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2024

# SUMMER *Camp*

GUIDE



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### 300 Club

3715 NW 12th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 378-2898  
[300clubswimandtennis.com](http://300clubswimandtennis.com)

### Abacus Learning Center

5205 SW 91st Dr., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 376-1492  
[abacuslearningcenter.com](http://abacuslearningcenter.com)

### Abiding Savior Lutheran Church and Preschool 2024 Summer Camp

9700 W. Newberry Rd.  
Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 331-7770  
[preschool@abidingsavior.info](mailto:preschool@abidingsavior.info)  
<https://abidingsavior.info/home>  
**Dates:** Beginning June 3, 2024  
**Ages:** 2 to 8 years old  
**Cost:** Varies with program choice  
Summer Camp for preschool and elementary children. Choose from 1/2, 3/4 or full day programs. Open 7:30am to 6:00pm. Loving Christian environment and great prep for fall preschool program. ○

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### A Child's Academy

3401 NW 34th St.#2, Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 371-3360 | [achildsacademy.com](http://achildsacademy.com)

### Alliance Southeast Youth & Kids Camps at Lake Swan

647 State Rd. 26, Melrose, FL 32666  
(352) 475-2828  
[lakeswancamp.org/programs/the-alliance-southeast-youth-kids-camps](http://lakeswancamp.org/programs/the-alliance-southeast-youth-kids-camps)

### Archery Camps

24880 NW 16th Ave., Newberry, FL 32669  
(352) 722-3926  
[eastonnewberryarcherycenter.org/discover-camps](http://eastonnewberryarcherycenter.org/discover-camps)

### Balance 180 Gymnastics Summer Camp

6527 NW 18th Dr., Gainesville, FL 32653  
(352) 340-1180 | [balance180.org](http://balance180.org)

### Blue Wave After School

1080 SW 11th St., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 692-3007 | [bluwaveafterschool.com](http://bluwaveafterschool.com)

### Boys & Girls Club

#### 1. Northwest:

2661 NW 51st St., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 373-6639

#### 2. Woodland Park:

331 SE 20th Place, Gainesville, FL 32641  
(352) 377-8003 | [bgcnf.org/alachua](http://bgcnf.org/alachua)

### Brentwood School

1111 NW 55th St., Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 373-3222  
[gobrentwoodschool.com/summer-fun](http://gobrentwoodschool.com/summer-fun)

### Cade Museum

811 S. Main St., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 371-8001 | [cademuseum.org/camps](http://cademuseum.org/camps)

### Cameron Dancenter Dance Camps & Summer Intensives

#### 1. Ridgeway Village:

5003 NW 34th Blvd., Suite 120,  
Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 371-0761

#### 2. Haile Village Center:

5211 SW 91st Terr. Ste A.,  
Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 335-7785  
[camerondancenter.com](http://camerondancenter.com)

### Camp Boggy Creek

30500 Brantley Branch Rd., Eustis, FL 32736  
(352) 483-4200 | [boggycreek.org](http://boggycreek.org)

### Camp Crystal Lake

6724 Camp Crystal Rd., Starke, FL 32091  
(855) 651-2267  
[campcrystal.com/summer-camp/](http://campcrystal.com/summer-camp/)

### Camp Good News

120 Twin Lakes Rd., Hawthorne, FL 32640  
(352) 481-3550 | [campgoodnewsfl.com](http://campgoodnewsfl.com)

### Camp Invention: Recharge At-Home

Presented by: Hidden Oak Elementary  
2100 Fort Clarke Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(800) 968-4332  
[invent.org/camp-invention-connect](http://invent.org/camp-invention-connect)

### Camp Kulaqua

23400 NW 212th Ave., High Springs, FL 32643  
(386) 454-1351  
[campkulaqua.com/kulaqua-s-summer-camp](http://campkulaqua.com/kulaqua-s-summer-camp)

### Canopy Oak Trails Horseback Riding

15311 SW 107th St., Archer, FL 32618  
(352) 443-9456  
[facebook.com/CanopyOakTrails/](http://facebook.com/CanopyOakTrails/)

### City of Gainesville

#### 1. Adventures in Play Summer Day Camp

#### 2. Teen life Summer Day Camp

#### 3. Earth Academy Day Camp

4. Earth Academy Junior Naturalist Program  
(352) 334-5067 | [www.gainesvillefl.gov](http://www.gainesvillefl.gov)

### College for Kids at Santa Fe College

3000 NW 83rd St., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 395-5193  
<https://www.sfcollege.edu/cfk/>

### Corks & Colors

3415 W. University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32607  
(352) 373-8847 | [corkscolors.com](http://corkscolors.com)

### Camp Shands Scouts BSA Summer Camp

1453 Baden Powell Rd. Hawthorne, FL 32640  
(904) 388-0591 | [campshands.org](http://campshands.org)

### DB Racquet Club

5100 NW 53rd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32653  
(352) 377-9580 | [dbtennis.com](http://dbtennis.com)

### Dream Oaks Camp

16110 Dream Oaks Pl., Bradenton, FL 34212  
(941) 746-5659 | [foundationfordreams.org](http://foundationfordreams.org)

### Earth Academy Day Camp

3540 E. University Ave., Gainesville, FL 32641  
(352) 393-8240 | [cityofgainesvilleparks.org](http://cityofgainesvilleparks.org)

### Earth Immersion SCUBA Summer Camp for Teens

14026 SW 72nd Terr., Archer, FL 32618  
(352) 641-0350 | [earthimmersion.com](http://earthimmersion.com)

### Fear Facers Camp

7400 SW 41st Pl., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 265-4623  
[coard.psychiatry.ufl.edu/fear-facer-summer-camp](http://coard.psychiatry.ufl.edu/fear-facer-summer-camp)

### Florida 4-H Gator Adventures Camp

126 Cloverleaf Rd., Lake Placid, FL 33852  
(863) 465-4884 | [florida4h.ifas.ufl.edu/camps](http://florida4h.ifas.ufl.edu/camps)

### Florida Diabetes Camp

PO Box 14136, Gainesville, FL 32604  
(352) 334-1321  
[floridiabetescamp.org/summer-camps/](http://floridiabetescamp.org/summer-camps/)

### Florida Museum of Natural History Family Discovery Camps

3215 Hull Rd., Gainesville, FL 32611  
(352) 846-2000  
[floridamuseum.ufl.edu/kids/summer-camps/](http://floridamuseum.ufl.edu/kids/summer-camps/)

### Florida Youth Institute

[students@cpet.ufl.edu](mailto:students@cpet.ufl.edu)  
<https://www.cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/>



# Abiding Savior Lutheran Church and Preschool

## Summer Camp 2024

Ages 2-8  
Beginning June 3  
**Join us for Camp!**

**Call Us**  
352-331-7770



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[preschool@abidingsavior.info](mailto:preschool@abidingsavior.info)  
9700 West Newberry Rd.  
Gainesville, FL 32606

# GAINESVILLE COUNTRY DAY SCHOOL



**Visit our website for summer camp information!**

[GAINESVILLECOUNTRYDAYSCHOOL.ORG](http://GAINESVILLECOUNTRYDAYSCHOOL.ORG)

<b>Early Childhood Enrichment Center</b> Enrolling children ages 6 weeks - 4 years <b>352.332.9032</b>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> Avenue Campus</b> Enrolling children ages 4 years old - 5th grade <b>352.332.7783</b>
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# SUMMER STARTS HERE...





## REGISTER TODAY!

- June 10th - July 12th
- Open to ages 2 - 8th Grade
- Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math
- (STEAM) based activities
- Morning & After Camp Programs available.



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### Funworks Action Camp

1311 NW 76th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 332-0555 | [funworks.com](http://funworks.com)

### Gainesville Area Rowing, Learn to Row Camp

151 SE 74th St., Gainesville, FL 32641  
(352) 327-8704 | [gainesvillearearowing.com](http://gainesvillearearowing.com)  
[campinfo@gainesvillearearowing.com](mailto:campinfo@gainesvillearearowing.com)

**Dates:** June 17-21, June 24-28, July 8-12, July 15-19, July 22-26

**Ages:** Rising 6th - 12th graders

**Cost:** \$150

Come row with us! Five one-week sessions offered in June and July. Pay for four weeks and the fifth one is free. →▶

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### G.C.D.S. Summer Camp

6801 SW 24th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32607  
(352) 332-7783

[luci@gainesvillecountrydayschool.org](mailto:luci@gainesvillecountrydayschool.org)  
[gainesvillecountrydayschool.org](http://gainesvillecountrydayschool.org)

**Dates:** May 20 to July 26

**Ages:** 4 to 12

**Cost:** Contact email or visit website for prices. ★ ○ → ■

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### Gainesville Girls Rock Camp

927 NE 7th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 448-5154  
[facebook.com/gainesvillegirlsrockcamp](https://facebook.com/gainesvillegirlsrockcamp)

### Gainesville Youth Chorus' Sing All Summer Workshop

Glen Springs Elementary  
2826 Northwest 31st Avenue  
Gainesville, Florida 32605  
(352) 256-7283 | [gainesvilleyouthchorus.com](http://gainesvilleyouthchorus.com)

### Gator Business Leaders of Tomorrow

[students@cpet.ufl.edu](mailto:students@cpet.ufl.edu)  
<https://www.cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/>

### Gator Pharmacy Exploration Camp

[students@cpet.ufl.edu](mailto:students@cpet.ufl.edu)  
<https://www.cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/>

### Gator Sports Camps

Baseball, Cheerleading, Golf, Gymnastics, Lacrosse, Softball, Swimming  
[floridagators.com/sports/2015/12/10/\\_camps\\_.aspx](http://floridagators.com/sports/2015/12/10/_camps_.aspx)

### Gator Vet Camp

[students@cpet.ufl.edu](mailto:students@cpet.ufl.edu)  
[cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/](http://cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/)

### Gatorball Summer Baseball Camp

3401 NW 143rd St., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 514-4414  
[sbarton@gatorballtraining.com](mailto:sbarton@gatorballtraining.com)  
<https://gatorballtraining.com/summer-camp/>  
**Dates:** June 3-6, July 15-18 and July 29-August 1  
**Ages:** 5 to 14 years old ▶

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### Gatorland Band Camps

1556 Inner Rd., Gainesville, Florida 32611  
(352) 392-3716 | [ufbandcamps.com](http://ufbandcamps.com)

### Girl Scout Camp

183 Shalom Camp Trail, Hawthorne, FL 32640  
(352) 546-5271 | [girlscouts-gateway.org](http://girlscouts-gateway.org)

### Girls Place

2101 NW 39th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 373-4475  
<https://girlsplace.net/summerdaycamp/>

### Haile Equestrian Center

7680 SW 46th Blvd., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 665-7433  
[haileequestrian.com/horse-camps](http://haileequestrian.com/horse-camps)

### Hippodrome

25 SE 2nd Pl., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 375-4477 | [thehipp.org/education/](http://thehipp.org/education/)

### i9 Sports Camp

4000 SW 122nd St., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 283-8586 | [i9sports.com](http://i9sports.com)

### IndepenDANCE Studio Summer 2024 Dance Sessions

7050 SW Archer Rd., Suite 10  
(Main Studio Location)  
Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 337-0017 | [independancestudio.com](http://independancestudio.com)  
[office@independancestudio.com](mailto:office@independancestudio.com)

#### 1. 5 Weeks of Summer Classes

50+ Weekly Classes to choose from  
**Date:** June 17th - July 26th **Cost:** See website for rates **Ages:** 6 Months-Adult.  
\*Studio closed for summer holiday July 1st - 7th\*

#### 2. ARIEL & FRIENDS iDance Camp

Dance, Arts, Crafts & More  
**Date:** June 24th - 28th **Time:** 9am - 12pm  
**Cost:** \$188 **Ages:** 3 & Up

Join us under the sea this summer as we splash into a week of dancing, singing, arts & crafts and so much more! Enroll TODAY before this NEW Summer Camp with LIMITED SPACE fills up!

### 3. HAIR IN THE AIR! Trolls Ultimate Popstar & Rockstar Camp

Dance, Music, Singing, Arts, Crafts & more

**Date:** July 8th - 12th **Time:** 9am - 12pm

**Cost:** \$188 **Ages:** 5 & Up

Come join us for a rockin' good time as we learn fun songs paired with totally awesome dance moves! Did we mention there are fun crafts planned and provided as well? LIMITED SPACE, ENROLL NOW!

### 4. TIK TOK! Hip Hop Dance & Acro Camp

Hip Hop, Breakdancing, Acro Skills & More

**Date:** July 15th - 19th **Time:** 9 am - 12 pm

**Cost:** \$188 **Ages:** 8 & Up

Do you dream of being a viral sensation? A true TIK TOK star? With specializations in Hip Hop & Acro Dance Styles, this summer camp will give you all the tools to live out your trendy dance dreams. You'll even get to direct, create and appear in your very own TIKTOK videos. The next TIK TOK influencer is YOU! Enroll TODAY before this NEW Summer Camp with LIMITED SPACE fills up!

### 5. HEY BARBIE! Dance & Arts Camp

Dance, Arts, Crafts, Barbie Themed Activities, Games & More

**Date:** July 22nd - 26th **Time:** 9am - 12pm

**Cost:** \$188 **Ages:** 5 & Up

A BRAND NEW Camp this summer, and We will certainly be doing a lot more than "Just Beach." IndepenDANCE welcomes all of the aspiring Barbies & Kens to this totally perfect week of Barbie Movie themed dance, games & activities! Which Barbie or Ken will you be? We are sure you'll be more than "Kenough"! This NEW camp is sure to fill up — ENROLL before the Kendom takes over!

### 6. WICKED Awesome Musical Theatre Camp

Become a Triple Threat: Act, Sing & Dance

**Date:** July 29th - August 2nd

**Time:** 9 am - 12 pm

**Cost:** \$206 **Ages:** 8 & Up

An immersive musical theatre camp that includes professional acting, singing and dancing classes each day! "Wicked" is one of the most popular musical theatre productions of all time, and we can't wait to celebrate it at this weeklong intensive camp. A special showcase performance will take place on the last day of camp for friends and family. Our musical theatre camp had a waiting list last summer, ENROLL TODAY! ~●

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## ENROLL FEBRUARY 2024



5 WEEKS OF SUMMER CAMPS



50+ WEEKLY CLASSES

STARTING JUNE 17TH

AGES 6 MONTHS-ADULT

## JORDAN GLEN SCHOOL & SUMMER CAMP



**Ages:** Pre-K through 8th Grade

**Cost:** \$450/week  
\$1,200 for each  
three week session  
(ask about sibling discount!)

Celebrating 50 years, Jordan Glen is a hidden gem that has produced countless camp alumni that credit it with providing some of the happiest memories of their childhood summers. The camp is situated in SW Gainesville on 20 beautiful acres. Walk around our grounds and it will be apparent why our camp is such a special place.

Our camp harkens back to what camps were like before "specialty camps." Kids enjoy the outdoors - swimming, playing sports (tennis, baseball, soccer, archery...to name a few), and being in nature, while also having ample time to cool off indoors exploring their inner artist, participating in dance and the dramatic arts, and bonding with new and old friends. Jordan Glen Camp has something for everyone.

We are advocates of children and childhood. We want our children to enjoy their time spent away from home and to look forward to returning each day.



12425 SW 154th St., Archer, FL 32618 | (352) 495-2728 | [jordanglen.org](http://jordanglen.org)

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### Ironwood Golf Course

2100 NE 39th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32609  
(352) 393-8500  
[ironwoodgolfcourse.org/junior-programs/](http://ironwoodgolfcourse.org/junior-programs/)

### Jordan Glen School & Summer Camp

12425 SW 154th St., Archer, FL 32618  
(352) 495-2728 | [jordanglen.org](http://jordanglen.org)  
**Ages:** Pre-K through 8th Grade  
**Cost:** \$450/week, \$1,200 for each three week session. ● ~ ✕ □ ○ → ▶

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### Kiddie Academy of Gainesville

6476 SW 75th St., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 264-7724  
[kiddieacademy.com/academies/gainesville-fl/programs/summer-camp](http://kiddieacademy.com/academies/gainesville-fl/programs/summer-camp)

### KidStrong

6020 NW 4th Pl., Suite G, Gainesville, FL 32607 | (352) 244-9818  
[kidstrong.com/gainesvillecamps](http://kidstrong.com/gainesvillecamps)

### La Petite Academy Summer Camp

2755 SW Archer Rd. Gainesville, FL 32608  
(877) 271-6466  
[lapetite.com/educational-programs/summer-camp/](http://lapetite.com/educational-programs/summer-camp/)

### Madonna's Equestrian Academy

7624 NE 62nd Dr., Gainesville, FL 32609  
(352) 222-3266 | [horsebacklessons.com](http://horsebacklessons.com)

### Master Builder Camp

3536 NW 8th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 339-5102 | [masterbuildercamp.com](http://masterbuildercamp.com)

### Millhopper Montessori School Summer Camp

8505 NW 39th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 375-6773 | [mmschool@millhopper.com](mailto:mmschool@millhopper.com)  
[Millhopper.com](http://Millhopper.com)

**Dates:** June 10 - July 12 | **Cost:** Varies  
**Ages:** 2 years old through 8th grade  
Every summer, Millhopper Montessori School hosts a Summer Camp open to MMS students, as well as the public. Our camps take place over the course of five weeks, and children ages 2-years-old through 8th grade can attend, along with high school student junior counselor volunteers. Teachers base their curriculum upon weekly themes, while following the Montessori style learning and practices. Give us a call or stop by for more information about our 2024 Summer Camp themes, pricing and availability! ★ ● ○ → ▶

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### Montgomery Presbyterian Center Camp

88 SE 75th St., Starke, FL 32091  
(352) 473-4516  
[montgomerycenter.net/about/summer/](http://montgomerycenter.net/about/summer/)

### Oak Hall Summer Program

1700 SW 75th St., Gainesville, FL 32607  
(352) 332-3609 | [dtripp@oakhall.org](mailto:dtripp@oakhall.org)  
[oakhallsummerprogram.org](http://oakhallsummerprogram.org)  
**Dates:** May 28 to July 26 | **Ages:** 3+  
The Oak Hall Summer Program is a welcoming, diverse and supportive camp community helping campers discover their passion. Over 100 full and half-day camps are available for campers ages 3-18. All camps are open to the Gainesville community. Need-Based Financial Assistance Available. ★ ● ~ ✕ □ ○ → ▶

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### Orange Blossom Prep

6200 SW Archer Rd., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 375-8900 | [orangeblossomprep.com](http://orangeblossomprep.com)

### O2B Kids!

4 locations in the Gainesville, Alachua & Lake City area to serve you.  
(407) 268-8833  
[O2bkids.com](http://O2bkids.com) | [info@O2bkids.com](mailto:info@O2bkids.com)

### Okito America

6900 SW Archer Rd., Gainesville, FL 32608  
(352) 338-7262  
[okitoamerica.com/services/camps/](http://okitoamerica.com/services/camps/)

### Play Tennis Gainesville

1001 NW 34th St. Gainesville, FL 32605  
(352) 559-8860 | [playtennisgainesville.com](http://playtennisgainesville.com)

### Pofahl Studios Summer Dance

1325 NW 2nd St., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 371-2986  
[pofahldancestudio.com/intensive](http://pofahldancestudio.com/intensive)

### Pony Paddock Summer Horse Camp

704 NW 202nd St., Newberry, FL 32669  
(386) 853-0615

### Pop Up Theater Camp (We the People Theater Arts Initiative)

(352) 363-1294  
[wethepeopletheater.org/popupcamp](http://wethepeopletheater.org/popupcamp)

### Queen of Peace Catholic Academy Camp

10900 SW 24th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32607  
(352) 332-8808  
[dskoogan@qopacademy.org](mailto:dskoogan@qopacademy.org)  
[qopacademy.org](http://qopacademy.org)

**Dates:** June 3rd to July 26th

**Ages:** PreK to 8th Grade

**Cost:** Varies ● ○ → ▶

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### Research Explorations

[cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/](http://cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/)

### Research Immersion in Science and Engineering

[cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/](http://cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/)

### Saint Francis Catholic Academy

4100 NW 115th Terr., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 376-6545  
[sfca Wolves.org](http://sfca Wolves.org)

### Sonshine Day Preschool

10000 W. Newberry Rd.  
Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 333-0017  
[sonshineday.org](http://sonshineday.org)

### St. Patrick Interparish Catholic School

550 NE 16th Ave., Gainesville, FL 32601  
(352) 376-9878  
[spsgnv.org](http://spsgnv.org)

### Star Martial Arts

500 NW 60th St., Suite A  
Gainesville, FL 32607  
(352) 374-4950  
[star-tkd.com/summer-camp](http://star-tkd.com/summer-camp)

### Student Science Training Program

[cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/](http://cpet.ufl.edu/students/uf-cpet-summer-programs/)

### Summer Band at Fort Clarke

9301 NW 23rd Ave., Gainesville, FL 32606  
(352) 333-2800  
[sites.google.com/gm.sbac.edu/summerband/home](http://sites.google.com/gm.sbac.edu/summerband/home)





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# Your GOLDen Summer Awaits!

CAMP DATES: **5/28 - 7/26 (AGES 3 AND UP)**  
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**(352) 332-3609 | DTRIPP@OAKHALL.ORG**  
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333 SW 140th Terr., Jonesville, FL 32669  
(352) 331-8773

[camp@suncountrysports.com](mailto:camp@suncountrysports.com)  
[suncountrysports.com/campsunny-summercamp/](http://suncountrysports.com/campsunny-summercamp/)

**Dates:** Entire Summer, June 3rd until last week before school starts back

**Ages:** 2 1/2 year-old to rising 6th graders  
Camp Sunny provides children an opportunity to learn, socialize and stay active while also incorporating unique fitness opportunities. Kids will make friends, share adventures, and try new activities each day! ~✕▶

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### Swimming Lessons

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IT'S TIME TO START PLANNING FOR

# SUMMER CAMPS!

BY REBECCA VITKUS

**For many kids this summer, camp is where they're headed. It is a place to create lifelong friendships and memories that last for decades to come. There are many options and activities to choose from, so it's time to start planning for summer camps now!**

## THE DAY CAMP EXPERIENCE

When parents have great memories of childhoods spent singing campfire songs, it's hard to understand the reluctance their kids may have about going away for the summer. The decision of whether or not to send a kid to summer camp can be incredibly stressful and often lasts for years. So what's a parent to do when a kid just won't go?

If you're an anxious parent with an anxious child, the best bet is to wait until you're both more comfortable. Try introducing your child to a day camp so they can meet new friends and experience what it's like, just for a few hours. Let them know it's fine to be nervous, but try not to let any of your own anxiety show.

To encourage your child to try out a new camp, involve them in the selection process. Find camp environments that will interest them, and give them power to choose his own experience. Take them shopping for new camp clothes and invite their questions, doing your best to put off any worries they may have.

You know your child best, so use your instincts to determine when, if ever, is the right time for sleep-away camp, and remember to consider day camp as an alternative route.

## OVERNIGHT CAMP LIST

With all the excitement of a summer at sleep-away camp, it's easy to forget something important! Make sure your children have all the necessities before you send them off to camp.

- Bedding and linens (beach and bath towels)
- Clothes for all weather (heat, cold, rain) and activities (bathing suits, pajamas)
- A journal and pens or pencils
- Plenty of stamped, addressed envelopes for writing letters home
- Sneakers, shower shoes and extra socks
- Toiletries and lip balm
- Insect repellent and sunscreen
- Flashlight and water bottle
- Medications or other health needs
- Cash, as you see fit

## PACKING A HEALTHY CAMP LUNCH

Keep kids healthy, hydrated and happy at summer camp with these yummy lunch options.

- Veggie sticks
- Rice cakes
- Apple slices
- Raisins
- Hummus
- Bananas
- Grapes
- Pretzels
- Oranges
- Peanut butter and apples
- Graham crackers and Nutella
- Chips and salsa
- Fresh fruit cups
- Applesauce
- Nuts
- Granola bars
- Cheese sticks

### Notes:

- Always pack an ice pack, hand wipes and disposable silverware.
- Avoid mayo based foods.



## KEEP IN TOUCH!

Some of the best friendships in a child's life develop through hours spent at camp, so it's important for campers to stay connected. In the world of social media and instant messaging, there's no excuse for lost friendships just because the kids live far away. Connect with the other campers' parents online to stay in contact. Even better, encourage the kids to write to each other, and help them send mail to their new pen pals. After all, everyone loves getting a letter!

Start planning now for summer camp so that when the time comes, both you and your kiddo are ready. Happy camping!