

South Brunswick Community Education

Welcome to South Brunswick Community Education! We have been part of the South Brunswick School District since 1988. We serve students Pre-K-12 in a variety of programs throughout the year. Below are some Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) that we believe will help you get to know our programs and services. More information can be found on our website, www.sbschools.org. As always, if you have specific questions, please call our office. We are here to “serve the diverse needs of our community.”

Q) Even though my child attended pre-school, I want to make sure my child is comfortable and ready for KG in the South Brunswick School District. What types of programs does Community Education offer for incoming Kindergarten (KG) students during the summer?

A) We offer a variety of programs for our incoming KG students. We have art, music, math and reading camps specifically designed for our KG students. We also have a program titled, “**Jump Start into SB Kindergarten.**” Children who attend this program do so at the school they will attend in September. This program is instructed by a certified teacher and children get to know the school, the classroom routines, enjoy books, math games and participate in social games with other KG students from their school. A real plus for any child! More information can be found on Page 6 of our summer brochure. This brochure can be found online at www.sbschools.org and you should register ASAP for these programs.

Q) Does Community Education offer a Before School and an After School Program during the school year (September-June)?

A) Yes! Community Education offers a before school and an after school program at each one of our elementary schools and offers an after school program at the middle school level. The program at the middle school level is called “Club 6-7-8.” The before school program starts as early as 7 AM and our after school program can be as late as 6 PM depending on the needs of the family. Snacks, play, social and homework time are provided in the program.

Q) When does registration begin for the Before & After School Program during the school year (September-June)?

A) **Parents who already have a South Brunswick *Community Pass* account can register from June 15 - August 20.** Your child(ren) will have a space reserved in the program to start the first day of school, if you sign up between June 15 - August 20. If you sign up after August 20, your child will be on hold and Community Education will contact you to confirm the start date for your child(ren) based on the schedule below.

Date Registration is Completed in Community Pass	Child's Program Start Date
August 21 - September 1	By September 11 - Community Ed will contact you to confirm start date
September 2 - September 9	By September 18 - Community Ed will contact you to confirm start date
September 10 - September 17	By September 25 - Community Ed will contact you to confirm start date
On or after September 18	We will try to get your child(ren) into our program as soon as possible. Community Ed will contact you to confirm start date.

Registration is online through *Community Pass*. If you are new to the school district, you will receive a letter sent via postal service to your home in mid July. It will include your temporary user ID and a password to begin the registration. If you have an older child in the district, you must use your existing account to register your new child. For help with setting up your account, email program.registration@sbschools.org or call us at 732-297-7800 Ext. 3148.

Q) How much does the Before & After School program cost?

- A) We offer a variety of schedules that have different costs. Please check the website for a tuition price list in early July. For further assistance, please email Sylvia.Jenkins@sbschools.org or call 732-297-7800 Ext. 3190.

Q) What happens to my child on Early Release Days?

- A) If your child is enrolled in the after-school program for that day of the week, he/she will go to the program when school is dismissed at no additional charge.

Q) How do I pay the tuition?

- A) Payments are made monthly through your *Community Pass* account with a Visa or Mastercard. You can also provide us with a check payable to "South Brunswick Board of Education." You will receive monthly reminders via email. Make sure to include an email address you check often during the registration process.

Q) Do we offer tuition assistance?

- A) Tuition assistance is available for families who qualify and we accept NJ State Childcare Subsidies for Tuition Assistance or State Assistance, email Maria.Chavkin@sbschools.org or 732-297-7800 Ext 3175.

Q) What other programs besides the Before & After School Program does Community Education offer?

A) We offer programs year round. In addition to our Before & After School Program, we have a Grade 1-8 full day summer camp and enrichment programs/classes during the summer as well. We have Sports Camps for our K-12 students led by SBHS coaches and teachers. We also offer Holiday Camps when school is not in session such as during winter and spring break, during teacher professional development days or on certain holidays. Our award winning Odyssey of the Mind experience is available to KG-Grade 5 students. Finally, adult learning classes, SAT Prep, child and adult tennis, and adult golf can also be learned and practiced through Community Education. You can visit www.sbschools.org and then click on Community Education for more information.

Q) What is the Odyssey of the Mind experience?

A) This program is managed through Community Education and typically runs from late September - January. The Odyssey of the Mind Experience (<https://www.odysseyofthemind.com>) is a program that provides creative problem-solving opportunities for students in grades K-5. Students apply their creativity to solve problems that range from building mechanical devices to presenting their own interpretation of literary classics and bring their solutions to a local competition. The top two teams from each school in each division will then compete in a regional competition. Parent volunteers are needed to serve as coaches of the teams. Look for more information and registration details in the Online Friday-Folder in mid-late September. For, Odyssey of the Mind questions, contact Deana.Myers@sbschools.org or 732-297-2800 Ext. 3159.

Q) If I have questions, who can I contact?

A) For registration questions, email Sylvia.Jenkins@sbschools.org or 732-297-7800 Ext. 3190.

For *Community Pass* account questions, email Nancy.Kinal@sbschools.org or 732-297-7800 Ext. 3148.

For Tuition Assistance or NJ State Assistance, email Maria.Chavkin@sbschools.org or 732-297-7800 Ext 3175.

You may also access additional information such as camp brochures and program information by visiting [www.sbschools.org /community_ed](http://www.sbschools.org/community_ed).

Q) Where can I get more information about the Online Friday Folder (email subscription), the school calendar, Community Education information and more information about each school?

A) More information is available on www.sbschools.org under the “Quick Links” section.

