

Sciencenter Connection: Sciencenter Summer Camp Offers Hands-On Fun



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Want your kids to have an exciting and science-filled summer? Sciencenter Summer Camp combines fun and games with cool, hands-on science activities, experiments, field trips, visits from special presenters, and museum exploration. New for 2013 are one week sessions, more themed camps, and an early bird discount!

Our small camp size of 28 campers per session and a low camper-to-staff ratio lets your young scientist enjoy high-quality programming and develop personal relationships with the staff. Sciencenter Summer Camp is open to children entering grades 2 – 6 in September 2013. Science enthusiasts entering grades 7 – 9 are invited to apply for our free Counselor-in-Training (CIT) program.

Each of the six sessions include a variety of hands-on experiments, plus opportunities to explore more specialized sets of activities:

Explore! Space Science (Session 1, June 24 – July 5, no camp on July 4): Campers will be immersed in astronomy, engineering and space exploration with a rocket building activity, our Starlab planetarium programs, and a space exploration challenge with remote controlled robots.

Investigate! Science (Session 2, July 8 – 19 and Session 6, August 19 – August 30): Campers will test the spectrum of general science with a variety of classic Sciencenter experiments, like Alka-Seltzer rockets, egg drop competitions, fun with liquid nitrogen, and more.

Build! Robotics and Engineering (Session 3, July 22 – July 26): Campers will become engineers during this one week session through challenges and activities to build bridges and robots.

Experiment! Nano and Chemistry (Session 4, July 29 – August 2): During this one week session, campers will explore tools and materials on the super tiny nanoscale, identify mystery compounds using chemistry, and more.

Discover! Life on Earth (Session 5, August 5 – August 16): Campers will learn about environmental science, fossils and living organisms through up-close encounters with birds of prey; geological expeditions; participating in citizen science projects; and special time with the Sciencenter's animals.

Summer Camp registration opens to Sciencenter members on March 28 and to the public on April 4. Plus, Sciencenter members receive a discount on camp registration. To learn more about Sciencenter Summer Camp or membership, you can stop in, visit us online at www.sciencenter.org or call 607-272-0600.

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