



Summer 2020

ARISE Newsletter

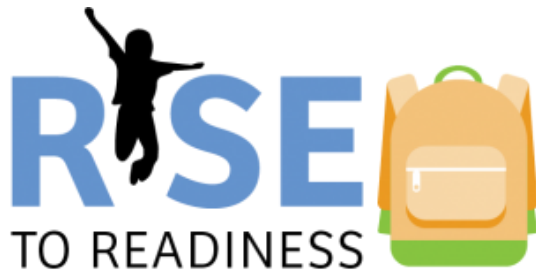


Apply now for Fall 1-to-1 Instruction!

We are pleased to be offering 1-to-1 homework support and tutoring, as well as direct instruction this fall at our Learning Centres and virtually via RISE at Home.

Please read more about our [RISE method](#) here, and about [our programming options here](#). We have many more spots open for in-person and RISE at Home tutoring and homework support. Please note that 'Direct Instruction' will be limited in fall 2020 to approximately 15 students and will expand as soon as possible.

[Click here to apply](#)



Get ready to head back to school! Our RISE to Readiness program will help your child brush up on group learning, health and safety and social skills, and ensure your family goes back to class with confidence.

[Please read more about this innovative COVID-responsive program here.](#)

The image shows a detailed schedule for the 'RISE TO READINESS' program. At the top, it says 'RISE TO READINESS' and 'Get ready for back to school! This program, which runs from 9AM-12PM each day, will help your child brush up on group learning and social skills, and ensure your family goes back to class with confidence.' Below this is a table with columns for Monday through Friday. Each day lists activities such as 'Social Skills: Trading information', 'Break', 'Executive Functioning: Exploring our brains and executive functioning', 'Social Skills: Choosing appropriate friends + use of humour', 'Social Skills: Electronic communication + handling teasing and embarrassing feedback', 'Break', 'Executive Functioning: Planning and organization', 'Social Skills: Good sportsmanship', 'Break', 'Self-Regulation Strategy Development for writing (SRSD)', 'Emotional Readiness: Identifying and managing anxiety', 'Break', 'Note-taking, study prep, and test-taking strategies', 'Backpack pick-up', and '10:30AM - Meet Parent Group: Supporting your child through their transition to high school'. At the bottom, there is a logo for 'Canada' and 'United Way Lower Mainland'.

We have limited spots available for both the **weeks of August 17-21 and August 24-28**. [Email ED@ldsociety.ca](mailto:ED@ldsociety.ca) directly to register.

If school starts are delayed further, we will offer this program Sept 8-11 as well.

Thank you to the Government of Canada's Emergency Community Support Fund and the United Way of the Lower Mainland for their generous support of this program.

RISE Summer Camp Success!



We are now in our seventh and final week of summer camps. We would like to thank all the families and campers that have made our inaugural year a huge success!

You can read more about the camps, download the graphic schedules, and read some family testimonials [here](#).

Thank you to our donors and funders - especially CKNW Kids Fund, Canada Summer Jobs, and Hamber Foundation - for providing financial and bursary support.

Feedback on LDS RISE Summer Camps: "My daughter can't wait to come to camp each morning. The inclusive environment that LDS creates allows my daughter to express herself and feel confident with who she is and one where she doesn't feel judged or excluded. We are excited about LDS and can't wait for Fall 1:1 instruction where my daughter can continue to grow and feel confident." - mother of a grade 5 student

Resources

Check out [the LDS blog](#) for the latest news, interesting articles, and useful resource lists.



World's only evidence-based social skills program for teens to launch at LDS this winter

We are always seeking ways to improve our services for kids with learning differences and their families. That's why



How SAP's Social Sabbatical Project Team Helped Us Solve our Data Dilemma

Recently, we had the honour of taking part in a project with [SAP](#), a global leader in enterprise application software. Facilitated by [PYXERA Global](#), the [SAP Social](#)

we are very excited to announce that LDS is now certified to offer PEERS®—the only evidence-based teen social skills program in the world!

[Learn more about the PEERS® program here »](#)



RISE Summer Camps Series: Reflections on the emotional investment of our camp counsellors

For the first time, LDS offered RISE Summer Camps specially designed for kids with learning differences. We chatted with Matt Tikkanen to find out what the Summer Camp experience has been like from an instructor perspective.

[Read more »](#)

[Sabbatical Project](#) is a pro bono program that aims to connect mission-driven organizations, like LDS, with a team of skilled SAP employees to help address their strategic challenges.

[Read More »](#)



Our commitment to standing up against racism and injustice

Earlier this summer, we released a statement in solidarity with #BlackOutTuesday. Expect to see more from us in the near and ongoing future about our commitment to active inclusion and accessibility. Please reach out if you have questions, ideas, or comments.

[Read more »](#)



Our summer camps and other programming would not be possible without the hard work of our summer students. We would like to thank Matt, Lindsay, Lowella, Tyler, Lara, Heather, Miranda, and Avery for their passion, dedication and hard work.

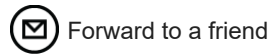
We are very grateful to the Canada Summer Jobs program and Innovate BC for their generous funding support.

[Read more about our team members here.](#)

Help us #KeepOurKidsLearning

With your help during these difficult times, we can make RISE at Home online learning available to vulnerable learners in need throughout our province.

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