

THIS SUMMER AT CAMP VALOR

Camp Valor Summer 2025 is offering over 100 camp sessions in a wide range of subjects! Camps will be offered June 9 through August 1 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.

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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.

MINI KNIGHTS: PRE-K - 2ND GRADE

Big Top Circus

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Explore the exciting world of circus arts through hands-on activities and imaginative play. This week is designed to encourage creativity and confidence while having a blast under the big top!

INSTRUCTORS: Ainsley Lambert-Swain is a Louisville native and Associate Professor of Sociology at Bellarmine University. She has two littles of her own: Nia, who is five years old, and Sonny, who is 2.5 years old.

Culture and Crafts Around the World

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

"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.

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Exploring Drama

Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$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 2025 to enroll.

INSTRUCTOR: Offered in collaboration with Drama by George, a Louisville educational theatre company that's impacted over 88,000 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

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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: Kelsey Walsh has read the books, watched the movies, toured Harry Potter World at Universal, and traveled as far as England to see the real Harry Potter studio tour. Kelsey, a graduate of Bellarmine, now serves in a studio herself and knows how magic found within story-telling is so vital to understanding our own emotions and growth as a person.

In Our Taylor Swift Era

Session (01) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee

"You Belong With Me" in this unforgettable Taylor Swift camp experience – Bellarmine's Version! Join other Swifties for a week of song writing, photo shoots, arts and crafts (including friendship bracelets, of course), and more! Dress up in your favorite Taylor outfits each day as we create a portfolio that you can send off to get your shot in the music industry!

INSTRUCTOR: Maeve Robertson is "The Lucky One" that will be guiding campers through this (cruel) summer camp! Maeve is a recent graduate from Bellarmine and is going to be an elementary school teacher this fall! She is also a lifelong Swiftie!

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

All The Art That's Fit To Print - Beginning Printmaking

Session (01) / Ages 6 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 6 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee

Creative artistic explorers needed. Learn the basics of printmaking, experiment with materials, discover the magic of layering colors and materials. Printmaking is learning about and creating art but feels like playing. Campers will come home with a collection of artworks since printmaking allows us to make multiple copies of work and to make artwork quickly. Methods learned in this class are easy to recreate at home to continue making art.

Instructor: Rachel Fiehn teaches art in JCPS and has taught all grade levels. Her passion is helping students experience art beyond the basics of drawing and painting with sculpture, fiber arts, and printmaking as favorites.

Insects: Not So Creepy Crawlers

Session (01) / Ages 5 - 6 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$20 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 7 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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!

INSTRUCTOR: TBD

Learning Sign Language

Session (01) / Ages 7 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Come learn to talk with your hands! Explore the basics of American Sign Language (ASL) through games, songs, and interactive activities. We will learn everyday words and phrases, the alphabet, and even how to sign a popular song! With lots of movement, facial expressions, and creative play, campers will build confidence while discovering a new way to communicate. No prior experience is needed—just bring your hands and a big smile!

INSTRUCTOR: TBD

Mastering Reading Skills

Session (01) / Rising 1st graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$225 Session (02) / Rising 2nd graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 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 Lexia® Core5®, a computer-based system that adjusts practice content based on student skill and need. Your account will be active through August 18 for at-home use.

INSTRUCTOR: Maeve Robertson is a recent Bellarmine grad who will be teaching elementary school this Fall.

Project Pet

Session (01) / Ages 6 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 6 - 8 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

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. 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

Session (01) / Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 5 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, 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 Sunday school teacher and lifelong dinosaur fan. He was formerly a K-12 technology director.

Seuss on the Loose!

Session (01) / Ages 5 - 6 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee

"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: 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

Session (01) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 -18 9 a.m. - noon / \$225 Session (02) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Session (03) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. / \$375*

Session (04) Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

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.

Ultimate Superheroes

Session (01) / Ages 6 - 7 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 -20 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee

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.

JUNIOR KNIGHTS: 3RD GRADE - 8TH GRADE

A² - Awesome Algebra

Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189
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 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

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. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$10 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 13 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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

Ages 11 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 18 / 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! *Important: This 10-day camp is only open to young actors who have previously performed in at least two plays (at school or elsewhere).*

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Angles, Lights, and Emotion

Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Do you love taking pictures? Are you interested in learning more about photography techniques? In this camp you will receive hands-on training in a number of photography techniques and learn how those same techniques translate to motion pictures. All students will also receive a digital art book of all the lessons. *Note: Please bring a cell phone or camera*.

INSTRUCTOR: Brian Stephenson is a middle school teacher at Spencer County Middle School. He has taken photographs and videography in 51 different countries and his photography has been published in two international magazines, non-profit promotions, and the newspaper.

Art Fundamentals

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$30 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. \$189, plus \$30 materials fee Session (03) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$30 materials fee Session (04) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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.

The Art of Fabric Dyeing: From Traditional to Trendy

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10/ Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee

Learn multiple methods of dyeing fabric and how to use your dyed fabric in artworks. We will explore tie-dye, traditional Japanese Shibori dyeing, Batik methods, and even dyeing with natural materials (like flowers and vegetables). Take home a weeks' worth of decorative and/or wearable artwork that you designed and dyed yourself.

INSTRUCTOR: Rachel Fiehn teaches art in JCPS and has taught all grade levels. Ms. Fiehn studied Ceramics and Sculpture with a minor in Art History at WKU. Her passion is helping students experience art beyond the basics of drawing and painting with sculpture, fiber arts and printmaking as favorites.

The Brick Lab: Building Success

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon. / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 10 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Step into The Brick Lab and discover how LEGO® bricks can build more than just structures—they can build success. Use the power of LEGO® bricks to cultivate a growth mindset and build essential life skills. Through creative LEGO® challenges and activities, campers will explore goal setting, positive thinking, resilience, and problem-solving, all while having a blast! Campers will enhance problem-solving skills through creative building, boost self-confidence by recognizing strengths, develop teamwork through collaborative projects, and express creativity with LEGO®, art, and journaling activities. Join the brick-tastic fun and build your way to a superpowered summer of success.

INSTRUCTOR: Toni Cheeks, LPCC-S, has over 20 years of experience in child and family services, including 14 years as a teacher and school counselor with Jefferson County Public Schools. Now a licensed mental health therapist at The Nurtured Soul Counseling & Coaching, LLC, she specializes in anxiety, depression, neurodivergence, and trauma.

Broadcasting Basics

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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.

Build It: Handheld Game Console

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$60 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 12 – 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$60 materials fee Session (03) / Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, 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, stopmotion video, computer technology, and mathematics to children and adults for 18 years.

Bullseye! Learn to Shoot Archery

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

Session (03) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Session (04) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 /1 - 4 p.m. / \$199

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.

Center Stage: Drama Plus

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$199 Session (02) / Ages 8 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$199

Would you like to be in the spotlight? Learn lines, rehearse movements, and create characters as we produce a short play. Invite your family to see the finished product on Friday! Please note: Students will need to spend 1-2 hours outside of camp time learning their lines.

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Comics and Cartooning Fun

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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.

Data Detectives: Cracking the Code of Hidden Patterns!

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Become a Data Detective and uncover hidden patterns in the world around you! In this interactive camp, students will explore how data is used in sports, social media, and crimesolving. Using charts, graphs, and fun real-world datasets, campers will analyze trends, make data-driven decisions, and solve engaging mysteries—no coding required! Perfect for curious minds who love problem-solving and storytelling through data!

INSTRUCTOR: Sayani Sarkar, Ph.D., is an Assistant Professor of Computer Science at Bellarmine University. She specializes in Data Science, Artificial Intelligence, and Machine Learning. Passionate about hands-on learning, she enjoys guiding students in data-driven problem-solving and innovation through interactive projects.

Digital Dynamo: Beginning Canva

Session (01) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 13 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Explore the world of graphic design using Canva! Campers will learn how to create eye-catching posters, social media graphics, presentations, and more while developing design skills like color theory, typography, and layout techniques. This camp is the perfect place to turn your ideas into stunning visuals.

INSTRUCTOR: Lillie Bennett is the Enrollment Event Coordinator at Bellarmine University in the Office of Enrollment, Marketing, and Communication. Lillie graduated from Bellarmine with a degree in Art with an emphasis in painting.

Dig It!: Coding with Minecraft

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189 Session (03) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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.

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

Don't Fret: Guitar Camp

Ages 12 - 15 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Spend a week of summer learning to play one of the most popular instruments—the guitar! We'll explore classical guitar teachings, rock, and traditional chord-strumming. You will be given tasks that match your experience level and push you to reach your goals! You will learn to read music and play in a manner of guitar orchestra, as well as small ensemble. Please note: Campers will need a guitar, footstool, and tuner for camp.

INSTRUCTOR: Chris Roseland has been teaching in the Bellarmine Music Department for 10 years and has worked with music students of all experience levels from age 8 – 15. He works with guitar orchestras at Bellarmine University, UofL, Transylvania University, YPAS, and Kentucky Country Day.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Hogwarts Craft Academy

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, 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!

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.

Escape-ology

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11/ Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) Ages 12 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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: Working for one of the top escape rooms in the country, 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.

Game It!: Creating Games in Bloxels

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Don't just play games, make the games you want to play! Using a simple yet powerful tool, you will create original games! Design animated characters, challenging enemies, and ingenious levels using original art and sound. You will create both platformer and top-down games and can win accolades by sharing your games with family and friends! No coding is required for this camp. See examples at https://tinyurl.com/2v2zu64t.

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Harry Potter and the Adventures of Summer Camp

Session (04) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 + \$25 materials fee Session (05) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 + \$25 materials fee Session (06) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189 + \$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.

How To Be A Sports Broadcaster

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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.

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"You Belong With Me" in this unforgettable Taylor Swift camp experience – Bellarmine's Version!

Join other Swifties for a week of song writing, photo shoots, arts and crafts (including friendship bracelets, of course), and more! Dress up in your favorite Taylor outfits each day as we create a portfolio that you can send off to get your shot in the music industry!

INSTRUCTOR: Maeve Robertson is "The Lucky One" that will be guiding campers through this (cruel) summer camp! Maeve is a recent graduate from Bellarmine and is going to be an elementary school teacher this fall! She is also a lifelong Swiftie!

Leadership Adventure Challenge

Session (01) / Ages 11 - 12/ Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (01) / Ages 13 - 14/ Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 1 - 4 p.m. \$189

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.

Learning Sign Language

Session (02) / Ages 10 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11/1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Come learn to talk to people with your hands! We will learn the basics of communicating in American Sign Language with our hands and facial expressions. Together we will learn to sign a popular song along with everyday phrases.

INSTRUCTOR: Shelby Rich is a special education teacher at Cochran Elementary. Shelby is fluent in sign language.

Level Up: Exploring Esports

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon / \$225 Session (02) Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 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: Bellarmine University Esports Coaches will be collaborating to teach this camp.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Magic Is Gathering Around You: MTG For Beginners

Ages 9 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Learn the basics of rules and strategy for the popular tabletop collectible card game (TCCG) Magic: the Gathering. Using preconstructed decks that are already built, dive into this intense learning experience. While we will go over lessons about the rules and strategy, we will also have a tournament at the end of the week, where you will test your skills and rise to the top.

INSTRUCTORS: Laura Neuhauser, NBCT and MAT, has taught 4th and 5th grade for 12 years. She is currently a 5th grade teacher at Bloom Elementary. Laura will be assisted by Kieran Byrne, an 8th grader at Highland Middle School and Ronan Musk, a 5th grader at Bloom Elementary who are avid MTG players and developed the idea for this camp.

Magical Disney Camp

Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 / 1 - 4 p.m. \$189, plus \$25 materials fee

Earn your ears and come explore the magic of Disney in the Magical Disney Camp. Learn about the history of Disney and Imagineering. Explore the entrepreneurship of Walt Disney and the Disney Parks, while creating your own new "park." Discuss the traits of your favorite heroes and villains, and some unforgettable sidekicks, too. After all, the magic lives in all of us!

INSTRUCTOR: Kelsey Walsh is a Bellarmine alum who is currently working as a film-actor in Atlanta. Kelsey has worked on Disney Television sets over the past couple of years.

Make It: Coding with micro:Bit

Ages 9 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 / 9 a.m. - noon \$189, plus \$60 materials fee

Do you think a breadboard is where you make a sandwich? In this camp you'll use a breadboard to build electronic circuits and write code to turn them into games, robots, alarms, name tags, step counters, and more. You'll learn how components like motors, servos, light/temperature/ ultrasonic sensors, resistors, and transistors work. You'll program a mini-computer called a micro:Bit that makes it all buzz, blink, and crawl. No coding experience is necessary. See examples at https://tinyurl.com/2aknenmu.

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

Mastering Pokémon: Game Bootcamp

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$20 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$20 materials fee

Learn the basic rules, gameplay, and strategies of the Pokémon Trading Card Game, a collectible card game that has become an international cultural sensation. You will emerge with new skills you didn't think possible, and be ready to battle family and friends with your new Pokémon prowess!

INSTRUCTOR: TBD

Mastering Reading Skills

Session (01) / Rising 3rd & 4th graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11/1 - 4 p.m. / \$225 Session (02) / Rising 5th & 6th graders / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11/1 - 4 p.m. / \$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 Lexia® Core5®, a computer-based system that adjusts practice content based on student skill and need. Your account will be active through August 18 for at-home use.

INSTRUCTORS: Maeve Robertson is a recent Bellarmine grad who will be teaching elementary school this Fall.

Out of this World - with AR & VR!

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$30 materials fee

Session (03) / Ages 9 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 28 - August 1 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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.

Paleontology Club

Ages 8 - 9 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 / 9 a.m. - noon \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 / 1 - 4 p.m. \$189, 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: Maeve Robertson is a recent Bellarmine grad who will be teaching elementary school this Fall.

Piano-Palooza

Ages 8 -11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

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 Podcasts

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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 23 - 27 / 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.

Rock Drummer

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon. / \$189, plus \$50 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 11 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, 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. And 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 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon. \$189, 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 Riesenberg, MAT from University of Cumberlands, is currently a middle school science teacher at St. Edward Catholic School.

SFX Makeup 101

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 -20 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$25 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 12 - 15 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, 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.

FEATURED NEW CAMP:

Songwriting Lab: Write, Record, Share!

Ages 11 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Do you want to learn how to write and produce your own songs and music? Bring your voice or your instrument and as we bring your music to life. We will dive into song structures, chord progression, rhyme schemes, and more. You'll learn strategies for generating new ideas or moving through writer's block. We will explore home recording using smartphones and tablets and then begin the process of making demos in programs like GarageBand.

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.

Secret Agent Academy: The Ultimate Spy Adventure

Session (01) / Ages 12 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189, plus \$20 materials fee Session (02) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$20 materials fee

Prepare to solve your first SPY MISSION! But first you need THE TRAINING! Special Agents will receive training in code breaking, surveillance techniques, undercover maneuvers, and more! Your mission will require you to conduct surveillance, make and break secret codes, uncover important secrets, and interrogate persons of interest while unravelling mysteries to become the ultimate junior agent!

INSTRUCTOR: Kelsey Walsh is currently working as a filmactor in Atlanta. In addition, she works for one of the top escape rooms in the country putting her psychology degree to use studying the human mind at work and seeing first hand the dynamics of team work.

Science Behind the Game: Sports Lab

Session (01) / Ages 9 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Get ready to explore the exciting science behind your favorite sports! This hands-on camp combines athletics with physics, biology, and engineering to uncover how science helps athletes perform at their best. Through fun experiments and interactive activities, campers will investigate actions like shooting a basketball, kicking a soccer ball, and striking a pool shot. Whether you're a future scientist, an aspiring athlete, or just curious about how things work, this camp will give you a whole new perspective on the sports you love.

INSTRUCTOR: Aleyna Spalding is a science teacher at Oldham County High School. She has worked at OCHS for over 6 years.

Stop-Motion Movie Making

Ages 8 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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.

Study of Famous Artists

Session (01) / Ages 8 - 10 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 11 - 12 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Young artists will explore the styles, techniques, and creativity of history's most famous artists! From Van Gogh's swirling skies to Picasso's bold shapes and Frida Kahlo's vibrant portraits, campers will dive into the world of legendary artists while creating their own masterpieces inspired by their works! Friday, we will celebrate all of your hard work with an Art Show open to family and friends!

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

Study Smarter, Not Harder!

Session (01) / Rising 7th & 8th graders / Mon. & Tues. July 21 - 22 / 9 a.m - noon / \$119

Session (02) / Rising 7th & 8th graders / Wed. & Thurs. July 23 - 24 / 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. 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 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.

The Knight School: Chess Camp

Session (01) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 -18 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

Session (02) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$225

Session (03) / Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. / \$375*

Session (04) Grades K - 5 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 9 a.m. - noon / \$225

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.

Upcycled Art Lab

Ages 10 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / July 7 - 11 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

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.

Voices of Valor

Ages 12 - 16 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

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.

What's the Buzz? Quick Recall Camp

Session (01) / Rising 5th & 6th graders / Mon. - Fri. July 14 - 18 / 9 a.m. - noon. / \$189 Session (02) / Rising 7th & 8th graders / Mon. - Fri. July 14 - 18 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Sharpen your retention skills and question-answering ability! Throughout the week, we will work with a number of different study tools to practice, practice, practice! Scrimmages will take place each day to gain confidence on question answering and using the buzzer system. Get an edge preparing for next season!

INSTRUCTOR: Aleyna Spalding is a science teacher at Oldham County High School. She has worked at OCHS for over 6 years.

Wild Drums

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Tap into your creativity and groove while fostering connection and self-expression. This immersive drumming camp is designed for all skill levels, from beginners to seasoned percussionists, offering a dynamic exploration of drum circle improvisation, creative music-making, and world drumming traditions. Find your beat, feel the groove, and drum your heart out! Instruments will be provided.

INSTRUCTOR: K. Michelle Lewis resides in Raccoon, Kentucky, and has been an educator and percussionist for more than 28 years. They are the CEO of DrumSmart LLC where they maintain a percussion studio, present workshops at local, state, and national levels, and are a published author. K. Michelle, a.k.a Yeshima, is a Ph.D. candidate in music education at the University of Kentucky with a research interest in group drumming and social and emotional learning.

World Drumming

Session (01) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 12 - 14 / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

Take a trip around the world as you learn drumming patterns from the Middle East, Brazil, West Africa, and Cuba. In this camp, participants will learn authentic rhythms on percussion instruments and about the cultures from where they came. At the end of the week, everyone will demonstrate their new skills in a mini-showcase performance. Instruments will be provided.

INSTRUCTOR: K. Michelle Lewis resides in Raccoon, Kentucky, and is an educator and percussionist for more than 28 years. They are the CEO of DrumSmart LLC where they maintain a percussion studio, present workshops at local, state, and national levels, and are a published author. K. Michelle 'aka', Yeshima is a Ph.D. candidate in music education at the University of Kentucky with a research interest in group drumming and social and emotional learning.

Write On!

Session (01) / Ages 12 - 13 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 9 a.m. - noon / \$189 Session (02) / Ages 10 - 11 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 1 - 4 p.m. / \$189

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 a teacher at St. Patrick School. Caroline Weikel is a teacher at St. Raphael School. Jane and Caroline are both fellows with the Louisville Writing Project.



Register today at bellarmine.edu/camp-valor

High Schoolers -- Join us for our Valor Academies this Summer. From career exploration to creative arts to test prep, there is an Academy available to help you make the most of your summer break!

Tuition covers all materials and some Bellarmine Swag.

There are dining options available for students staying on campus all day.

Adulting 101: Life Skills & More

Rising 9th – 11th grade / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, plus \$15 materials fee

Are you ready to live on your own? Whether you plan to go to college or enter the workforce after high school, you might anticipate living away from home soon. But do you have the skills to take care of yourself? This summer, learn the basics of important skills like housekeeping (or dorm/apartment-keeping!), doing laundry, simple clothes-mending, cooking, time-management, self-care, budgeting, and simple home repairs, so you can be on your way to becoming an *actual* adult!

DINING OPTIONS

Lunch packages will be available to purchase during registration for students staying for morning & afternoon camps. The package is purchased by the week, and includes lunch Monday through Friday for \$45.

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.

Advanced Data Detectives: Cracking the Code of Hidden Patterns!

Session (02) / Ages 14 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / June 16 - 20 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Become a Data Detective and uncover hidden patterns in the world around you! In this interactive camp, students will dive deep into data-driven problem-solving, using data from sports, social media, and crime-solving. Using charts, graphs, and fun real-world datasets, campers will analyze trends, make data-driven decisions, and solve engaging mysteries—no coding required! Perfect for curious minds who love problem-solving and storytelling through data!

INSTRUCTOR: Sayani Sarkar, Ph.D., is an Assistant Professor of Computer Science at Bellarmine University. She specializes in Data Science, Artificial Intelligence, and Machine Learning. Passionate about hands-on learning, she enjoys guiding students in data-driven problem-solving and innovation through interactive projects.

BU Summer Music Academy

Rising 9th – 11th grade / Mon. - Fri. / June 2 - 6 / 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. (pack a lunch) / \$295 Performance: Friday, June 6th at 5 p.m. in Cralle Theater

Calling all high school musicians! Get ready for an unforgettable week of music, learning, and fun at Bellarmine University's Summer Music Academy.

Whether you're a budding instrumentalist, vocalist, or interested in exploring music technology, this camp is designed for YOU! You'll receive expert lessons, both private and group, in your chosen instrument or voice, and participate in dynamic ensembles. Plus, you'll get hands-on experience with music technology—perfect for those interested in the latest digital music trends.

The week culminates in a final performance on Friday, June 6th, where you'll showcase your progress for family and friends. Whether you want to hone your skills, collaborate with others, or collaborating to run this Academy. Bellarmine Esports is a just immerse yourself in music, this camp is the perfect opportunity! #BUMusicAcademy #MusicIsLife

INSTRUCTORS: Dr. Mark Kano, Dr. S. Timothy Glasscock, Dr. Louie Hehman, Dr. Stacy Simpson, and other Bellarmine University Music Faculty will oversee the Academy.

Don't Fret: Guitar Academy

Ages 12 - 15 / Mon. - Fri. / June 9 - 13 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$189

Spend a week of summer learning to play one of the most popular instruments—the guitar! We'll explore classical guitar teachings, rock, and traditional chord-strumming. You will be given tasks that match your experience level and push you to reach your goals! You will learn to read music and play in a manner of guitar orchestra, as well as small ensemble. Please note: Campers will need a guitar, footstool, and tuner for camp.

INSTRUCTOR: Chris Roseland has been teaching in the Bellarmine Music Department for 10 years and has worked with music students of all experience levels from age 8 – 15. He works with guitar orchestras at Bellarmine University, UofL, Transylvania University, YPAS, and Kentucky Country Day.

Esports Skills Academy

Rising 9th - 11th grade / Mon. - Fri. / July 14 - 18 1 - 4 p.m. / \$250

Start your college esports journey in our Esports Skills Academy. where high school students explore collegiate pathways through esports. Gain a comprehensive insight into the world of collegiate esports with opportunities to train with current Bellarmine coaches and players. This academy is ideal for high schoolers interested in pursuing skills training, recruitment, and scholarship opportunities!

Compete in varsity esports titles, including League of Legends. Overwatch, Rocket League, Smash Bros, Valorant, and more while receiving collegiate-level esports training with access to Bellarmine's brand new esports lab complete with Alienware PCs.

INSTRUCTORS: Bellarmine University Esports Coaches will be premier esports program in the state of Kentucky offering scholarships across the many titles we play, including Smash Ultimate, Rocket League, League of Legends, Overwatch 2, Marvel Rivals, Fortnite, Madden, Valorant, Teamfight Tactics, Call of Duty, and more. We have a brand-new esports facility on campus to which players on our team have 24/7 access.

Navigating the ACT & College **Admission Process**

Session (01) / Rising 10th & 11th graders / Mon. - Fri. June 23 - 27 / 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. / \$359 Session (02) / Rising 10th & 11th graders / Mon. - Fri. / June 23 - 27 / 1:30 - 5 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. Each day, campers will participate in a "math intensive" which will review and refresh areas students often struggle. 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 Teta 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 21 - 22 / 1 - 4 p.m. / \$119

Session (04) / Rising 9th & 10th graders / Wed. & Thurs. July 23 - 24 / 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. / June 23 - 27 9 a.m. - noon / \$189, 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: Courtney Russell, MSN, RN, is a faculty member in the Lansing School of Nursing and Clincial Sciences at Bellarmine University. She will be assisted by other Bellarmine Nursing faculty.

Write Your Future: College Essay Bootcamp

Session (01) / Rising 11th & 12th graders / Mon. - Fri. July 7 - 11 / 9 a.m. - noon / \$250

This five-day bootcamp is designed for high school students looking to enhance their college essay writing skills. Led by an experienced high school teacher, the camp focuses on helping students craft compelling, authentic essays that stand out in the college admissions process. Each day, participants will engage in a mix of writing exercises, peer reviews, and one-on-one coaching. The camp will cover essential topics such as identifying personal strengths, structuring an essay effectively, and developing a unique voice. By the end of the week, students will have a polished essay draft and the confidence to approach their college applications with clarity and purpose.

INSTRUCTOR: Kimmi Beard, MAT in Secondary English, has taught for five years, the last three at Eastern High School. Kimmi is a Fellow of the Louisville Writing Project.

Young Adult Theater Intensive

Ages 14 - 17 / Mon. - Fri. / July 21 - 25 / 1 - 5 p.m. / \$250

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 a single week of afternoons. You'll get to rehearse a fully-staged one-act play, then perform for family and friends on Friday. Keep your acting skills sharp without signing your summer away in our Young Adult Theatre Intensive! Please note: Play may include mature themes and language. This camp is open to actors who have previously performed in at least two plays (at school or elsewhere). Our intensive program is not designed for beginners.

INSTRUCTOR: Offered in collaboration with Drama by George, a Louisville educational theatre company that's impacted over 88,000 students since 2007. Drama by George grows students with compassion and character through the power of stories (dramabygeorge.com).