



The **Summer at Spruce Tree Camp Series** offers elementary-aged students an opportunity to follow paths less traveled during the school year through fun, project-based summertime work in the following subject areas.

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### **Camp A**

#### **Writer's Workshop – I'm a Poet.**

*Study of poetry; reading, writing, drawing.*

Look at the world through the eyes of a poet—examine objects closely, and try to see them in fresh, interesting ways. Patiently study and put words to the details and moments of life. Our writer's workshop for poets will support each child in becoming a poet.

In true writer's workshop style, poets will gather together for the mini-lesson, work independently and collaboratively to put their "powerful thoughts in tiny packages," individually conference with the workshop leader, share from the poet's chair, and publish their work from the week.

Throughout the week, we will study many ways poets work and some of the tools and strategies poets use. We'll work with the structure of poetry, learning how poets use line breaks and white space. We'll experiment with rhythms and patterns, repetition and musicality. We'll build analogies, metaphors and similes, and extend those bits of figurative language throughout the bodies of our verses.

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### **Camp Day**

Mornings camps will begin at 9:00 am and end at 12:00 pm, with drop-off 8:45 – 9:00 am in the main school lobby. A morning snack will be provided. Lunchtime will begin at noon\*. End of Writer's Workshop / pick-up at 12:30 pm.\*\*

8:45 – 9:00 am	Arrival & Check-in
9:00 – 9:30 am	Backyard Free Time – get to know one another
9:35 am	Gathering & Lesson
	Work Session (indoor and outdoor settings)
11:35 am	Backyard Free Time
12:00 pm	Picnic Lunch
12:30 pm	End of Writer's Workshop / Pick-up

\* Full-day campers should bring picnic lunches. Half-day campers are invited to stay for lunch and may be picked up at 12 or 12:30 pm.

\*\* Mid-day pick-up/drop-off at side gate / backyard entrance.