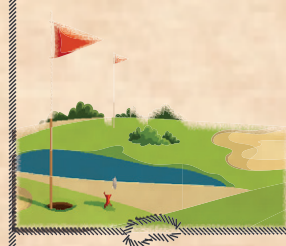
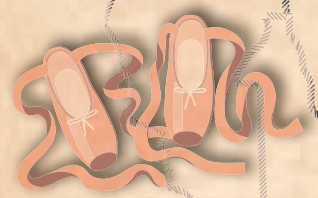
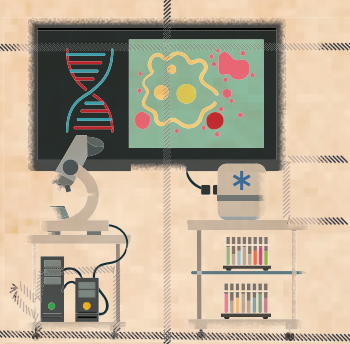
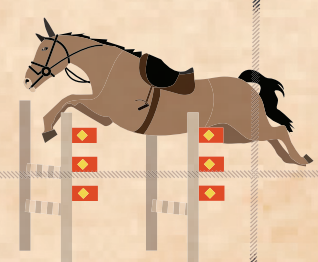
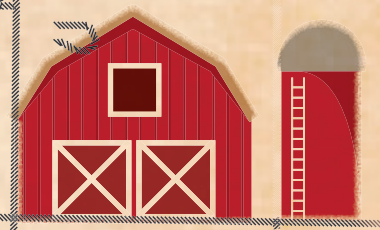
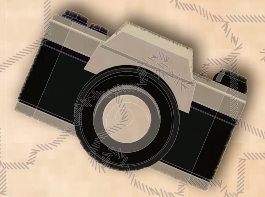


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CAMP GUIDE

What to consider when choosing summer camps

Camps can provide the opportunity to form lifelong friendships and discover rewarding hobbies that can enrich campers' lives for decades to come. The following are some factors families should consider as they look for summer camps.

Kids' interests

The American Camp Association urges parents to consider the child's interests, personality and maturity level before choosing a summer camp.

Locale

Locale may only be a consideration for families considering overnight camps. Kids will likely be familiar with the locations of local day camps, but overnight camps might be set in environments less familiar.

Session length

Camps may last as little as one week or up to a couple of months. Parents who want their children to enjoy a largely schedule-free summer might not want to commit their children to lengthy camp sessions. If parents think their children can benefit from the same structure they're accustomed to during the school year, then an overnight camp or camp that stretches for several weeks might be what they're looking for.

Cost

Cost also is likely to factor into families' decisions, as the ACA notes that cost can vary greatly depending on which camp families choose.

ANIMAL CAMP

Hosted by Rising River Farm
6618 Chagrin River Road
Chagrin Falls, OH 44022
440-463-3146
khanimalcamp@gmail.com
RisingRiver.net

Animal Camp is a unique farm day camp experience for kids ages 5-13. Since 2006 we have honed an interactive self-directed experience for the children of our community. Kids enjoy and explore the farm animals (horses, goats, bunnies, chickens, dogs, and cats) participate in horseback riding, crafts, and an end of week trail ride. We offer 10 individual (Mon-Fri) sessions during the summer, in either all day (9:00-4:30) or half day (9:00-12:30) options. Campers are welcome to participate in one, or multiple sessions. All Day participants spend the afternoons playing games, crafting, and cooling off in the Chagrin River (which is both shallow & located on the property). Fridays we feature "Feed-em-Friday" kids are permitted to bring carrots to feed the animals on Fridays. All activities are supervised by experienced counselors, many of whom are Animal Camp graduates! (Typical ratio camper to counselor 4:1) Horseback riding helmets are provided, closed toe shoes, water bottle, snack or lunch (as appropriate) are required. Please email Krista with any questions, or information requests. Like Rising River Farm on facebook to stay up to date on available experiences and activities!

CAMP ASBURY

10776 Asbury Rd.
Hiram, OH 44234
330-569-3171
info@campasbury.org
campasbury.org

I inherited my love of gardening from my grandfather. He connected me to the good earth through "hands-on" activity when I was a child. He taught me, by example, how caring for the soil is essential to an abundant harvest.

Soil is the precious skin of our planet, the bridge between all terrestrial life and inorganic rock. Life depends on fertile soil, formed from the weathering of bedrock beneath our feet over thousands of years and enriched by the residue of earlier generations of life.

Camp Asbury's summer 2020 theme is "The Earth is the Lord's." This summer at Camp Asbury we'll explore our connections with the soil from stories in scripture and

experiences at camp.

Summer 2020 at Camp Asbury will be packed with fun, activity, friends, discovery and creativity. Canoeing, hiking, swimming, archery, nature exploration, art, ceramics, music, high and low challenge courses, giant swing, horseback riding, disc golf, outdoor cooking, gaga ball, nine square, disc golf, photography, and star-gazing are favorite activities.

Camp Asbury offers:

- Resident camp for grades 1-12- six one-week sessions, June 14-July 24, 2020
- Day camp for grades 1-6—six one-week Monday-Friday sessions, June 15-July 24, 2020

For program information visit our website at www.campasbury.org; e-mail: info@campasbury.org or phone: 330-569-3171. Register online at www.EOCSummercamps.org.

Camp Asbury, in northern Portage County near Hiram, Ohio, operates as a ministry of the United Methodist Church and is accredited by the American Camp Association. Camp Asbury welcomes all, regardless of religious affiliation.

Open House: Sunday, April 5, 2020, 2-5 PM

CAMP CURIOSITY: SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS

Great Lakes Science Center
601 Erieside Avenue
Cleveland, OH 44114
216-621-2400
GreatScience.com

Help your kids 'Stay Curious' over summer with engaging, hands-on fun at Camp Curiosity! Kids make new friends, and memories, while they build skills in science, technology, engineering and math!

Camp Curiosity features more than 30 new camps, offering new challenges and unforgettable adventures for kids in preschool through eighth grade. This year, in addition to its core camps at the Science Center, Camp Curiosity will expand across Northeast Ohio and is sure to bring a camp close to you!

From LEGOs and robots, to survival skills and spy tech, campers will see how STEM is part of their everyday lives. Camps combine problem-solving, critical thinking, excitement and fun with opportunities to build relationships in a group setting. All camps are taught by licensed educators, assisted by camp counselors.

Sessions begin June 1 at the Science Center and include a movie in the Cleveland Clinic DOME Theater. Neighborhood camp locations

will be announced soon. Follow the Science Center on social media, sign up for our e-newsletter or visit GreatScience.com for more information.

Register by February 29 for a \$20 off early bird discount. Register by May 1 and receive \$10 off. Discounts are also available for multi-week registration and returning camp alumni. Members always save \$20 per camp. Before- and after-care is available at the Science Center. Scholarships are also available, which allow us to provide summer camp opportunities to underserved youth.

Camps sell out quickly, so register soon. For more information and to register call 216-621-2400 or visit GreatScience.com

CAMP FITCH

12600 Abels Road
North Springfield, PA 16430
877-863-4824
campfitchymca.org

Camp Fitch's century-old, classic sleep-away summer camp provides boys and girls aged 6-16 with a holistically safe, values-driven community where they discover friendship and achievement. Kids feel like they belong here among our carefully vetted, highly committed, and caring staff who create transformative experiences on a gorgeous and well-maintained site on the shore of Lake Erie.

The most important asset of a great camp is the staff that care for your child. At Camp Fitch, we have a very high staff return rate. Most of our staff grew up through our progressive leadership development sequence and our key leadership have each been at Fitch for decades.

Since our minimum counselor age is 18 years old, most of our staff are college students: tomorrow's teachers and child-care experts who are carefully selected with a proven track record of leadership and positive role-modeling. We require an intensive, on-site week long orientation and skill-building session for all of our staff who learn to listen to each child and create a nurturing environment.

While Camp Fitch offers an impressive array of activities at our Lake Erie waterfront, state-of-the-art equestrian center, climbing tower, swimming pool, inland lake, and visual arts center, we recognize that these activities are a means to an end. In particular, the Fitch experience is designed to forge strong friendships that last a lifetime and solidify kids' growing sense that they can reach goals for which they have passion and apply persistence.



BEST. SUMMER. EVER.

Located in Shaker Heights, HB offers a wide array of summer programming for boys and girls, infants through college.

Visit hb.edu/summer to browse through academic, athletics, adventure, theatre, and specialty camp options to create your own one-of-a-kind experience. We offer flexible scheduling. Call 216.320.8085 for details.

Vacation Camps

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Summer Programs

JUNE 1-JULY 31
Co-ed, Infant through College

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CAMP GAN IZZY

5570 Harper Road
Solon, OH
440-498-9533
www.ganizzysolon.com

Camp Gan Izzy Solon is proud to be part of the largest network of Jewish Day Camps in the world. Our goal is to create a safe environment for kids to have a fantastic summer in a Jewish setting.

Our staff is handpicked for responsibility, warmth, and leadership abilities, and have continued training throughout the summer. We are noted for our small groupings where we are able to give each child personal attention. We offer Day Camp for grades K-4 and Explorers Program for grades 5-7. Kids in both programs can specialize in Theatre, Sports or Art! All kids enjoy swimming in our private, heated pool, weekly field trips, guest entertainers as well as a wide array of activities such as tennis, cooking, dance, theme days, scavenger hunts, Shabbat parties and challah baking.

Our beautiful campgrounds are hidden from view with shaded playing fields, a large pavilion, an in-ground, heated swimming pool, and an air conditioned facility.

We offer four sessions from June 8 - July 31, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm. An optional hot buffet lunch is available as well as extended care from 7:45 am to 6:00 pm.

Sign up for one session for a great summer experience or all eight weeks because your kids will love it!! To schedule a tour of our campgrounds or get more information, contact Mushkie Galperin at 440-498-9533 or ganizzy@solonchabad.com. Check out our website at www.ganizzysolon.com or find us on Facebook @CampGanIzzySolon



Around-the-clock supervision is provided by experienced, licensed physicians and nurses from northeast Ohio's top-ranked medical institutions; trained counselors - many of whom have diabetes and are camp alumni; registered dietitians attending to menus and camper nutrition needs; program specialists at each camp activity; certified lifeguards; and a Camp Director in charge of all camp operations. Minimum staff to camper ratio is 1 to 5.

Surrounded by friends and a world-class staff, every camper learns to 'stretch'...spiritually, physically, mentally, emotionally, and socially. Self-assured in these new skills, campers come away with a strong foundation for living their best life, increased capabilities and newfound independence in managing their own personal T1D journey.

For more information on current dates, rates, programs, events, and more, please visit us at www.camphomitakoda.org or reach out at info@camphomitakoda.org or 440-739-4095.

CAMP INVENTION

National Inventors Hall of Fame
800-968-4332
invent.org/camp

Inspire imagination through STEM at Camp Invention!

The Camp Invention® program is the only nationally recognized, nonprofit summer enrichment program for kindergartners through 6th graders that is inspired by the brightest thinkers around — the Inductees of the National Inventors Hall of Fame®. At Camp Invention, children are empowered to have big ideas while they take on STEM-based challenges that inspire them to question, brainstorm, collaborate with teammates and build invention prototypes.

Imaginations will soar this summer in the all-new Camp Invention program, Elevate! Campers will spark their creativity and build collaboration skills while controlling their very own flight simulation robot, protecting Earth's ecosystems, designing the ultimate sports



complex and learning the value of their ideas!

During this program, young innovators will:

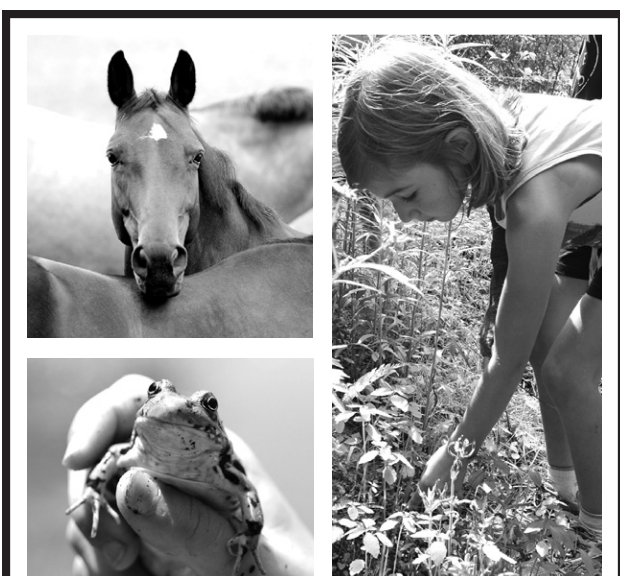
- Build a cityscape out of upcycled materials, navigate planes through a storm and take apart a robot they'll bring home at the end of the program.
- Learn the value of their creativity as they sketch and build prototypes, design logos, market their invention and protect their intellectual property.
- Collaborate and discover solutions to protect the Earth's ecosystems as they compete in zipline races, explore energy conservation and help wildlife habitats.
- Discover the great inventors behind their favorite sports, play high-energy games and design the ultimate sports complex.

Camp Invention's activities give participants the opportunity to explore, create and build confidence as they bring their biggest ideas to life.

Local educators will lead fun, hands-on STEM activities inspiring children to ask questions, overcome obstacles and be confident in their innovative ideas and enthusiastic high school students serve as Leadership Interns, ensuring that one staff member is in place for every eight children.

Early Registration

Camp Invention locations are nationwide! . Visit invent.org/camp or call 800-968-4332 to register. Use promo code LOCAL25 to save \$25 (expires 3/31) or LOCAL15 to save \$15 (expires 5/12). Every registration includes a complimentary Camp Invention T-shirt. Availability is limited, so register today!



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Register for Summer 2020 now at hiramhousecamp.org or (216) 831-5045

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 Bowerston, OH 44695
 740.269.0137 (camp)
 216.849.9395 (winter office)
 www.camprooseveltfirebird.com

It's hard raising children today. There are so many pressures on you as a parent. You worry about your children, their school, their activities and their future. You have the most important job - raising your children to be good people.

We know that you want the best for your child - so do we. You make choices each day to help your child grow into a caring and confident person. We want to help you on this journey.

You want your kids to have fun and make friends at camp. We certainly know how to make that happen!!!

But Camp Roosevelt Firebird is much more than fun.

Camp Roosevelt Firebird is unique. It's independent. It's intentional and thoughtful. It's accessible, diverse and inclusive. Our camp prepares your child for a future in the wider world.

It's managed by people like you - people who want the best for their children. People who want their children to grow up to be good, decent and caring people.

Camp Roosevelt Firebird has everything you want for your child. It's a blast! It has a beautiful natural setting, amazing activities, great facilities and a professional caring staff. You can learn all about our program, the sessions and much more on our website. Our director Joe Mendes also loves making home visits to meet you and your child.

Invest in your children by sending them to Camp Roosevelt Firebird. You will help your children develop self-esteem, confidence, compassion, communication skills, independence and many more life skills.

Camp Roosevelt Firebird helps you raise children who turn into leaders, thinkers and doers. Our camp gives your children the ability to learn and discover who they are away from their everyday lives. Our camp gives you a safe space to allow your child to grow.

You want the best for your child and so do we.

CHAGRIN VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

Bainbridge, OH 44023
 440-543-5141
 cvaclub.com

SPORTS AND JUNIOR CAMPS

Our goal is to have weekly day camps that are fun -- something the kids will beg to come back to. CVAC Sports Camp provides the atmosphere, a wonderful facility and fun-loving staff that makes this happen.

CVAC camp has extensive indoor and outdoor facilities, 2 1/2-acre beach-lined lake, 10 outdoor



and nine indoor tennis courts, Olympic indoor pool, playground and extensive fitness center. Fun sports and adventure guaranteed, rain or shine.

Mornings are full of non-competitive games and good ol' summertime fun like soccer, tennis, gaga ball and more! Afternoons are spent outdoors in and around our beach-lined lake. Kids can make sand castles, swim, or play on the playground.

Fun fitness activities like a hike in our woods foster a healthy attitude toward physical fitness. Lifeguards test each camper to determine their swim level and counselors teach water safety awareness. Lunch is included for all day campers. The best part is the children learn and grow at the same time.

Sports Camp hours are from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with before- and after-care available from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Junior Camp (ages 4 to 6) offers two camps: Fun and Games Camp, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. and Swim Camp, 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.

All Camps are Monday through Friday and weekly sessions are available June through August. Group rates and multiple-week discount are available. For more information, call 440-543-5141, ext. 108.

CHAGRIN VALLEY FARMS

9250 Washington Street
 Chagrin Falls, OH 44023
 440-543-7233
 www.chagrinvaleffarms.com

Does your child love horses? Have they ever had the joy of riding a pony or spending the day in a barn playing horse games, making crafts, grooming ponies, learning how to care for these amazing animals and exploring the outdoors? Chagrin Valley Farms is excited to share these experiences with kids of all ages

and riding skill levels during our summer riding camps that run weekly beginning in mid-June through the beginning of August.

Staffed by experienced instructors and featuring Chagrin Valley Farms school horses, our premier riding camp aims to develop young riders by teaching English riding skills and horsemanship. Campers will watch a vet visit, see a farrier trim and shoe a horse, groom and care for the horses daily and learn from more experienced riders all the joys that come along with riding a horse. The culmination of the summer is a camp showcase where all campers are invited to "show" what they have learned to their family and friends.

Complete with two heated indoor riding arenas, outdoor show rings with premium footing, cross country jumps in the back field, pastures for turn-out and riding trails, Chagrin Valley Farms is Northeast Ohio's premier full-service equestrian center operating year-round.

Visit us online at www.chagrinvaleffarms.com or follow us on Facebook to learn more about all of our upcoming camps, shows and activities.

CHAGRIN VALLEY RECREATION CENTER

400 E. Washington Street
 Chagrin Falls, OH 44022
 440-247-7813
 chagrinvaleffarms.com

Join the fun, Join the Rec

The Chagrin Valley Recreation Center - known around town as "The Rec" - has been a Chagrin Valley tradition since 1943. The Rec offers three pools (including zero-depth entry for tiny swimmers!), tennis courts, a basketball court, a game room, swimming and tennis lesson programs, camps and many unique classes and special events.

Rec Little Campers (ages 3-5)

Lead by Amy Rotenbor, Rec little Campers is the perfect summer transition for our littlest campers. Camp includes free play as well indoor and outdoor structured activities. Camp includes group games, crafts, obstacle courses, circle/storytime, nature exploration, and lots of good old-fashioned summer fun! Activities vary each day and week, so sign up for multiple sessions!

Rec Classic Day Camp (grades 1-6)

The perfect summer solution for working families and families that just need a little summer structure and fun. Full or half-day options available as well as wrap-around care to fit your family's needs. Classic Day Camp provides unique activities and bonding with friends and counselors in a safe, stimulating and fun environment all while taking advantage of all the Rec has to offer. Camp activities include group sports and games, crafts, swimming, nature exploration and Rec special events.

CLEVELAND BALLET

(216) 320-9000
 clevelandballet.org/summer-2020

How many children can say they've worked with a professional ballet company through their school? With the School of Cleveland Ballet, YOU can! At School of Cleveland Ballet's 5-week Summer Intensive 2020, held July 6th to August 8th, we offer the best classical ballet education fueled by passion and hard work under the instruction of our Artistic Director, Gladisa Guadalupe.

Our 5-week session is based on the skillful levels of Intermediate I dancers, who meet 3 times a week, and Intermediate II and Advanced dancers, who meet 5 times a week. Each level focuses on perfecting their technique and strengthening their core values of building confidence, discipline, and compassion through the art of ballet. Your child will have the opportunity to train in our expanded, 11,000 square ft. state of the art facility, as well as show off their beautifully honed skills during a lovely final performance!

With the School of Cleveland Ballet, your delightful dancer will also learn about the sites and sounds of Cleveland through a Trolley Tour around the historical city and visit the world-renowned Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and the nation's 2nd largest art complex, Playhouse Square. We also offer housing upon request, so you may contact our President and CEO, Michael Krasnyansky, at michael@clevelandballet.org.

School of Cleveland Ballet believes that you deserve quality training over a quantity of trophies because we encourage you to never settle. Dancers, ages 10-21, should make an appointment for a placement class and register now at clevelandballet.org/summer-2020/ for an exhilarating summer experience of growth and success!

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center

2020 SUMMER CAMPS

Registration opens **January 27** for preschoolers through high schoolers!

Visit www.lensc.org to learn more

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SPORTS CAMP • GOLF CAMPS MIGHTY MITES SPORTS CAMP

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 11 weeks available
 Campers sign up by the week.
 All Sport and Mighty Mites campers will receive a Golf Dome t-shirt.

Online Registration available at thegolfdome.com

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WEST GEAUGA

RECREATION COUNCIL DAY CAMP

Ages Entering Kindergarten — 5th Grade
 Middle School Camp — 6th-8th Grade
 Hours: 9:00am-3:00pm • Monday-Friday

- Weekly or Daily Registrations Available
- Extended Care 7-9am and 3-6pm
- Located Next to West Geauga Middle School
- Activities Include:

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Other Programs Offered By WGRC Include: Swimming Lessons, Wrestling, Year-Round Soccer, Basketball

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER, VISIT WWW.WGRC.ORG.

CLEVELAND CITY DANCE

Home of City Ballet of Cleveland
13108 Shaker Square
Cleveland, OH 44120
216-295-2222
www.clevelandcitydance.com

Watch your child's eyes sparkle as they are nurtured with dance. Students will experience the joy of dance while also developing confidence, poise, friendship, technical and social skills. Small class sizes with patient and experienced teachers, offer individual attention and encourage each student to be their personal best! Opportunities include visits to museums, guest lectures and performances!

Magical Themed Camps for ages 3-8 include Under the Sea, Sleeping Beauty, and Winter Wonderland. Children use their imagination creating props, experience play through trying on costumes and learn the basics of dance in these fun and explorative camps.

For dancers ages 9 and older, camps include ballet, jazz, choreography, musical theater, acting, dance history and dances from City Ballet of Cleveland's repertoire. For dancers ages 11 and up with three or more years of experience, a placement class is recommended.

The higher-level classes for dancers 12 and older, are designed to build greater strength and fine-tune ballet technique. Intermediate to advanced dancers will take classes in pointe, jazz, modern, choreography, yoga, Pilates, conditioning, classical variations, pas de deux, musical theater, acting, dance history, music, nutrition and injury prevention. Dancers will also rehearse for the end of session performance. Working with visiting professionals and privates are available for the serious dancer who desires continued growth in technique and stage presence.

Register early for a magical and enlightening summer. Call for more information and a tour or visit our website at www.clevelandcitydance.com.

CLEVELAND METROPARKS

clevelandmetroparks.com/camps

Summer Nature Camps

Cleveland Metroparks Summer Nature Camps connect children with the natural world. From hikes in the woods, kayaking, crafts and games, a variety of Summer Nature Camps offer compelling outdoor adventures. Available in convenient locations throughout Cleveland Metroparks. Registration begins March 3 for Cuyahoga County and Hinckley Township residents, and March 10 for all other participants.

Zoo Summer Day Camps

Zoo Summer Day Camps connect campers with wildlife and inspire the next generation of conservationists. Campers ages 5-14 can spend their summer days at the Zoo participating in up-close experiences with ambassador animals, behind-the-scenes tours, and special activities like giraffe feeding, carousel rides, educational games and crafts. Pre-sale for Zoo Members starts February 3 and open registration starts February 14.

Golf Junior Day Camps

Cleveland Metroparks offers a wide variety of golf programs, activities and hands-on instruction for junior golfers of several ages and skill levels. There are activities for beginner, intermediate and advanced junior golfers. Registration is now open.

FAIRMOUNT CENTER FOR THE ARTS

8400 Fairmount Road
Novelty, OH 44072
440-338-3171
fairmountcenter.org

Fairmount Center for the Arts immerses campers, ages 3 through 15 years in a multitude of art forms sure to spark their creativity. Camps are offered from June 1 through July 31 and include half day, full day, one-day and one-week options. Weeklong full-day "All the Arts Adventures" camps for ages 5-10 introduce school age campers to all the art forms – dance, music, theatre and visual arts – EACH day! Camps are led by professional faculty, include outdoor explorations, lunchtime, and a Sharing Day program for family and friends at the end of each week. Themes vary each week and include "Wild Things," "On with the Show," "Jingle in July," and "Art Tales." Early Childhood Arts Camps for ages 3-5 are designed just like the Adventures camps with themes that include "In the Jungle," "Snow Days," and "Fairy Tales." A snack break and outdoor play provide time with friends too! Half-day Specialty camps explore specific art forms such as dance, musical theater, ceramics arts, nature arts, Castles and Sand camp and MORE! Need to drop your camper off early? Fairmount provides supervised care from 8:00-9:00 a.m. free of charge. Complete camp information will be available in early-February with registration opening February 17. Contact Fairmount Center for the Arts by calling (440) 338-3171, emailing info@fairmountcenter.org or visiting <https://www.fairmountcenter.org/special-events/>.

FALCON CAMP

Carrollton, OH
216-991-2489, 800-837-CAMP
Info@FalconCamp.com
www.falconcamp.com

Widely recognized throughout the Midwest as Ohio's premier summer camp, Falcon Camp offers a beautiful lakefront setting, a talented experienced staff and a wide variety of activities. Designed for boys and girls ages 6-16 in 2-, 4-, 6- or 8-week sessions, with a special one week intro for 6-10 year olds. Campers choose their own schedule within a general framework, and daily activities are separate with planned coed events. Riding, sailing, swimming, riflery, crafts, tennis, drama, archery and so many more activities are offered. Instruction from beginner to advanced is offered in each activity.

We have a strong reputation for making sure a camper's first overnight experience is very positive. Our non-competitive environment is inviting to campers who may be hesitant to try something they have never done before, while our awards system challenges our most experienced campers. The 1:4 staff/camper ratio allows individual instruction and attention. Most of all it's great fun!

Falcon has been independently selected as one of the "Top Ten Camps in the USA" by EarlyChildhoodEducationZone.com, as "Ohio's Coolest Camp" by Philly.com, recipient of a 2019 Best of Parenting award by Cincinnati Family magazine and honored by the American Camp Association Ohio Section with their Program Excellence Award. Falcon is an outstanding opportunity for fun and learning. A summer at Falcon is a special experience where good things happen by design. ACA accredited since 1959 and many references available with campers from all over the United States and the world. Visit www.falconcamp.com or call 800-837-CAMP for more information.



The Leonard Gelfand STEM Center

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Weekdays: July 6-17, 2020 ▪ 9:00am - 3:30pm
Science & Exploration for 12-15 year olds

Campers will:

- *conduct field research
- *participate in an introduction to SCUBA and snorkeling
- *share a common reading: Shackleton's Stowaway
- *develop navigational skills on land and water
- *develop a plan and virtually find a wreck
- *travel to a wreck site and explore Lake Erie wrecks

Cost of this two week inquiry based camp is \$535. A \$25 non-refundable application fee is included. Call 216-368-5075 or e-mail: kmk21@case.edu. Camp is located on the CWRU campus. Applications available Spring 2020.

For more information, please call **216-368-5075**
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We offer eight week-long sessions, Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., from June 8 to August 7. For more information or to enroll your camper contact Katy Flint at 440.708.0013 x145 or kflint@fieldstonefarmtrc.com. Or go to our website, www.fieldstonefarmtrc.com/summer-of-fun/.

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Alexis H. said
“I loved learning from different instructors at

5 reasons why summer camp is a good choice for kids

Summer vacation offers students a respite from lessons and the routine of school. Children might once have eagerly awaited those final days of classes so they could lounge poolside, skip rocks across ponds and spend the long days of the season playing with friends. But many of today’s youngsters may spend much of their vacation indoors. Perhaps that’s why one of the last vestiges of the classic summer vacation escape – summer camp – remains such a viable option for parents who want their children to get outdoors. Although kids needn’t be in camp all summer long, a week or two can benefit campers of all ages.

- 1. Explore talents.**
Summer camps help young people explore their unique interests and talents. Under an organized, yet often easygoing, camp schedule, kids can dabble in sports, arts and crafts, leadership, community support, and so many other activities that may not be fully available to them elsewhere.
- 2. Physical activity**
Lots of camps build their itineraries around physical activities that takes place outdoors. Campers may spend their time swimming, running, hiking, playing sports, climbing, and so much more. This can be a welcome change for kids
- 3. Gain confidence.**
Day and sleepaway camps offer campers the opportunity to get comfortable in their own skin. Camps can foster activities in self-esteem by removing the academic measures of success and fill in with noncompetitive opportunities to succeed. Campers learn independence, decision-making skills and the ability to thrive outside of the shadow of their parents, siblings or other students.
- 4. Try new things.**
Camp gives children the chance to try new things, whether that’s learning to cook, exploring new environments or embracing a new sport or activity. Opening oneself up to new opportunities can build character and prove enlightening for children.
- 5. Make new friends.**
Camp is a great place to meet new people and make lifelong friends. Campers flood in from areas near and far. This provides kids with a chance to expand their social circles beyond their immediate neighborhoods and schools.

dance intensive camp! I have never tried hip-hop before because I was afraid I would not be good at it. The instructors gave me confidence to try something new. I am so glad I did because it is now one of my favorite styles! I also made new friends with students from different schools at summer dance intensive camp.”

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Scholarships are available for each session. Please visit fineartsassociation.org or call (440) 951-7500 to learn more!

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www.geaugaparkdistrict.org

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This summer, campers will get the opportunity to kayak on Lake Kelso at Burton Wetlands Nature Preserve – a location that can only be explored with a park naturalist. Says Naturalist Karie Wheaton: “I know they are going to love it!”

Kayaking returns to this year’s schedule as well as hiking, geocaching, biking, building and launching model rockets, exploring, fishing and more.

These 8th annual camps will be offered in week-long form for youth entering grades 5-7 the weeks of June 8, July 6, July 13, July 27 and August 3. The week of June 15, a Junior Naturalist Camp for this age group will direct the focus to streams, lakes and forests for discovery of insects, fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and astronomy.

For teens entering grades 8-10, week-long experiences will be the weeks of June 15 and July 20. Both include archery and Claridon Woodland’s high ropes! Plus, single-day “X-Treme Adventures” will be held July 9 (Kayak Adventure), July 16 (High Ropes Adventure) and July 23 (Biking Adventure).

Wrote one parent last year: “My son, who is almost 11, dreads it when I sign him up for any kind of summer camp – but he really enjoyed this one.”

Registration begins March 20 at 440-286-9516 or www.geaugaparkdistrict.org. For fees and additional details, please visit our website under Activities, then Naturalist-Led Experiences.

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GILMOUR DAY CAMPS

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Our nine weeks of Preschool Camp will delight children ages 3-5 as they explore, learn and play with an exciting theme each week.

This summer, our nine weeks of Day Camp for children ages 5-12 will offer additional opportunities for half-day specialty camp experiences that can be combined with our traditional day camp model. Campers will be able to attend half-day morning or afternoon camps to provide a variety of unique weekly experiences. Additionally, complimentary tutoring and enrichment sessions can be added to your day camper's morning.

Our skill-specific sports camps, hosted by coaches from many of Gilmour's state-ranked

programs, provide campers the opportunity to hone their skills and strategies, whether they play at the recreational, CYO or high-school level. We are again partnering with Big Shot Basketball for our basketball camps.

Finally, credit and non-credit academic enrichment courses are available in a variety of subjects.

Gilmour offers Before and After Care options from 7:15 a.m. until 6 p.m.

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Boys and girls ages 5-13 have fun and learn the fundamentals of different sports at the Golf Dome's premier sports complex. The facilities include an indoor driving range, batting cages, soccer cage, miniature golf course, baseball field and gaga pit. Campers can choose from a

variety of different half-day or full-day camps. Our flexible sign up policy lets campers sign up by the week and our indoor dome allows for all activities to be held rain or shine! All Golf Dome camps provide personalized instruction with a maximum of eight campers per instructor.

Our Sports camp is a fun combination of dodgeball, golf, baseball, soccer, basketball, gaga and much more. Our counselors lead campers in a series of fun drills and organized play situations that emphasize fun and sportsmanship.

Mighty Mites Sports camp is designed specifically for 5 to 7 year olds. All the games and activities focus on hand-eye coordination, balance and agility and maintain a lower camper to counselor ratio.

Our Golf Camps are for all levels of golfers, and are divided into novice, intermediate and cub camp. Novice and intermediate camps feature instruction and drills at the Dome followed by on-course play at Tanglewood Golf Club. Our Tiger Cubs Golf Camp is specifically designed for our 5 to 7 year old aspiring golfers and focuses on learning the basic fundamentals.

Special events vary from week to week and include visits from Jungle Terry, Rescue Village and the Kona Ice Truck. Online registration is now being accepted for all of our camps at www.thegolfdome.com. Please call (440)543-1211 or email kyle@thegolfdome.com with any questions.

Summer camp tip!

Camps benefit children in a variety of ways. Lessons learned in camp can strengthen values, build confidence, develop coping mechanisms when adversity strikes, and enable campers to make lifelong friends.

Choosing a summer camp is no small task, as the options at families' disposal range from overnight camps to weekday afternoon camps to camps that specialize in certain programs.

When looking for a summer camp for kids, families should make the decision together. Kids should be involved in the selection process, as they're more likely to have an enjoyable camp experience if they had a say in where they will be spending their summers.

Engage children in the planning process to help alleviate their fears and get them excited about summer!



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In addition to the flagship Broad Horizons day camp for preschoolers through eighth graders, the school offers a host of athletics, academic, and adventure programs each June, July, and August, many of which are co-ed. Choose your own adventure at HB this summer and create a full itinerary of learning and fun designed just for you.

Upper School classrooms continue to buzz with ideas, as Summer Studies classes tackle topics from Antietam to atomic numbers. Blazer Nation is well represented in the gymnasium and on Wolf Field in the summer too, with varsity athletes assisting in teaching the finer points of shooting a free throw or making a scoring play. Test your mettle in the outdoor adventure Leading for Life program, make your violin sing at Strings Camp, persuade the judges to rule in your favor at Speech & Debate Camp, and much more.

For those interested in the stage, Hathaway Brown Theatre Institute provides top-notch training opportunities in drama, dance, and music. Not only do the participants have the chance to earn roles in full-scale productions, they also have a great time.

HB offers an array of flexible scheduling options to meet busy families' scheduling needs. Visit www.hb.edu/summer or call 215.320.8789 to learn more and register today

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Passport Camps offer unique week-long, full and half-day opportunities to learn, create, and explore. Families can piece together a summer of courses or choose a one-week adventure. Camp topics include science; the performing and visual arts; design and construction; leadership; cooking; world language and culture; games, sports, and fitness; technology and creativity; and mythology, mystery, and adventure.

Hawken Innovation Camps for students ages 7-12, housed inside the new 2-story Innovation Lab on the Lyndhurst campus, offer access to this world-class design space and making tools and machines. These camps allow campers of all abilities a way to build, tinker, and invent while learning valuable skills like coding, woodshop, laser cutting, and 3D design with our trained and experienced faculty mentors. These well supervised trips are once in a lifetime opportunities for making lasting memories.

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How to keep kids engaged over summer break

Children in North America will spend, on average, more than 900 hours attending school in a given year. The average school year in the United States lasts 1,016 hours, the equivalent of 42 continuous days.

As much time as kids spend in school, there will be times when they are left to their own devices, and during these times it's easy for them to forget classroom lessons.

Sometimes called "summer learning loss" or "summer slide," this forgetfulness sees many students fail to retain all of their lessons over prolonged breaks from school. Studies indicate that students score lower on standardized tests at the end of the summer compared to their performance on the same tests at the beginning of summer.

Anywhere from between one to three month's worth of educational achievement can dissipate during prolonged breaks from the classroom. To help ensure that those hard-earned lessons are not so easily forgotten, parents can help children remain intellectually engaged in various ways over school breaks.

Stick to a schedule

Try to maintain a schedule similar to school, with children waking at the same time each day and going to bed at similar hours. This will make it much easier to get back into a routine when a new school year begins.

Encourage reading

Set aside time for reading each day. All it generally takes is 15 to 30 minutes of

reading per day for kids to remember their vocabulary lessons and maintain their fluency and comprehension skills. Children may enjoy picking their own books rather than having a required reading list.

Keep a math book handy

On long car trips or rainy days, children can do a few math problems to keep their skills sharp. This will help keep learning loss to a minimum. Math workbooks may be available at bookstores, or parents can look online or ask a teacher for a summer-to-do packet.

Plan educational trips

Vacations and day trips can be fun, entertaining and educational all at the same time. Science centers, museums and living history locations can bring to life information learned in the classroom, even on family vacations.

Learn at camp

Many children attend camp for a portion of their school breaks. Look for camps that do not simply babysit children, but engage them through enrichment activities.

Take a class

Children and families can learn together by exploring new skills. Enroll in something educational and enjoyable, such as a music or dance class, a STEM seminar or something else that engages the mind and body. This gives everyone a chance to learn something new and have a great time together as a family.

Summer camp fun fact!

According to the American Camp Association, each year more than 14 million children in the United States attend camp. America is home to more than 14,000 day and resident camps (8,400 are overnight camps and 5,600 are day camps). Nonprofit groups are the largest sponsors of summer camps.

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CHECKLIST FOR CHOOSING A CAMP

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- When is the camp?
- Are there multiple sessions?
- Is there an age range for the camp?
- Can I send both (or all) of my children to this camp? If not...
- Is there another camp option going on at the same location my other children can attend?
- When is the deadline for enrollment?
- What forms do I need to fill out?
- How much does the camp cost?
- Are there any special enrollment discounts? (Sibling, multiple camps, etc.)
- What are payment options?
- Is there anything my child needs to bring with them to camp?
- Is there anything my child is NOT allowed to bring to camp?
- Does my child need to wear any specific attire to camp?
- What time does the camp start?
- Does the camp offer before care?
- Will the camp provide lunch?
- Do I need to pack a lunch?
- Does the camp provide a hot lunch option?
- Will the camp accommodate my child's dietary restrictions?
- What time does the camp end?
- Does the camp offer after care?
- Is there a specific day where parents are asked to be at camp? (for performances, lunch, etc.)
- Will my child receive anything to take home?

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Lake Erie Nature & Science Center's summer camps fill early in the year. Registration for summer camps and programs begins Monday, January 20 at 9am for members of Lake Erie Nature & Science Center. Registration opens to the general public on Monday, January 27 at 9am. To become a member or register for summer camp, please visit www.lensc.org or call 440-871-2900.

SUMMER AT LAUREL

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Campers and parents rave about Summer at Laurel. The dedicated Laurel School faculty members bring their passion and creativity to each program to ensure an energetic and caring environment where the potential of every camper is nurtured and developed. Laurel's summer offerings reflect the School's expertise and include opportunities for girls and boys in age 24 months through Grade 12, including art, STEM, theatre, academic courses, sports and adventure programs. In addition, Laurel has partnered with the Cleveland Museum of Art, Heights Youth Theatre, Little Medical School and Drobots Company to take advantage of the expertise these organizations have in delivering high-quality programs for campers.

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Register online at www.LaurelSchool.org/Summer. Questions? Contact the Summer at Laurel Office: Summer@LaurelSchool.org or 216-455-3065.

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Every Day Is A Day for Adventure At an Orange Rec Summer Camp!

Pepper Pike, Ohio – January, 2020 – Every day is a day for adventure as Orange Community Education & Recreation presents a summer of fun featuring traditional day

campers, enrichment camps, art camps and sports camps for children ages 3 – 14, June 8 – July 31. All camps are close to home on the Orange Schools campus, which features a kid-friendly outdoor leisure pool with a slide and waterfalls, groomed sports fields, playgrounds and hiking trails. The Open Door Extended Camp program provides before and after-camp care for campers currently in grades Kindergarten through grade 5.

Camp registration begins Monday, January 27 at 8:30 a.m. online at www.orangerec.ce.eleyo.com, or in person at the Pepper Pike Learning Center on the Orange Schools campus, 32000 Chagrin Blvd., Pepper Pike. Register by April 15 and receive \$25 off the listed price for every camp.

The Orange Early Childhood Camp offers a fun and creative learning environment for children ages 2-5 who have not entered Kindergarten. This year's camp offers a choice of weekly camps, each with a different theme. The camp day will include art, outdoor activities, pretend play, science discovery, and hands-on projects. Extended care is also available.

Campers currently in grades K-5 can enjoy three levels of fun and adventure in Orange Lions Camps. Camps are based on grade level and include outdoor activities, creative expression, games and field trips. Middle schoolers

will love our new Extreme Adventures Camp, designed just for them.

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Young artists in grades 2-5 and in grades 6-8 can register for exciting new art camps at the Orange Art Center, each with a different theme.

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Look for our Summer Camp Guide, available online at www.orangerec.com, and in hard copy at the Pepper Pike Learning Center, local libraries, the third week of January.

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Get prepared for summer camp season

Summer camps in North America were first established in the 1880s and were attended by children without their parents for overnight stays. By the 20th century, summer camps had become an international phenomenon, and various organizations hosted traditional summer camps or camps geared toward religion, sports, music and other subjects and activities.

Many people put off summer camp planning until it is too late. Parents should keep in mind that camps begin registration early in the year and have specific cut-off dates for enrollment. Parents who want to beat the crowds use this guide to help plan a summer camp agenda.

Attend an orientation seminar

Take the time to visit prospective camps for a tour, and use this open house as an opportunity to learn more about the programs offered. If available, find a camp employee to discuss your child's eligibility for enrollment. Some camps may offer webinars for convenience.

Fill out the enrollment package completely

Each camp has their own requirements for registration. Expect to submit some personal information, including a medical background and proof of insurance, names and numbers of emergency contacts, and any other pertinent information as it applies to the camper. This may include allergies, fears, physical or mental disabilities, or even preferences in camp courses.

Establish payment schedules

Summer camps vary in price. The ACA says camp costs range from \$100 to more than \$1,500 per week. However, many accredited camps offer some sort of financial assistance for children from families with limited financial means. If cost is a factor, be sure to broach the subject.

Prepare children for the physical challenges a camp may present

Summer camp activities may be rigorous, and campers may need to be cleared by a physician before starting. Be sure to schedule your child a physical and bring along any pertinent forms. Children also can increase their levels of physical activity compared to the often sedentary nature of winter. Such preparation can prevent injuries when engaging in outdoor and physical activities.

Shop for supplies

Camps are likely to provide a list of requirements with regard to clothing and other equipment campers will need. Make sure kids have enough shorts, T-shirts, socks, athletic shoes, swimsuits, toiletries, and other camp necessities before they leave.

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Our dedicated staff works to provide a safe and fun environment for children, as well as challenging them to grow through experiential learning. We provide campers an opportunity to make themselves part of the great outdoors and to create friendships that will last a lifetime.

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- Making animal treats^[1]
- Socializing puppies and kittens^[1]
- Making toys and blankets
- Participating in a few animal care/shelter chores^[1]
- Helping dogs and cats get adopted^[1]

Don't miss out on this opportunity for your kids to have fun, learn, and make memories! Summer camp sessions are one week long from Monday through Friday, 9am-1pm. Please register early, as the camps fill very quickly! To register, go to bit.ly/RVSummerCamp.

SUMMER BUCKET LIST IDEAS

A fun way to navigate the way through summer is by creating a bucket list of all of the fun things you want to do or accomplish over break! The list below from U-Create Crafts offers 100 activities and ideas for a summer bucket list!

Use this list or create your own summer bucket list to make summer 2020 the best one yet!

1. Picnic at the park
2. Play in a kiddie pool
3. Make s'mores
4. Homemade pizza party
5. Make pet rocks
6. Have a cousin sleepover
7. Make a lemonade stand
8. Go to a summer matinee
9. Tie-dye t-shirts
10. Write your own story
11. Scavenger hunt walk
12. Make your own fidget spinners
13. Attend story time at the library
14. Make ice cream in a baggie
15. Visit an imax theater
16. Fondue night
17. Catch fireflies or bugs
18. Have a water balloon fight
19. Make journals
20. Go to a parade
21. Make homemade jam
22. Hunt for shapes in the clouds
23. Go to a water splash pad
24. Play legos
25. Go fishing
26. Build an indoor fort using blankets
27. Go bowling
28. Backyard water games
29. Go to a baseball game
30. Go to the zoo
31. Have a fun summer reading program
32. Family bike ride
33. Go to a park you've never been to before
34. Learn to swim or go swimming
35. Make a time capsule
36. Go bird watching
37. Make homemade popsicles
38. Play catch
39. Learn how to play a new board game
40. Go see a fireworks show
41. Mail a letter to someone special
42. Attend a kids workshop at home depot or lowe's
43. Outdoor movie night
44. Make 4th of july shirts
45. Learn to hula hoop
46. Play dress up
47. Go to a drive-in movie
48. Bake cookies
49. Fly a kite
50. Go on a road trip
51. Do a fun science project
52. Go camping
53. Make a bird feeder
54. Play hopscotch
55. Make paper airplanes and race
56. Make sail boats and race
57. Set up or make a slip n slide
58. Play mini golf
59. Skip rocks in a river
60. Make smoothies
61. Go to a children's museum
62. Start a rock collection
63. Plant a garden
64. Have a family talent show
65. Run in the sprinklers
66. Make friendship bracelets
67. Create sidewalk art using chalk
68. Have a yard sale and let the kids help
69. Make homemade bubbles
70. Go to an amusement park
71. Make princess crowns or hero capes
72. Make homemade play dough
73. Do a jigsaw puzzle
74. Have a pillow fight
75. Play mini golf
76. Camping in the backyard
77. Make sand castles at the park or beach
78. Make or go get snow cones
79. Go to the local fair
80. Homemade marshmallow guns
81. Make a video
82. Catch butterflies with nets
83. Make homemade instruments
84. Go horseback riding
85. Decorate cupcakes or cookies
86. Go to an outdoor concert
87. Have a treasure hunt
88. Play frisbee
89. Make sun catchers
90. Visit a nature center
91. Go to the beach
92. Collect sea shells
93. Go to a local farmer's market
94. Have a puppet show
95. Make root beer floats
96. Have an ice cream party with lots of toppings
97. Make recycled crayons
98. Go to the skate park or a skating rink
99. Favorite movies marathon
100. Make treats for neighbors

It's never too early to begin planning kids' summer recreation

Many families spend winter figuring out how to chase away cabin fever and endure frigid temperatures until spring and summer mercifully return. Parents thinking ahead to swimming pools and days lounging on the beach can put their daydreams to practical use by planning ahead for their youngsters' summer vacations.

Youth recreational programs and summer camps can bridge the gap in care between the end of school and the day when classes resume. Due in part to high demand, parents who want to place their kids in summer rec programs or summer camps should be vetting such programs and camps well in advance of summer. The following are a handful of tips for moms and dads who want their kids to have fun and fulfilling summers.

Ask for recommendations

Speak with fellow parents and trusted friends about where they send their children. Personal recommendations can be very helpful, providing firsthand insight into a particular camp or program. Schedule

appointments to visit camps that fall within your budget. Take your son or daughter along so he or she can get a sense of what camp will be like.

Explore all options

Camps come in more flavors than ever before. Certain camps may be faith-based ministries while others may focus on particular sports. Band camps and art camps may appeal to creative kids. Also, there are plenty of general-interest camps that offer various activities without narrowing in on any particular one. Parents may need to choose between a sleepaway camp or day camps, depending on which camp experience they want for their children.

Inquire about camp schedules

While many camps are flexible, day camps do not have the same level of flexibility as after-school programs. Arrangements will need to be made if care is required after regular camp hours. Speak with camp staff to see which types of after-hours programs, if any, are available.

Determine your camp budget

As varied as program offerings may be, camps also can vary greatly with regard to cost. Government-run camps may be less expensive than those offered by private companies. Day camps typically cost less than those that provide room and board. Find out if a particular organization subsidizes a portion of camp costs. Scouting programs often have a dedicated camp and may offer affordable options for scouts. Martial arts schools and dance centers frequently offer camp schedules.

If camp seems out of reach, look into local summer recreation programs at parks or schools. Such programs may not be as extensive as those offered by camps, but they can quell kids' boredom and keep children occupied during the day.

In addition to camp, remember to plan for some free days so children can just enjoy some downtime. Such days can break up the monotony of a routine and provide kids and families time to relax together.

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- conduct field research
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- share a common reading: Shackleton's Stowaway
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Of course we continue our Learn to Skate Program on Weds. Nights as well as Saturdays! The teacher and student ratio for our learn to skate program gives your skater the chance to really focus on skills during the summer months.

The Pond is continuing to grow its offerings with a new Indoor Turf Facility called "The Yard" The Yard is 7,500 sq ft of Indoor Turf available for rent. It can be used as a soccer field, infield baseball practice and 3 batting cages available for your use at \$30 hr./each. The Yard is open for all baseball players to use the cages at any time with a reservation.

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Summer 2020 programs include many NEW enrichment camps and academic courses, along with our popular sports clinics and day camps. Held at our Shaker Heights and Hunting Valley campuses, US camps are led by our experienced teachers and varsity coaches. We offer camps for preschool-age kids through high school-age students.

Summertime is all about exploring, and US offers many specialized camps, including rocketry, outdoor adventure, engineering and coding, song writing and theater, entrepreneurship and debate, LEGO and Minecraft, and digital film, video, and photography.

Our Preschool Camp engages pre-kindergarten boys in a creative and stimulating environment. US Boys Day Camp is the place where boys experience teamwork, sportsmanship, athletic and non-athletic skill-building, and pride in a job well done. Our Coed Day Camp is offered at the end of camp season.

US Sports Camps are for beginning athletes looking for an introduction to a sport, or for student-athletes wanting to take their talents to a higher level. Life values of teamwork, respect, effort and sportsmanship are staples of the US athletic program and are incorporated into every session.

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Campers come from all over the U.S. as well as several other countries. Campers can attend for 1-4 weeks. Sessions begin June 14th with the final session set for the week of August 2nd. Sibling discounts are offered.

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Since 1948, the West Geauga Recreation Council has been providing residents and children of the Northeast Ohio community recreation opportunities. The West Geauga Recreation Council will again host its traditional outdoor Day Camp for children entering grades K-5 and also a Middle School Camp for kids entering grades 6-8. The camp offers weekly sessions or a daily rate. This is one of the only camps in the area that offers the flexibility of registering per day.

The campground, located adjacent to the West Geauga Middle School in Chester Township, offers fifteen wooded acres with a huge covered pavilion, heated swimming pool, volleyball court, soccer field, basketball court, stage, an arts and crafts pavilion, and playgrounds. Weekly educational themes are intertwined with crafts, nature exploration, pool time (with licensed life guards), games, and other outdoor activities. Again this year, there will be field trips every Thursday for the Middle School Camp. Special visitors to the camp include magicians, musicians, and many others. There are new and exciting events every week, so there is always something different.

The camp runs 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday (closed July 4th). Additionally, morning care (7-9 a.m.) and after care (3-6 p.m.) are available. For more information and to register, please visit www.wgrc.org.

The West Geauga Recreation Council also offers several other programs including spring soccer for children in preschool through 8th grade. Registration for this program runs until April 1st. Information and registration forms are available at <http://wgrc.org/soccer.html>.

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SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

Avoid head injuries during sports play

Participation in sports can be great for students, making a positive impact on their school careers both on the field and in the classroom. Sports can keep athletes physically fit, help develop confidence and assist students with making friends. However, as with all physical activities, safety must be made a priority by athletes, their parents and their coaches.

Preventing traumatic brain injuries involves diligence on the part of parents, student athletes and coaches.

- The AANS says helmets reduce the risk of head injury by at least 45 percent and brain injury by 33 percent. Wearing safety gear while participating in sports is essential.

- Sports teams can focus on safety through hard work and dedication rather than a "win at all costs" mentality that may entice players to take risks that lead to injury.

- Rules should be enforced, especially those for fair play and safety. Striking other athletes in the head or using their head or helmet to contact another athlete, or other illegal contacts, should result in reprimands.

- Students should recognize their skill sets and not try dangerous moves that can put their health at risk.

- Athletes can consult with coaches to learn maneuvers and strategies that can reduce risk for injury, such as safe tackling techniques and using spotters when strength training.

Always practice sun safety when outdoors this summer

When the weather is warm, many people take time to relax at the beach or poolside. While such relaxation can provide a welcome break from busy schedules, it's important that men, women and children prioritize protecting their skin when spending time in the sun.

According to the Skin Cancer Foundation, basal cell carcinoma, or BCC, is the most common form of skin cancer. The American Cancer Society notes that each year there are more new cases of skin cancer in the United States than the combined incidences of cancers of the breast, prostate, lung and colon. Despite that prevalence, many people still engage in risky behaviors in the name of outdoor enjoyment. But exercising such caution will help summer revelers reduce their risk for skin cancer and other conditions.

Know the risks of UV exposure

Sunlight is needed to engage vitamin D production in the body, but too much sun exposure can do more harm than good. Ultraviolet, or UV, rays from the sun and other sources, such as tanning beds, are the primary cause of skin cancer. Exposure also can lead to sunburns, premature aging/wrinkling and eye damage.

Use only broad-spectrum SPF

Look for a sunblock product that boasts an SPF of at least 30. The FDA requires any sunscreen with an SPF below 15 to carry a warning that it only protects against sunburn, not skin cancer or skin aging. Find a sunscreen that works against UVA and UVB rays as well. UVA rays are mostly responsible for contributing to skin cancer and premature aging. Reapply

frequently, especially when swimming or engaging in activities that cause sweating.

Know the difference between water-resistant and waterproof

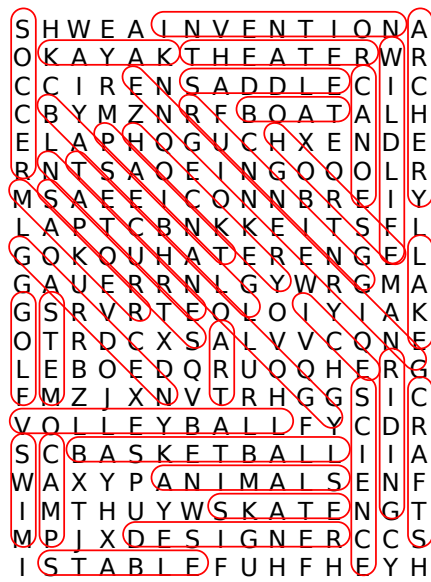
Manufacturers are no longer allowed to claim that their sunscreens are waterproof or sweatproof. A sunscreen may be able to repel water for a short time, but it should be reapplied when leaving the water or when spending long stretches in the water.

Cover up whenever possible

It may seem counterintuitive in hot weather, but covering up can be beneficial to the skin and actually keep a person cooler. Wear wide-brimmed hats, long-sleeve tops and light-colored pants. Some materials are made with reflective properties, while others actually boast their own SPF.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

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