-8:

*Inventors* explore different literary genres (poetry, fiction, nonfiction) in a supportive writing environment that includes individualized attention and group interaction. Students participate in readings, performances, and publish their work.



Authors  
Grades 9-12:

*Authors* experiment with genres and emerging art forms (such as performance poetry or graphic novels), helping them excel at advanced writing. Students develop their voice through daily writing, one-on-one conferences, peer review, publication, and performance.

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Available grades: K,1,2 3,4,5,6 7,8 9,10,11,12

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Available grades: 2 3,4,5,6 7,8 9,10,11,12

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# Creative Writing Camp

In partnership with Rice University's School Literacy and Culture, WITS offers the acclaimed Creative Writing Camp at six Houston campuses for students entering K-12 grades in fall 2018. Creative Writing Camp pairs talented, professional authors with experienced classroom teachers for a high-quality summer program that feeds the imagination.



**creative  
writing  
camp**

A collaboration between  
Writers in the Schools  
and Rice University's  
School Literacy and Culture

- ⇒ **Two-week program; 40 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **\$495 per student ; \$445 sibling discount**
- ⇒ **[Register online @ witshouston.org/camp](http://witshouston.org/camp)**

June 4-15	The Shlenker School	M-F   8:30-12:30 PM	K-6
June 4-15	St. Mark's Episcopal School	M-F   8:30-12:30 PM	K-8
June 11-22	Annunciation Orthodox School	M-F   8:30-12:30 PM	K-8
June 11-22	Rice University	M-F   9-1 PM	7-12
June 18-29	St. Mark's Episcopal School	M-F   8:30-12:30 PM	K-8
June 18-29	St. Francis Episcopal School	M-F   8:30-12:30 PM	K-8

# WritingCamp

In partnership with the University of Houston-Downtown, WITS offers one-week, full-day courses at five Houston-area locations.

- ⇒ **One-week program; 35 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **\$269-\$315**
- ⇒ **[Register online @ witshouston.org/camp](http://witshouston.org/camp)**



UH-Downtown M-F   9-4 PM	June 4-8	Grades 2-6
	June 11-15	Grades 7-12
	June 18-22	Grades 2-6
	June 25-29	Grades 7-12
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 4-10
	July 9-13	Grades 2-6
UH-Clear Lake M-F   8:30-3 PM	June 4-8	Grades 10-12
	June 11-15	Grades 4-6
	June 18-22	Grades 10-12
	June 25-29	Grades 4-6
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 7-10
	July 9-13	Grades 7-10
St. Thomas More Parish School M-F   9-4 PM	June 4-8	Grades 2-6
	June 11-15	Grades 7-12
	June 18-22	Grades 2-6
	June 25-29	Grades 7-12
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 2-6
	July 9-13	Grades 2-6
Cornerstone Christian Academy M-F   9-4 PM	June 4-8	Grades 2-10
	June 11-15	Grades 2-6
	June 18-22	Grades 7-12
	June 25-29	Grades 4-12
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 2-6
	July 9-13	Grades 2-6
Faith West School M-F   9-4 PM	June 4-8	Grades 2-6
	June 11-15	Grades 4-10
	June 18-22	Grades 2-12
	June 25-29	Grades 7-12
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 2-6
	July 9-13	Grades 2-6
Nolan Ryan Jr. High M-F   9-4 PM	June 4-8	Grades 2-6
	June 11-15	Grades 4-10
	June 18-22	Grades 2-12
	June 25-29	Grades 7-12
	July 2-6 (no class July 4th)	Grades 2-6
	July 9-13	Grades 2-6

# Camp WITS

In partnership with the Evelyn Rubenstein Jewish Community Center, WITS provides camps helping 1st through 5th grade students develop strong writing skills. At Camp WITS, students spend the morning taking part in hands-on activities that garner an understanding and command of writing, utilizing engaging exercises and lessons. Students pass the afternoon with fun summer camp activities. At the end of camp, students leave with an anthology of short stories and poems.



- ⇒ **One-week program; 15 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **Two-week program; 30 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **Check JCC website for pricing (must be a member of the JCC; you can purchase a membership through the registration process)**
- ⇒ **[Register online @ witshouston.org/camp](http://witshouston.org/camp)**

June 25-29	M-F   9-3:30 PM	Grades 3-5
July 9-13	M-F   9-3:30 PM	Grades 3-5
July 23 - August 3	M-F   9-3:30 PM	Grades 1-2

# Heart of the Summer

In partnership with Duchesne Academy's Heart of the Summer Program, WITS offers creative writing summer sessions in June



and July for 1st-8th grade boys and girls. The workshops end with culminating events and published anthologies. Non-Duchesne families are welcome to attend.

- ⇒ **Two-week program; 30 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **\$425 per student**
- ⇒ **[Register online @ witshouston.org/camp](http://witshouston.org/camp)**

Through grade-level appropriate activities such as writing stories, poetry, essays, and plays, children develop new skills, stretch their creativity, and enjoy inspiration and mentoring from professional writers.

June 18-29	M-F   8:30-11 AM	Grades 1-3
July 9-20	M-F   8:30-11 AM	Grades 1-8
July 16-27	M-F   8:30-11 AM	Grades 1-8

New this year! An award-winning STEM and IB-aligned education experience, WITS Digital gives students the opportunity to explore technology and storytelling at the same time, honing their critical-thinking and creative writing skills in a fun and supportive environment. No prior experience in technology is needed.

June 11-22	M-F   8:30-11 AM	Grades 3-6
June 18-29	M-F   8:30-11 AM	Grades 4-6

# ExploreAsia: Culture Camp for Kids

If you turned your favorite story into a video game, what would it look like? In this design camp, you'll use Gamestar Mechanic to bring your stories and poems to life. Dive into stories and artwork from India, China, and Japan, and discover how to weave stories like a pro! After demonstrating video game story-telling, WITS Professional writers will guide you in creating your own work. At the end-of-camp celebration, everyone will debut their projects.



Texas Center

- ⇒ **One-week program; 30 hours of instruction**
- ⇒ **\$275-325 per student**
- ⇒ **[Register online @ witshouston.org/camp](http://witshouston.org/camp)**

June 4-8

M-F | 9-3 PM

Grades 5-8





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