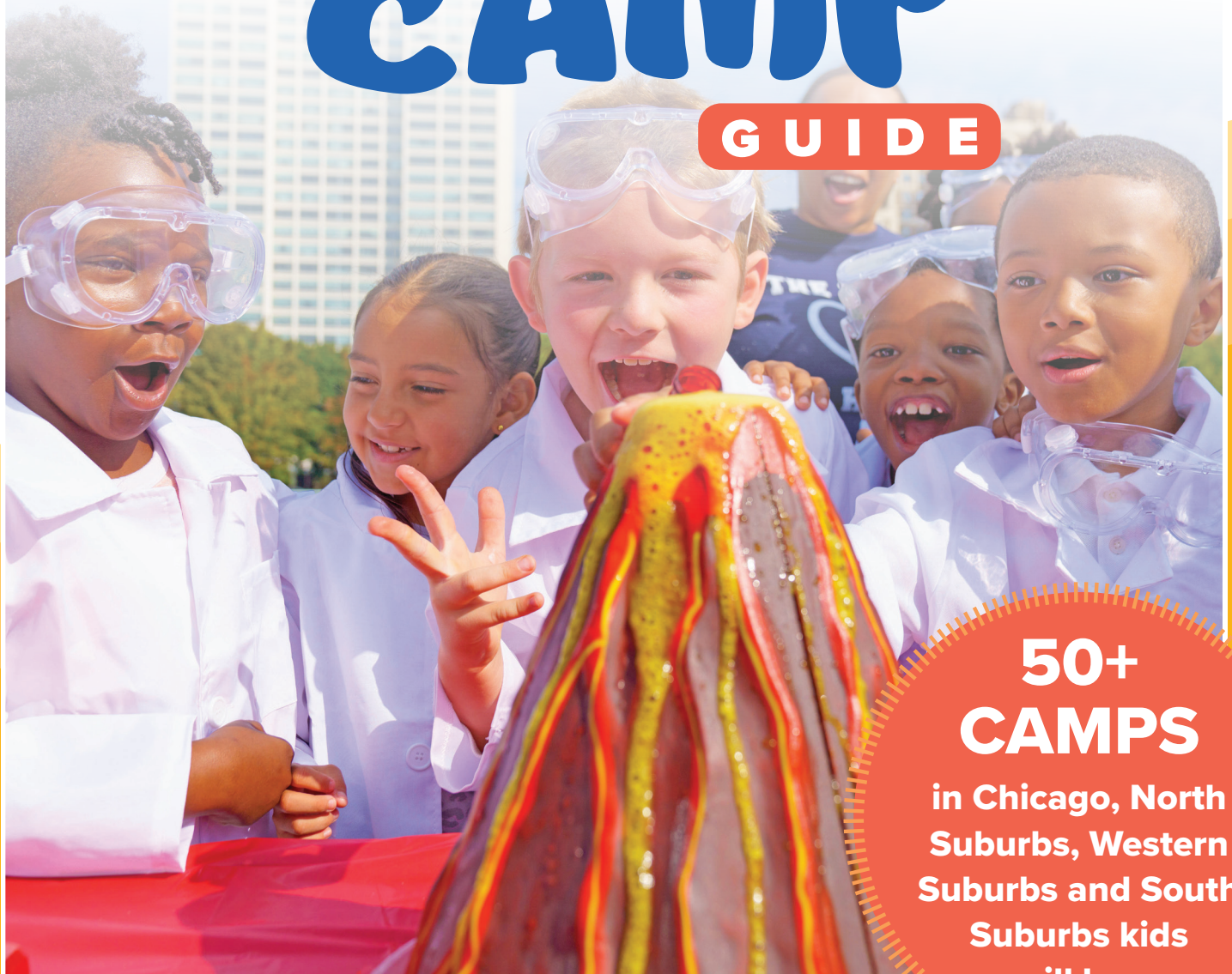

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MOM SPOTLIGHT

What advice do you have for finding the right summer camp for your kid?



DANA HARF OF

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“Think about your child’s personality, interests and how they handle new environments. Some kids thrive in a structured, activity-packed camp, while others do better in a more relaxed setting.”

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Camp Galileo

DATES: June 23-Aug. 1, 2025

COST: \$538-\$575

BEST FOR AGES: 5-13

Camp Galileo at Newberry Math & Science Academy offers STEAM projects, outdoor games and classic camp fun, fostering creativity, collaboration and confidence. Additional Chicagoland locations available!

Ninja Camp at Ultimate Ninjas

DATES: June 9-Aug. 29, 2025

COST: Starts at \$310 for half-day/week and \$580 for full-day/week

BEST FOR AGES: 5+

Each day at ninja camp features obstacle training, games, open gym and themed challenges, offering endless variety for all ages and skill levels.

Conservation Camp at Lincoln Park Zoo

DATES: Summer 2025

COST: \$635/non-member, \$540/
member

BEST FOR AGES: 5-11

Conservation Camp inspires a love for wildlife through themed adventures, fostering curiosity, empathy, teamwork and problem-solving while exploring animals and the natural world.



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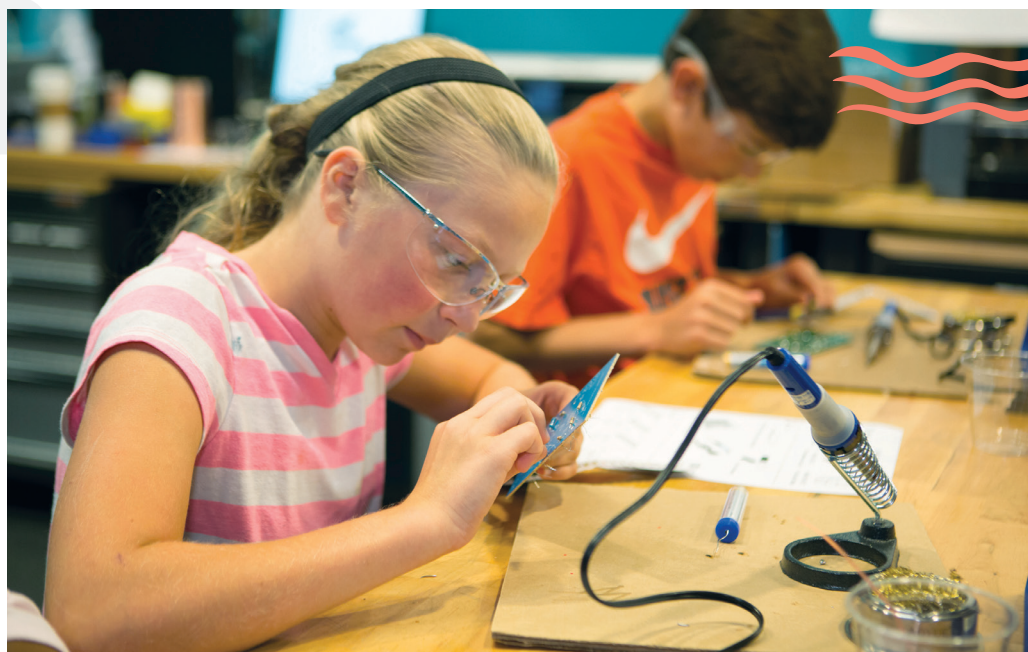
Summer Lab at The University of Chicago Laboratory Schools

DATES: June 23-Aug. 1, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for
details

BEST FOR AGES: 3-13

Summer Lab offers 100+ programs, from robotics to cooking, outdoor adventures and more. Kids learn, explore and grow while creating lasting memories and friendships.



Griffin Museum of Science and Industry Summer Camps

DATES: July 7-Aug. 22, 2025

COST: \$500/member, \$450/
non-member

BEST FOR AGES: 5-17

MSI summer camps offer week-long adventures blending science, art and engineering. Campers explore the museum through exciting interdisciplinary activities for a summer full of fun!

Creativity Camp at Hyde Park Art Center

DATES: June 9-Aug. 29, 2025

COST: \$450 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 4-13

Hyde Park Art Center's summer camp inspires kids with hands-on projects, artistic exploration and professional guidance for a summer filled with discovery and creativity.

WEST LOOP

Chicago Children's Theatre Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 15, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for
details

BEST FOR AGES: 4-14

Embark on exciting adventures with Chicago Children's Theatre's summer camps! Explore acting, music, storytelling and more while creating original performances to share with loved ones.

Kids STEM Studio Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 25, 2025

COST: \$550 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 6-12

Kids STEM Studio summer camps inspire Grades 1-7 with hands-on robotics, coding and engineering projects, blending fun and learning.

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CHICAGO



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POW! Gym Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 11, 2025

COST: \$425 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 6-12

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LOCATION: Uptown

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 6-16

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Porchlight Music Theatre Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 8, 2025

LOCATION: Lincoln Park

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 4-17

Chicago's beloved musical summer camps offer kids of all ages opportunities to sing, dance, act and perform in fun, skill-building programs, with scholarships and aftercare available.

Stages Chicago Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 22, 2025

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BEST FOR AGES: 2-15

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BEST FOR AGES: 4-14

This JCC affiliated day camp encourages campers to celebrate what makes them truly special. Through sports, art, swimming, science and theater, campers discover new ways to express themselves, create friendships and try new things.

Piven Theatre Summer Camp

DATES: July 7–Aug. 1, 2025

COST: \$395 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 8-12

Campers hone acting skills in 4-week camps through ensemble exercises, story theater, improvisation and scene work, guided by highly trained instructors.

iD Tech Camp at Northwestern University

DATES: July 7-Aug. 8, 2025

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BEST FOR AGES: 7-17

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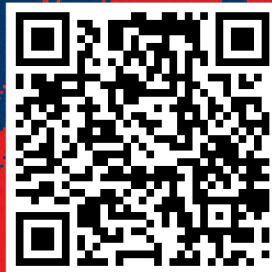


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Kids STEM Studio Summer Camps

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BEST FOR AGES: 6-12

Kids STEM Studio summer camps engage students in Grades 1-7 with interactive robotics, coding and engineering activities, combining creativity and education in a fun-filled environment.

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DATES: July 14-18, 2025

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BEST FOR AGES: 6-16

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DATES: July 14-18, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 5-11

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Skokie Park District Summer Camps

DATES: June 9-Aug. 15, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 3-18

Skokie Park District offers 60+ camps featuring adventure, fun, exploration and friendship in a safe and exciting summer experience.

Kaleidoscope Dance Summer Camps

DATES: June 16-Aug. 15, 2025

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One River Art Summer Camps

DATES: June 2-Aug. 15, 2025

LOCATION: Evanston

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 5-17

Unleash creativity at One River School's summer camps, offering hands-on experiences in digital art, painting, sculpture and design for Grades K-12.

Summer Art Camp at Glenview School of Arts

DATES: June 9-Aug. 23, 2025

LOCATION: Glenview

COST: Starts at \$95/day

BEST FOR AGES: 6-13

Summer art camps inspire creativity with activities like drawing, ceramics, fashion design and storybook making, offering kids 2-3 diverse projects daily in various mediums.

North Shore Art League

DATES: June 23-Aug. 8, 2025

LOCATION: Winnetka

COST: \$235 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 5-12

Discover creativity at North Shore Art League's summer camps, where kids explore drawing, painting, clay and more in small, supportive sessions.



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The Art Center of Highland Park Summer Camps

DATES: June 9-Aug. 8, 2025

LOCATION: Highland Park

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 6+

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COST: Starts at \$225 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 4-15

School of Rock Naperville's music camps build skills for all levels, ending with a live performance. Explore beginner to advanced workshops and rock your summer!

Camp Naper at Naperville Settlement

DATES: June 2-Aug. 8, 2025

COST: Starts at \$250 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 6-14

Explore history, art and science at Naper Settlement's 13-acre museum campus with hands-on activities like 3D art and pioneer survival adventures.

Tinkering Camp at DuPage Children's Museum

DATES: June 2-Aug. 1, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 4-11

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LOCATION: Lemont

COST: Starts at \$295

BEST FOR AGES: 7-14

The Forge summer camps offer outdoor adventures, fostering growth through educational, recreational and group activities in a 300-acre nature-filled adventure park.

Zoo Camp at Brookfield Zoo

DATES: June 9-Aug. 8, 2025

LOCATION: Brookfield

COST: \$400-\$500 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 6-14

Campers discover animals and nature through hikes, observations, games and crafts in a fun, engaging and age-appropriate environment.

Greene Wood Day Camp

DATES: June 9-July 25, 2025

LOCATION: Woodridge

COST: Starts at \$425

BEST FOR AGES: 7-12

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COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 2-14

Discover diverse summer camps at the Park District of Oak Park, offering ACA-accredited programs in sports, arts, nature and more for kids of all ages.

Summer Cooking Camps at Schoolhouse Kitchen + Studio

DATES: June 9-Aug. 8, 2025

COST: \$550 per week

BEST FOR AGES: 5-11

Kids explore baking, cooking and crafting at Schoolhouse Summer Camps. Each week features hands-on recipes, fun projects and a supportive environment to learn life skills.

OPEF BASE Camp

DATES: June 16-July 25, 2025

COST: \$120-\$200

BEST FOR AGES: 6-13

Explore 100+ STEAM camps with Oak Park Education Foundation, featuring AquaLab, Vex Robotics and more.

WHEATON

Lincoln Marsh Area Summer Camps

DATES: June 5-Aug. 12, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 2-12

Explore nature, adventure and creativity with summer camps, offering activities like fishing, hiking, STEAM projects and outdoor skills for all ages.

Wheaton Academy Sports Camps

DATES: June 9-Aug. 19, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 6-13

Wheaton Academy offers summer camps in sports for Grades K-8, combining skill-building, fun and faith-based learning in an engaging environment.

Wheaton Park District Summer Camps

DATES: June 5-Aug. 12, 2025

COST: Varies by program, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 2-12

Wheaton Park District summer camps offer nature exploration, sports, arts and adventure, providing fun and educational experiences for all ages in a safe environment.

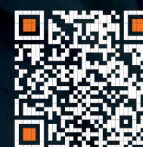
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TINLEY PARK

Tinley Park District Summer Camp

DATES: June-August 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 7-12

Tinley Park Park District day camps offer age-appropriate fun with games, activities and field trips, ensuring an engaging and exciting summer for kids of all ages.

Dutch Soccer School

DATES: July 7-11, 2025

COST: \$379

BEST FOR AGES: 8-13

Dutch Soccer School offers elite training for ambitious players with professional Dutch coaches, advanced techniques and a focus on growth.

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DATES: June-August 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 2-17

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Oak Lawn Park District Summer Camps

DATES: June-August 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

AGES: 3-14

Oak Lawn Park District summer camps offer day, sports, art and nature programs, providing engaging and educational experiences for kids of all ages.

George Shimko Basketball School Summer Camp

DATES: June-August 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

AGES: 5-15

George Shimko Basketball School hosts a week-long camp at Oak Lawn Pavilion for boys and girls, focusing on individual and team basketball skills.



ORLAND PARK

Orland Park Park District Summer Camps

DATES: June 9-15, 2025

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 3-12

The Village of Orland Park offers camps for kids ages 3-12, featuring activities like swimming, crafts, games, field trips and outdoor adventures in a safe environment.

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COST: Varies, see web-
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BEST FOR AGES: 5-14

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Road 2 Greatness Basketball Academy Camps

DATES: June 16-23, 2025

LOCATION: Homer Glen

COST: Varies, see website for details

BEST FOR AGES: 7-14

Elevate your game at Road 2 Greatness Basketball Academy's Summer Camp with high-level coaching, skill development and intensive training for athletes of all levels.

Bo Jackson's Elite All-Sports Camps

DATES: June 2-Aug. 1, 2025

LOCATION: Lockport

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BEST FOR AGES: 5-13

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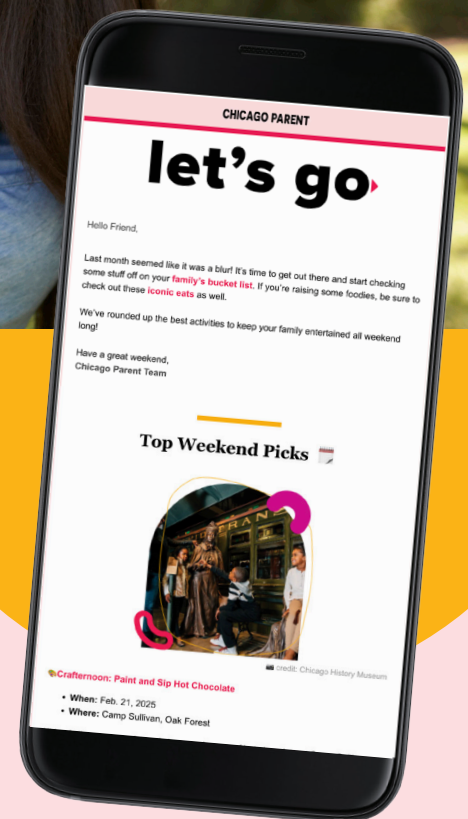
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