

**CATSKILL CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
SECONDARY SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM**

**JULY 1, 2008 to AUGUST 12, 2008
REGENTS – August 13th & 14th**

Approved by the Board of Education
On May 28th

ACCREDITED BY THE
UNIVERSITY OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK

Catskill Central School District

Middle/High School Summer School Calendar for 2008

JUNE 27th Registration at Catskill Elementary School Cafeteria 8– 10am

JULY 1st First day of classes

JULY 10th Warning reports of Pass/Fail mailed home.

JULY 17th Mid-term report cards issued to students.

JULY 31st Warning reports of Pass/Fail mailed home.

AUGUST 12th Last day of regular classes.

AUGUST 12th Final Exams (*students must take a final exam, no exceptions*).

AUGUST 13th – 14th Regents Exams

AUGUST 15th Report Cards Mailed

Catskill Summer School Rules and Policies July/August 2008

Questions concerning Summer School prior to registration should be directed to Mr. Patrick Wemitt, Summer School Principal at 943-2300.

Purpose of Summer School

1. Enable students to make-up/remediate courses that were failed during the regular school year.
2. Enable students to enrich their education through completion of additional secondary classes.

Schedule of Classes

Courses will consist of twenty-five (25) classes with 108 minutes of instruction per class. Classes will be conducted based upon a four-day week schedule. **Classes will be conducted Monday through Thursday only.**

Classroom sessions July 1st – August 12th

Regent Examinations August 13th – August 14th

NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE

Time Schedule for Academic Classes

Period 1 7:45 am – 9:33 am

Period 2 9:38 am – 11:26am

Period 3 11:31 – 1:19 pm

Drivers Education classes will meet daily in the classroom and include a rotating driving schedule to be arranged with the instructor.

All students will report to their first scheduled class as per their individual schedule on Tuesday, July 1st.

COURSE OFFERINGS

The courses listed below are **tentative**. All courses offered are subject to change or cancellation based upon enrollment and/or availability of certified teachers. Courses consist of 108 minutes of instruction per day for a total of 45 hours.

English: Grades: 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12

Mathematics: Grades: 7, 8, Course I, Course II

Science: Grades: 7, 8, Earth Science

Social Studies: Social Studies 7, Social Studies 8, Global Studies 9, Global Studies 10, American History 11

½ Advance Credit Courses

Drivers Education 1/2 credit (Students must meet New York State Motor Vehicle Law concerning attendance).

Health 1/2 credit

Personal Keyboarding 1/2 credit

Final Grading – Courses Taken to Improve on Existing Grade:

If a student is taking a summer course to improve a grade in a course he/she has previously taken, it is appropriate to factor in the grades from both summer and regular school year in determining whether to grant credit. A student who enrolled in a regular school year course but did very poor or no work, may be required to take the entire course over again, that is, such a student may be denied enrollment in a summer “make-up” course.

A minimum grade in a specific course may be a pre-requisite for admission to a summer school course because a summer “make-up course is offered for less than 90 hours/credit and carries only partial credit. **As a result, the home school principal’s approval is required before a student enrolls in a make up course to improve a failing grade.** Grades from both the short summer and the full-length regular school year courses must be combined to determine the final grade average and whether to award credit. Credit is determined by each individual home school. **Catskill School District Summer School will not make determinations of credit for NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS.**

CATSKILL SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENTS

Catskill School District students must have achieved a minimum average of 50% in order to be eligible for Summer School courses taken for remediation.

For credit purposes the summer school grade will then be averaged in with the regular school grade. The ratio for the Catskill Central School District will be as follows:

- Summer School 3 week grade + 6 week grade + final exam = Summer School Final Grade.
- Regular School grade (50%) + Summer School grade (50%) = Final Average
- A grade of 65 is considered passing in a Summer School course.
- A grade of 55 is considered a passing grade on a Regents examination.

****Non-Resident Students****

Final grading information and determination of final credit will be provided by their home school district. Upon program completion Catskill Summer School will report the student's grade to the school that issued the original unsatisfactory grade.

Interim grade reports will be mailed home July 17, 2008. Final grade reports will be mailed home at the end of Summer School.

Class Participation Grades/Attendance

Class participation grades are based on the quality of in-class student performance and not on mere attendance. A student who is present but unprepared or unresponsive should receive a poor participation grade. A policy which factors class participation into a student's grade is appropriate and may result in denial of course credit if a student has not, as a result of poor class participation or other failures, earned passing grades. Any time out of class (including participation in school sponsored activities, college visits, music lessons, school trips, guidance meetings, etc.) will result in a lack of class participation opportunities. Additionally, Catskill Central School District's Attendance Policy provides that students must be in attendance 90% of class time. **As a result, students missing 3 classes in any course will be denied credit for attendance.**

Special Note to Students and Parents

All assignments must be submitted to the **course instructor** as directed. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in appropriate grade point reduction as determined by the instructor. No assignments will be accepted after the last day of classes. For these purposes final examination day, August 12th, will not be considered class days.

Report of Pupil Progress

A mid-term report of the student's progress will be made during the second week of school. Parents will be contacted by telephone, letter, or both, when a student absence occurs, student performance is below standard or disciplinary action is taken. Close

communication with parents is important to facilitate student success. Transcripts of final grades will be mailed to the home school as soon as possible after the close of school.

Student Conduct/Behavioral Expectations Summarized

1. Students who attend summer school classes need to be in class, on time, and be an active participant in each class. Each class will incorporate a participation grade, which will be based upon daily attendance, positive classroom participation, assignments, projects, homework, etc.
2. Students who are tardy to school must report to the office to obtain a pass and sign in before reporting to class.
3. The school building will be open to students from 7:30 am to 1:30 pm. The library will be open four days per week from 7:45 am to 1:30 pm. Students will be allowed to use the library prior to, in between, and after classes. Appropriate use of the library facilities is expected.
4. Smoking is prohibited in the school building and on school grounds. Students found to be smoking will be removed from the premises for that school day. **No participation points will count for classes missed that school day.**
6. Appropriate dress, as determined by the Catskill School District Code of Conduct, is required at all times. Students dressed inappropriately will be asked to change the inappropriate clothing or be sent home. **No participation points will count for classes missed that school day.**
7. All vehicles must be registered with school office. There is no student parking in front of the main building. All parking will be to the rear of the building. The entrance to the parking lot for student drivers will be via **Scenic Drive NOT the front of the school.**
8. Walkmans, tape decks, cell phones etc. are potentially disruptive to the classroom environment. Students should not bring such devices to school or should have them turned off and placed out of sight during classes. Reminders will be given and confiscation of item will result if continued abuse of this rule. The school district is not responsible for lost or stolen electronic devices.
9. Skateboards are considered to be hazardous and may not be used on school property.
10. Except in the case of emergency, telephone messages will not be delivered. A pay phone located near the front door is available for student use.

11. Acts of insubordination towards staff members or any behavior disruptive to the educational process may result in suspension of 1 to 5 days and referral to the Superintendent for a Hearing to determine longer term suspension.

12. Fighting will not be tolerated and will result in five days suspension from summer school. At the discretion of the Principal, students participating in a fight may be referred to the Superintendent for further disciplinary action, and to the Police for criminal charges.

13. Possession of weapons of any type will not be tolerated and will result in five days suspension and referral to the Superintendent for further disciplinary action. Criminal charges may also be filed.

14. All school textbooks and library books must be returned before final exams. Lost or damaged books are to be paid for in full prior to the final exam.