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CROSS ROADS DAY CAMP

Summer Address: St. Bernard's Church, 88 Claremont Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924

Summer phone: 908-340-6641

E-mail: admin@stbernardsnj.org

Website: www.stbernardsnj.org and <https://www.crossroadsretreat.com/day-camps/>

Director: The Rev. Beth Rauen Sciaino

Cientele information: All children grades K-6. We especially like to encourage the students from the St. Bernard's Homework Helpers program, and children from our local Latino community

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DELBARTON SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer Address: 230 Mendham Road, Morristown, NJ 07960

Summer Phone: 973-538-3231 ext. 3019

Email: ccurnow@delbarton.org

Website: delbartonsummer.com

Director: Sports Camps: Jake Ross; Academic Courses: John Thompson; Arts Programs: Andrew Lyman

Session Lengths: One to five weeks

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HUNTERDON ART MUSEUM

Summer Address: Hunterdon Art Museum, 7 Lower Center Drive, Clinton, N.J. 08809.

Summer phone: 908-735-8415

Fax: 908-735-8416

Email: educ_staff@hunterdonartmuseum.org

Website: www.hunterdonartmuseum.org

Director of Education and Community Engagement: Donna de Ville

Hunterdon Art Museum's Summer Camp sessions are immersive experiences for children of all abilities, ages 5-14, de-

signed to ignite the imagination and spark creativity.

Each camp session is a half-day, week-long program focused on a specific art medium or theme.

Two weekly sessions are offered (a.m. and p.m.) for each age group.

Classes are held in the museum's studios. Fees vary depending on the program selected. Please visit the website for more information.

JCC CAMP RUACH

Summer Address: 775 Talamini Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Summer phone: 908-443-1026

E-mail: asteinberg@ssbjcc.org

Website: www.jcccamp.ruach.org

Director: Alanna Steinberg

Session Lengths: 4-8 Weeks + 1 week Specialty Camp

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 (3) July 13 - July 16
 (4) July 20 - July 23
 (5) July 27 - July 30
 (6) Aug 3 - Aug 6
 (7) Aug 10 - Aug 13
 (8) Aug 17 - Aug 20



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Pre care: 8:00am - 9:00am - (\$40)

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grade. Rooted in a philosophy that values individual growth, community, and belonging, the camp creates a nurturing space where every child is encouraged to build confidence, independence, and lasting friendships. Camp Ruach's comprehensive program blends daily swim, creative arts, athletics, special events, and experiential learning, with expanded opportunities for older campers including travel, leadership development, and inclusive supports. Together, these elements create a dynamic camp culture that extends beyond the summer and keeps families connected throughout the year.

MADISON AREA YMCA QUEST CAMPS

Summer Address: Drew University, 36 Madison Ave., Madison, NJ 07940

Summer phone: 973-822-9622

Email: QuestCamps@madisonymca.org

Website: www.madisonareaymca.org/camp

Director: Finola Colon

Fee: MiniQuest (preschool, ages 3-4)

\$1,050/ 2 weeks (at the F.M. Kirby Children's Center of the Madison Area YMCA) – full day program; \$470/ 2 weeks (at the F.M. Kirby Children's Center of the Madison Area YMCA) – half day program.

KidsQuest (entering kindergarten – grade 5) \$1,070/ 2 weeks (at Drew University).

SpecialtyQuest (entering kindergarten – grade 5) \$1,100/ 2 weeks (at Madison Area YMCA Family Center).

TravelQuest (entering grade 3 – 8) \$1,350/ 2 weeks (at Madison Area YMCA Family Center)

Leader In Training (L.I.T.) program (entering grades 6-9) \$650/ 2 weeks (at Drew University).

Scholarships may be available.

Session Lengths: Session lengths are 10 weeks (five 2-week sessions)

At Quest Camps 2026, campers from preschool through entering grade 9 step into a summer that's truly UNPLUGGED. CONNECTED. It is a return to the basics of outdoor fun, imagination, and building friendships face-to-face. Here, curiosity leads the way, and each day feels like a fresh start waiting to be filled with re-

al-world adventure.

Quest Camps blends the classics of summer fun with hands-on experiences that spark creativity. From active games on the field to the wonders of STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics), campers unplug from the fast-paced, digital world and plug into something better: connection, teamwork, discovery, and simple summer joy. Whether attending a session or joining us for a single week, campers experience meaningful moments that last long beyond the summer.

Join us at one of our three locations: Drew University, F.M. Kirby Children's Center, and the Madison Area YMCA Family Center as we build unforgettable summer days that bring campers closer to nature, to each other, and to themselves.

From preschool through grade 9, campers grow by building character and independence through a variety of age-appropriate, unplugged activities led by thoughtful, caring staff. Join us for full or half-day MiniQuest (preschool, ages 3-4) located at the F.M. Kirby Children's Center of the Madison Area YMCA, KidsQuest (entering kindergarten – grade 5), or Leader In Training camps (entering grades 6 – 9), both located at Drew University. SpecialtyQuest (entering kindergarten – grade 5) is located at the Family Center and includes traditional day camp activities and provides opportunities for a deeper dive into focused program areas,

including Fine Arts, Gymnastics, School of Performing Arts, Sports, and Y Ninja Gym. During weeks 9 and 10 at TravelQuest (entering Grade 3 – Grade 8), campers will head out on daily trips, exploring new places and experiences in an unplugged, experiential way. Campers depart each day at approximately 9 a.m. Throughout the summer, the Y incorporates its four core values of Honesty, Caring, Respect and Responsibility. Our summer camp experience guarantees to be full of opportunities, adventure and friendships.

Our trained, qualified and caring Y staff run all camps. We offer five two-week camp sessions so that our campers have ample time to engage in projects and activities that are more comprehensive as they bond with each other. Our two-week sessions have built-in reduced rates, including lunch! Not able to come for the full two-week session? No problem! Sign-up for our one-week drop-in program. To avoid duplicate charges of the one-time camp registration fee for all multi-camp or mixed camp registrations (i.e., KidsQuest, SpecialtyQuest, and TravelQuest), registration must be processed through Camp Administration. Our Camp Admin team is happy to help ensure your registration is completed correctly and efficiently.

At the Y, we believe that every child should be able to enjoy the best summer

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camp experience possible. The Madison Area YMCA is a mission-driven charitable organization, committed to providing an enriching camp experience for all, and providing help to families who may not be able to afford the full price of camp.

Scholarships may be available. Join us for what will be the best summer ever!

OAK KNOLL SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer Address: 44 Blackburn Road, Summit, NJ 07901

Summer Phone: 908-522-8186

Email: meghan.hodgin@oakknoll.org

Website: oakknoll.org/summer

Director: Dawn Cullinan

Session Lengths: Day camp is 7 weeks in the summer; there are several options for 1 week or less

Oak Knoll Summer Adventures offers a season of discovery for campers ages 3-17 on our beautiful Summit campus. With programs designed by age and interest, children can explore creative arts, STEM challenges, athletics, outdoor pursuits, and more — supported by skilled staff who make every day safe, engaging, and fun. Campers enjoy access to expansive fields, a private off-site swimming pool, and modern facilities that encourage curiosity and active play. Flexible scheduling, including half-day, full-day, and extended care options, helps families tailor the experience to their needs. Whether your child is testing new talents or diving deeper into what they love, Oak Knoll Summer Adventures promises memorable days filled with learning, friendship, and joy.

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Summer Address: 279 Route 202-206, Pluckemin, N.J. 07978

Summer Phone: 908-658-3346

Email: Chris@ppch.org

Website: https://ppch.org/vbs

Director: Chris Staffin

Fee: \$30 for one child; \$25 for each additional child in a family.

Session Lengths: One week, July 6-10th, 9:00 am – 12:00 noon each day

At Rainforest Falls Bible School, kids will step into an immersive tropical rainforest experience full of towering trees, rushing waterfalls, and incredible creatures, all while discovering the true na-

ture of God. As they trek beneath the canopy, kids will explore what it means to be rooted in a relationship with God, their safe place through life's storms. The camp is held both indoors and outdoors on the 6-acre campus of the Pluckemin Presbyterian Church. Our goal is to know God's love, show God's love, and share God's love with those in our community.

SUMMER ART CAMPS

Summer Address: The Center for Contemporary Art, 2020 Burnt Mills Road, Bedminster, NJ 07921

Summer phone: 908-234-2345

Fax #: 908-275-8828

Email: info@ccabedminster.org

Website: www.ccabedminster.org

Director: Heather Ball, Director of Education

Fee: Price range from \$330 - \$340 per week

Special Needs Camp \$150 for 6 weeks

Session Lengths: One Week

Weekly summer art camps for children and teens ages 5 - 15 are designed to stimulate creative expression through projects and activities that change each week. Summer Art Camps run June 22 through September 4. Summer Art Camps are for half- or full-day camps.

What We Offer:

Morning Art - 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM Students ages 5-8 and 9-11 will engage in two- and three-dimensional creative exploration through painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, mixed media and more. Teens will explore a single medium in depth.

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VBS SPORTS CAMP

Summer Address: Liberty Corner Presbyterian Church, 45 Church Street, Liberty Corner, NJ 07938

Summer phone: 908-647-0340

Email: kellyt@libertycorner.org

Website: https://libertycorner.org/sports-camp

Director: Kelly Tancredi, Director of Family Ministries; Spencer Ashnault, Camp Leader

Session Lengths: VBS Sports Camp will be held July 20-24, 2026, from 9 am to 12:15 pm daily.

Liberty Corner Kids is hosting an action-packed week of VBS Sports Camp

from July 20-24 for kids age four (by July 1) through grade 5. Camp runs from 9 am to 12:15 pm each day on the campus of Liberty Corner Church. Pre-K and kindergarten campers will be part of MVPs (Most Valuable Preschoolers) and will focus on movement and coordination through a variety of sports activities.

Campers in grades 1-5 may choose from basketball, cheerleading, flag football, golf, or soccer. All campers will participate with energizing music and games, Bible stories, and snacks. This year's theme Freedom in Christ is inspired by Romans 8:2, and explores the true freedom found in Christ, the foundations of our faith, and how we are called to live out that faith with liberty and purpose. Registration is required for and available online only at libertycorner.org/sports-camp. The cost is \$95/camper. Use the discount code EARLY15 by April 5, 2026 and save 15%.

Volunteer leadership positions are available for students in middle school and high school. Students receive 25+ service hours and leadership training. Registration and references required.

YMCA CAMP MASON

Summer Address: 23 Birch Ridge Road, Hardwick, N.J. 07825

Summer Phone: 908-362-8217

E-mail: shani@campmason.org

Website: www.campmason.org

Director: Anna Bilton

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American educators work every day to give their students a brighter future. Unfortunately, not all classrooms are equipped with tools and resources that match the dedication of teachers and the potential of students.

The Rack Room Shoes Gives Teacher of the Year program marks seven years of impact in 2026, a legacy that now includes 30 award-winning teachers across the country. This initiative relies on a community-driven process where individuals nationwide submit nominations detailing the positive and influential impact of dedicated teachers. Following an open call that typically draws over 300 nominations, a public voting period determines the winners who receive both personal rewards and substantial resources for their school communities.

The program has evolved into a vi-



Pictured above and below are students at Lead Mine Elementary.



tal engine for technological advancement, providing \$10,000 technology grants to each winning school. These funds allow administrators and ed-

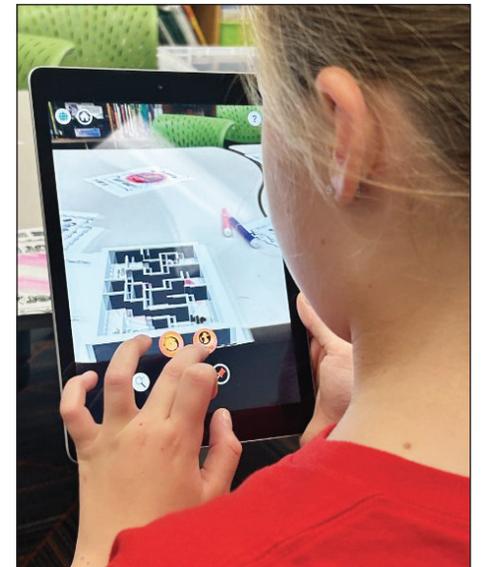
ucators to bridge the gap between traditional instruction and modern, hands-on learning. One winning school, Lead Mine Elementary, allocated nearly 80% of its grant to K-5 robotics and a daily live newscast. This investment enables students to explore circuitry, program robots, and develop leadership through the "Live at the Mine" news program.

Across the country, these grants have historically funded a diverse array of tools, including 3D printers, laptops, STEAM lab resources, and full broadcast systems. By fostering partnerships between families who nominate and communities that vote, the program ensures that corporate support translates directly into inquiry-based learning opportunities. As it enters this new cycle, the initiative continues to acknowledge educators' exceptional dedication while equipping their students with the technical skills necessary for the future.

To learn more about the contest, visit <https://2026rrteacherofyear.cmpgn.page/c01sVl>.

At a time when many schools are underfunded, the commitment of teachers remains unwavering. Fortunately, efforts are being made to honor these teachers while delivering additional resources to benefit students and school communities.

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