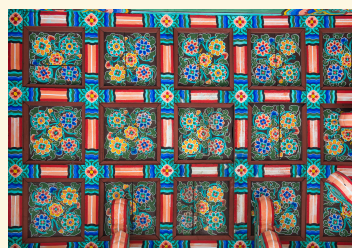
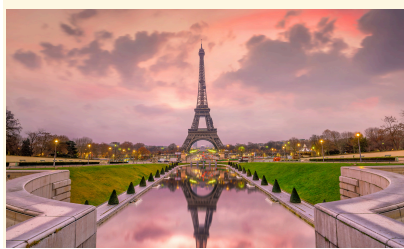
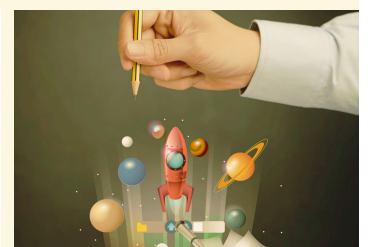


THE RENAISSANCE INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



FOR CHILDREN ENTERING FIRST THROUGH SEVENTH GRADE

ELEMENTARY
SUMMER
at **TRIS**

2026



2026 ELEMENTARY Summer Camps at TRIS!

Welcome! We are excited to offer an exciting and fun summer camp lineup that engages the senses, unleashes creativity, and provides unique opportunities to widen your child's horizons. The six-week Summer Program for children six to twelve years old starts on **July 6** and ends on **August 14**.

You can sign up your child for one or more weeks or the entire six-week program. Each camp is led by one of our talented and experienced faculty. Explore the lineup and select one camp from the two -three weekly offerings for each week. Once you have shortlisted the camps, please complete our registration form for your camper. We will contact you after we receive your registration form. At that time, we will request that you complete additional camp forms, such as medical information and waivers, and process payment for your selected camps.

We are excited to welcome your students and look forward to a fun summer adventure of exploration, learning, and creativity together!

The last date to sign up for camps is **Friday, May 29, 2026**.
If you have any questions, please call us at (510) 531-8566

Application Process

Please complete the online 2026 Summer Camp Registration Form. Applications will be processed in the order they are received since space is limited. Last date for application is **Friday, May 29, 2026**. Once we process your application, we will confirm your child's attendance and at that time, full summer camp fees will be due. Please note that summer camp fees are non-refundable.

If you have questions, please email summer@therenaissanceschool.org.

Camp Fees

We offer early bird specials and before-after child care.

- **9:00 - 3:30 pm (Camp hours):** \$760 (Early Bird special for registrations completed by May 1) and \$790 (Registrations from May 2-29)
- **8:00 - 5:00 (includes Before & After Care):** \$800 (Early Bird special for registrations completed by May 1) and \$830 (Registrations from May 2 - 29)

Camp Philosophy

The Renaissance International School is an international center of learning and culture where individuals can develop their potential. Our school provides an open, supportive, and multidisciplinary environment so every child can thrive. We assemble a variety of camps in which children will have a chance to explore the world and their place in it through age-appropriate activities.

Staff

Our teachers work with children following Montessori's philosophy of love and respect. Their primary goals for the children are fostering independence within the child, developing initiative, encouraging the development of a creative mind, developing inner discipline, and, most importantly, fostering a love of learning.

Health & Safety

The safety of our campers is of utmost importance. Our instructors are First Aid and CPR-certified. We follow strict safety procedures and are ready to get emergency help.



2026 ELEMENTARY Summer Camps at a glance!

July 6 - 10	July 13 - 17	July 20 - 24
 <p>Taller de Inventores Camp</p>	 <p>Explorador Cientifico and Sports Camp</p>	 <p>Wonder Lab Camp</p>
 <p>Explorers & Artists Camp</p>	 <p>Korean Camp</p>	 <p>Ciencia y Artesanías Camp</p>

Camp hours: 9:00 am - 3:30 pm. You can also sign up for extended hours - 8:00 - 5:00 pm

July 27 - 31	Aug 3 - 7	Aug 10 - 14
 <p>Act, Create, Perform! A Week-Long Theater Camp</p>	 <p>Story and Seoul Camp</p>	 <p>Bouchées & Beats</p>
 <p>Songs & Stories Around the World Camp</p>	 <p>Sports en Ville</p>	 <p>Craft & Wander Camp</p>





WEEK 1: July 6 - 10

TALLER DE INVENTORES CAMP

Get ready for a day where imagination meets innovation – all in Spanish! At our Building, Design & Game Makers Spanish Immersion Camp, campers explore, create, and collaborate entirely in Spanish, making it a rich and engaging language experience woven naturally into every activity.

Mornings - Young builders dive into the world of construction and architecture, exploring how the structures around us are designed and built. Through hands-on projects and collaborative challenges, campers will design and construct their own models, experiment with different materials, and discover how architecture brings together art, science, and functionality – all while developing skills in stability, balance, and planning.

Afternoons - Creativity takes a new form as campers step into the Game Creation Lab! Each participant will invent their own board game from scratch – designing the board, crafting the pieces, writing the rules, and putting their game to the test with fellow campers. It's a perfect blend of creative thinking, strategy, and teamwork as every idea gets brought to life.

Whether your child is a native Spanish speaker or on their language learning journey, this camp offers a fun and immersive environment where language and creativity go hand in hand.

Language: Spanish

Spanish Proficiency: Beginner

Ages: 6-12 years

EXPLORERS & ARTISTS CAMP

Get ready for an unforgettable summer filled with adventure, creativity, and wonder! At Explorers and Artists Camp, campers spend their mornings discovering the stunning trails of the Bay Area through guided hikes and hands-on exploration. Young explorers build physical stamina, environmental awareness, and confidence while uncovering the incredible diversity of the outdoors.

In the afternoons, the magic continues indoors with a Totoro-inspired art project! Drawing from the beloved world of My Neighbor Totoro, campers will design and build their own shadow lamp using paper cutting, simple construction, and light, and when the light turns on, their cut-out designs cast beautiful shadows that bring the scene to life.

One camp, one incredible day – fresh air, exploration, and creativity all woven together into a summer your child won't forget!

Language: English

Ages: 6-12 years



WEEK 2: July 13 - 17

EXPLORADOR CIENTIFICO AND SPORTS CAMP

Get ready for a full day of discovery, movement, and fun! This camp combines hands-on science exploration in the morning with exciting sports adventures in the afternoon, giving campers the best of both worlds.

Mornings – Spanish Immersion: Pulleys & Forces

Our mornings are a full Spanish immersion experience! While speaking and learning in Spanish, campers explore the science of floating, forces, vector representation, levers, pulleys, and Archimedes' principles applied to everyday life. Through play, hands-on experiments, and creative challenges, participants develop scientific curiosity, critical thinking, and a whole lot of fun as they discover how the world around them works.

Afternoons – Sports Explorers.

In the afternoons, campers switch gears and head outside for Sports Explorers! Children are introduced to a variety of sports while building confidence, coordination, and teamwork. Each day features a different sport or movement challenge – from soccer and basketball basics to mini-athletics and volleyball.

Language: Spanish & English Spanish Proficiency: Beginner Ages: 6-12 years

KOREAN CAMP

This summer, students are invited to step into the vibrant world of Korea – its language, art, music, and food – through a one-of-a-kind immersive experience right here at The Renaissance International School.

Over the course of the week, students will explore Korean language and culture through hands-on activities designed to spark curiosity, creativity, and a genuine love of learning about the wider world.

Whether they come home singing a traditional Korean song, wearing a bracelet they knotted themselves, or greeting their parents with a cheerful 안녕하세요 (annyeonghaseyo!) – every day of camp is designed to be memorable.

Language: English (with introductory Korean) Ages: 6-12 years



WEEK 3: July 20 - 24

WONDER LAB CAMP

At Wonder Lab Camp, curiosity and creativity come together for a full day of discovery and art.

Mornings – Math & Science Discovery Lab

Campers tackle explosive experiments, epic building challenges, and brain-bending math and science missions – from simple machines and magnets to kitchen fractions and nature exploration. Every day brings a brand-new adventure where big ideas are born and curiosity becomes a superpower.

Afternoons – Magic Flip Painting

Campers explore a one-of-a-kind painting technique where layered colors and silhouettes reveal a vibrant surprise image when the artwork is flipped. From fireflies and butterflies to night landscapes and imaginative nature scenes – every finished piece is a true wonder.

Language: English Ages: 6-12 years

CIENCIA Y ARTESANÍAS CAMP

A full day of discovery, creativity, and culture – all in Spanish!

Mornings – Electricity and Magnetism

Through dynamic games and hands-on experiments, campers will discover how magnets and electricity work and how these invisible forces show up in everyday life – all while developing their scientific curiosity and critical thinking.

Afternoons – Mexican Arts and Crafts

Color, creativity, and culture come together as campers explore Mexico's rich artistic traditions. From Oaxacan folk art to festive papel picado, each day brings a new project, a new story, and a new connection to one of the world's most colorful cultures.

Language: Spanish Spanish Proficiency: Beginner Ages: 6-12 years



WEEK 4 : July 27 - 31

ACT, CREATE, PERFORM! A WEEK-LONG THEATER CAMP

Theater is one of the oldest and most powerful things human beings have ever done – and this summer, your child gets to be part of that tradition. At Young Performers Theater Camp, campers don't just watch stories unfold. They step inside them.

Over the course of the camp, students work together to take a script from the page to the stage – learning what it truly means to bring a story to life through collaboration, creativity, and performance.

Language: English Ages: 6-12 years

SONGS & STORIES AROUND THE WORLD CAMP

At Songs & Stories Around the World Camp, campers spend their days finding their voice – first through music, then through the stories and cultures of the world.

Mornings – Songwriting

In a warm, playful, and completely judgment-free environment, campers will discover the magic of putting words to a melody. Every child has something to say, and this camp gives them the tools, the confidence, and the joy of saying it through music – and perhaps realizing for the very first time that they are musicians.

Afternoons – Around the World

No passport needed! Each afternoon is a new destination as campers travel the entire globe – visiting every continent, meeting remarkable historical figures, hearing ancient myths, and making something beautiful from every corner of the earth. Through storytelling and hands-on craft, campers come away bigger, more curious, and more connected to the world around them.

One camp, one incredible day – find your voice in the morning, explore the world in the afternoon!

Language: English Ages: 6-12 years



WEEK 5 : Aug 3 - 7

STORY AND SEOUL CAMP

Step into the vibrant world of Korean culture, stories, and language in this immersive full-day camp experience. Campers will explore Korean traditions, folk tales, art, music, and everyday expressions throughout the week, building a genuine appreciation for Korean culture through hands-on activities and creative storytelling.

Language: English (with introductory Korean) Ages: 6-12 years

SPORTS EN VILLE

The city is a playground – and this summer, campers are going to use every inch of it. Sports in the City is an active, outdoor French immersion camp that takes children beyond the school gates and into the city's parks, plazas, and open spaces to play, move, and explore together – all in French.

This is not your typical summer camp. There are no bleachers to sit in, no fixed schedules, and no games assigned by someone else. Here, the campers decide what they play – and then they figure out how to get there. Every day is a small, real-world adventure, designed to build independence, teamwork, and a genuine love of being active outdoors.

Language: French Immersion Language Proficiency: Beginner Ages: 6-12 years



WEEK 6: Aug 10 - 14

BOUCHÉES & BEATS

At Global Beats & Eats Camp, campers travel the world through two of its most universal languages – food and music!

Mornings – French Immersion: Global Kitchen

Our mornings are a full French immersion experience! Budding chefs will explore the flavors, ingredients, and food traditions of each continent through fun, hands-on cooking. From the spices of Asia to the fresh flavors of South America, campers will learn new techniques, try new ingredients, and bring home recipes to share with their families. More than just cooking – it's a journey into culture, community, and creativity, all conducted in French.

Afternoons – Beat Makers

Get ready to make some noise! Beat Makers is a high-energy, hands-on music experience where young musicians discover the power of rhythm and percussion. No instruments? No problem – in this camp, everything is an instrument. Campers will explore rhythm and beat-making through drumming, body percussion, and found-sound music, experimenting with buckets, sticks, hand drums, and everyday objects. The highlight of the week? Every camper will build their very own drum from simple materials to take home!

Language: French & English Language Proficiency: Beginner Ages: 6-12 years

CRAFT AND WANDER CAMP

At Craft & Wander Camp, campers slow down, step outside, and create – spending their days connecting with the natural world and making something beautiful with their hands.

Mornings – Nature Journal Camp. Step outside and see the world in a whole new way! Young explorers head outdoors with sketchbook in hand to observe, draw, and write about the natural world around them. From sketching wildflowers and insects to capturing the colors of the sky, campers learn to notice the small, beautiful details that most people walk right past. No artistic experience needed – just curiosity and a love of the outdoors.

Afternoons – Knit Looming. There is something deeply satisfying about making something with your hands that didn't exist before – something soft, colorful, and genuinely useful that you can hold, wear, or give away. In the afternoons, campers are introduced to the world of fiber arts through loom knitting, finger knitting, weaving, and more, in a warm, relaxed, and wonderfully creative environment. No experience needed, and no two campers will leave with the same thing.

One camp, one incredible day – wander in the morning, craft in the afternoon!

Language: English Ages: 6-12 years



Instructors

Wellington Pontes Filho

Wellington has over 17 years of experience in Education. He began his educational career as a middle and high school math teacher. Originally from Fortaleza, Brazil, Wellington holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, a degree in Education with an emphasis in Math from the Universidade Estadual do Ceara, and a degree in Special Education, specializing in people who are deaf or hard of hearing from the Universidade Estadual Vale do Acaraú in Brazil. Wellington taught elementary through high school students before coming to the U.S. Ever since, he completed the AMI Primary Montessori training in Mountain View, California, and an AMI Elementary Montessori training program in Saint Paul, Minnesota. Wellington has been working at TRIS since 2005. He is the Elementary Program Director and teaches in the Lower Elementary classroom. Wellington has taught in Primary and Elementary programs. During this time, he trained many teachers in his classroom on classroom management and how to use and integrate the Montessori philosophy in their lessons.

Ramiro Ruiz

Ramiro was born in Colombia. He received a B. A. in Philosophy and Literature from the University Pontificas Bolivariana. He is also a specialist in Educational Planning and Personalized Education. He has taught at the university and high school levels, worked as a school superintendent, and assistant principal. He holds an AMI Elementary Montessori certificate. Ramiro has been at TRIS since 2010.

Nancy Wentworth

Nancy grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area. She has a BSci in Organizational Behavior and an MEd in Montessori Integrative Learning. Nancy started out in Montessori education as a Primary guide and then received her AMI elementary diploma from W.M.I. in 2004. In 2016, she received her AMI primary diploma from M.I.N.T. and then worked for two years in a Montessori training center before moving to Minnesota. Nancy enjoys reading, knitting, and playing roller derby.



Instructors

Yesenia Cortez

Yesenia is from Mexico, where she completed her university studies in Special Education at the Universidad de Colima. She has been teaching elementary-age children since 2013. In her spare time, Yesenia enjoys reading and personal fitness. She joined the TRIS team in the Spring of 2021.

Julie Gochman

Julie is an accomplished artist and educator with a rich background spanning both the United States and South Korea. Currently residing in Oakland, California, she holds an MFA in Printmaking from Pratt Institute in New York. Julie has been a dedicated art teacher over the years, including offering private lessons and art classes, as well as volunteering for art classes in OUSD (Oakland, CA) for many years. Before moving to the U.S., Julie founded and ran Mee Art Tutoring School in Seoul, where she taught drawing, watercolor, oil color, and pattern design to K-12 students. Her expertise extended to the international art scene during her tenure as Associate Director at Pibi Gallery in Seoul, where she analyzed art markets and spearheaded international marketing and sales. Julie's artistic achievements have earned her significant recognition, including being named Artist of the Year by SFSU, winning First Place in the National AIDS Art Competition, receiving an Honorable Mention from Robert Rauschenberg in the Slivermain Gallery Print Competition, and being awarded a Certificate of Excellence for Outstanding Merit in Studio Art by Pratt Institute.

Lidia Derridj

Lidia is currently the French teacher for the Lower Elementary classroom at TRIS.

Michelle Kim

Lidia is currently the English teacher for the Lower Elementary classroom at TRIS..

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We look forward to welcoming your camper this summer!