



# Freedom Schools

OSSEO AREA SCHOOLS  
**Children's  
Defense Fund**

**Summer 2018 K – 7<sup>th</sup> grade**

The Children's Defense Fund - Freedom Schools program provides summer enrichment that helps children fall in love with reading, increases their self-esteem, and generates more positive attitudes towards learning. Children are taught using a model pedagogy that supports children and families around five essential components: high-quality academic enrichment, parent and family involvement, civic engagement and social action, intergenerational leadership development, and nutrition, health and mental health.

**JUNE 18 - JULY 26**

**Monday - Friday  
8 am - 3 pm**

**Application is ONLINE only**

[www.district279.org/](http://www.district279.org/)

- **Must have completed grades Kindergarten through 7th grade**
- **Must be currently enrolled in Osseo Area Schools**

**APPLY NOW !**  
**Deadline: FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2018**

**Don't delay! Space is limited. Register early to avoid being placed on the waitlist!**

## FREEDOM SCHOOLS PROGRAM DETAILS

**COST:** Mandatory weekly family commitment of 1 hour per week of volunteerism.

**HOURS:** Monday - Friday from 8 am - 3 pm

**DATES:** June 18 - July 26, 2018 (No programming on July 4th)

**GRADES:** K - 7th grade. Must have completed grades Kindergarten through 7th grade.

**\*Must be a student/scholar currently enrolled in Osseo Area Schools.**

**LOCATION OPTIONS:** Our Freedom Schools Summer Program has expanded! This year, Osseo Area School District 279, will have three - Kindergarten through 7th grade locations. Select ONE location in which you would like your student(s)/scholar(s) to attend.

- Birch Grove School for the Arts - 4690 Brookdale Dr. N., Brooklyn Park
- Crest View Elementary School - 8200 Zane Ave. N., Brooklyn Park
- Elm Creek Elementary School - 9830 Revere Ln. N., Maple Grove

**TRANSPORTATION:** Parents are responsible for transportation to and from the program.

**No buses are provided.**

### Healthy Bodies, Healthy Minds

Scholars in this program will receive a healthy breakfast, lunch and snack to sustain them through a day filled with research-based integrated reading pedagogy, enrichment activities, including Harambee, art, recreation, and weekly field trips.

Scholars are provided with numerous group leadership activities to challenge their thinking and expand their perspectives on the world. Freedom Schools students/scholars are taught that they can make a difference in this world.

### Parent Engagement

Parents or adult representatives are required to attend a Parent Orientation before the program start date. Parents must be actively involved by attending a Parent Empowerment workshop one time per week in the evening or volunteering for 1 hour per week.

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**For program questions and/or registration assistance, contact a Program Site Coordinator.**

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