

Nevada City School of the Arts Families,

NCSA is excited to share information regarding our Expanded Learning Opportunities Program (ELO Program) that continues this school year. The ELO Program is a state funded program that seeks to provide TK – 6th grade students expanded learning opportunities beyond the school day and year, free of charge to those that qualify. (7th & 8th Graders can also attend at a cost)

# What does the ELO Program consist of for qualifying students?

- Free after school care from 1:00 PM 5:30 PM for TK-5 students
- Free Expanded Learning Opportunities within our after school care program [see more information below]
- Free Expanded Learning Weekend Activities and Field Trips [see more information below]
- Meals and snacks during the various activities, free of charge

# What kind of Expanded Learning Opportunities will take place in After School Care?

- Enrichment classes such as:
  - Cooking
  - Adventures in STEAM
  - Game Day
  - Art Projects
  - o Rock Band
  - Theater
  - More to come!!!!!
- Daily instructional support

## What kind of Expanded Learning Weekend Activities and Field Trips are planned?

- Outdoor Adventures (rope courses, fishing, farming, hiking)
- Sports experiences (baseball games, volleyball games) combined with skill building
- Exploratory-type experiences
- Mountain Bike Club
- More to come!!!

### [More important information on the other side!]

## **How do I qualify?**

Students qualify for free participation by one of the three methods:

- Identified as a Foster Youth
- Identified as an English Language Learner (EL Student)
- Qualify for Free-or-Reduced Lunch according to the National School Lunch Program income guidelines

#### Where do I go to apply for Free-or-Reduced Lunch?

Fill out a National School Lunch Program (NSLP) application <a href="here">here</a> or on our website <a href="https://ncsota.org/hot-lunch/">https://ncsota.org/hot-lunch/</a>.

If you have questions about eligibility review the income eligibility scales <u>here.</u>

### What if I do not qualify?

- Many of these opportunities will be available to students who do not qualify
- After school care students who pay full or part-time tuition will have access to the classes and support, just like our qualified students
- The weekend opportunities will be offered first to qualified students, but then to all students for a small fee as space allows. The fee will be only to cover the pay portion of the activities, no charge will be passed on for transportation or food.

We are in the early years of this program, so we welcome suggestions on ways that we can improve it! These early years will be a learning experience as we create these opportunities, but we look forward to opening new worlds for our students.