

WSSB Short Course Program

Piecing together the expanded core curriculum for increased access to core academics and beyond.



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Week-long education courses that focus on the various domains of the Expanded Core Curriculum





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Washington State School for the Blind is proud to offer a continuation of our short-course program in specific areas of need for blind and visually impaired students. Up to two courses per school year are offered to Washington students at no cost. Courses will be one week in duration so students will have the opportunity to stay on campus with WSSB students.

Each course to include an emphasis on recreation, self-determination, and transition after high school. In addition, short-course programs will include a dedicated portion of the day for students to work on their classwork they miss while attending each short course.

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply, you need to be a Washington State middle or high school student at or near grade level. Instruction with summary report by Teacher of the Visually Impaired/Orientation and Mobility Specialist. For more information, please contact Jeff Bowler at 360-947-3367, or e-mail jeff.bowler@wssb.wa.gov.

Services

Instruction, transportation arrangements (airline, train, or charter bus), campus housing in staffed student cottages, most recreation, and meals are provided at no cost to you or your home school district. Trained staff and a 24-hour health center are available on campus for student medical needs/medication management.



WSSB 2019-2020 SHORT COURSE PROGRAM

Remaining short courses for this year:

- **December 9-13:** Assistive Technology: Whether Google or Jaws, assistance to help you get the most out of your tech. Application deadline is November 15th.
- **January 13-17:** Social Skills (middle school level): Social communication, making friends, body language, etc. Application deadline is December 23rd.
- **February 3-7:** Independent Living Skills: Managing a household's systems, home safety, animal/plant care, etc. Application deadline is January 13th.
- **March 9-13:** Career Education (high school level): Career interest and exploration, interviews, resumes, soft skills, NW Youth Careers Expo, etc. Application deadline is February 17th.
- **April 6-10:** Elementary to Middle School Transition (5th & 6th graders): An introduction to life as a middle-schooler. What to expect, student shadows, etc. Application deadline is March 16th.
- **May 11-15:** Social Skills (high school): Achieving happiness, setting goals, self-esteem, cooperative skills, dating etiquette, responsibilities, etc. Coincides with Lion's Track Meet. Application deadline is April 20th.