



ACTON LINCOLN SPARK STUDIO

PART - TIME

GIVE YOUR CHILD

THE OPPORTUNITY TO

- Make a slower adjustment to full-time life at Acton
- Learn through play and hands-on exploration
- Practice basic goal setting
- Identify issues and vote on solutions
- Move at his/her own pace in math and reading
- Strengthen self-regulation

SCHEDULE

MONDAY - TUESDAY - THURSDAY

Partial Day | 8:30 - 11:15 AM

OR

Full Day | 8:30 - 3:15 PM

WILDERNESS WEDNESDAYS

Your hero has the option of joining the studio for Wilderness Wednesdays each week at Camp Shiloh.

SPARK STUDIO OVERVIEW

MONTESSORI MEETS ACTON

Ages 4.5 - 7

Our Montessori based Spark Studio is designed to give your 4.5 - 7 year old learners the chance to build the math, reading, self-regulatory, and social skills needed for success in the highly independent Acton Elementary Studio, or wherever their journey takes them next.

Our Spark heroes practice basic goal setting and complete challenges at their own pace to earn learning "badges" in math, reading, and citizenship. The rest of the time, they learn through exploration in a series of hands-on project Quests and present what they've discovered at an exhibition at the end of each Session.

FOR CONSIDERATION

Heroes attending partial days will spend their time working alongside the full-day heroes on Montessori works after their morning launch, along with snack daily, and PE on Tuesdays.

Those attending full-days will experience a wider variety of activities that take place in the afternoons including Quests, Biomes, Creativity Time & Lunch/ Outdoor Time.

TUITION

Tuition will be the same whether a hero is attending full days or partial days - we simply want to offer your family the choice that works best for you. This option is ONLY available for Pre-K and Kindergarten age heroes.

- \$550/ month for 10 months
 - Add \$175/ month for Wilderness Wednesdays



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Milestones to be an Acton Lion in Spark Studio

We expect the following traits, skills or abilities for a new hero to join the Spark Studio as we have seen these are the milestones that need to first be achieved before your child is ready to thrive at Acton:

Age (4.5 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• September Enrollment: Birthday on/ before March 1st.• January Enrollment: Birthday on/ before July 1st.
Independence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is physically self-reliant<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Fully toilet trained (no exceptions)◦ Eat meals on their own◦ Able to help clean and care for space/materials• Basic Fine Motor Skills are in place<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Ability to hold and use a pencil and scissors
Self-Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exhibits a positive attitude about learning in general and is generally curious• Able to self-regulate emotions and behavior most of the time• Ability to engage in an activity for at least 15 minutes and moves from one work to another without distracting others
Play/ Social Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participates willingly in classroom activities• Low frequency of conflict with other children in a day• Displays appropriate social & emotional skills<ul style="list-style-type: none">◦ Holds own boundaries and respects other learners' boundaries◦ Makes friends & plays cooperatively◦ Shows empathy◦ <i>Manages strong feelings like frustration & disappointment without becoming aggressive or withdrawn (can regulate emotions during difficult conversations, failure, frustration)</i>◦ Separates from parent without distress
Communication	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ability to take & follow simple instructions• Able to communicate verbally and express needs to others• Has a foundational understanding of numbers (1-10) and recognition of some letters