

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES IN CENTRAL OHIO FOR STUDENTS CURRENTLY IN GRADES Pre K-5

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Please research summer opportunities that you might be considering to determine if they would be enriching experiences for the student.

Arts

Camp: **Arts Castle** (day)

Location: Delaware, OH

Age: 5-18 years

Dates: Usually June, July, early August. Some 2-3 hours, some all day.

Program: children paint, draw, construct, sculpt, write, enjoy photography, and make music with guest artists

Visit: www.artscastle.org or (740) 369-2787

Camp: **BalletMet Summer Dance Camps** (day)

Age: 4-12 years

Date: Usually June-August, 1-7 hours/day

Program: a variety of opportunities including: ballet, tap, jazz, drumming, improvisation, drumming, visual arts instruction, dancing, singing, acting and showcase performances

Visit: <http://www.balletmet.org/academy/summer-2/>

Camp: **CATCO-Phoenix Theatre** (day)

Age: 4-18 years

Date: Usually June-August, 9-3 Monday-Friday

Program: Participants have the opportunity participate in theatre classes and/or audition for performances. (Public transportation accessible)

Visit: <http://catco.org/education/summer-camps> (614) 469-0939

Camp: **Columbus Children's Theatre** (day)

Age: 5-16 years

Date: TBA

Program: focus on drama and music (various locations)

Visit: <https://reg129.imperisoft.com/ColumbusChildrensTheatre/Search/Registration.aspx> or call 224-6672.

Camp: **Columbus College of Art & Design Creative Summer Workshops** (day)

Age: grades 1-12

Dates: U: Weeklong half-day programs

Programs: A wide variety of programs including foundations of drawing, introduction to painting and digital art

Location: Columbus College of Art & Design

Visit: <http://www.ccad.edu/cefinder/results?audience=Student&all=Student>

Camp: **Ohio Craft Museum**

Age: grades K-12

Dates: Usually June-early August, 3-4 days for teens, 5 days for younger

Program: Craft workshops for students in all grades. Sessions are full or half days.

Visit: <http://ohiocraft.org/education/childrens-workshops/>

Camp: **OSU School of Music Summer Camps** (day)

Age: grades 4th – 9th

Dates: mid-June – Late July; 2.5 week long camp

Program: Morning String Student Workshop focuses on technique and aural skill development.

Visit: <https://music.osu.edu/outreach/ysmp>

For questions contact Dr. Robert Gillespie @ Gillespie.5@osu.edu or call 292-2336.

Camp: **Purple Dog Summer Art Camp** (day)

Age: grades K-8

Date: Usually June-early August, weeklong half-day camp

Program: focuses on various art mediums

Visit: <http://www.purpledogart.com/classes-camps> or call (614) 226-0650

Camp: **KAC Summer Art Enrichment Camp** (day)

Age: years 5-15

Date: Usually mid-June to mid-August

Program: Offers a day camp in which children participate in a variety of theme week activities. The camp focuses on leadership and self-esteem and the development of artistic skills through dance, theatre, visual arts and music. (Public transportation accessible)

Visit: <http://kingartscomplex.com/summer-camp/>

Camp: **Urban Arts Space** (day)

Age: grades 3-5

Date: Usually two, 5 day sessions, mid-June to early July, 9 am – 3 pm

Program: focuses on various art mediums, free summer day camp

Visit: <https://uas.osu.edu/programming/summer-arts-camps>

Language

Camp: **Foreign Language Camp (Camp OFLA)** (residential)

Age: grades 3-8

Dates: Usually mid-June, 1 week camp

Program: The camp will include learning French, German or Japanese and Spanish, ethnic cooking, dancing, singing, sports, arts, and crafts, campfires, games, and swimming.

Visit: <http://www.campofla.org/about-us.html>

Math

Camp: **Junior Achievement BizTown** (day)

Age: grades 5-6

Dates: Two, one-week sessions, mid June

Program: role-playing focused on business ownership, investing, spending and charitable giving

Visit: www.juniorachievement.org/web/ja-centraloh/summer-camp

Science

Camp: **CAMP COSI** (day)

Age: 5-18 years old

Dates: June – early August, weeklong camps

Program: camps offer hands-on science education. Topics include flight, space, water, video game design, robotics and more. (Public transportation accessible)

Visit: <http://www.cosi.org/families/camp> <https://stemoutreach.osu.edu/events/matherscize-summer-math-camp-girls-1-cosi/>

Camp: **Camp Invention** (day)

Age: grades 1-6

Date: June and July, one week camps

Program: The nationally-acclaimed program inspires creative, inventive thinking and allows children to solve problems together.

Location: various locations throughout greater Columbus

Visit: <http://campinvention.org/>

Camp: **Columbus Zoo Summer Experience** (day or overnight)

Age: grades 1-7 grades 5-7 may spend the night

Date: Typically 4.5 day camps in June and July

Program: Campers will visit all of the Zoo's regions and get an in-depth opportunity to learn about our natural world.

<https://reservations.columbuszoo.org/Info.aspx?EventID=506>

Camp: **WildeCamp at the Wilds** (residential)

Age: years 9-18

Date: 3-5 day camps, typically June and July

Program: Work with wildlife, conservation, and explore careers in wildlife. (Located about 2 hours east of Columbus)

Visit: <https://thewilds.columbuszoo.org/home/discover/learn-at-the-wilds/wildcamp>

Camp: **The Works** (day)

Age: years 6 to 12

Date: 5 day, half-day camps, usually in June and July

Program: The Works offer fun hands-on experiences with art, glass, science, and technology.

Visit: <http://www.attheworks.org/classes-camps-programs/summer-camps.aspx>

Camp: **Robot Academy Amazing Lego Robot Camps** (day)

Age: ages 6 to 14

Date: various during July and August

Program: robotics, technology, math and competitions

Visit: <http://www.robot-academy.com/>

Camp: **Columbus Recreation and Parks: Indian Camp, Camp Terra, and Camp Walnut** (day)

Age: years 6 - 12

Date: June- August

Programs: Campers will participate in a variety of activities including fishing, hiking, boat, building forts in the woods, group games, and activities and programs related to the theme.

Visit: <http://www.columbus.gov/Templates/Detail.aspx?id=56683>

Camp: **iD Tech Camp** (day and residential)

Age: ages 7-17

Date: usually weeklong camp in June and July

Program: Courses in programming with Java™, C++, Python™, Scratch, and more, app development with iPhone® and Android™, Minecraft, modding, FPS and RPG game design, robotics engineering with VEX® and LEGO®, 3D modeling & animation, filmmaking, photography, and web design. Course offerings vary by site; Ohio sites include Ohio State University and Case Western Reserve University.

Visit: <https://www.idtech.com/locations/ohio-summer-camps/columbus/id-tech-ohio-state-university/>

Camp: **Classroom Antics Tech Camp** (day)

Age: ages 7-13

Date: Weeklong half-day camp, typically June – August, depending on location

Program: technology summer day camp

Visit: <http://www.classroomantics.com/columbus-ohio/>

Camp: **Ohio Wildlife Center Summer Camps** (day)

Age: ages 4-16

Date: Typically June - August

Program: Campers take a hands-on role in learning about Ohio's native wildlife, including the care of the resident animals, hikes, biosurveys, nest box monitoring, and other conservation activities.

Visit: <http://www.falconcamp.com/campers.asp>

Social Studies

Camp: **Blast For the Past Summer Camp** (day)

Age: 6-11 years old

Program: opportunities include learning about life and farming in the 1860's, spend a week experiencing life in the 1950's or may have the opportunity to build and launch their own rockets.

Hours: Mon-Fri 9 am-3 pm ; July through early August

Visit <http://www.ohiohistory.org/programs-events/blast-from-the-past-summer-camps> or call: (800) 686-6124

Camp: **Mansion Day School's Summer Camp** (day)

Age: Preschool-grade 5

Date: Usually weeklong camp June and July

Program: Dual focus of academics (reading, math, and writing) and field trips with multicultural themes.

Visit: <http://www.mansiondayschool.org/summer/> or call (614) 258-4449

Writing

Camp: **Thurber Summer Writing Camp** (day)

Age: grades 2nd – 8th

Dates: various dates from June 8- Aug.7

Program: Thurber House sponsors a variety of daytime summer creative writing camps (a few need-based scholarships are available)

Visit: <http://thurberhouse.org/summer-camps/> or call 614-464-1032

Miscellaneous

Camp: **Columbus Academy** (day)

Age: grades Pre K -12

Dates: Weeklong camps June - August

Program: various camps for each age group in academics, arts, and athletics, prices vary by camp

Visit: <http://www.columbusacademy.org/page/Quicklinks/Summer-Experience>

Camp: **OSU Camp Recky**: (day)

Age: grades K-8

Program: Includes topics such as diving, rock climbing, adventure, photography, arts, environment, culinary arts, teen leadership.

Visit: <http://recsports.osu.edu/community-programs/youth-family-programs/summer-camp-recky-completed-grades-k-8>

Camp: **Wellington School Summer Options**: (day)

Age: grades Pre K- 12

Date: Usually June - August

Program: half day and whole day options available, camp options in arts, drama, technology, aerial arts, music, science, gardening, riding, and sewing

Visit: <http://www.wellington.org/student-life/summer/>

Camp: **CSG Summer Programs**

Age: grades 3-12

Date: Usually June - August

Program: Whether your child is an artist, a scientist, a writer, an athlete, or anything in between, we welcome your child to explore his or her many talents and interests with us.

Visit: <https://www.columbuschoolforgirls.org/school-life/summer-programs>

Opportunities Outside of Ohio

Camp: **Northwestern University Center for Talent Development** (day gr. PK-4, residential gr. 4-12)

Age: grades PK-12

Date: varies, 1-3 week programs, usually June – early August

Program: One, two, or three week long classes designed for gifted students cover a wide range of topics and subject matter; focus on in-depth exploration of topic

Visit http://www.ctd.northwestern.edu/program_type/summer-programs

Camp: **GERI Purdue Summer Residential Programs** (residential)

Age: grades 5-12

Date: Usually in July

Program: One or two week long classes designed for gifted students cover a wide range of topics and subject matter; focus on in-depth exploration of topic

Visit: http://geri.education.purdue.edu/youth_programs/SRES/index.html or contact (765)496-2706 or e-mail geri@purdue.edu

Camp: **Summer Institute for the Gifted** (residential)

Age: grades 3-12

Date: varies

Program: Three-week sessions designed for gifted students cover a wide range of topics and subject matter; focus on in-depth exploration of topic

Visit: www.giftedstudy.org

Additional Sources of Summer Information:

Ohio Association of Gifted Children: <http://www.oagc.com/?q=summerops>

Columbus Parent Magazine: <http://parents-magazines.com/magazines/Columbus-Parent-magazine.htm>

Hoagies Gifted webpage: <http://www.hoagiesgifted.org/summer.htm>

Davidson Institute webpage: http://www.davidsongifted.org/db/browse_resources_217.aspx

Cogito database: <https://cogito.cty.jhu.edu/summer-programs/>