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MORE THAN FUN, CAMP EXPANDS THE WORLD

Camp is not just recreation and fun. It is more than teaching skills, such as archery or swimming. It is about understanding the beauty of discovery that can lead to emotional growth and maturation.

It is the expansion of one's world, a sharpening of one's vision that invites the acquisition of lifelong lessons, according to the American Camp Association (ACA).

Camp professionals are not just teachers or counselors; they are coaches and mentors. They influence, advocate, shape, love, and protect. And it is true, both young and old do learn lessons from the camp experience. However, those lessons come after experiences that are real, relevant, and personal.

"Who will care when I'm not there?" It's every parent's question when they leave their children in the hands of strangers. Who will take the time to appreciate basic child development, as well as the unique qualities of their personalities? Who will ensure that my children have fun and, at the same time, learn important life lessons? Who will help my children understand how they can work as a team, contributing and succeeding? Who will help my children un-

derstand the importance of a community and the responsibilities that lie within? Who will keep my children safe and guard their tender feelings while they are acting invincible? Who will care when I'm not there?

The answer to these questions is the camp professional. They offer children the opportunity to explore, discover, and learn about the best things life has to offer. They are willing to laugh, talk and cry with children, creating an understanding of social bonding. These are the people who are willing to care when I am not there.

ACA offers a variety of tips on how to choose the right summer camp for your child:

When beginning the camp selection process, consider your child's interests. It's important to know a child's personality and identify what camp programs will benefit him or her most. With a variety of programs and activities, summer camp offers fun and meaningful adventures to match a child's interests and maturity level.

Be certain to include your child in the decision-making process. Together with your child, explore the camp options and exam-

ine the materials the camps provide. In addition, many camps have web sites that include photos, maps or virtual tours of the camp facility, sample daily schedules and menus, and information about the directors and key staff. As children become better acquainted with the camp experience and more involved in the decision-making process, they will have less anxiety about going away to camp.

The camp experience is a win-win for everyone. Parents win because their children grow and learn. Children win because they have fun and collect lifelong friends and memories. Society wins because the camp experience helps make healthy, productive adults. Camp professionals win because they have made a positive difference in a child's life.

Camp is an equal opportunity life-changer. By sending a child to camp, families are truly giving a gift that lasts a lifetime.

The pages in this booklet provide a listing of camps of all types in the area. Whether it be academics, music, theater, sports, or other types of interests, you'll find it here.

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Summer phone: (201) 692-6500

Fax: (201) 692-6505

E-mail: nelson@fdu.edu

Website: fdu.edu/campdiscovery

Director: Karen Nelson

Co-ed programs include Camp Discovery for grades 1-7, which offers a well-rounded day camp experience with fun STEM and nature activities, arts and crafts, sports, dance, exciting field trips and more; Camp Discovery Tech for grades 5-8 (only available at Teaneck location), for campers interested in exploring STEM, robotics, exciting field trips and more; and Leader in Training Camp (LIT) for grades 8-9, which offers leadership training, exciting activities and trips. Fees vary, depending on program length and frequency. Early bird discounts are available for those who register and pay in full before May 30. Flexible ses-

sions are offered in 1-6 week formats.

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CAMP KIERSON

Summer Address: 107 W. Woodschurch Rd., Flemington, NJ 08822

Summer phone: (908) 528-3307

E-mail: kiersonfarm@me.com

Website: www.kiersonfarm.com

Director: Nikki Harrison or Hilary Wilcox

Kierson Farm Summer Camp is open to all ages and ability levels, ages 3 and up. We offer a variety of camp options to fit all riders. Fees are: Happy Trails: \$250 Half-Day or \$450 Full-Day. Step Up Camp costs \$675. Each

session is one week, from Monday through Friday. Full-day camp runs from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Half-day is 9 a.m. to noon or noon to 3 p.m.

Camp Kierson is located on 20 acres of rolling hills in Hunterdon County. Each year, Kierson Farm offers a host of Riding Camps for all ages and skill levels. Kierson campers will experience horses in a safe, clean and professional atmosphere with fun at the forefront of all activities. We offer several different camp programs to accommodate all riders from the smallest beginner to advanced riders looking to compete on a National or World Level. Each of our camp options features hour-long riding lessons, hands-on horse learning, team and confidence building activities, and a little bit of horseplay too. Our goal at Camp Kierson is to share the joy of the horse with each of our campers and helping them learn all things horse.

CAMP RIVERBEND

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Co-ed programs for ages 3 to 14. 3/4-day programs for 3 and 4 year olds, full-day for 4 year olds and up. Teen day trip program for rising 7th to 9th graders. Fees vary depending on weeks and program options. Visit www.campriverbend.com/parents/registration for details. Sessions are from two to seven weeks.

Camp Riverbend — where the fun never ends! At Camp Riverbend Day Camp, your child can experience the most memorable summer ever — in a safe, nurturing and caring environment dedicated to growth, friendship and fun. A full range of sports, crafts, swimming, nature and more! At Riverbend, we applaud effort and enthusiasm, fun and camaraderie and camp spirit.

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CAMPUS KIDS WEEKDAY SLEEP-AWAY CAMP

Summer Address: Blairstown, NJ 07825**Summer Phone: (973) 845-9260****Winter Office Address: P.O. Box 8, Madison, NJ 07940****Winter Phone: (973) 845-9260****E-mail: info@campuskids.com****Website: www.campuskids.com****Director: Tom Riddleberger**

Co-ed programs for ages 7 to 15. Fees vary by length of stay (no tipping allowed). Session lengths are two weeks to full season.

Campus Kids is the Weekday Sleep-Away Camp — Monday through Friday at camp and then home with the family on weekends, transportation included. Each camper chooses his or her own activities every day. Sports, fine arts, performing arts, swimming, na-

ture — there are more than 50 different activities. Counselors (all college aged and older) are fun, safety-conscious and focus on each camper's needs. Campus Kids is located in Warren County on the beautiful, rural campus of Blair Academy, providing superior facilities. Ask about our sport specialties in ultimate Frisbee, squash, tennis and fitness. A weekend travel program is also available for campers ages 12 and older. Private tours are given year-round at camp, by appointment on weekends. 2018 is our 28th summer. Campus Kids is accredited by the American Camp Association.

THE CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART

Summer Address: 2020 Burnt Mills Road Bedminster, NJ 07921**Summer phone: (908) 234-2345****Fax: (908) 275-8828****E-mail: info@ccabedminster.org****Website: www.ccabedminster.org****Director: Elie Porter Trubert**

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Co-ed programs are available for children and teens ages 5 to 15. Programs are offered weekly, with morning sessions from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and afternoon sessions from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Saturday Art Camps are offered for kids on the autism spectrum and with other special needs. Fees vary depending on program. Half- and full-day camp sessions are available. Projects change weekly.

Weekly full- and half-day summer art camps for children and teens, ages 5-15, are designed to stimulate creative expression through projects and activities that change each week. In the Morning Art Studio, students will engage in two- and three-dimensional creative exploration through painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, mixed media, and more. During Afternoon Art, young artists, ages 5-8, will enjoy themed programs that change each week while 9-11 year olds and teens will explore a single medium in depth.

Afternoon Pottery: The Center offers the area's only week-long summer ceramics camps

in a state-of-the-art studio. Students develop wheel-throwing, hand-building, and glazing skills.

During Saturday Art Camps for Kids with ASD and Other Special Needs, students will explore a variety of media as they experiment with drawing, painting and sculpture.

CHATHAM DAY CAMP

Summer Address: 700 Shunpike Road, Chatham, NJ 07928

Summer phone: (973) 410-0400

Fax: (973) 410-0401

E-mail: camp@chathamdayschool.org

Website: www.chathamdayschool.org

Director: Heather Wampole

Co-ed programs for ages 2.5 to 8.5 years old. Fees are \$375 per week. Sessions are one week long, with seven weeks available. Discounts are available when enrolling for multiple weeks.

Attend camp on a park-like, 15-acre, school campus led entirely by Chatham Day School's faculty. Activities will include a wide variety of backyard play (with and without water),

arts and crafts, music, sports activities, design thinking challenges, and so much more.

CHESTER AREA POOL

Summer Address: 137 North Road, Chester, NJ 07930

Summer phone: (908) 879-2915

E-mail: chesterareapool13@gmail.com,

kmcguire@chesterborough.org

Website: www.chesterborough.org

Director: Deborah Burleigh

Chester Area Pool is open from Memorial Day (weekends only until Black River School finishes its school year) through Labor Day. Membership initiation fees are as follows: Family: resident - \$350, nonresident \$450; Couple: resident - \$275, nonresident \$350; Single adult, age 21 and up: resident - \$175, nonresident - \$225; Senior, age 62 and up: \$50. This non-refundable one-time initiation fee, in addition to a yearly seasonal membership fee, is due upon acceptance as a member. Annual membership fees include: Family: resident - \$450, nonresident

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\$550; Family caregiver/nanny: \$125; Couple: resident – \$350, nonresident \$400; Single adult, age 21 and up: resident – \$275, nonresident – \$325; Senior, age 62 and up: \$100. A half-season membership is \$225 and an Early Bird Swim membership is \$50.

The Chester Area Pool is located next to the Black River Middle School in Chester Borough. It features a large pool with lap lanes, a water slide and free swim area, as well as an interactive splash pool and separate kiddie pool. Lifeguards are on duty at all times. There are games, ball courts, bathrooms, changing rooms, showers and more. There is even a snack bar to keep you and your family hydrated and well fed. Swim lessons and swim team are also available. Annual membership fees range from \$100 to \$550 with a one-time initiation fee.

DAY CAMP AT LAKELAND HILLS FAMILY YMCA

Summer Address: 100 Fanny Road, Mountaintain Lakes, NJ 07046

Summer phone: (973) 334-2820

Fax: (973) 334-1308

E-mail: shannonb@lhymca.com

Website: www.lakelandhillsymca.com

Director: Shannon Bujoreanu

Co-ed programs serving ages 2.5 years through 11th grade. Fees vary and depend on selected camp options. There are four 2-week sessions.

The focus of the Lakeland Hills Family YMCA Summer Day Camps is to foster individuality, creativity, socialization, and enjoyment for all of our campers. The Y has developed a comprehensive summer camp program that delivers age-appropriate fun and discovery for kids ages 2.5 to 16 years old. Our camp grows with your child, offering campers a place where friendships are forged, memories are made, and the sense of security to take risks and express their true selves is found.

INTERNATIONAL IVY SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

Summer Addresses: Northern N.J.: New

Milford, Oakland and Paramus (Bergen County), Wayne (Passaic County) and Jersey City (Hudson County). Central N.J.: Short Hills and Livingston (Essex County), Scotch Plains and Summit (Union County), and Chatham (Morris County). Southern N.J.: Burlington (Burlington County), Lincroft (Monmouth County), Somerset (Somerset County) and Princeton (Mercer County).

Summer phone: (908) 899-1338 Fax: (908) 363-1016

E-mail: info@iisummer.com

Website: www.iisummer.com

Director: Lily Wong

Co-ed programs for ages 3 to 15. Fees are \$390 per week for half-day programs, which run 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. or 1:30 to 5 p.m., or \$780 per week for full-day programs, which run from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Weekly sessions are available from June 25 to Aug. 17.

International Ivy Summer Enrichment Program provides fun and intellectually-stimulating experiences to fuel young people's interest and creativity. Kids design video games, build robots, tinker with the engi-

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Summer Address: 46 Old HWY 22/ Route 173, Clinton, NJ 08809

Summer phone: (908) 200-7360

E-mail: lbctalentnyc@gmail.com

Website: www.starmakerschool.com

Director: Leesa Csolak

Clientele information (age, gender, special population):

Co-ed programs are available for ages 10-12 and 13-18, by audition. Fees are \$2,100. Sessions run 8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, June 25 to July 28, culminating in a grand stage performance.

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MADISON AREA YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMPS AT THE FAMILY CENTER: CAMP KIDSQUEST, SUMMERQUEST, L.I.T. PROGRAM

Summer Address: Madison Area YMCA:

111 Kings Road, Madison, NJ 07940

Summer phone: (973) 822-9622

Fax: (973) 377-1064

E-mail: abardon@madisonymca.org

Website: www.madisonareaymca.org

Director: Allison Bardon

Summer day camp programs serving children entering kindergarten through 11th grade with one- to 10-week long sessions. KidsQuest, for those entering grades 3-5, costs \$400 per week; SummerQuest, for

those entering grades 6-10, costs \$495 per week; and the L.I.T. program, for those entering grades 9-11, costs \$360 per week. Financial assistance may be available.

Join us this summer, dive into new experiences and make waves! Summer is the best time of year. There is no better place for kids to spend this magical and fun season than at the Madison Area YMCA's Summer Day Camps.

Our summer camp experience is guaranteed to be full of opportunities, adventure and memories. At the Madison Area YMCA, we provide children entering kindergarten through 11th grade an enriching and captivating day camp experience in a safe, nurturing environment. We give campers the chance to be themselves and the opportunity to make new friends. At the Y, we believe that every child should be able to enjoy the best summer camp experience possible. The Madison Area YMCA is a cause-driven charitable organization, committed to providing help to families who may not be able to afford the full price of camp.

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MADISON AREA YMCA SUMMER DAY CAMPS AT F.M. KIRBY CHILDREN'S CENTER: CAMP WANTAGO

Summer Address: 54 East Street, Madison, NJ 07940

Summer phone: (973) 377-4945

Fax: (973) 377-8534

E-mail: radamo@madisonymca.org

Website: www.madisonareaymca.org

Director: Rosemary Adamo

Camp Wantago is open to those entering kindergarten through second grade. Sessions run from one to 10 weeks and cost \$390 per week. Financial assistance may be available.

Camp Wantago includes field trips twice per week, fun activities, games, time for learning and building friendships. Ten weeks may not be enough for your camper! Campers also head over to the Family Center twice per week for instructional swim lessons supervised by trained and certified lifeguards. Every week has a new and exciting theme and our emphasis on S.T.E.A.M. activities ensures that children stay sharp and keep learning right through the summer. Our full-day camp program runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Before-care (7-9 a.m.) and after-care (4-6 p.m.) are offered free of charge. Nutritionist-approved breakfast, lunch and healthy snack are included. Extended care is offered until 6:45 p.m. for a fee. The Madison Area YMCA is a cause-driven charitable organization, committed to providing help to families who may not be able to afford the full price of camp.

NJ AUDUBON SUMMER CAMP

Summer Address: 11 Hardscrabble Road, Bernardsville, NJ 07924

Summer phone: (908) 396-6386

Fax: (908) 766-7775

E-mail: stephanie.punnett@njudubon.org

Website: <http://www.njudubon.org/SectionCenters/SectionScherman/TheSanctuary.aspx> or www.njudubon.org (click on "Centers," click on "Scherman Hoffman Wildlife Sanctuary," and on the left tool bar, click on "Summer Camp")

Director: Stephanie Punnett

Day Camps include two sessions weekly from the last week of June until the end of August: one session every week for grades 1-3 (9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.); one session every week for grades 4-6 (9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.) and one week for preschoolers (9 a.m. to noon). Overnight Adventure Camps include three, 1-week sessions for Island Explorers at Sedge Island in Barnegat Bay; and two, 1-week sessions, for Ridge Explorers at the Mohican Outdoor Center in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. Fees are \$335 for day camp; \$650 for overnight camp. Day Camps run Monday through Friday. Island Explorer campers are dropped off Mondays and picked up Fridays. Ridge Explorer campers are dropped off Sundays and picked up Fridays.

Our nature day camps offer engaging outdoor exploration at our

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276-acre wildlife sanctuary in Bernardsville. Campers are guided in fun and informative outdoor adventures and activities, with games and crafts rounding out a full nature experience. Our Overnight Adventure Camps at Sedge Island in the Barnegat Bay and at the Mohican Outdoor Center in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area offer canoeing, kayaking, and outdoor exploration, while learning about the ecology of the area. Our staff are committed to guiding your child in outdoor adventures that are safe and foster a deeper connection to the natural world and that are engaging, fun, and support STEM learning through hands on experiences.

RANDOLPH YMCA SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Address: 14 Dover Chester Road, Randolph, NJ 07869

Summer phone: (973) 366-1120

Fax: (973) 366-8025

E-mail: Lynn@randolphymca.org

Website: www.randolphymca.org

Director: Lynn Molitoris

Co-ed programs are available for ages three through those entering 10th grade. Sessions are weekly, with one to nine weeks available. Fees are \$155 to \$300 per week; Long Valley Camps: \$170 to \$370 per week.

Randolph YMCA Summer Day Camp offers campers the chance for new experiences, skill building, a sense of community and lasting friendships. Kids become a community as

they learn both how to be more independent and how to contribute to a group as they engage in physical, social and educational activities.

SOMERSET HILLS YMCA DAY CAMP

Summer Address: 140 Mount Airy Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

Summer phone: (908) 630-3507

E-mail: kdezutter@somersetcountyyymca.org

Website: www.somersetcountyyymca.org/camp

Director: Kim de Zutter

Co-ed programs for grades preschool through grade 10. Sessions are one and two weeks. Fees range from \$330 for 1-week option, which runs from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.; to \$755 for 2-week option with extended hours from 7:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Somerset Hills YMCA Day Camp offers more than 20 great camps to create "my summer place" for kids. Plan variety into your child's schedule with both traditional and specialty camp options. Summer is a great time to explore new interests and pursue passions at camp.

Our traditional camps include daily swim lessons and a daily recreational swim time, as well as weekly theme days. Somerset Hills YMCA camps are approved to provide camp programs to children eligible for services through Division of Children and Families, NJ Children's System of Care. Extended hours and financial assistance are available.

SEE CAMP

Summer Address: Mountain Lakes, NJ and Summit, NJ

Summer phone: (973) 994-4665

E-mail: seecamp@horizonsinlearning.org

Website: www.seecamps.com

Director: Chris Patrick and Paul Smith

Co-ed programs for academically talented students grades 1-8. Fees are \$400 per week. Two-week sessions.

SEE Camp kids enjoy a superb mix of academic, creative, and recreational activities... the perfect set-up to discover a true passion. Created for students entering grades 1-8 who like to think outside the box, SEE Camp encourages kids to do all the things they love: sports, academics, and the arts. Whether building and testing bridges, learning to fence, embarking on field trips, or chilling out in the pool, our campers revel in summer experiences that keep them returning year after year. The daily schedule includes activities in science, STEM, art, theater, and sports and recreation. Extended care hours available for a nominal fee.

RUTGERS PREP

Summer Address: Rutgers Preparatory School, 1345 Easton Avenue, Somerset, NJ 08873

Attention: Meredith Santowasso

Summer phone: (732) 545-5600 ext. 218

Fax: (732) 214-1819

E-mail: msantowasso@rutgersprep.org

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 Summer phone: (908) 580-0661
 Fax: (908) 580-0785
 E-mail: pmacneill@albrookschoo.org or jhicks@albrookschoo.org

Website: www.albrookschoo.org

Directors: Pauline MacNeill, Jean Hicks

Co-ed programs for ages 4 to 10. Offering four, 2-week sessions. Campers receive a discount when booking all eight weeks. Fees range from \$580 to \$4,275.

The Albrook School, nestled on 6.5 acres in Basking Ridge, has indoor and outdoor activities, two heated in-ground pools, extensive playgrounds, and is staffed with Montessori trained teachers and experienced lifeguards and swim instructors. Each camper has a swim lesson each morning and full day campers have a free swim in the afternoon. Sessions are offered in Engineering, Drama, Montessori, Writing, Mathematics, Cooking, Nature and Explore the World.

BASKING RIDGE COUNTRY CLUB GOLF ACADEMY

Summer Address: 185 Madisonville Road, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920

Summer phone: (908) 766-8200 ext. 4

E-mail: ddemarrais@baskingridgecc.com

Website: www.baskingridgecc.com

Director: Doug deMarrais

Parent/Child Clinic offered for parents or grandparents and children ages 17 and under; Scramblers Clinic: Juniors offered for ages 6-8, Half-Day camps for ages 7-16; Aces Clinic: Juniors for ages 8-12; and Advanced Clinic for ages 13-18. Fees vary from \$135 to \$795. Sessions include: half-day, one-week golf camp; two-week full-day summer golf camp; Spring and Summer 3-day clinics for ages four and up; and Individual Lessons. All levels are welcome. Programs are run by PGA professionals.

Basking Ridge Country Club's PGA professional staff led by Sue Delaney and Jason Reed not only help to enhance the club's family atmosphere, but their more than 30 years of playing and teaching experiences affords the club's teaching academy a standard of

excellence that ranks our Academy as one of the best in the state. The golf academy at Basking Ridge Country Club is proud to be hosting a series of camps throughout the summer for students ages 7-16.

Club membership is not required to participate in any of the Academy Programs. Half-day and full-day sessions are available. A variety of junior clinics are available for ages 6 and up. The golf academy also offers individual lessons for all ages and abilities that are formulated to suit individual student needs. In addition, we have the abilities that are formulated to suit individual student needs. We also have the ability to host a variety of private group clinics for your business or pleasure. For your convenience you can no sign up for clinics and camps directly from our website at www.baskingridgecc.com.

DELBARTON SCHOOL SPORTS CAMPS AND ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

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Morristown, NJ 07960

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Fax: (973) 538-8836

E-mail: summer@delbarton.orgWebsite: www.delbarton.org/summer

Director: Sports: Kent Manno and Dan Whalen; Academic: Josh Hartle

Sports programs offered for boys in grades 3-9. Academic programs offered for co-ed students in grades 3-12. Fees are: \$395 per week for sports camps or \$150 to \$1,300 per week for academic camps, depending on course selection. Sports camp sessions are one to five weeks. Academic camp sessions are one to six weeks.

Delbarton is committed to developing body, mind and spirit and offers a variety of summer sports and academic programs. Delbarton Sports Camps emphasize the pleasure of playing a sport well. Young men in grades three to nine develop athletic skills, while building character on and off the field. Delbarton Summer Session is a co-ed program of advanced credit, enrichment and skills courses for grades three through 12. Boys in

grades three through nine may enroll in both sports and academic programs. Delbarton's 200-acre campus is the perfect place to strive, to learn and to have some good, old-fashioned summer fun.

HUDSONWAY IMMERSION SCHOOL

Summer Address: 587 Springfield Avenue, Summit, NJ 07901

Summer phone: (908) 598-8088

E-mail: shuang@hwwis.orgWebsite: www.hwwis.org

Director: Elizabeth Willaum

Co-ed programs for ages 2.5 to 12. Fees are \$490 for full-day (9 a.m. to 3 p.m.) or \$360 for half-day (9 a.m. to noon). Six weekly sessions are available from June 25 to Aug. 3.

Summer campers are immersed in a classroom adventure to the Mandarin or Spanish-speaking world. Our campers will don their backpacks, gather their passports and off they will go on this classroom adventure. The children will take a virtual tour to a Mandarin or Spanish-speaking region from within the classroom, gaining a dynamic un-

derstanding of unique cultures, including the art, dance, music, food, folklore, famous landmarks, and geography. Experienced, native speaking teachers use immersion methodology such as non-verbal cues speaking 100 percent in the second language to guide campers of all levels as they acquire language skills and become global explorers. Students are grouped by age and/or level. HudsonWay Immersion School will be located in Summit for summer 2018 and will relocate to Stirling for the 2018-2019 school year.

KEVIN SPENCER'S MAGIC CAMP

Summer Address: RVCCARTS – The Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, 118 Lamington Rd., Branchburg, NJ 08876

Summer phone: (908) 526-1200 ext. 8267

E-mail: lisa.melillo@raritanval.eduWebsite: rvccarts.org

Director: Kevin Spencer

Co-ed half-day program available for ages 8 – 17. Session length is one week, from July

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9 to 13. Fee is \$150.

The morning session for ages 8 to 10 runs from 9 a.m. to noon; and the afternoon session for ages 11 to 17 runs from 2 to 5 p.m. Note: afternoon campers will attend the morning session (9 a.m. to noon) on Friday, July 13. A combined performance with campers from both sessions will take place at the Theatre at 7 p.m. Friday, July 13.

International Magician of the Year Kevin Spencer teaches campers how to perform incredible tricks with everyday objects. Magic Camp combines learning magic tricks with storytelling, music, theatre and creative movement. Through the art of magic, campers explore their curiosity, develop their magical creativity, and discover new confidence. They perform tricks with ropes, cards, rubber bands, paperclips, money, and even participate in a big illusion. Campers also learn how to select music and write a script to go along with their presentation. At the end of the week, they perform a live show for family and friends that will surely baffle and amaze. Magic Camp is held indoors at The Theatre

at RVCC.

MEADOWBROOK COUNTRY DAY CAMP

Summer Address: 73 East Valley Brook Road, Long Valley, NJ 07853

Summer phone: (908) 876-3429

Fax: (908) 876-4635

E-mail: Info@meadowbrookdaycamp.com

Website: www.meadowbrookdaycamp.com

Director: Mason Goldberg

Co-ed camps available for ages 3 to 15. Fees vary based on session lengths, which include 4-, 5-, 6-, 7-, or 8-week options.

Meadowbrook is located in scenic Morris County on a private 50-plus acre campus. Our goal at Meadowbrook is to create the best possible camp community in which children can thrive.

We believe camp is a place where children have the opportunity to try new activities, learn valuable life skills, take on new challenges, increase their self-esteem and grow socially and emotionally in a safe, nurturing, fun environment. We accomplish this

through our intentional program emphasizing exciting, age and developmentally appropriate activities.

Our staff members reinforce our signature T.I.G.E.R. Values Program on a daily basis with our campers. Every staff member knows that it is his or her job to find the greatness in every camper and help create positive "indelible" memories for each member of our Meadowbrook Family.

RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Summer Address: 118 Lamington Rd., Branchburg, NJ 08876

Summer phone: (908) 526-1200 ext. 8404

Fax: (908) 725-2831

E-mail: youth@raritanval.edu

Website: www.raritanval.edu/youth

Director: Ralph Dunham

Co-ed programs available for ages 6 to 17. Fees range from \$108 to \$375 and session lengths are one or two weeks.

Raritan Valley Community College Youth

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Program is intended to be an educational, fun experience for children. Students may choose from a wide variety of half-day and full-day classes. There are Before Care, Lunch Care and After Care options for working parents. The Youth Program is located on the main campus in North Branch.

RUTGERS PREPARATORY SCHOOL

Summer Address: 1345 Easton Avenue, Somerset, NJ 08873

Summer phone: (732) 545-5600 ext. 218

Fax: (732) 214-1819

E-mail: msantowasso@rutgersprep.org

Website: www.rutgersprep.org/summer-programs

Director: Meredith Santowasso

Co-ed camps are offered for ages three through grade 12. Fees and sessions vary depending on program.

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SCHOOL OF ST. ELIZABETH

Summer Address: 30 Seney Drive, Bernardsville, NJ 07924

Summer phone: (908) 766-0244

Email: lynchs@steschool.org

Website: www.steschool.org

Director: Sharon Lynch, director of Admissions and Development

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Summer Address: 697 US-202, Far Hills, NJ 07931

Summer phone: (908) 766-0622

E-mail: bjunger@fhcds.org

Website: www.fhcds.org/camp

Director: Brian Junger

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KEVIN SPENCER'S MAGIC CAMP July 9 -13, 2018 at RVCCArts



International Magician of the Year Kevin Spencer teaches campers how to perform incredible tricks with everyday objects. This week-long, half-day camp combines learning magic tricks with storytelling, music, theatre and creative movement, developing campers' creativity, and building new confidence.

Ages 8 – 17; half-day camp. Morning and afternoon sessions available. A combined performance with campers from both sessions will take place at the Theatre on Friday, July 13 at 7pm.

LOCATION: The Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg

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Co-ed programs offered for students in PreK to grade 8. Fees vary by program. Most sessions are one week long, however, performing arts sessions are two weeks long.

Students in PreK to Grade 2 will participate in weekly themed sessions that include arts and crafts, music, movement, games, and more. We also offer a half-day sports camp for students in kindergarten through grade 2. Other themes for grades 2-8 include hands-on STEAM, fine arts, performing arts, technology, culinary arts, standardized test prep and essay writing programs.

SOO BAHK DO KARATE OF GILLETTE

Summer Address: 630 Valley Road, Gillette, NJ 07933

Summer phone: (908) 647-4194

E-mail: info@karate4peace.com

Website: www.karate4peace.com

Director: Michelle Cavett

Co-ed programs available for ages three through adult. Fees can be found by calling or visiting www.karate4peace.com. Special summer program pricing is available for the three month session.

Soo Bahk Do Karate is a martial arts studio for students of all ages. The art we practice emphasizes the virtues of endurance, honesty, modesty and courage. We teach the mechanics of concentration, and encourage students to achieve self-development. Your child's karate school is not just a place to learn to kick and punch as a sport.

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At Soo Bahk Do Karate, we want what you want for your children – to see them learn

to live by our values and morals in order to achieve a more peaceful existence.

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Address: 200 Main St., Chatham, NJ 07928

Phone: (973) 635-9658

Fax: (973) 635-0367

E-mail: sprighthouse5@verizon.net

Website: www.sprighthouse.org

Director: Pat Rossmann

Co-ed programs for ages 2.5 to 6. Fees vary by schedule. Session lengths include a 10-month school year and eight, 1-week summer program sessions.

Sprout House is a private non-profit school for children with experienced credentialed teachers fostering hands-on learning through play and the natural world, and embracing respect and individuality in a happy home-like setting. We offer nursery school, a young 5 program, full-day Kindergarten, a summer program and child care, part-time and full-time, as well as drop-in.

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SUMMER PLUS

Summer address: Frelinghuysen Middle School, 10 Jane Way, Morristown, NJ 07960

Summer phone: (973) 292-2063

Fax: (973) 540-1341

Email: jennifer.adkins@msdk12.net

Website: www.msdk12.net

Director: Jennifer Adkins

Co-ed programs offered for students in kindergarten through grade 8, from in or out of district. Fees vary based on programs selected. Sessions are from June 25 to Aug. 3. First three weeks available, PM half-day, optional before- and after-care.

An enriching summer environment for students featuring courses in the arts, reading and writing, math, technology, drama, music, cooking, sports and

more. Full-time students enjoy an 8-period day following a schedule based on their preferences. PM Half-day six-week and full-day three week sessions are available and before and after-care hours can be scheduled. The program is held at Frelinghuysen Middle School in Morristown, and we include four afternoon field trips with tuition.

THE CHILDREN'S CORNER

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

Summer phone: (908) 647-8401

E-mail: donnag@libertycorner.org

Website: www.thechildrenscornerschools.org

Director: Elizabeth Seaman

Co-ed programs for infants through age 5. There is also a before- and after-school program for children in Kindergarten

through fifth grade. Summer camp runs weekly from July 1 through August 24.

Camp activities include theme weeks, hands-on science, arts and crafts, learning garden, water activities, music, special events, field trips, cooking, and outdoor play. The Children's Corner is a non-profit Learning Center under the sponsorship of Liberty Corner Presbyterian Church (LCPC) as part of the mission of the church through and on the behalf of the Lord Jesus. The Children's Corner is dedicated to meeting the spiritual, cognitive, social, emotional, and physical needs of children in the community in a kind and loving Christian atmosphere. The school strives to build each child's self-esteem while fostering respect for peers and adults.

The preschool experience is the first step in a long educational process, and The Children's Corner endeavors to make it as happy and non-stressful as possible. Both the traditional nursery school and full-day programs provide experiences that nurture academic readiness skills. Cognitive materials are presented commensurate with each child's ability.

The Early Preschool program offers Christian songs and stories, painting, finger plays, sensory experiences, manipulative activities, gross and fine motor activities, and group play. The prekindergarten programs include math concepts, social studies, science, emergent reading skills, poetry, dramatic play, writing, language arts, and multicultural studies.

The school's Kindergarten Prep class provides learning opportunities that incorporate core content standards. The after-school program is a non-academic, structured, activity-based program that provides a secure environment for working parents. Activities include organized games, arts and crafts, snack, Christian stories, free play, and quiet time to do homework. The teachers and staff at The Children's Corner are professionals who are committed to the children in their care. The Center is well equipped and up-to-date to create an atmosphere that is conducive to meaningful learning experiences. The Children's Corner does not discriminate and admits children of all races.

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THEATER DANCE CENTER SUMMER CAMPS

Summer Address: 230 US Highway 206 Suite 403, Flanders, NJ 07836

Summer phone: (973) 584-5020
E-mail: theaterdance@mind-spring.com

Website: www.theaterdance-center.com

Director: Mary Ellen Volz and Millene Michel

Summer dance events offered for ages 3-18: Princess and Hip Hop Themed camps for ages 3-5, Hip Hop and Jazz Themed Camps for ages 6-9, Master Class Series all summer for intermediate and advanced dancers ages 10 and up. Fees and session length vary depending on program selected.

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er dancers and a private lesson package for that dancer who really wants to excel. Come see why TDC has been leading the way in our area for more than 25 years.

VILLA WALSH SUMMER CAMP

Summer Address: 455 Western Ave., Morristown, NJ 07960

Summer phone: (973) 538-3680 ext. 145

Fax: (973) 871-1122

E-mail: summercamp@villawalsh.org

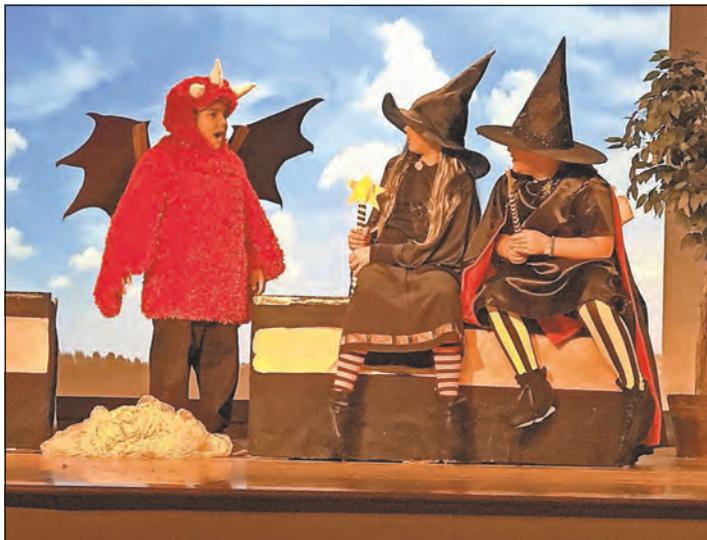
Website: www.villawalsh.org

Director: Shannon Prisco

Morning and afternoon sessions are available for girls entering grades 4-8. Session 1 is held from 9 a.m. to noon, with lunch from noon to 1 p.m., and Session 2 is held from 1 to 4 p.m. An evening session from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. is available for girls entering grades 9-12. Fees are \$200 per session or \$375 for full-day.

Villa Walsh Summer Camp is held on the beautiful campus of Villa Walsh Academy located in Morristown, utilizing facilities such as: the Sr. Doris Laventhal Athletic Center, Cunningham Turf Field, Campo and

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ALBROOK SUMMER CAMP

Drama is one of the many program selections at The Albrook Summer Camp. A culminating performance is enjoyed by all at the end of the session. Register at: www.albrookschoool.org. See the camp listing on page 13.



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McEwan fields, tennis courts and Academy art room. Summer Camp is held at VWA to provide a fun, day camp experience for girls while encouraging development in various sports and art in a non-competitive environment. Sessions are led by VWA teachers, coaches and alumnae and assisted by VWA student leaders. Girls are able to create a summer camp with a personal fit when choosing from basketball, soccer track/cross country or art for the morning session and volleyball, tennis, lacrosse or art in

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HOW LIBRARIES ARE CHANGING IN COMMUNITIES NATIONWIDE

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As we become increasingly reliant on digital content available on-demand, what happens to our repositories for printed material? The answer may be simpler than you think: Libraries aren't just about books any more. Most have shifted focus from their collections to the communities they serve, and adjusted their designs to match.

Library-sponsored programs, such as children's reading hours and job-search assistance sessions, are bolstering many branches' outreach and education efforts. A 2016 library use study from the Pew Research Center indicates an increase in the number of people visiting libraries for educational purposes: 27 percent of library users said they'd attended classes, programs or lectures at their local institutions, a 10 percent increase over 2015.

But the breadth of events a modern library can host relies upon the physical space within each building, which is why a major part of this change comes in the form of reconfigured spaces. To accommodate shifts in usage, library systems have been improving their physical structures.

For example, marquee projects by re-



Libraries aren't just for books any more. Digital content, community programs, learning events and more are just a few of the ways libraries have changed to better serve their communities.

owned architects have reinvigorated the Washington, D.C., Public Library (DCPL) system, with 15 completed remodels (two of which were designed by the pairing of Adjaye Associates and the Freelon Group, of National Museum of African American History & Culture fame).

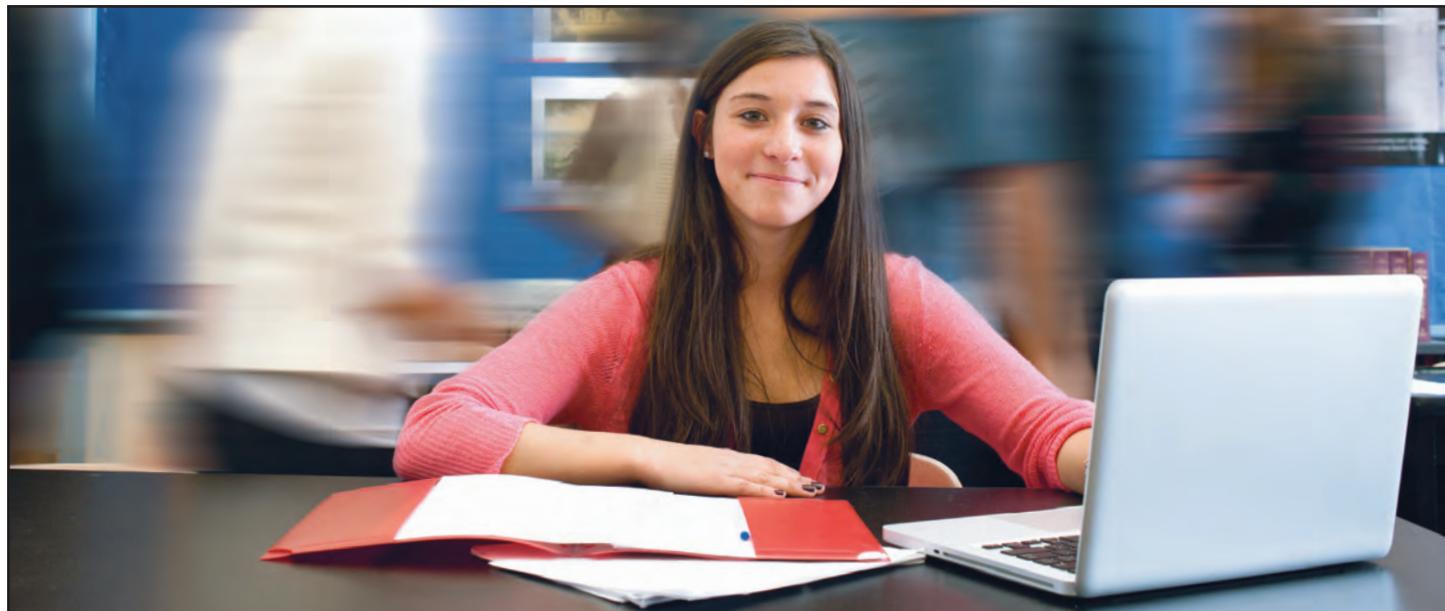
Six more library upgrades are currently on the horizon in D.C., including a renovation and addition to Ludwig Mies van der Rohe's Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library.

An architectural team comprised of Martinez + Johnson Architecture and Mecanoo will modernize that facility, aiming to improve overall transparency and visibility while adding amenities such as a café, a roof terrace event space and spaces for music production and fabrication.

The end goal, according to DCPL, is to position the library as an engine for social improvement as opposed to simply being a place to pick up or drop off a book.

To learn more about how libraries are changing in communities nationwide, visit topicarchitecture.com.

Even as new digital technologies emerge, modern libraries will always remain home to large holdings of printed material. Many collections have already expanded to include e-reader versions of popular titles, music and video on a variety of media. But the latest design improvements to libraries make them not only enjoyable venues for reading, but also welcoming places to build community.



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TOP THINGS TO CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING AFTERSCHOOL ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS

The following article is provided by StatePoint.

Parents seeking positive, meaningful extracurricular activities for their children may struggle to identify the right programs for their kids, especially if busy family schedules limit options. While many youth programs help children socialize and learn new skills, some go further to help shape who kids may become as adults.

When choosing activities for young children, consider the following:

Diverse experiences: Keep things interesting and engaging for your child. Select programs that offer a range of activities and adventures.

Talented volunteers or staff: Ask, "What type of training do volunteers and staff members receive?" The answer to this is key as you help ensure your child will be mentored by positive role models.

Program values: Learn what the organization's goals are, how it teaches children about building character and good citizenship, and how it helps youth explore their goals.

Scheduling: Extracurricular



Choosing the right afterschool activities doesn't have to be difficult. Follow these tips to find the perfect program to meet your child's interests – and your ideals.

activities can be time consuming. Find out what meetings and activities are required to ensure the program works for your family.

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WHEN TO INTRODUCE TECH TO CHILDREN

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If you're a parent with a smartphone or tablet, it didn't take long before your little one first reached for your shiny device. If only their fingers weren't covered in slobber at the time, you may have been more willing to hand it over. The good news is that saliva is easy to wipe off! S'mores? Not so much.

To your surprise – and theirs – learning how to swipe and tap objects to make them move on the screen came quickly and naturally. Oftentimes the challenge soon becomes how to keep their hands off the device. It's perfectly acceptable, even beneficial, for young children to have these interactions with technology ... but only with appropriate parental guidance.

How young is too young?

Young children can strengthen their interactions with other family members, as well as improve their familiarity with sounds, words, language and the world around them, through the responsible use of technology. Most experts agree, however, that children under the age of 2 probably shouldn't trade their rattles in for tablets. There are enough real-world interactions



How young is too young to introduce tech to children? Experts say 2-year-olds are ready to try it out.

to keep them busy, and whether they play with blocks or pull the cat's tail, these tangible experiences are important to their development. There will be plenty of time to show them Angry Birds when they're a bit older, so allow them to develop their senses by exploring, touching things and even getting into a little mischief.

Once beyond the 24-month mark, you can begin introducing technology to your little

tyke. Chances are he or she may already enjoy the privilege at preschool; many toddler day-care centers and preschools now incorporate technology, from computers to tablets, into their curriculum.

Whether at school or at home, most youngsters interact with screens before they turn 5. According to a survey conducted by the Joan Ganz Cooney Center, more than eight in 10 children from age 2 to 10 use digital media every week. In fact, two-thirds have tablets or e-readers. While the interactions are practically inevitable, significant parental and caregiver involvement can help steer them in the right direction, ensuring kids are exposed to content providing the best opportunities for learning.

Between laptop computers, desktop PCs, tablets, televisions and smartphones, there's probably a screen in nearly every room of your home. Although these screens can and often do serve as virtual babysitters, games, apps and other content should be carefully selected, and screen time should be limited to an hour or less a day for toddlers.

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THREE EASY DIY STEM PROJECTS FOR KIDS

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Looking for hands-on activities to engage your kids? It's never too early to introduce them to important STEM subjects at home.

STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and mathematics. These subjects are critical for all students to learn because they are required for so many careers in the future. In fact, STEM jobs are growing faster than any other U.S. sector, according to Wired magazine.

If you're looking for fun, hands-on STEM projects to do with your child, 4-H is a tremendous resource! 4-H utilizes exciting topics like robotics, rocketry, computer science and even electrical engineering to teach youth problem solving, creative and critical thinking, and build excitement for technology and STEM careers. To reach more youth with STEM programs, the National 4-H Council has partnered with HughesNet, America's #1 choice for satellite Internet, to help introduce youth to hands-on, community-based STEM learning. HughesNet is a national sponsor of 4-H National Youth Science Day (4-H NYSD), the world's largest youth-led STEM challenge. 4-H NYSD projects can be used by local clubs,

families, homeschoolers and teachers to give youth a fun way to learn about STEM.

Here are three exciting NYSD STEM projects that are so much fun, your child will think it's playtime, not work time.

Project 1: Incredible Wearables

The FitBit and Apple Watch craze have inspired "Incredible Wearables" – the 2017 NYSD experiment. Designed by the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension, this project teaches students how circuits, sensors and health data can be blended with fashion to create a wearable tech product.

To get started, visit <https://shop4-h.org/> to order an affordable kit that provides everything needed for up to eight kids to make their very own wearable fitness devices. These wearables can track heart rate, steps and more! Best yet, the kits are reusable so they can have fun building, designing and testing their tracker time and time again.

Project 2: Drone Discovery

For children excited by aeronautics and design, Drone Discovery enables youth to explore how drone engineering and remote sensing can be used to solve real-world problems, such as helping a community develop climate change resiliency and energy sustainabil-

ity. To succeed in this challenge, youth need to think like an engineer as they design, build and test drones. There are many different kinds of engineers and different ways to approach a challenge. What kind of engineer do you think you'll need to be to master drone technology? The engineering design process has three basic steps: define, design and optimize.

Project 3: Rockets to the Rescue

Rockets to the Rescue is a competitive project, enabling youth to design and build a rocket that could be used to transport food and deliver supplies to disaster victims. This project, which is incredibly timely with major storms hitting the United States, teaches engineering concepts, math skills, nutrition and how to help solve a relevant, global issue.

The possibilities are endless. From simple building blocks to tackling science kits and constructing robots, there are plenty of STEM projects guaranteed to pique your child's interest. Not only are you spending quality time with them having fun, but you're also helping them learn critical STEM skills that will positively impact their future.

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SCOUTS: Tips for choosing activities

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younger age, according to a survey by Forrester. Consider enrolling your children in extracurricular activities early, perhaps even before formal education begins. This can help foster their long-term development.

Still not sure what activities are right for your children? One choice with compelling outcomes is Scouting. Kids who participate in Scouting exhibit strong moral values and positive character attributes, allowing them to embrace new opportunities, overcome obstacles and become better prepared for future success, suggests a study of kids age 6 to 12 conducted by Tufts University.

For this reason, parents looking to create a strong foundation of leadership, service, and community in their children may consider Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts. While many people associate these programs with camping and outdoor adventures, the Boy Scouts of America also offers programs for youth with other unique interests. Here are some highlights:

Lion: This pilot program for 5 and 6-year-old or kindergarten-age boys and their parents, combines concepts of character development, leadership skills, personal fitness and citizenship, with age-appropriate, fun activities.

STEM Scouts: To keep pace with the growing importance of STEM-related careers, the STEM Scouts pilot program helps boys and girls in grades 3 through 12 learn more about science, technology, engineering and math through interactive, hands-on activities and experiments.

Exploring: The expanded Exploring program offers young men and women ages 14-20, real-world career experiences that help build confidence and discover interests in fields like law enforcement, firefighting, aviation, engineering, and medicine.

Learn more about Scouting programs and how to get involved in your community at beascout.org.

Before enrolling in a program, it's important to ensure the time is well spent. Do your research and seek out programs that help your child build character and have fun in the process.

TECH: When is it time?

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By using technology with your children, you'll introduce them to the most beneficial content, while also bonding with them over an exciting, shared experience. Something as simple and fun as taking turns in a game or reading together on a tablet can also help ensure technology is being consumed in a responsible way that can educate and aid development.

While education is key, it doesn't always have to be about learning your ABCs and 123s. Plenty of games and apps combine learning and entertainment experiences that are fun for kids. Checking the ESRB age and content rating information in console and online stores (like the Nintendo eShop, the PlayStation Store, the Xbox Store and Windows Store) is a great way to find appropriate games for kids of all ages. ESRB ratings are also assigned to mobile games and apps in the Google Play Store, complete with content descriptors and interactive elements when applicable.

As your little ones mature from toddlers to tweens, their use of technology as well as the technology itself will certainly evolve. The breadth of content they enjoy will greatly expand, highlighting the importance of parental involvement in managing and monitoring their time with tech. Regardless of where our smartphones and tablets take us, parental involvement and engagement is key to ensuring kids enjoy a healthy, responsible relationship with technology.



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