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Campers at Delaware County Christian School may participate in a basketball camp, robotics camp and experience all the fun of classic day camp activities in just one week.

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you can always choose to participate in single programs as well, or mix and match as you please.

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Not sure if you can make it to campus this year? In 2020, we converted our

programs to be entirely remote. We've got it down to a science now. That

means we'll offer remote research programs in 2021, as well. We'll be offering Biotech Research and STEM Entrepreneurship, and we plan to roll out more! These programs both earned RAVE reviews in 2020.

You deserve to have an amazing summer exploring new, exciting and challenging topics in 2021.

Build up your credentials for college and explore lucrative career tracks while staying busy and making connections. The Boston Leadership Institute is getting you back on track.

For more information, visit www.bostonleadershipinstitute.com

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PATHWAY SCHOOL**Pathway School offers Extended School Year program**

It's not about forcing a fit, it's about finding a place. Pathway could be the place for your child during the school year and/or during the Extended School Year (ESY) program.

For over 50 years, Pathway has been serving students with special education needs. Pathway provides educational and therapeutic services to young people with significant learning, social-emotional and executive functioning needs. The goal is to provide an individualized, structured learning environment that empowers all students to build independence for all students.

Pathway offers a six-week Extended School Year (ESY) program that was created with various tracks that

focus on each student's affective, academic, social and functional needs in various structured learning environments in school and in the community. The ESY program supports each student's IEP goals while providing students unique opportunities to increase their interests in educational topics and further develop recreation and leisure skills.

Summer therapeutic activities further develop academic skills while providing students an opportunity to choose from a variety of club activities. After some instruction in reading and math, students will participate in theme-based activities that allow them to have fun while build executive functioning and social skills.

Clubs are designed to increase a student's repertoire of interests and expose them to different types of experiences throughout the summer. Social skills, cooperative teamwork, communication and recreation and leisure skills are embedded in all club activities.

Social & Community Activities — For Life Experiences focuses on providing students with a hands-on approach to developing social skills and promoting successful functioning in the community. Students will continue to develop functional academic skills, communication skills, vocational skills and daily living skills. The program will take place both on campus and in

community settings to teach social skills and life skills through community outings, preparing menus, grocery shopping, money management, and self-care lessons.

Field trips are another fun part of the ESY program. Students will participate in field trips to local points of interest that coordinate with classroom and program themes while promoting social skills in the community. Trips may include places such as fishing spots, hiking trails, tours of local facilities, historical spots and much more.

The ESY program is offered to Pathway students ages 5-21, as well as students with similar needs in nearby school districts. For students not currently



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attending the school-year program who are interested in ESY programming, contact Diana Phifer in the admissions department for additional information and a tour of the campus at 610-277-0660, ext. 289, or email to dphifer@pathwayschool.org. Or send a current IEP, Evaluation/Re-evaluation

Report to The Pathway School – Attn: Diana Phifer, The Pathway School, 162 Egypt Rd., Jeffersonville, PA 19403.

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WAYNE ART CENTER

Experience why art matters more than ever at Wayne Art Center

Grab a paint brush or a stone chisel. Come along as Wayne Art Center's Summer Art Camp 2021 explores A Summer of "Isms" — From Classical to Modern.

Delving into the unique "Isms" of art is limitless. Discover real-world classical paintings and sculptures, from Michelangelo's and da Vinci's Renaissance to Monet's light-filled, in-the-moment impressionistic water lilies.

Discover Picasso's obsession with cubist, angled forms and Dali's dreamy surrealist marching ants and melting watches. Dribble and splash paint like Jackson Pollock or create a Frida Kahlo self-portrait with your favorite pet.

Geared to every age and level of artistic ability, Wayne Art Center offers a diverse range of art classes

in our Summer Art Camp for campers ages 4-17. Our one-week camps run Mondays through Fridays from May 31 to Aug. 20.

Flexible schedules feature full- and half-day classes, as well as early care and lunch bunch in the Children's Garden. Well-equipped, contemporary studios inspire campers with abundant natural light and views of our gardens that also serve as beautiful outdoor studios.

With small classes, each child is encouraged and challenged by experienced and committed camp faculty who nurture campers through the creative process. A dedicated corps of volunteers support teachers weekly in the art studios, during snack, lunch break and extended care.

Wayne Art Center offers a warm and nurturing

environment that motivates students to create and explore the arts while maintaining social distance and safety protocols in compliance with current COVID-19 guidelines.

Our early childhood art programs are designed to stimulate young minds and foster a love of art. Dynamic STEAM-inspired classes for children ages 6 to 12 focus on building skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, cartooning, ceramics, sculpture, jewelry, fashion design and more. The TEEN Studio provides diverse opportunities for teen artists ages 13 to 17 to improve core art skills that help expand their creative repertoire.

Join us at Wayne Art Center to experience why the arts matter now more than ever. Through the power of art, campers will experience how to express themselves

and illustrate the world around them in a different light while learning new ways of seeing and thinking about life.

Through the history of art and art making, students will discover how art reflects its time and how it strengthens individuals and communities.

Now in its 37th year, Wayne Art Center's Summer Camp provides an exciting opportunity to create and learn about art while developing new friendships and participating in building a strong community through the arts. At the conclusion of each weekly session, campers are invited to proudly display their creative accomplishments for family, friends and fellow campers at our Friday Art Show.

Located just minutes from downtown Wayne and adjacent to Radnor Trail,



Campers get a chance to express their creativity.

Wayne Art Center provides an all-inclusive experience to explore the arts and stimulate a well-rounded lifestyle for the entire family.

Whatever your child's interests make Wayne Art Center the perfect destination for a Summer Art Camp

experience this year. Come join us this summer as we explore history through the "Isms" of Art.

For more information on Wayne Art Center's 2021 Summer Art Camp, visit www.wayneart.org or call 610-688-3553.

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CAMP NAC

Camp NAC inspires creativity, innovation and self-awareness

Here at Camp NAC, we make it our mission to introduce new concepts to our campers that inspire creativity, innovation and self-awareness. Every summer we strive to have our campers connect with activities that match their individual interests and contribute to a more mindful lifestyle approach.

This year at Camp

NAC, we are excited to introduce a new lineup of cooking camps that are created uniquely for campers ages 6-12.

In our cooking camps, children will get hands-on cooking time and also learn all about nutrition with our registered dietitian, food safety, the science of cooking and mindfulness through meditation and yoga.

The top addition to our cooking camps this summer is mindfulness through meditation and yoga.

Being mindful is having the ability to be fully present in the moment. A few benefits of children practicing mindfulness include, decreased stress and sadness, and

increased focus and happiness.

We look forward to introducing this topic to our campers, so they can further explore how to incorporate it in their everyday life.

Through meditation and yoga, we hope to have our campers learn practices that are modest and doable, while also gaining tools that they can use long after the summer is over.

During our cooking camps, we will also keep campers active by incorporating games and activities themed around everyone's favorite topic — food!

A few of our favorite cooking camps this year are Baking Bootcamp, Be

Our Guest, Farm to Table, International Culinary and Pastry Chef.

In our newest cooking camp, Be Our Guest, campers will recreate the magical Disney-inspired foods from the movies we all love! Campers will also learn all about proper etiquette and being perfect hosts and hostesses. During this week, our campers will put their table manners to the test!

All Camp NAC activities are held at the Newtown Athletic Club, 120 Pheasant Run, Newtown, Bucks County.

Camp NAC's summer program runs from June 1 to Sept. 4. For more information, visit www.campnac.com.



Campers enjoy time by the pool at Camp NAC.



A camper plays basketball at Camp NAC.

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NORTH PENN YMCA

North Penn YMCA offers summer camp unplugged

The North Penn YMCA, with branches in Lansdale and Harleysville, announce, its plan to offer summer camp in seven locations for kids preschool through 8th grade.

“Our kids have had more screen time recently than ever before,” said CEO Bob Gallagher. “Our goal this summer is to unplug digital devices and create opportunities for fun games

and activities to enhance your child’s self-esteem, build friendships and develop a greater sense of their potential.”

Values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility are reflected in daily camp life and through all the fun your child is sure to experience here at our North Penn YMCA Summer Camp programs. One week or the whole summer, kids will have fun, build confidence and make friends in a safe and enriching environment.

Camps will be offered at the following locations: Harleysville Branch, 311 Alumni Ave., Harleysville, for preschoolers and grades K-2; Indian Valley Branch, 890 Maple Ave., Harleysville for grades 3-9; Emmanuel Lutheran, 69

W. Broad St., Souderton, for grades K-5; Heidelberg Church, 251 Perkiomen Ave., Schwenksville, for grades K-8; Lansdale Branch, 608 E. Main St., Lansdale for grades 1-8; Lansdale Catholic, 700 Lansdale Ave, Lansdale, will offer sports camps for grades 4-8; Y Camp at Towamencin, 1290 Allentown Road, Lansdale, will offer specialty camps for grades 3-6.

For more information, visit www.NorthPennYMCA.org.

About the North Penn YMCA: The North Penn YMCA is a nonprofit, charitable organization that offers a wide variety of programs and services for children, teens, seniors, families and those with special needs in the North Penn, Indian Valley and Perkiomen Valley



North Penn YMCA summer camps offer kids a chance to have fun and build confidence in a safe and enriching environment.

communities. Established in 1955, the North Penn YMCA serves over 16,000 community members and their families through its three branches and numerous outreach locations, regardless of

ability to pay. Locally, the Y provides over \$840,000 in charitable services to more than 11,000 individuals each year. Visit the Y online at www.NorthPennYMCA.org.



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YMCA OF GREATER BRANDYWINE

How to help your child deal with the impact of the pandemic

It has been over a year since many of us first heard of COVID-19, and since then, it has disrupted almost every aspect of our lives.

With parents working more than ever or not at all, activities canceled, school taught through electronic devices and play dates a distant memory, there's no denying that the pandemic's impact on our children is overwhelming.

Steve Castleton, father of two daughters and volunteer youth basketball coach at the Kennett Area YMCA, has a front-row seat to the pandemic's impact on children.

"Socially and emotionally, it's been difficult — they miss their friends and other normal human interactions," Steve said.

Since the start of the pandemic, the YMCA has been on the front lines — organizing food drives and blood drives, providing virtual group exercise classes, checking in on isolated seniors and offering summer camp, childcare, and learning centers for children doing virtual schooling.

This has given us an up-close view of how children are coping. Isolation, lack

of physical activity and stress are some of the biggest challenges we've seen.

Tackling isolation and loneliness

The data tells a challenging story. In 2020, emergency room visits for mental health concerns in children ages 5-11 rose 24% over a year prior.

Children ages 6-15 are reporting more feelings of helplessness (66%), worry (68%) and fear (62%) in addition to parents reporting their children having shortened attention spans, being more clingy and showing greater irritability.

Doctors are also experiencing increases in the number of kids with sleep disturbances, eating disorders, depression, anxiety, substance abuse and suicidal thoughts.

While worrisome, experts are quick to point out that kids are resilient, especially when parents and caregivers help them through times of crises.

They recommend parents/caregivers talk with children about what is happening while validating the feelings their kids share and helping

them to comprehend and understand them.

Find a time that best works to connect with your child; try going on regular walks or drives together to eliminate distractions.

The CDC has a guide for parents offering age-appropriate resources for families including conversation starters, activities and more.

Providing offerings for physical activity and play

Between time spent in front of a computer screen, limited or canceled activities and colder weather, kids have less physical activity.

This has resulted in a number of issues, and some doctors are reporting increased cases of eating disorders, especially in adolescents.

While some families are benefiting from the many open spaces and preserves available in Chester County, it can still be challenging to hit your step count or get back to your pre-pandemic fitness routine.

Why not sign up for the YMCA's RESET Challenge? The challenge, which will explore different ways for everyone and families to

get active for 150 minutes a week, is free to all members of our community.

Interested in more? Request a free trial for a seven-day pass to explore YMCA offerings, including group exercise classes — in-person and online — gym equipment, youth training programs, indoor pools and discounts on youth programs and activities.

Along with your free trial, we'll share the many policies we have in place to keep our spaces safe and clean.

Easing the financial burden

We've all seen the pictures on the news with long lines at local food banks.

With unemployment at an all-time high, more families than ever are experiencing hunger or food insecurity.

When kids go hungry, their ability to call upon their mental and emotional reserves to cope lessens and they are at an increased risk for hyperactivity, aggression and anxiety.

We began food drives at the start of the pandemic at the YMCA and continue them at our Oscar Lasko YMCA branch.

At the YMCA, our mission is to ensure everyone has the support they need to grow strong in spirit, mind and body.

Being able to stay safely connected to one another and remain active is critical for kids to successfully cope with the pandemic.

That's why we reviewed expert advice on preventing the spread of COVID and implemented countless safety protocols — mask requirements, heightened disinfection and more — to create the safest experience possible at the YMCA.



Beginning in June, summer camp will be available at all eight of the Chester County YMCA branches.

Kids can participate safely in youth programs such as sports teams, swim lessons and more.

Childcare for kids ages 6 weeks to 6 years and learning centers for students in grades K-6 doing virtual learning are available now.

Beginning in June, summer camp will be available at all eight of our Chester County branches. Last year, more than 1,000 children attended our childcare and summer camp programs.

Through many generous donors and our fundraising efforts, the YMCA provides financial assistance for those with need — including summer camp and childcare — as well as income-based membership opportunities. You can donate to support these programs on our website. All donations go to support families directly in our community.

As a nonprofit organization dedicated to youth development, healthy living and social responsibility, we believe that every child deserves to have safe spaces where they can grow, learn and thrive safely — and we

won't stop working to ensure that every child in our community has that opportunity. We know it's more important than ever during these challenging times.

Be the first to know about summer camp offers by joining our email list. Camp registration is open.

About the YMCA of Greater Brandywine: The YMCA of Greater Brandywine (YGBW), an association of eight YMCA's serving Chester County, is a leading nonprofit organization committed to building community. We strive to nurture the potential of every child, promote healthy living and foster social responsibility through life-changing programs for all.

YGBW raises funds to provide financial assistance to those unable to pay the standard rates. In 2019, \$3.4 million was provided to more than 11,000 individuals to ensure they had access to childcare, summer camp, programs and memberships at YGBW. More than 80,000 people are members of YGBW. To learn more, visit www.ymcagbw.org.



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CENTER SCHOOL

Center School offers Summer Learning and Enrichment Program

Help your child realize their potential and lessen the dreaded summer slide by enrolling in the Center School's literacy and math program for the month of July.

Center School's Summer Learning and Enrichment Morning Program provides students in grades 1 through 6 with targeted instruction in literacy and mathematics to develop and maintain skills, practice effective learning strategies and increase abilities in a welcoming and fun-filled environment.

In our interactive classrooms, emphasis is placed on language-based skills including phonemic awareness and phonics, fluency, vocabulary, comprehension and writing, while math instruction is provided to enhance number sense and problem solving.

New this year is the addition of Wilson Foundations in grades 1-2 and Wilson Just Words in grades 3-6. These programs specifically support decoding and spelling proficiency. In Wilson Foundations, handwriting is also emphasized.

MORNING PROGRAM: LITERACY AND MATH » Grades 1 through 6. July 6 to 30, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Non-Center School students enrolled for all 4 weeks of morning program are entitled to a pre-camp and post-camp reading assessment.

AFTERNOON ENRICHMENT PROGRAM OPTIONS » Grades 1 through 6.

July 6 to 30, Monday through Friday, 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

July 6 to 9, Fun and Fit-

ness: Housel Fun and Fitness is a mobile fitness business specializing in children's wellness. Children will engage in interactive activities and games that reflect fun, fitness, and character education. Activities and games center around developing fine and gross motor skills, spatial awareness, endurance, agility, teamwork, empathy, trust and communication.

July 12 to 16: Creative Art and STEM 1.

July 19 to 23: Creative Art and STEM 2

Students will enjoy an afternoon of STEM and art class.

In STEM, campers will participate in hands-on projects in the disciplines of science, technology, engineering and math. STEM class is taught by Center School STEM and

math teacher Christine Petrucci.

In Creative Art, campers will explore their creativity and imagination in a variety of media including clay, paint on canvas and watercolor techniques. Creative art is taught by Center School art teacher Debbie Kowalchuk, who has been teaching art to children for over 20 years.

July 26 to 30: Science Explorers: Loose in the Lab

Science Explorers has compiled our favorite camp experiments into this week-long science adventure. Make a groovy lava lamp test tube, mix up chemical reactions, erupt a volcano, make chalkboard and fluffy slime, build a solar oven to make treats, launch pompoms with your own catapult, create your own motorized invention, make a foaming "matter monster"



Center School's Summer Learning and Enrichment Program can help stop the summer slide.

and go on a fossil dig.

Flexible weekly options for enrolling for the summer program are available. Please see below for morning program options, afternoon options, or full day options.

FULL DAY OPTION » Literacy, Math and Enrichment Afternoons. Grades 1 through 6

July 6 to July 30, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to

3:30 p.m.

Students that attend a full day will pack a lunch.

Registration fee is \$50. Register by May 1, and we will waive the registration fee. For more information email mstalker@centerschoolpa.org, call 215-657-2200 or visit www.centerschoolpa.org.

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Merion Mercy summer programs a bright spot in your summer

For close to 30 years, Merion Mercy Academy's summer programs have offered a multitude of academic and athletic opportunities for students.

MMA's summer programs provide more than 25 academic and enrichment opportunities and sports camps for girls and boys in grades 6 to 12.

Popular offerings include Effective Writing, Make Art!, Cricut Create and Design, Basketball, Field Hockey, Soccer and Volleyball camps.

Whether students wish to sharpen their writing skills, earn high school credits, prepare for the various high school and scholarship exams, try a new sport or learn a new skill, there's surely a summer activity at Merion Mercy that matches their interests.

"There really is something

for everyone," said Director of Summer Programs Barbara Harrison. "We are proud to have strong instructors and to utilize our facilities to offer students a productive and unique summer experience."

"This summer, we look forward to using our expansive and versatile art studios and innovation lab where our STEM courses will be held."

Close to 100 high school students take part in the summer programs while elementary school students and incoming freshmen are also eager to explore MMA's welcoming campus. In addition to several co-ed options, many of the summer offerings are just for girls and allow prospective students the chance to get to know MMA's campus and experience the school's

programs firsthand.

Most notably, the all-girls Summer Academy is a full-day, four-week program designed specifically for girls entering grade eight. The Summer Academy helps students begin the transition from an elementary school to a college preparatory high school program. Students take courses such as pre-algebra, language arts, study skills and public speaking.

There is also a fitness class built in that includes options such as volleyball and yoga.

As one Summer Academy parent noted: "My daughter loved the program, learned a lot and made great new friends. MMA's Summer Academy was a perfect mix of learning and fun."

Visit www.merion-mercy.com/summerprograms for more information.

SUMMER VIBES CAMP AT MATER DEI

Kids can learn new skills at Summer Vibes Camp at Mater Dei

Summer Vibes Camp at Mater Dei will be the perfect place for your child to socialize, build friendships and learn new skills this summer.

Provide your child with a chance to safely interact with friends and create new memories. We will create a warm, loving and safe environment following the

Mater Dei 2020 Health and Safety Plan.

Summer Vibes will be nine weeks long, from June 28 to Aug. 27 and is open to all parishioners and friends of parishioners. Pick any or all weeks.

Summer Vibes is open to children registered for the 2020-2021 school year in PreK3 through grade 6.

There will be a variety of activities, arts and crafts, plenty of sports and even enrichment opportunities.

Mater Dei Catholic School is located at 493 E. Main St. Lansdale. For more information call 215-368-0995 or visit www.materdeicatholic.com.



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YMCA CAMP CONRAD WEISER

Why time spent at YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser is so important



The pool at YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser.

I have spent the last 28 summers at summer camp and 6 years as the director at YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser. As a camper, I learned a great deal about nature, as well as bunch of cool skills like archery, fire building and sailing. I also made a lot of new friends.

Looking back at my years coming up through camp, I now see that I was learning how to create new

was a book written in 2005 called "Last Child in the Woods" by Richard Louv, that started a movement called "Leave No Child Inside." The author connected problems like obesity, attention disorders and depression with a lack of exposure to the natural world. In this movement, summer camps were hailed as the perfect prescription to Richard Louv's "Nature-

unprecedented increases in childhood depression and mental health issues as this isolation continues. How can we help our children?

YMCA Camp Conrad Weiser, among many other summer camps, has been working diligently all year with the goal to be able to operate camp safely in a pandemic with the guidance from the American Camping Association, YMCA of the USA and the CDC. We are committed to connecting kids with each other and nature. We want to see kids grow and develop because they are our future.

Picking the right camp for your child always has been a challenge, but now parents need to make sure their camp is pandemic ready. I encourage all perspective camp families to visit the American Camping Association's website to see the recommended steps that camps should be taking and contact the camp director to ask about the pandemic operating plans. At Camp Conrad Weiser we are ready to take your call at 610-670-2257 or you can contact us through our website: www.snymca.org

— Cory Evans
Camp Conrad Weiser
director



Campers relax in hammocks.

friendships in different and more meaningful ways than I was at school or in sports. When I learned new skills at camp, I was given the opportunity to try new things, explore and fail without the negative criticism of others.

Camp is also highly connected to nature. There

Deficit Disorder."

According to NPR, 168 million children have missed school in the last year due to the pandemic. Countless more have lost the ability to interact with their friends, and even more have lost the ability to connect with nature. Experts are predicting

PEACE CAMP AT GWYNEDD FRIENDS



Campers enjoy some time in the kitchen.

'We are better together' is Peace Camp theme

Conflict is something we experience every day. How we resolve it matters. At the Peace Camp at Gwynedd Friends, campers learn ways to lessen and solve conflicts with friends and family.

Our teachers are peace builders ready to share their secrets with your children, who will develop new friendships and play games that emphasize fairness. In our inclusive environment, we are better together.

The 2021 Peace Camp will

be held the weeks of Aug. 2-6 and 9-13 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for children entering first grade through seventh grade.

At Peace Camp, your child will enjoy days full of activities focusing on how best to solve problems by creating solutions that help everyone. These skills will follow your camper home, at play with their friends and back to school. Campers learn how to use these tools through cooperative games, free play, art

projects and music, both indoors and out, with time also for quiet reflection. A community service project is a focus of camp.

The theme this year is "We are better together." Masked and socially distanced, our children will again be together at Gwynedd Meeting. Care will be taken to keep everyone safe and well.

Our theme lends itself to exploring the uniqueness of each child. Campers will practice "I statements" to more carefully express their emotions and needs to each other and practice giving positive messages. A take-home flyer summarizes the activities of each day and challenges campers to continue the skills at home with siblings, friends and parents.

The Peace Camp at Gwynedd Friends is held in spacious, light-filled rooms and on the beautiful, historic grounds of 1101 DeKalb Pike, Gwynedd. Visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/PeaceCampatGwyneddFriends. For more information and to register online for one or both weeks of Peace Camp go to www.gwyneddmeeting.org/PeaceCamp.html. We look forward to meeting you and your child.



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We have something unique for curious kids to experience each week: Digital Media, Arts and Industry, Science and Engineering, Coding, App and Game Design, Life and Environmental Sciences, Entrepreneurship and Innovation, Equestrian Riding and more!

Kids U! Summer STEAM Camps invite children ages 5-13 to design, build, innovate, experiment and play on our campus. Led by faculty, educators and industry pros, we teach you something new as you explore your interests and connect with other kids and tweens that love STEAM

based, hands-on, adventure and fun.

New this summer we added Kids U! Exclusive Online Summer Camps; taking all the great elements of weeklong on-campus specialty summer camps and making them available in an online platform. Inspire U! Summer Programs offer teens ages 14-18 the chance to see, learn and try what it takes to have a career in animal studies, creative arts, media, equine management and more.

What do parents say their child/teen liked most?

"The content, the other kids, and the staff."

"The focus on science and the independence he was allowed."

"Hands-on experience with all sorts of animals."

"Testing his drone."

Registration is open; limited seats are available for a fun, affordable and memorable summer. Visit <https://delval.edu/programs/youth-summer-programs> and secure a space now; use the discount code PERFECT10 for 10% off each enrollment (expires March 31, exclusions apply, 10% off program cost, does not include fee)

Questions? Contact Barrie Saias, youth programs coordinator at CPS@delval.edu.



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A staff member works with a camper at one of Delaware Valley University's summer camps.

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Summer 2021 camp sessions:

Session 1: June 21 to July 2

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Main Line Art Center offers 'A Summer of Color'



Join us onsite or online to paint, dab, spray, stamp and splatter your way through creative adventures with the help of experienced and talented teaching artists.

Main Line Art Center in Haverford offers "A Summer of Color" with on-site and online art camp for ages 5-16.

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Express your inner artist as you learn to see the beauty around us and discover unique ways to color your world. Experiment and craft your masterpiece in our socially distanced classrooms or from the comfort of your own home.

Class sizes are small and safety is our first priority. A summer of color awaits at Main Line Art Center!

Now in its second year,

our online summer camp for ages 5-9 brings the fun and creativity of summer art camp to you, wherever you are. Perfect for families who still want to participate but feel safer at home or will be traveling. Campers engage with their teaching artists and friends through art lessons that can be done anywhere.

Online camps are taught live using Google Classroom and Zoom. Parents need to sign up for a free Gmail account that is not associated with a school before the start of camp. Camp supply kits will be available for contactless pick-up at the art center the Thursday before the start of camp and include everything needed for the week. Five- to 9-year-olds can also join us onsite for our traditional summer

camp experience.

Onsite preteen and teen studios offer focused, in-depth learning and experimentation with a single medium. As projects progress to the next level, the techniques are more advanced and the learning faster paced.

Pair morning and afternoon studios for a full day experience, or choose a half-day intensive.

Onsite camps have mandatory safety procedures informed by current CDC guidelines. Information about social distancing, masking and sanitation will be shared with families before the start of camp.

A summer of color awaits at Main Line Art Center. Register at mainlineart.org or call 610-525-0272.



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PENN MUSEUM

Students can safely travel the globe with Penn Museum Anthropology Camp

Adventure-seekers ages 6-13 can safely globetrot — from ancient Egypt, Rome and Greece to North America to Asia — at Penn Museum Anthropology Camp. Registration is open for explorers entering grades 1-8 in the 2021-22 school year.

Because safety is a top priority, campers will be required to wear masks and divided into pods of 10 to ensure social distancing.

Campers experience the past and diverse cultures of today through interactive workshops, talks with University of Pennsylvania researchers and private expeditions through the Museum's brand-new

galleries.

"At the Penn Museum's summer camp, children discover more than anthropology — they find new friends and challenge themselves to think differently," said Allison Krisch, camp director.

The weekly themed curriculum includes:

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go!: June 21-25 and July 26-30

Dive into exciting games, learn more about the Olympics' origins in Ancient Greece and tackle an outdoor obstacle course.

Navigating the Stars: June 28-July 2 and Aug. 2-6

Learn more about astronomy and how

people of the past created calendars and maps by observing the movements of the sun, moon and stars.

Kings and Queens of Africa: July 5-9 and Aug. 9-13

Engage with African cultures and traditions, from the pyramids and temples of ancient Egypt to contemporary art and music.

Mythical Creatures and Legendary Tales: July 12-16 and Aug. 16-20

After hearing stories about animals, heroes, gods, monsters and giants, campers design their own mythical creature and illustrate its epic tale.

Engineering Marvels of

the Ancient World: July 19-23 and Aug. 23-27

Campers dig into engineering marvels of the past, like Roman arches and domes, Native American dwellings and Greek temple facades.

In addition, for families who would prefer to experience summer camp at home, the Penn Museum is sharing downloadable, pay-what-you-wish Summer Exploration Kits that are open to everyone. A new kit will be released each month for at-home K-12 learners to make crafts, do experiments, watch videos, play games and more. June's theme is Journey to Ancient Rome and Greece,



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July's focus is Archaeology for Beginners, and August examines Daily Life in Ancient Egypt.

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