



2017 Summer Camp Guide



Frequently Asked Questions

1. How can I contact Summers-Knoll School/Camps?

Summers-Knoll School is located at 2203 Platt Road, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. Our phone number is 734.971.7991 Ext. 156. Please send any camp-related questions to skcamps@summers-knoll.org. Please direct camp-related questions to the attention of Jessica Dossou-Yovo, Director of Extended Learning at jdossouyovo@summers-knoll.org

2. How can I register for camps?

All of our registration is done online, via UltraCamp. To register, visit <http://summers-knoll.org/camps/summer>.

3. When does camp start? When does camp end?

Camp day begins at 9:00am and ends at 3:30pm.

4. Do you offer early care and after care for the summer?

Morning Care is available from 7:30am until 8:45am each day for \$8.50. After Care is available from 3:45pm until 6:00pm each day for \$15.00.

You can purchase Morning Care or After Care at the time of registration using the camp registration website. You can also purchase it before the day of the camp or even on the day of the camp by emailing skcamps@summers-knoll.org.

If you choose to purchase camp Morning Care or After Care in advance and do not use this care during the week, your purchase will not be refunded. Instead, it will be credited to your UltraCamp account.

5. What are your policies on payments, discounts, and other registration-related concerns?

For policies on payment, discounts, and other pertinent information, please visit the Summers-Knoll website. <http://summers-knoll.org/camps/policies>.

	ESCAPE (\$288)	ACTION \$278			THEME (\$335)	
Week 1 (6/19-6/23)	Outdoor Explorations (K-5) Global Games Sports (6-9)					
Week 2 (6/26-6/30)	On the Wild Side (1- 9) Community Engagement (5 - 9)	Leonardo da Vinci meets Cubelets (Pre K - 4)		Rube Goldberg Machine Camp (5-9)		
Week 3 (7/3-7/7)*	Water Works (1 - 9)	Magic Treehouse (Pre K-2)		Greek Comedies Theatre (7-9)	Mount Olympus (3-6)	
Week 4 (7/10-7/14)	Wet & Wild (1 - 9)	Beats, Brushes & Beakers (Pre-K - 2)			Hogwarts I (1-4)	Hogwarts I + Prefects (5-9)
Week 5 (7/17-7/21)	Go Team + Water (1 - 9)	Beats, Balls & Brushes (Pre-K - 2)			Hogwarts II (1-4)	Hogwarts II + Prefects (5-9)
Week 6 (7/24-7/28)	Wet & Wacky (1 - 9)	Beats, Brushes & Bop (Pre-K - 2)			Star Wars (1-4)	Star Wars + Jedi Knights (5-9)
Week 7 (7/31-8/4)	Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead (1 - 9)	Engineering Endeavors (Pre K - 2)			Padawan Adventures (1-4)	Padawan + Jedi Knights (5-9)
Week 8 (8/7-8/11)	Wet and Wonderful (1 - 9)	Mystery Science (Pre K-2)	Mystery/ Science (3-5)	Game Design (6-9)	“Zoo The Musical” 2 Week Camp (3 -9)	
Week 9 (8/14-8/18)	Culinary Explorations (1 - 9)	Math Merchants (Pre K-2)	Math Merchants (3-5)	Storytelling (5-9)		
Week 10 (8/21-8/25)	Soak up the Sun (1 - 9)	Mad Scientist (Pre-K - 2)		Culinary Creations (5-9)	HAMILTON Music Camp (1-9)	
Week 11 (8/28-9/1)	Great Lakes, Great Times (1 - 9)					



SUMMERS-KNOLL CAMPS OVERVIEW

We offer 3 types of camps at Summers-Knoll: Escape, Action and Theme.

Escape Camps - \$288 per week (5 days)

Ages: Entering 1st - 9th Graders

The mission of our Escape Camps is to provide children with the opportunity to travel to local parks, museums, nature preserves, and other exciting destinations to facilitate experiential learning, harnessing the wealth of opportunity our region has to offer. As campers enjoy exposure to new places, ideas, and people, they will learn to trust one another, develop connections to their peers, and gain the new perspective that comes from experiencing new places. Escape Camps will travel by bus to a different destination each day. We offer eleven Escape Camps, one each week of the summer.

Action Camps - \$278.00 per week (5 days)

Ages: Camps are divided by age range: Pre-K - 2, 1-4, and 5-9

The mission of our Action Camps is to provide children with the chance to engage their brains and their bodies in hands-on, exploratory learning activities that open young minds through creative and imaginative play. Campers will learn to cooperate, share, listen to one another, and solve challenges together as our highly skilled teachers provide them with exciting activities that encourage them to learn in the spirit of discovery. Action Camps all take place on the Summers-Knoll campus.

Theme Camps - \$335 per week (5 days)

Ages: Entering 1st - 9th Graders

The mission of our Theme Camps is to provide children with immersive dramatic experiences. To this end, they become characters in their favorite tales. Both campers and teachers live in the world of the stories, as characters, engaging in intensely creative play. Theme Camps challenge young minds to live the literature beyond the book by collaborating in a magical experience that is both theatrical and thought-provoking. Theme Camps all take place on the Summers-Knoll campus with excursions into neighboring County Farm Park.

WEEK 1: JUNE 19 - JUNE 23**Outdoor Explorations: June 19 - June 23**

Kick off summer vacation with a week of outdoor explorations in Michigan's incredible parks. We'll learn to use compasses as we navigate the trails, go geocaching through forests, learn to tie different types of knots, and practice different shelter-building techniques. Celebrate the freedom of summer with us as we adventure through the woods.

Global Sports & Games: June 19 - June 23

Let the games begin! This camp teaches some of the most popular and lesser known sports from around the world. We will explore the skills and strategies of games that are loved by many and compete to become better teammates and athletes. This camp is great for beginner athletes and novices alike!



(Global Games & Sports Camp playing Knockerball)



WEEK 2: JUNE 26 - JUNE 30

On the Wild Side:(Escape)

Join us for a week of hiking, canoeing, and swimming as we journey through Michigan's wilderness. We'll take advantage of our incredible parks and lakes and enjoy through some of our natural wonderland. We'll end the week with a bonfire and s'mores at the beach. Delights await in our own proverbial backyards so get out your field guides and prepare for adventures.

Community Engagement & Experiences: (Escape)

Join other civic-minded young people for a week of volunteering, learning, and discovering your potential to make change in your community. We'll volunteer with community organizations in SE Michigan on different projects; learn how to be allies; develop our conflict mediation skills; and make public art together. If you're interested in making your voice heard and engaging in the world around you, this is the camp for you. Please note that this camp will offer the opportunity for young people to earn volunteer hours. We will send home signed volunteer hour certificates at the end of the camp. (5th - 9th Graders)

Leonardo da Vinci Meets Cubelets: (Action)

Young apprentices will help Leonardo da Vinci develop solutions to projects using principles of physics as they create structures that fly and structures that float. They'll also keep journals of their observations, just as Leonardo himself would have done, and fill these journals with sketches and ideas. But wait! In an unexplainable twist of fate, next to the paint brushes and pencils, a set of Cubelets also seem to have appeared in Leonardo's toolbox. Campers will use these tabletop robot blocks to solve Leonardo's engineering challenges, bring his inventions to life, and push the boundaries of what's possible. Join us as we blend the Renaissance with the robots as we build, experiment, and explore using Leonardo's maps and our own modern marvels. (1st - 4th Graders)

Rube Goldberg Machine: (Action)

Calling all inventors, designers, engineers and problem solvers. Rube Goldberg machines are known to solve simple tasks in a complicated way. This camp will test your creativity and imagination as you engineer predictable moving patterns and create captivating chain reactions! (5th - 9th Graders)



WEEK 3: JULY 3 - 7
***No Camp on 4th of July**

Water Works: July 3 - July 7 (Escape)

Beat the heat with your friends at SK as we journey to all sorts of awesome water destinations. From water slides to lazy rivers, we'll spend the week at pools, water parks, splash pads, spray zones, and beaches as we soak up the sun. Speaking of sun, don't forget your sunscreen, swimsuit, or towel because you'll definitely need all three this week. (1st - 9th Graders)

Magic Treehouse: July 3 - July 7 (Escape)

The *Magic Tree House* book series comes to life in this wonderful week long theme camp. As you enter the Magic Tree House, prepare to travel through time and solve mysteries throughout history in this camp perfect for imaginative minds. You will enter Jack and Annie's exciting world as you help them on their fantastic quests! (K - 2nd)

Greek Comedies Theatre: July 3 - July 7 (Action)

Break a leg in this week long camp dedicated to the art of theatre. Campers will embrace and explore the origins of theatre as they bring the work of Aristophanes and Menander to the 21st century stage. (5th - 9th Graders)

Mt. Olympus: July 3 - July 7 (Action)

Channel your inner god or goddess as you become apart of the Greek pantheon in this Mt. Olympus themed camp. Explore the mythology from Apollo to Zeus in this immersive experience that highlights the history of the Olympians and their trials, triumphs and tales. (1st - 4th Graders)

WEEK 4: JULY 10 - 14**Wet & Wild: (Action)**

How do you beat the summer heat? If your idea of a good time is splish splashing in the cool water then this is the camp for you! We'll visit the water parks, splash pads spray zones and beautiful beaches. Don't forget your swimsuit, towel and sunscreen because this week of will be wild fun that you won't want to miss. (1st - 9th Graders)

Lil' Beats, Brushes & Beakers: (Action)

This cool combo camp is perfect for your aspiring artist. Designed with little ones in mind, this camp features music, art and science in a junior S.T.E.A.M. experience. Students will engage in a half-day of music as they learn to play piano, drums and stringed instruments. After lunch they will brush up on their art skills with painting, drawing and sculpting before rolling up their sleeves to do some fun science experiments! (Pre-K - 2nd Graders)

Hogwarts I: July 10 - 14 (Theme)

Here is your chance to enroll at the most famous wizarding school the world has ever known. After being sorted by the Sorting Hat, you'll attend classes with charmingly eccentric teachers who will be thrilled to share their magical skills with you. Weave strange and fantastical spells as the powers of sorcery fill you from head to toe and the magical miasmic mists fill you with wonder. Naturally, this week will end with a scrumptious feast in the Great Hall. So hurry along to Platform 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ right away to board the train to Hogwarts! (1st - 4th Graders)

Prefects of Hogwarts I: (Theme)

As the oldest students at Hogwarts, prefects "rule the school" and help bring the magic alive. Prefects have their own advanced classes each morning and then spend the afternoons either acting as assistants in other classes or working on their own big projects (such as setting up for Hogsmeade or cooking for the feast). The week will end with a special celebratory magical experience for Prefects only. (5th - 9th Graders)

*****Note: Hogwarts & Prefects Campers may sign up for one or both weeks of Hogwarts. Activities will be different each week and different than last summer.*

WEEK 5: JULY 17 - 21**Go, Team + Water: (Escape)**

Swing, batter, batter, swing! If you love to play organized sports or cheer for your favorite teams, then sign right up! Join us as we get up close and personal with local teams and hone our own skills. From cheering for a baseball game to getting to go behind the scenes of a stadium or arena, this is an awesome week to be a Michigan sports fan and team player. We will take pool breaks in between our team trips so grab your favorite team t-shirt and join in the fun! (1st - 9th Graders)

Lil' Beats, Brushes, and Balls: (Action)

Age: Campers Entering Grade K (min. age 4 years, 9 months) - 2nd

This cool combo camp is perfect for your aspiring artist. Designed with little ones in mind, this camp features music, art and sports in an interdisciplinary week of fun. Students will engage in a half-day of music as they learn to play piano, drums and stringed instruments. After lunch they will brush up on their sports skills with and create beautiful art projects all before the day is done. (Pre-K - 2nd Graders)

Hogwarts II: (Theme)

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Prefects of Hogwarts II: (Theme)

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WEEK 6: JULY 24 - JULY 28**Wet and Wacky: (Escape)**

Summer is swim time! Splash your way through the dog days of summer. From wild water slides to sensational spray parks to the natural beauty of so many of our local lakes and beaches, we'll be splashing under the sun all week long. Grab your swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen because this week is going to be seriously wet and wacky.

Star Wars: (Theme)

Has the Force awakened in you? If so, enter the Order of the Jedi and explore new galaxies as you fight for peace and justice. Becoming a Jedi requires a profound commitment and an astute mind. This week, we'll train in the ways of the Jedi through mythology and story. We'll even write our own *Star Wars* stories and make original movies to share with our friends. This week will end with a delicious feast (fit for a Master, of course). (1st - 4th Graders)

Jedi Knights: (Theme)

As advanced Jedi learners, Jedi Knights will spend their mornings in special advanced classes so that they can work their way through the Jedi Trials on their way to becoming Jedi Masters. In the afternoons, Knights will assist Jedi Masters in their classes and work on their own larger projects (such as developing missions or preparing for the feast). The week will end with an extremely challenging Jedi Knight-only mission.

Note: Jedi Knights may sign up for one or both weeks of camps. Activities will be different each week. (5th - 9th Graders)

Lil Beats, Brushes & Bops (Action)

This cool combo camp is perfect for your aspiring artist. Designed with little ones in mind, this camp features music, art and dance in a jam packed week of fun. Students will engage in a half-day of music as they learn to play piano, drums and stringed instruments. After lunch they will hone skills as they create beautiful art projects and learn the beauty of movement as they learn a variety of dance methods. (Pre-K - 2nd Graders)



WEEK 7: JULY 31 - AUGUST 4

Full S.T.E.A.M. Ahead July 31 - August 4 (Escape)

Busy builders learn to excel in this hands on camp devoted to science, technology, engineering, art & design and mathematics. We are partnering with local MakerWorks, a member-based workshop for small businesses, entrepreneurs, tradespeople, skilled workers, artists, makers, and hobbyists. They will provide state of the art equipment and work space for us to design and execute magnificent machines!

Engineering Endeavors: July 31 - August 4 (Action)

Engineering is everywhere and this week, we'll learn to identify it and use it to solve problems. From aeronautics to aerospace, from earthquakes to going green, we'll apply principles of design and building as we create our own machines and structures. We'll even make our own materials and examine their properties. If you like math, science, stories, and real-world challenges, join us for this first-ever week of creative engineering. (Pre-K - 2nd Graders)

Padawan Adventures: July 31 - August 4 (Theme)

Padawan Adventures is a training program for those who are interested in gaining a deep understanding of the ways of the Force at our Summers-Knoll Jedi Temple. We will journey to the farthest corners of the galaxy and encounter strange life forms who will show us new ways to connect with the Force. If you're hoping to solve the mysteries of the Jedi Quest, then this is the training camp for you. This week will end with a delicious feast. Please note that this camp is open to all campers and that campers do not need to have attended *Star Wars* camp in order to enjoy Padawan Adventures. (1st - 4th Graders)

Padawan + Jedi Knights: July 31 - August 4

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WEEK 8: AUGUST 8 - AUGUST 11**Wet and Wonderful: August 7 - August 11 (Escape)**

Do you like to swim? Run (safely) through fountains and sprinklers? Hang out on beautiful beaches? If so, then this is the camp for you. Each day, we'll travel to a beautiful wet and wonderful destination. Bring your swimsuit, towel, and sunscreen and celebrate the last week of summer with us.

2 Week Musical Camp - "The Zoo": August 7 - 11, August 14 - 18 (Action)

Campers will learn and perform "The Zoo", an exciting original musical composed by Josh Grekin. Everyone will learn to play instruments and even write and perform their own songs which we will add to the show! In a Little Bands musical, the characters are all musicians and the actors accompany each other on the instruments as they sing, act and dance. Whether you are already advanced, or just beginning, everyone will learn vocal lessons and skills on piano, guitar, bass and drums. We will have a great time learning together and working up to perform this amazing musical at the end of camp. Beginners to advanced students are all welcome!

Mystery Science: August 7 - August 11

Who dunnit? Channel your inner detective in this interactive mystery camp designed to puzzle you and pump up your problem-solving skills. Learn how to use strategy and skill to crack a case, collect clues, investigate the scene and synchronize with other sleuths in this week long thriller.

***This camp has 2 sections, one for Pre-K - 2nd Graders and another for 3rd - 5th Graders.

Game Design: August 7 - August 11 (Action)

First, we'll learn to play a variety of classic tabletop and card games. Then, using elements of games we love, we'll develop original board, card, or live action role-playing games of our own. Over the course of the week, we'll go through the design process (from brainstorming to prototyping to testing to revising and more developing) and work with others to build awesome games. Please note that this is a screen-free camp. (5th - 9th Graders)



WEEK 9: AUGUST 14 - AUGUST 18

Culinary Explorations: August 14 - 18 (Escape)

Pick up your passports, pots and pans as we take a trip around the world through cuisine. Immerse yourself in the flavors of the world in this fun fusion of cooking and culture. Every day of this this camp will expose you to basic cooking skills and delicious recipes from around the world!

Math Merchants - Young Entrepreneur Camp: (Action)

If you like to pretend that you're running a bakery or you like to make crafts for your friends, then this is the camp for you. During this week, we will create our own businesses and prepare for Friday's marketplace. On Monday, we'll decide on our businesses. From Tuesday through Thursday, we'll work to turn our business ideas into realities, learn about how people exchange money for goods and services, and practice working with others, and on Friday, we'll open up the city for business. Join us for this engaging week of inventive and creative play. ***This camp has 2 sections, one for Pre-K - 2nd Graders and another for 3rd - 5th Graders.

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Storytelling: August 14 - August 18 (Action)

This camp is for enthusiastic young writers who are interested in developing their craft with a supportive group of like-minded authors. If you are passionate about writing a novel, short stories, comics, plays, poetry, a memoir, or some other mode of, you will have the opportunity to give devoted time developing your voice. Whether you have a work in progress that you'd like to continue, or you're looking for fresh inspiration to begin something new, this camp will give you a unique opportunity to create in a supportive community of fellow writers.

(5th - 9th Graders)



WEEK 10: AUGUST 21 - AUGUST 25

Soak up the Sun: August 21 -August 25 (Escape)

Let's relish the almost-end of the summer with a week of outdoor fun (with plenty of sunscreen, of course). We'll visit some of our favorite parks, play some of our favorite games, and pick delicious berries. This week will also include map-related activities, including geocaching, orienteering, and compass-reading. Get ready to savor the season with us as we soak up the August rays.

Culinary Creations: August 22-26 (Action)

If you love to cook or you think you might love to cook (if only you knew what to do), then this is the camp for you. Hone your knife skills as you learn basic chopping techniques and tools. Take those skills to the next level as you learn about nutrition basics and how to prepare healthful, delicious foods. We'll end the week with a cooking competition of our very own, SK Chopped! Note: All cooking will be done in our nut-free kitchen but we will use eggs, dairy, and gluten in this camp. If your child is allergic to eggs, dairy, or gluten, we are happy to work with you to make accommodations and recipe modifications so that your child can enjoy this camp, too. (5th - 9th Graders)

Mad Scientist: August 21 - August 25 (Action)

First, we'll create our mad scientist alter-egos and put on our magic safety goggles. Then, let the experiments begin! From fizzy potions to magnetic fields to bubbles and crystals, be prepared to get messy as we learn all about the wonderful world of science. Join us for a week of puzzles and challenges as we hypothesize about the universe and then put our hypotheses to the test. (Pre-K - 2nd Graders)

HAMILTON Music Camp: August 21 - 25 (Action)

If you love music, performance, theatre and history, then this is a dream camp for you! Students will learn to play and perform music from the Broadway smash hit "Hamilton the Musical". The musical highlights the life of American "Founding Father" Alexander Hamilton and SK's very own Josh Grekin guides you on this historical journey as you learn to sing, act and dance. Whether you are already advanced, or just beginning, everyone will learn vocal lessons and skills on piano, guitar, bass and drumsQ AzZ

WEEK 11: AUGUST 28 - SEPTEMBER 1**Great Lakes, Great Times: August 28 - September 1 (Escape)**

This camp is for fun adventurers and water lovers! Come and learn what our great state has to offer as you explore what it means to be “pure Michigan”. Every day will be a new discovery as you get a taste of Michigan’s best landmarks, products and destinations! We are known as the “great lakes” state so water will be a great part of this great camp!

