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THIS SUMMER AT CAMP VALOR

Camp Valor Summer 2026 is offering over 100 camp sessions in a wide range of subjects! Camps will be offered June 8 through July 31 for Mini Knights (Pre-K through second grade) and Junior Knights (third grade to eighth grade). Camp tuition covers all materials as well as Camp Valor Swag: T-shirt, water bottle, and stickers. We also have lunch packages for campers staying for a morning and afternoon camp.

LUNCH PACKAGES

Lunch packages will be available to purchase during registration for campers staying for morning & afternoon camps.

The package is purchased by the week, and includes lunch Monday through Friday for \$45. Campers will be monitored by Camp Staff during the lunch break.

Most weeks, Campers will eat in our University Dining Hall (UDH). Campers will have the option to choose from any of the stations in the Dining Hall, which include: sandwich bar, salad bar, home-cooked options, grill and more. Other weeks, lunch will be provided by University Catering Staff or local restaurants.

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MINI KNIGHTS: PRE-K - 2ND GRADE

Art for the Heart

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Get ready to make art, explore feelings, and have a whole lot of fun! In this camp, you'll discover different emotions through stories, games, and creative activities—and then turn those feelings into awesome art. We'll read books, talk about how emotions feel, and experiment with colors, shapes, and materials to express what's inside. If you love art, stories, and using your imagination, this is your chance to create, explore, and just be a kid!

INSTRUCTOR: Emma Krebs is an Elementary Education and Learning and Behavioral Disorders major at Bellarmine University. She has worked with kids every summer since she was in high school, in multiple different camp settings. Emma loves working with children and getting the experience she needs to become a teacher.

Culture and Crafts Around the World

Session (01) / Ages 5 - 6 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 7 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

"Travel" around the world and learn about geography, language, food, and customs from a different country each day. Create a passport to document your travels as we complete crafts related to each culture.

INSTRUCTOR: Nina Jones, BA in Elementary Education, is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. She currently teaches 3rd grade in JCPS.

Exploring Drama

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

If you like playing pretend, Exploring Drama Camp is the place for you! From exercising your imagination to bringing a story to life with your face and body, each day during camp you'll practice skills that actors need. Then on Friday, you'll perform a short play in pantomime (acting without words) for your family to enjoy. Join us to explore the world of acting! *Please note: Campers must be at least 5 years old before camp begins AND entering kindergarten in Fall 2026 to enroll.*

INSTRUCTOR: Offered in collaboration with Drama by George, a Louisville educational theatre company that's impacted over 115,000 students since 2007. Drama by George grows students with compassion and character through the power of stories (dramabygeorge.com).

Harry Potter and the Adventures of Summer Camp

Session (01) / Ages 7 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Still waiting for your Hogwarts letter? Well, here it is! You'll start your magical week by being sorted into a Hogwarts house! You'll attend wizarding classes, make your own wand at Ollivanders and practice spellcasting, and get photographed flying on a broomstick (with the help of a green screen)!

INSTRUCTOR: Jennifer Jamison, a Harry Potter enthusiast, has been teaching at the Elementary level for over 20 years. She currently teaches 4th grade at Carter Traditional Elementary.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Enchanted Adventures: Fairy Tales & More

Ages 6 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$20 materials fee

Step into a world where imagination comes to life! Enchanted Adventures Camp is a magical place filled with castles, dragons, fairies, brave heroes, and enchanted forests. Each day, campers enter a storybook world where they don't just hear fairy tales but they create them. Through hands-on arts and crafts, costume design, magical wand and crown making, storytelling, music, and dramatic play, campers bring their own fairy tale characters to life. They'll write stories, act out scenes, design enchanted creations, and explore exciting themed adventures. Whether becoming a royal princess, daring knight, clever wizard, or mystical creature, every child is the hero of their own happily ever after.

INSTRUCTOR: Emma Pennington is studying Elementary Education and Special Education at Bellarmine University, Emma has completed her student teaching and has been a nanny for several years.

In Our Taylor Swift Era

Session (01) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19

9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24

9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

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Insects: Not So Creepy Crawlers

Ages 5 - 6 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 1 - 4 p.m.

\$199, plus \$20 materials fee

Listen closely for the sounds of our multi-legged crawly friends! Tick! Chirp! Hiss! Dive into the fascinating world spanning from crustaceans to insects to arachnids. Campers will encounter living creatures, exploring their anatomy and dietary habits up close, while discovering the distinctive traits of each bug in an experience that's truly un-bee-lievably fun!

Mastering Reading Skills

Session (01) / Rising 1st graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10

9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Rising 2nd graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10

9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Mastering reading skills will make reading more enjoyable for you and will greatly increase your confidence in school. Through fun and engaging activities, you will learn and practice word-attack skills, sight vocabulary, reading with expression, and comprehension skills. To help you become a more fluid reader, you'll spend a half hour each day engaged in a computer-based system that adjusts practice content based on student skill and need.

Project Pet Pals

Session (01) / Ages 5 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 /

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 5 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 /

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (03) / Ages 5 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Learn to safely approach, handle, and interact with companion animals like dogs and cats, and pocket pets like rabbits and guinea pigs. You will learn how to identify different breeds of animals and about their basic needs. We will have special guests from W.A.G.S. Pet Therapy join us for story time. Whether you have been asking for a pet or are already a pet owner, this camp will take your pet skills to the next level!

Note to parent/guardian: *All campers can learn a lot by attending this camp, whether they have a pet or not. It would be very beneficial for children who are timid or unaccustomed to pets but not suggested for children with allergies or previous trauma from a dog bite. Dog bites are a common issue with children, and most often occur from the family dog due to miscommunication about animal behavior and body language.*

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Tami Harbolt has spent 25 years involved with animal rescue and humane education. She is a nationally registered Certified Humane Education specialist, a published author on animal sheltering, and a pet therapy evaluator with WAGS Pet Therapy of KY. She will be assisted by registered therapy animals and other experts from animal-related organizations.

RAWR! The Real Life of Dinos

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$10 materials fee

What's the difference between real life dinosaurs and the ones we see on TV? Become a Junior Scientist to learn all about dinosaurs and sort them based on what they ate, when they lived, or what they might have looked like! Together we will create a life-size dinosaur, make dinosaur crafts, and learn dinosaur songs. By the end of the week, campers will be able to determine what is accurate and what is embellished for the dinos they see on TV!

INSTRUCTOR: Wes Smith is a JCPS substitute teacher and was formerly a K-12 technology director.

Seuss on the Loose!

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

“Oh, the Places You’ll Go” this summer as you enter the world of Dr. Seuss! Through engaging and creative activities based on the stories from his most popular books, we will explore the imaginary worlds Seuss created! Each day, you’ll read a new Dr. Seuss story and participate in a special story-themed activity.

INSTRUCTOR: Erin Jamison is studying Elementary Education and has a passion for literature. Her favorite children’s book is *Oh the Places You’ll Go* by Dr. Suess.

Ultimate Superheroes

Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Ignite your superhero powers and save the world! Together we will examine the superheroes you see on TV, identify real-life superheroes that are in your life, and then create your own superhero!

INSTRUCTOR: William Jamison is an English teacher at Ballard High School. William was previously an elementary school instructor at JCPS and taught in the JCPS summer program.

The Knight School: Chess Camp

Sessions (01, 02, 03) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
Sessions (04, 05, 06) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
Sessions (07, 08, 09) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
Sessions (10, 11, 12) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31

Half-day or Full-day options for each week:
9 a.m. - noon (\$225)
1 - 4 p.m. (\$225)
9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (\$375)

No chess experience? No problem! Chess Camp is a great way to keep the brain sharp over the summer while having a blast playing a lifelong game! Campers will master a new chess tactic each day with silly videos, music-driven puzzles, colorful TactixBands, funny movies, and fast-paced party-bead tournaments! Laughter, fast clocks, and compelling teaching approaches make this camp the summertime highlight for hundreds of kids nationwide.

***Campers participating in the full-day camp must bring a lunch or purchase the lunch package.**

INSTRUCTOR: Nathan Ash is the director of the Knight School Louisville. He has over 20 years of chess experience. The Knight School is the largest youth chess academy in the country.

JUNIOR KNIGHTS: 3RD GRADE - 8TH GRADE

A² - Awesome Algebra

Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

If you think algebra is “boring,” you need to come to this camp! Discover that learning algebra is totally awesome! Building balconies with rulers and pennies, using Jolly Ranchers to grasp properties and order of operations, and modeling equations with algebra tiles are a few user-friendly activities we’ll use to understand hard-core algebraic concepts. We will also work through real-world connections and see how algebra is awesome outside of school!

INSTRUCTOR: Evan Gooch, MAT from Campbellsville University, is a middle school math teacher at St. Gabriel Catholic School.

G³ - Great Gains in Geometry

Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Geometry is the first and greatest intellectual pursuit undertaken by mankind. From its beginnings in building pyramids in Egypt to creating fractal landscapes in Pixar movies, geometry is a powerful tool in making sense (and order) of our world. We will unlock the mystery behind some of the mathematical problems that you didn’t know affect you daily. Folding some sweet origami and creating cool tessellations will reveal truths your teachers never told you! Come explore the way the world works and discover the foundational code on which the world was constructed.

INSTRUCTOR: Evan Gooch, MAT from Campbellsville University, is a middle school math teacher at St. Gabriel Catholic School.

2D Knights: Animation Basics

Session (01) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$10 materials fee

Session (0) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$10 materials fee

Dive into the artistic world of 2D animation! Bring your drawings to life and unleash your creativity with fun-filled activities all about 2D animation and storyboarding. Grab your pencils and flip books to animate your wildest ideas, from playful characters to epic adventures! Plus, explore the fascinating world of animation principles using Adobe Suite, learning all about frame-rate, keyframes, squash-and-stretch, and so much more.

INSTRUCTOR: Gus Orthober is the Designer and Multimedia Producer for Enrollment Management at Bellarmine University. Gus graduated from Bellarmine with a degree in Design, Arts, and Technology with a specialization in Digital Arts.

Advanced Center Stage Drama Camp

Ages 11 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 & 13 - 17 (**2 weeks**)
9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (pack a lunch) / \$450

Take your theatre skills to the next level! Each morning during camp, you’ll learn about acting and playwriting as you collaborate with other students to craft original work. In the afternoons, you’ll rehearse a one-act play to perform for your family at the end of camp. Grow as an actor – and have a blast doing it! *Please note: This 10-day camp is only open to young actors who have previously performed in at least two plays (at school or elsewhere). Students will need to pack a lunch that does not require refrigeration each day of camp.*

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Art Fundamentals

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
1 - 4 p.m. \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (03) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (04) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Do you want to improve your creative art skills? Explore the fundamentals of art, color theory, creating unique colors, and more with hands-on activities! Throughout the week, you’ll put the principles you learn into action using a variety of mediums! Leave with an art kit so you can continue your masterpieces at home!

INSTRUCTOR: Christine Meyer, Ed.S., is a faculty member in the Annsley Frazier Thornton School of Education. Christine also teaches art and music classes for JCPS.

Bullseye! Learn to Shoot Archery

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Would you like to be as skilled as Hawkeye or learn to shoot arrows as straight as Katniss? Come and learn the sport of archery. You’ll have a week of fun and training with a certified archery coach who will teach you how to shoot, be safe, and hit the target. Come and get your bullseye!

INSTRUCTOR: Kim O’Leary has been a JCPS teacher for 28 years. She has been a certified NASP archery coach for nine years and has teams qualify for State and Nationals each year.

Brains in Action: Logic, Strategy, and Games

Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$20 materials fee

Do you love playing games? How about enjoying exciting, brain-boosting, fun games instead of spending the summer pressing buttons on a cellphone or joystick? In this camp, you'll strengthen your critical-thinking skills through engaging hands-on logic games and creative problem-solving challenges. You'll explore math puzzles, strategy activities, and interactive tasks that spark your curiosity and grow your mathematical reasoning. With guidance and teamwork, you'll discover how fun it can be to think outside the box and stretch your brain in a supportive and engaging environment.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Jung Colen earned her Ph.D. from Penn State University and has taught mathematics education for 13 years. She is currently an associate professor at Bellarmine University. Her teaching experience spans multiple grade levels, from elementary through high school, and she has a strong interest in problem-solving and logical reasoning.

Build It: Handheld Game Console

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$60 materials fee
Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$60 materials fee
Session (03) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$60 materials fee

What has stereo sound, a color screen, a joystick controller, and dozens of free games? It's the handheld game console you build in camp! You'll code games for your console such as platformers, action/adventure, racing, role playing, and just about anything else you can dream up. The game engine comes with hundreds of predesigned characters, objects, map tiles, and sounds to choose from. Bring your imagination because no hardware or programming experience is needed. See examples at <https://tinyurl.com/36vve958>.

INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

Camera Ready: Produce Your Own TV Story

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12
9 a.m. - noon / \$199
Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Would you like to learn to shoot, edit, and even star in your own video? How about learning to write for video? You could become the next great video producer, editor, or even television host! Gain tips on how to make an impact either in front of the TV camera or behind-the-scenes. Bring your enthusiasm and by the end of the camp, you'll be camera ready!

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He worked for 25 years as a television sports anchor/reporter.

Center Stage Drama Camp

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199
Session (02) / Ages 8 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Would you like to be in the spotlight? Learn lines, rehearse movements, and create characters as we rehearse a short play. Your family is invited to see the finished product on Friday! Center Stage is the perfect place to develop your acting skills while you have a great time at summer camp. *Please note: Students will need to spend 1-2 hours outside of camp time learning their lines.*

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FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Creativity in Bloom

Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Let's spend the week creating something beautiful together! Each day, campers will create both an art piece and a writing piece on a theme. We'll take inspiration from nature, art, music, and our own lived experiences. Campers will leave at the end of the week with a Creativity in Bloom portfolio, filled with their own lovely work!

INSTRUCTOR: Laura Neuhauser, MAT /NBCT, has taught reading and writing in JCPS for thirteen years, most recently at Bloom Elementary.

Comics and Cartooning Fun

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 22 - 26
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Do you like to draw? Do you enjoy telling stories? Then you have what it takes to be a cartoonist! Learn the skills you need to make your own comics by inventing your own characters, situations, and twists along the way! Learn about perspective and the proportions of the face and body, practice story-boarding, and discover the secrets of the comic Jedi.

INSTRUCTOR: Ted Nathanson is an artist who creates books, comics, paintings, and drawings. He teaches art at Ballard High School and lives in Louisville with his family, several cats, and stacks and stacks of comics.

Dig It!: Coding with Minecraft

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12
9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Session (03) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31
9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Want to automate a farm, create fire tornadoes, and build cannons? Using commands and command blocks, we will explore the automated world of Minecraft by spawning mobs, giving items to players, and much more! You'll harness the power of Redstone to create amazing contraptions from hidden doors to cannons. You'll add your own NPCs to create more interactive experiences. Plus, we'll have team build and battle challenges.

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Escape-ology

Ages 10 - 12/ Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

In this mind-twisting camp, learn the fundamentals of what makes a great escape room! You'll uncover a variety of locks, puzzles, riddles, and more that one may encounter at any escape room. You will have a chance to build your own escape room along the way and at the end of the week we'll try to break out of each other's rooms! You don't want to miss out on this hands-on, mind-bending week! Are you up for the challenge?!

INSTRUCTOR: Kelsey Walsh has seen and built rooms from beginning to end, and ran hundreds of games for groups. Managing two locations in Atlanta there is not too much she has not seen. An avid fan of playing escape rooms herself, this Bellarmine psychology alum enjoys seeing first hand the dynamics of team work and the human mind at work.

Find Your Voice: How to Become and Effective Public Speaker

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17

1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Everyone, at some point, will need to get up in front of a group of people and speak. Whether it's in class, on the job, for a group you're part of — it will happen. So, having the ability to speak effectively is a necessary skill, and yet, one many people lack. Learn the basic techniques of how to speak in front of a group with confidence and effect on a variety of speeches

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He worked for 25 years as a television sports anchor/reporter.

Galaxies and Beyond: A Sci-Fi Lab

Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

What if you could travel through time? Build a new planet? Survive an alien invasion? Or invent technology that changes the world?

Campers will dive into the worlds of science fiction through short stories, film clips, and hands-on creative writing. We'll explore big questions about space, artificial intelligence, climate futures, parallel universes, and what it means to be human—then create our own original sci-fi stories.

INSTRUCTOR: Wes Smith is a JCPS substitute teacher and was formerly a K-12 technology director.

Harry Potter and the Adventures of Summer Camp

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19

9 a.m. - noon / \$199 + \$25 materials fee

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INSTRUCTOR: Jennifer Jamison, a Harry Potter enthusiast, has been teaching at the Elementary level for over 20 years. She currently teaches 4th grade at Carter Traditional Elementary.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Christmas in July!

Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Dive into hands-on crafting activities inspired by the holiday season — with a summer twist. From designing ornaments and decorating mini Christmas trees to creating Christmas sweater inspired t-shirts and DIY stockings, every day is packed with projects to take home and treasure. We'll mix classic holiday cheer with warm-weather fun - think drinking hot chocolate while sitting in the sun! Get ready to spread cheer — Santa hats and sunglasses encouraged!

INSTRUCTOR: Jennifer Jamison has been teaching at the Elementary level for over 20 years. She currently teaches 4th grade at Carter Traditional Elementary.

Hogwarts Craft Academy

Ages 9 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Calling all witches, wizards, and magical creatures! Join the Hogwarts Craft Academy, where creativity and magic come to life! Throughout this spellbinding camp, participants will immerse themselves in hands-on crafts inspired by the Wizarding World. By the end of the week, every camper will leave with a collection of handmade magical treasures and memories to last a lifetime!

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Leadership Adventure Challenge

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
1 - 4 p.m. \$199

Develop essential leadership skills through hands-on experience and outdoor quests! As a team, we'll put our problem-solving and decision-making abilities to the test as we face a series of indoor and outdoor challenges. Designed to build confidence, communication, and collaboration, this camp empowers young leaders to overcome barriers, support their peers, and develop skills to last a lifetime.

INSTRUCTOR: Reece Johns has taught leadership and team-building for 10 summers at the National Leadership Conference in Michigan. The rest of the year, Reece is a pianist and accompanist.

Level Up: Exploring Esports

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Step into the thrilling world of esports through interactive challenges and team-based gameplay. Young gaming enthusiasts will engage in team activities featuring popular games like Minecraft, Roblox, Rocket League, Fortnite, and more. Beyond gaming, campers will enjoy a mix of STEM challenges, competitive esports events, and opportunities to learn new video capturing skills. Campers will develop new skills, sharpen their strategic thinking, and enhance their teamwork abilities. To ensure a well-rounded experience, the program includes physical activities, off-screen breaks, and interactive university experiences, keeping kids engaged, active, and entertained throughout their esports journey.

INSTRUCTOR: Bryan Miley is the eSports coach and a science teacher at Butler Traditional High School.

Market Math Mania

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26

9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Welcome to Market Math Mania, where numbers come to life and campers become young entrepreneurs! Throughout the week, campers will explore money and real-world math concepts in fun, hands-on ways. From budgeting and pricing to earning, saving, and spending, students will discover how math is used every day in the real-world. Through interactive games, challenges, and collaborative projects, campers will build confidence in math while developing financial literacy skills that last a lifetime.

INSTRUCTORS: Nina Jones, BA in Elementary Education, is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. She currently teaches 3rd grade in JCPS.

Mastering Reading Skills

Session (03) / Rising 3rd graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Session (04) / Rising 4th graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

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INSTRUCTOR: TBA

Mix and Produce: Music Production

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9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Have you ever wanted to learn how to mix and produce music like the pros? Well, now you can. In this camp you'll learn how to mix various music tracks (voice, instruments, etc). You can even create your own vocals and pair it with background music or use music and vocals that have already been created.

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He teaches his students the skills in mixing audio tracks.

On Air: Sports Broadcast Edition

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Want to be the next great sportscaster and inform the world about what's happening in sports? Learn to host sports shows, interview athletes, coaches, and fans, and put together video/audio stories about last night's game!

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He worked for 25 years as a television sports anchor/reporter.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Print It: 3D Design Camp

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$225, plus \$25 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$225, plus \$25 materials fee

A hands-on experience where campers transform creative ideas into physical reality! Campers begin by mastering Tinkercad, a user-friendly 3D design software, to learn the fundamentals of spatial geometry and digital prototyping. Throughout the week, students move from the screen to printing their designs. They'll develop critical problem-solving skills and technical confidence. By the final day, every camper completes the program with a portfolio of custom-made projects and the digital literacy needed to excel in the world of modern manufacturing.

INSTRUCTORS: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

Out of this World – with AR & VR!

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 10/ Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 11- 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$30 materials fee

Why not take a summer vacation that's really out of this world? You'll create, populate, and animate virtual worlds and bring them to life using CoBlocks (a "snap together" programming language). You'll interact with and enter into your creations through your own augmented reality (AR) cube! Train a dragon to eat out of your hand, challenge friends to your virtual escape room, or brave your shark-infested underwater wreck! If you can imagine it, you can code it to life. See examples at <https://tinyurl.com/yck34tuv>.

INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

The Paper Project: Crafting Kindness

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Unleash your inner artist and become a champion for change this summer at The Paper Project! This heart-centered day camp is designed for creative kids who want to make a real difference through nationwide community engagement. In this session, campers will discover that paper and ink are powerful tools for connection. Through the art of handmade card-making and paper crafting, we transform simple materials into messages of hope, gratitude, and joy. Throughout the week, we focus on building empathy and leadership as we identify heroes and organizations in need of a boost. Whether we are celebrating "invisible heroes" or brightening someone's day with a smile in an envelope, our campers learn that no act of kindness is ever too small to make a massive impact!

INSTRUCTOR: Toni Cheeks brings more than 20 years of experience working with children and families, and she believes creativity can boost confidence and foster empathy. Toni loves to get creative herself—she's a passionate "maker" who over the past five years has been making and sending handmade cards to various national organizations, witnessing firsthand how a small, heartfelt message can brighten someone's day across the country.

Paleontology Club

Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 1 - 4 p.m.
\$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Travel back in time to learn more about paleontology and prehistoric life. You will act as a Junior Paleontologist to excavate and study fossils while recording your findings in daily reflections which will be posted on our digital platform for all the fossil lovers out there to study!

INSTRUCTOR: Katie Riesenbergh, MAT from University of Cumberlands, is currently a middle school science teacher at St. Edward Catholic School.

Piano-Palooza

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
9 a.m. – noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Join us for an adventure through the world of piano whether you've never played before, are just learning, or have years of experience! Learn to play a variety of popular tunes on the piano, explore the world of improvisation, try your hand at songwriting or composing, and develop your sight reading skills. Playing alongside fellow young pianists, together we will form an ensemble, harmonizing melodies and creating music.

INSTRUCTORS: Reece Johns is a pianist, accompanist for the Louisville Chorus, and private teacher. With over 10 years of experience teaching in Chicago and Louisville, Reece works with students of all ages combining the worlds of classical, jazz, and pop piano.

Power Podcasting

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Want to start your own podcast but don't know how? In this camp you will not only learn how to produce one, but also begin your own so the whole world can hear (well, at least close family and friends). Gary Fogle, an instructor in the Department of Communication, produces his own podcast twice a week. He can teach you how to produce yours so that you can begin your podcasting career!

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He worked for 25 years as a television sports anchor/reporter.

Program It! Robot Construction and Coding

Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Engineering + Programming = Robots

In this camp you'll learn construction principles by building robots that grab, roll, hop, and climb. As your skills increase, you'll program your robots, too. Your code will control motors and respond to sensor inputs. Teach your robot to avoid obstacles, recognize colors, and react to touch. Soon, you and your robot will complete challenges like finding hidden treasure, rescuing disaster victims, and navigating mazes. No building or programming experience is needed.

INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

Project Pet Explorers

Session (04) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Session (05) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Session (06) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Learn to safely approach, handle, and interact with companion animals like dogs and cats and pocket pets like rabbits and guinea pigs. You will learn about dog and cat training techniques from experienced trainers, as well as basic information about animal welfare, rescue work, and animal sheltering from vets and rescue workers. We will have special guests from W.A.G.S. Pet Therapy join us to work on reading a beginner novel and breed identification training. Whether you have been asking for a pet or are already a pet owner, this camp will take your pet skills to the next level!
Note to parent/guardian: *All campers can learn a lot by attending this camp, whether they have a pet or not. It would be very beneficial for children who are timid or unaccustomed to pets but not suggested for children with allergies or previous trauma from a dog bite. Dog bites are a common issue with children, and most often occur from the family dog due to miscommunication about animal behavior and body language.*

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Tami Harbolt has spent 25 years involved with animal rescue and humane education. She is a nationally registered Certified Humane Education specialist, a published author on animal sheltering, and a pet therapy evaluator with WAGS Pet Therapy of KY. She will be assisted by registered therapy animals and other experts from animal-related organizations.

Project Pet Pro

Session (07) / Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Explore professions that involve companion animals including veterinarians, trainers, breeders, animal welfare veterinary technicians, bakery and specialty sales, pet store, holistic vets, service, and search and rescue. Students will also learn about ordinances and laws protecting companion animals, animal welfare issues, and how to safely help animals in distress.

Note: *This camp is designed for campers who have already attended Project Pet to continue to expand upon what they have learned with new information and activities.*

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Tami Harbolt has spent 25 years involved with animal rescue and humane education. She is a nationally registered Certified Humane Education specialist, a published author on animal sheltering, and a pet therapy evaluator with WAGS Pet Therapy of KY. She will be assisted by registered therapy animals and other experts from animal-related organizations.

Rock Drummer

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
9 a.m. - noon. / \$199, plus \$50 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$50 materials fee

Join the ultimate rhythm revolution on your journey to rock out! Young drummers will unleash their inner beatsmiths, learn epic drum solos, and master groovy tunes as they learn the basics of electric drumming. Each camper will leave with their own electric drum pad and sticks to continue practicing beyond camp!

INSTRUCTOR: Gary Fogle is an instructor in Bellarmine University's School of Communication. He worked for 25 years as a television sports anchor/reporter. In his spare time, Gary likes to play the drums. Although he started playing at age 7, he's still trying to master the art of staying on beat.

Science is Crafty

Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 9 a.m. - noon.
\$199, plus \$20 materials fee

Get ready to put science to the test! Combining science experiments and your creative side, we will make two different types of SLIME, concoct a sweet treat, and build an egg drop container (and test it), plus many more crafty science experiments. Use your creativity to dive into the world of science!

INSTRUCTOR: Katie Riesenbergh, MAT from University of Cumberlands, is currently a middle school science teacher at St. Edward Catholic School.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Roblox Studio Lab

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Young creators step behind the scenes, transforming from players into game developers. Campers will master the Roblox Studio game engine, learning to build immersive 3D worlds, custom obstacles, and interactive environments from scratch using **our private Roblox server**. Students will dive into real-world coding using the Lua programming language to script game mechanics like power-ups and moving traps. Beyond technical skills, the program emphasizes creative problem-solving and teamwork as peers test each other's projects and provide constructive feedback. By the final day, every participant will have the opportunity to officially publish their original game to the Roblox platform for friends and family to play.

INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

SFX Makeup 101

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 15 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee - **ADVANCED**

Have you ever watched a show, movie, or music video, and wondered if that cut or bruise was real? Learn the basics of special effects makeup in this hands-on camp. Understand the purpose and art of special effects makeup, the different techniques used, and real life examples by tackling a different technique each day! We'll cover things like bruising, cuts, wrinkles, and more. Note: Campers will be handling make-up products, looking at reference photos, and have the option to handle stage blood.

INSTRUCTOR: Kelsey Walsh, a film-actor, began self-teaching SFX make-up to herself over a decade ago. Kelsey has surrounded herself with teachers, mentors, and other make-up artists to learn all about the world of special effects makeup.

Stop-Motion Movie Making

Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Lights! Camera! ACTION! Express your creativity with stop-motion movie making techniques. Your stories come to life as you create stop-motion films. You'll use Lego, clay, paper, colored pencils, glue, cotton, chalk, and a **WHOLE LOT** of imagination. Everything is filmed in a desktop movie studio. Don't forget to add video and sound effects. Family and friends can view your films on our camp YouTube page. Hollywood is calling...answer the phone! See examples at <https://tinyurl.com/ycpbubtc>.

INSTRUCTOR: Tom Wolken, MAT, has taught robotics, stop-motion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

Storycraft: Create Your Own Book

Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$15 materials fee

Dream it, write it, and bring it to life! In this camp, you'll create your very own storybook from start to finish—developing characters, building worlds, and crafting a beginning, middle, and end. By the end of the week, you'll head home with a finished book that's completely yours.

INSTRUCTOR: Erin Jamison is studying Elementary Education and has a passion for literature.

Study Smarter, Not Harder!

Session (01) / Rising 7th & 8th graders / Mon. & Tues. July 20 - 21 / 9 a.m - noon / \$119

Session (02) / Rising 7th & 8th graders / Wed. & Thurs. July 22 - 23 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$119

What does it really mean to study for a test? NOW is the time to develop the skills that will benefit you in high school and beyond. Learn tools for time management, aspects of efficient notetaking, clues to textbook reading, and tips on enhancing memory. Give yourself an edge!

INSTRUCTOR: Hannah McKenna graduated from Bellarmine with degrees in History and Secondary Education. She has taught all types of social studies courses, but currently is teaching Civics and AP US Government at Iroquois High School.

Stories That Speak

Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Does your camper love creative writing? Campers will write poems, short fiction, and scenes for short films or plays. Through collaborative activities and opportunities for sharing, campers build confidence in both their writing and public speaking—making this a welcoming space for experienced writers and beginners alike.

INSTRUCTOR: Ellie Spalding is majoring in English with minors in theater, music, and creative writing at Bellarmine. Ellie has worked as a teaching artist at StageOne Family Theater.

The Amazing Race: Camp Style

Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

At The Amazing Race: Camp Style, campers become world travelers, problem-solvers, and teammates as they race through thrilling challenges inspired by cultures, landmarks, and adventures from around the world. Each day, teams will: solve clues, complete puzzle challenges, compete in exciting physical activities, tackle brain teasers and STEM-based missions, explore global art, music, and traditions, and build teamwork, leadership, and communication skills

INSTRUCTOR: Nina Jones, BA in Elementary Education, is a graduate of the University of Kentucky. She currently teaches 3rd grade in JCPS.

The Social Playbook: Build Your Social Skills

Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Do you ever feel like other kids know a secret formula for making and keeping friends . . . but nobody told you how to do it? Getting along with your peers takes skills like listening, empathy, assertiveness, and resolving conflicts. The good news is that those skills are things you can learn! We'll give you fresh ideas for relating to others, then practice them using role-playing and other techniques drawn from the world of theatre. Prepare for the new school year by equipping yourself with stronger social skills!

Please note: *Students will be expected to share short role-playing scenarios in front of their peers who are enrolled in the camp. If your child is very shy, this may not be the best environment for them.*

INSTRUCTOR: Offered in collaboration with Drama by George, a Louisville educational theatre company that's impacted over 115,000 students since 2007. Drama by George grows students with compassion and character through the power of stories (dramabygeorge.com).

Voices of Valor

Ages 12 - 16 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Do you love to sing? Join the Voices of Valor Chorus and sing a wide variety of music, including Disney favorites and Broadway hits! Campers will build confidence, learn to sing with a group, and develop vocal skills in a fun and supportive environment. No matter your experience, this is the perfect place to sing, grow, and make music! We'll send the week out in style with an opportunity to perform on Friday.

INSTRUCTOR: Reece Johns is a pianist, accompanist for the Louisville Chorus, and private teacher. With over 10 years of experience teaching in Chicago and Louisville, Reece works with students of all ages combining the worlds of classical, jazz, and pop piano.

The Knight School: Chess Camp

Sessions (01, 02, 03) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
Sessions (04, 05, 06) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
Sessions (07, 08, 09) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 20 - 24
Sessions (10, 11, 12) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31

Half-day or Full-day options for each week:

9 a.m. - noon (\$225)

1 - 4 p.m. (\$225)

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (\$375)

No chess experience? No problem! Chess Camp is a great way to keep the brain sharp over the summer while having a blast playing a lifelong game! Campers will master a new chess tactic each day with silly videos, music-driven puzzles, colorful TactixBands, and fast-paced party-bead tournaments! Laughter, fast clocks, and compelling teaching approaches make this camp the summertime highlight for hundreds of kids nationwide.

***Campers participating in the full-day camp must bring a lunch or purchase the lunch package.**

INSTRUCTOR: Nathan Ash is the director of the Knight School Louisville. He has over 20 years of chess experience. The Knight School is the largest youth chess academy in the country.

Upcycled Art Lab

Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Inspired by master artists, we'll dive into printmaking, sculpture, up-cycling, woodworking, instrument building, and more. Learn to transform recycled, found, and everyday materials into one-of-a-kind, functional works of art. As we unleash our creativity through hands-on activities, we'll discover the endless possibilities and value of reusing and repurposing.

INSTRUCTOR: Reece Johns is a pianist, accompanist for the Louisville Chorus, and private teacher. With over 10 years of experience teaching in Chicago and Louisville, Reece works with students of all ages combining the worlds of classical, jazz, and pop piano.

Write On!

Session (01) / Ages 12 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19
1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Put those writing skills to the test! You'll have the opportunity to write a variety of fiction and non-fiction pieces, such as poetry, short stories, drama, personal narratives, news articles, feature articles, and literary analysis. By the end of this workshop, you'll have an expanded writing portfolio to showcase your growth!

INSTRUCTOR: Jane Mattingly is an English teacher at St. Patrick Catholic School and a 2024 Fellow of the Louisville Writing Project at Bellarmine. She has backgrounds in journalism and theatre and loves to blend elements of these with her writing instruction.



Tuition covers all materials and some Bellarmine Swag. There are dining options available for students staying on campus all day.

INSTRUCTOR: Mary Mccarty is a teacher at Knight Middle School in JCPS.

Most weeks, Campers will eat in our University Dining Hall (UDH). Campers will have the option to choose from any of the stations in the Dining Hall, which include: sandwich bar, salad bar, home-cooked options, grill and more. Other weeks, lunch will be provided by University Catering Staff.

INSTRUCTORS: Bryan Miley is the eSports coach and a science teacher at Butler Traditional High School. Bellarmine University's Esports Coaches will be collaborating to run this Academy. Bellarmine Esports is a premier esports program in the state of Kentucky offering scholarships across the many titles we play.

Navigating the ACT & College Admission Process

Rising 11th & 12th graders / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. / \$359

Spend a week of summer preparing for your future! This 5-day intensive ACT Test Prep will focus on each of the four sections of the exam, through tips and practice questions. On Tuesday, campers will be on campus from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., focusing on different areas of the college admission process including financial aid, test-optional applications, scholarship opportunities, and more! On Friday, a simulated full ACT test will be administered and scored.

INSTRUCTOR: Allie Seiler teaches English at Sacred Heart Academy. She earned a perfect score on the English section of the ACT and was a National Merit Scholar. Allie will be assisted by Bellarmine employees and students who will present the College Admission Process sessions.

Navigating the SAT & College Admission Process

Rising 10th & 11th graders / Mon. - Fri. / June 22 - 26
1:30 - 5 p.m. / \$359

Spend a week of summer preparing for your future! This 5-day intensive SAT Test Prep will focus on each of the three sections of the exam, through tips and practice questions. On Tuesday, campers will be on campus from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., focusing on different areas of the college admission process including financial aid, test-optional applications, scholarship opportunities, and more! On Friday, a simulated full SAT test will be administered and scored.

INSTRUCTOR: Allie Seiler teaches English at Sacred Heart Academy. She earned a perfect score on the English section of the ACT and was a National Merit Scholar. Allie will be assisted by Bellarmine employees and students who will present the College Admission Process sessions.

Study Smarter, Not Harder!

Session (03) / Rising 9th & 10th graders / Mon. & Tues.
July 20 - 21 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$119

Session (04) / Rising 9th & 10th graders / Wed. & Thurs.
July 22 - 23 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$119

Have you ever wondered what it really means when your teacher tells you to study for your test on Friday? NOW is the time to develop the skills that will benefit you in high school and beyond. Learn tools for time management, aspects of efficient notetaking, clues to textbook reading, and tips on enhancing memory. You will also be provided with many strategies to help you complete assignments and tests successfully. Give yourself an edge!

INSTRUCTOR: Hannah McKenna graduated from Bellarmine in 2020 with two degrees, one in history and one in secondary education. She has taught all types of social studies courses, but currently is teaching Civics and AP US Government at Iroquois High School.

Week in the Life of a Nurse

Rising 10th grade – 11th grade / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10
9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$35 materials fee

Be a healthcare hero! Are you curious about the nursing field? If you are interested in science, the human body, and helping others, come join us for a week in the life of a nurse. Discover the potential in the career of nursing, from the hospital to the community-based care. In our Simulation Lab, you will take care of our manikins by learning skills such as listening to heart and lung sounds, taking blood pressure and pulse, applying wound dressings, giving injections, and more! Guest speakers from a variety of nursing related fields will show you the wide range of possibilities in healthcare. Campers will also become CPR trained and learn how to react during certain emergency situations.

INSTRUCTORS: This camp will be led by faculty in the Lansing School of Nursing and Clinical Sciences at Bellarmine University.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Nurture Nature: Design and Plant a Pollinator Garden

Ages 13 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199, plus \$25 materials fee

Learn how to design and plant a beautiful pollinator garden in your yard! Learn all about choosing the right plant(s) for the right place. This includes planting tips and easy ways to care for your pollinator garden as it becomes self sustaining. Plus, we will learn design tricks to make it look beautiful all year round. We will also learn how to identify local non-native invasive plants and ways to remove those pesky buggers, so you can replace them with native plants that support local wildlife.

INSTRUCTOR: Angela Miller, MS, MCA, MSDM, has taught almost 20 years within the Design, Art, and Technology (DAT), Communications, and Theatre Departments at Bellarmine University.

Why Aren't Manhole Covers Square?

Rising 9th & 10th / Mon. - Fri. / July 13 - 17
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Explore the numerals and number systems of various cultures and gain a deeper understanding of our base-ten, place-value system. Investigate the evidence that the Pythagorean Theorem was invented in a culture far from Greece and long before the time of Pythagoras. Solving atypical, mathematical problems, such as "Why Aren't Manhole Covers Square?," students will expand their problem-solving repertoire.

INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Yong S. Colen earned his Ed.D. at Columbia University. For the past 22 years, he has taught mathematics at Indiana University of Pennsylvania. Having also taught students in grades 3 to 12, he enjoys guiding students to solve atypical, mathematical problems.

Write On!

Session (03) / Rising 9th & 10th / Mon. - Fri. / June 8 - 12
9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Put those writing skills to the test! Through a series of engaging lessons, you'll have the opportunity to write a variety of fiction and non-fiction pieces, such as poetry, short stories, drama, personal narratives, news articles, feature articles, and literary analysis. By the end of this workshop, you'll have an expanded writing portfolio to showcase your growth!

INSTRUCTOR: Jane Mattingly is an English teacher at St. Patrick Catholic School and a 2024 Fellow of the Louisville Writing Project at Bellarmine University. She has additional backgrounds in journalism and theatre and loves to blend elements of these with her writing instruction.

Words with a Voice: Finding Your Voice Through Writing

Ages 13 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / July 6 - 10 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Discover the power of your voice through storytelling, poetry, and more. Over five engaging mornings, campers will develop their creative writing skills with different genres, respond to imaginative prompts, collaborate with peers, and develop at least one polished piece of original writing. Students will leave not only with stronger writing skills, but with an understanding that their stories matter—and that writing can be both joyful and empowering.

INSTRUCTOR: Elizabeth West, MA in English, has taught English, creative writing, theater, and senior seminar at Seneca High School for the past ten years, along with teaching English and ESL courses at the college level. She believes that all of us have writing talent; we may just need the right environment for it to shine.

Year 2055: Creating Future Fiction

Ages 13 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

The iPhone was invented almost 20 years ago, and the internet nearly 40 years ago. Now imagine the world 30 years into the future. What will it look like? How will we communicate, travel, shop, and even eat breakfast? Will we still have cellphones like we do today? Will we have cereal boxes? In this camp, we will explore design fiction by combining storytelling, design, and science fiction to imagine future worlds—and create prototypes of objects that might exist in them.

INSTRUCTOR: Angela Miller, MS, MCA (Australia), MSDM, has taught almost 20 years within the Design, Art, and Technology (DAT), Communications, and Theatre Departments at Bellarmine University.

Young Adult Theater Intensive

Ages 14 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / June 15 - 19 & June 22 - 26 (2 weeks)
9 a.m. - noon / \$310

Performing in a play is an amazing experience . . . but sometimes, the time commitment can eat your summer alive. Our theatre intensive takes an entire rehearsal process and distills it into just two weeks. You'll get to rehearse a fully-staged one-act play, then perform for family and friends on the last day of camp. Keep your acting skills sharp without signing your summer away in our Young Adult Theatre Intensive! *Please note: Our play may include mature themes and language. This program is open to actors who have previously performed in at least two plays (at school or elsewhere). The intensive program is not designed for beginners.*

INSTRUCTOR: Offered in collaboration with Drama by George, a Louisville educational theatre company that's impacted over 115,000 students since 2007. Drama by George grows students with compassion and character through the power of stories (dramabygeorge.com).

You Decide: A Choose-Your-Adventure Interactive Game

Ages 14 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / July 27 - 31 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Create your own interactive digital story that has multiple journeys, challenges, and endings! Learn how to develop non-linear storytelling techniques where "player" choices can make narrative stories more engaging. These stories can also be combined with other elements (images, audio, and/or puzzle/game challenges) to turn a story into a fully interactive adventure. Students will also build a basic website for the interactive adventure story to be accessible for anyone to play.

INSTRUCTOR: Angela Miller, MS, MCA (Australia), MSDM, has taught almost 20 years within the Design, Art, and Technology (DAT), Communications, and Theatre Departments at Bellarmine University.