FOR PARENTS: ARCHICAMP

ArchiCamp is a program that directly fulfills the mission of the General Lew Wallace Study & Museum. Through two days of activities, walking tours, and hands-on activities, students will gain an appreciation of Crawfordsville's unique architectural heritage. The program is designed for students ages 8-12. Following is a tentative schedule and is subject to change.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

During the first day of camp, students will learn the basics of architecture, including terms and techniques. Next, they will get a behind the scenes tour of the Study building, focusing on the foundation, structure, tower, and brickwork. While on this tour, students will do a scavenger hunt for architecturally relevant aspects of the building. After lunch, students will discuss blueprints, learning how to read and create them.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

The second day of camp will focus on bridges. Campers will learn how bridges are built to withstand weight and nature. Students will then take a walking tour of historic downtown Crawfordsville to discuss historic preservation of the city's historic structures, including the Ben-Hur Building, the Courthouse, the Elston Bank building, and Masonic Cornerstone. They will be given a full tour of the Masonic Cornerstone building. After the walking tour will be lunch. In the afternoon, campers will then be split into groups to design and build a popsicle stick bridge using limited resources.

PICK-UP AND DROP-OFF:

Tuesday – Wednesday, June 15-16, 2027, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
General Lew Wallace Study & Museum, 200 Wallace Avenue. Please park in the lot off Elston Avenue for pickup and drop off. Participants are expected to attend both sessions of ArchiCamp. Your family is expected to provide transportation to and from the Museum.

CLOTHING:

We will spend several hours outside each day, weather permitting, so please bring sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat, and sweatshirt or coat, depending on the weather.

FOOD:

A light morning and afternoon snack will be provided. Please let us know if you have any food allergies. **Participants should bring a sack lunch each day**.

COST AND SPONSORSHIP:

Your child's participation in ArchiCamp has been sponsored by a local community service organization or a local business or individual. You may be contacted by that group and your child requested to give a short presentation at a meeting later in the summer, or during the fall. While attendance at the organization's meeting is not mandatory, it is one way your child can repay the organization for their sponsorship AND serve the community.

*Your cost (registration fee) is $25. Scholarships are available. If you need a scholarship for your child, please indicate this on your registration form. Please send a check or money order made out to the Lew Wallace Study Preservation Society. Enclose it with your registration form and return it to the Museum by **JUNE 11.***

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