



2024 St. Michael's Summer Spectacular Camp Catalog

Session 1: JUNE 17-21 (CLOSED/NO CAMP on JUNE 19 for Juneteenth)

Early Morning Drop-Off (Rising JK-9): Need care earlier than 9 a.m.? Early morning drop-off is available starting at 8:30 a.m. at an additional cost of \$35/week. Camp staff will entertain your camper with games and free-choice activities before camp starts.

My Imaginary Monster Friend (Rising JK-2): Monsters aren't scary, they are your friends! This summer, we will be creating our very own imaginary monster friends. We will be learning about the artistic process of making your dreams into a reality, from sketch to execution! We will be creating unique, bright, and fun monster stuffies that come along with a unique story and personality of their own.

Lollipop Land Candy Camp (Rising 3-5): Calling all candy lovers! Come to Lollipop Land Candy Camp to get your fill of everything sweet this summer at St. Michael's. Campers will make sweet treats, experiment with their senses, compete in minute-to-win-it challenges, and so much more! It's all smiles and games in Lollipop Land. So, bring your sweet tooth and creative imagination, and be ready to have some candy fun!

From the Heart of Africa with ArtHaus Richmond (Rising K-5): The African people think of their art as a language from and for their souls. Because art is so interwoven into the lives of these amazing cultures, we will take note, and weave soulful works ourselves. From the beautiful Massai people of the Savannah to the unusual geometric homes and jewelry of the Ndebele, we will come to understand why so many contemporary artists have carried the beauty of this culture into their modern works. From Romare Bearden to Kehinde Wiley, we will explore the connections that will live on in our hearts as well. The animals will win us over as we create big cats and long giraffes! The Nile is sure to inspire and the week will be full of the beauty of this incredible continent. All materials provided.

Rainbow Rendezvous Paint Party (Rising K-5): Calling "everything paint!" Tap into your inner creativity while getting ready for a vibrant and unforgettable summer experience with our Rainbow Rendezvous Paint Party Summer Camp! This one-of-a-kind camp is perfect for young artists who want to explore their creativity and have a blast at the same time. Campers will have the opportunity to unleash their imagination and create stunning works of art using a variety of colorful paints. From abstract masterpieces to beautiful landscapes, your camper will get to bring their visions to life!



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Mining and Crafting with Bricks 4 Kidz (Rising 1-5) -Theme: Inspired by MineCraft

Experience the world of Minecraft with LEGO® Bricks in this fun summer camp! Campers will delve deep into the world of Minecraft with Ender dragons, Steve, Zombie Pigman, TNT, Creepers, and more of the popular characters. Campers will have the opportunity to bring their virtual Minecraft characters to life by building motorized models, 3-D Brick models, and mosaics. Themed games and crafts add to the fun! Are you ready for the challenge? Campers will also build and take home a custom LEGO® name tag and a custom LEGO® mini-figure.

Sports Palooza with Pro Skills (Rising K-5): Get ready for an action-packed summer at Sports Palooza Summer Camp! This thrilling camp is designed for sports enthusiasts of all ages who want to have a blast while improving their skills. From soccer and basketball to dodgeball and capture the flag, our experienced coaches will guide campers through a variety of sports activities, ensuring they have a week filled with fun and excitement.

Nature Nook Outdoor Trail Camp (Rising 3-5): Immerse yourself in the wonders of nature with our Nature Nook Outdoor Trail Summer Camp! In the majestic St. Michael's Forest, your camper can explore the beauty of the wilderness and learn about the environment in a fun and interactive way on our gorgeous 70-acre campus. This exciting camp is designed to provide kids with an unforgettable outdoor experience. We will build dens, walk creeks, climb trees & boulders, tell stories, hike through scenic trails while discovering fascinating wildlife, and more. You can expect some wet, muddy, exhausted, and smiling campers at pick-up time!

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Dino Discovery with Little Scholars (Rising JK-K): Take an adventure back to the Jurassic Era, where we will learn about dinosaurs who roamed the Earth millions of years ago. Uncover fascinating dinosaur facts and explore the world of dinosaurs in Dinosaur Discovery. You will become a paleontologist faster than Ornithomimids running from T-Rex!

Slime Camp (Rising K-5): Are you a slime fanatic? Get ready for a slime-tastic time at Slime Camp! This one-of-a-kind experience is perfect for kids eager to dive into the colorful and gooey world of slime. Campers will enjoy a hands-on approach, learning the secrets behind making trendy slime creations with various textures and stunning colors. Let the fun begin!

Nature's Path Through Art with Paint 'N Play RVA (Rising 3-5): This unique camp offers a perfect blend of outdoor exploration and artistic expression, providing an unforgettable experience. Students will utilize objects in nature to create functional art pieces and tools throughout the week. We will forage through the campus trails, collecting bark, leaves, vines, stones, and moss. Some of the activities will include Moss Art, Tie Dye, Dream Catchers, & Print Making.

Just-A-Jest Jamboree Play Camp (Rising K-5): Welcome to the Just-A-Jest Jamboree Play Camp, where laughter and fun are guaranteed! This exciting play camp is the perfect destination for kids who love adventure and enjoy making new friends. With a wide range of activities, including treasure hunts, arts and crafts, and outdoor games, children will have a blast while developing their creativity. Join us for an unforgettable summer camp filled with laughter and endless memories!

Potions, Powders, and Polymers Academy with Science Explorers (Rising 3-5): Is it science or magic? You'll find out! In our half-day camp you'll create erupting foam monsters, conduct amazing air pressure experiments, dig for hidden treasures, investigate



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the science of illusions, and build spectrosopes to view the spectrum of different types of light.

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Session 3: JULY 1 (CLOSED July 2-5) -One Day/Full Day Camp

Kings Dominion (Rising 3-6): If you love thrills, games, roller coasters (if you so choose), and yes, Ferris Wheels, join us on July 1 for an all-day camp adventure to Kings Dominion. St M is venturing to Kings Dominion this year for an amazing unforgettable experience. This camp includes a hot outdoor meal lunch (reserved location), camp t-shirt, and fun until you can not have fun anymore! Drop all campers off at St M as they journey to the ultimate camp experience.



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Session 4: JULY 8-12

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Nature Explorers with Little Scholars (Rising JK-K): Get ready to leap into the fascinating world of nature, insects, and outdoor exploration. Nature Explorers is a perfect blend of outdoor fun, hands-on learning, and a deep appreciation for the natural world. Discover and explore through science experiments and hands-on creative activities all in the name of nature!

Cooking with Dragons (Rising 3-5): Get ready for a sizzling summer adventure! Designed for aspiring young chefs, this camp is the perfect opportunity to learn essential culinary skills while having a blast as a chef! Cooking with Dragons promises to ignite a passion for cooking and inspire creativity in the kitchen. Join us for a summer filled with tasty treats, culinary exploration, and unforgettable memories!

Medieval Magical Mayhem with ArtHaus Richmond (Rising K-5): Your child's imagination will find a destination through clay, paper mâché, paint, pastels, and more for a magical week of merriment! We may create dueling dragons, medieval wizards, unusual unicorns or paupers, and princesses. From Fairies to Mythical Beasts, each lesson will be as unique as your child's own creative energy. All materials are provided.

Treasure Hunt Archaeological Camp (Rising K-2): Have you ever wondered what treasures could be hiding in the soil under your feet? Have you ever wondered what it would be like to be an archeologist and dig up treasures of the past? Grab your trowel, a small brush, and get ready to dig! As archeologists, we will explore the grounds of St M, do some orienteering, complete a simulation dig, plot our treasures, keep a 'dig diary', and much more!

World of Wizardry Science (Rising 3-9): Do you believe in magic? World of Wizardry Science brings out the wizard in all of us! Enjoy lots of fun, fizzing, bubbling, foaming, and



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Session 5: JULY 15-19

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Dragon Science Squad (Rising K-2): Unleash your child's imagination and curiosity with our Dragon-themed STEM Summer camp! This one-of-a-kind experience combines the excitement of mythical creatures with the wonders of science, technology, engineering, and math. Our campers will embark on an epic adventure filled with hands-on activities,



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experiments, and challenges. Our counselors will guide them through the world of STEM, fostering critical thinking, problem-solving skills, and teamwork.

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Travel the World of Arts with Paint 'N Play RVA (Rising 3-5): Embark on a creative journey this summer with our Travel the World of Arts Summer Camp! Students will explore various art movements, artists, and traditions in various countries around the world. Some of the activities and artists we replicate include Suminigashi/Water Marbling, Mandala Painting, Van Gogh (Pointillism), Picasso (Surrealism), Haring (Pop Art).

Far Out Space Academy with Science Explorers (Rising 3-5): 3...2...1 BLAST OFF to discovering space and flight! Campers will explore the stars and constellations as you take an out-of-this-world sky tour in our homemade planetarium, prepare for lift-off as you build and launch your own rocket while learning about Newton's Laws of Motion, complete a mission to Mars as you design and build your own model space station and work in engineering teams to construct space capsules that will be used to launch "eggstronauts"! Come join us on our mission through outer space!

Movie Mashup with Bricks for Kidz (Rising 1-5):

Kids will love this mash-up camp building motorized and character figure builds inspired by popular movies using LEGO® Bricks! Building enthusiasts will have a large variety of options from popular movies to choose from including Disney movies, Harry Potter, Jurassic Park, Super Heroes, and more! Campers will explore concepts of engineering and architecture by building specially-designed Bricks 4 Kidz motorized models, mosaics, and 3D sculptures. Themed games and crafts add to the fun! Campers will build and take home a custom LEGO® name tag and a custom LEGO® mini-figure.

Water Whirl World (Rising K-5): Water, water, water! Dive into a world of aquatic adventure with the Water Whirl World Summer Camp! This exciting camp is perfect for young water enthusiasts who want to make a splash this summer. Join us in the sun with a week full of water-themed activities! In this fun-filled week, you will take on STEM



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challenges, participate in water relay races and games, and learn how to paint with water! Campers will have a blast exploring the wonders of H₂O.

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Art Safari with Little Scholars(Rising JK-K): We are going to take a safari around the world! Visit a new country each lesson and learn about animals native to that location with a sprinkle of literature, dabble of games, and a whole lot of art. Grab your passport and discover the thrill of the hunt without leaving school!

Dragon Bakeshop (Rising 3-8): Cookies, cake, and treats, oh my! We have some new and exciting recipes coming your way this summer! We have amazing cinnamon rolls, funfetti blondies, made-from-scratch pop tarts, and turkey and cheese stromboli. Come join us for some delicious fun!

Zootopia with ArtHaus Richmond (Rising K-5): The Washington Zoo will inspire our daily art projects while we take virtual visits to the Monkey House, tune in to the Cheetah and Bear Cub Cams, The Panda Bamboo Forest, and more! These beautiful animals will inspire our creative masterpieces and colorful habitats. Clay, paint, mixed media, and more are sure to make your child's imagination soar! All materials provided.

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Tour De France Biking with WeeWheel (Rising K-3): Where Little Riders Race to Joy! Gear up, little champions! Join the WeeWheel "Tour de Fun" Summer Camp, a pedal-powered adventure tailored for kids aged K-3rd grade. Get ready for a thrilling journey where tiny tots transform into cycling superheroes, racing through a week of excitement and joy inspired by the legendary Tour de France!

Tour De France Biking with WeeWheel (Rising K-3): Embark on a magical summer camp journey with WeeWheel, where tiny tots glide, ride, and wee their way into balance bike bliss! Join the pedal-powered fun at our preschool stay-and-play, where giggles reign supreme and your little ones become the champions of two-wheeled adventures. In our enchanting WeeWheel camp, certified bike wizards (aka your coach) sprinkle confidence onto your mini rider's journey, ensuring each session is a delightful experience filled with joy and glee. Say farewell to bike-dragging, dear parents! Wee Wheel empowers your little ones with the skills and balance they need to conquer neighborhood streets effortlessly. At camp, your child will be preparing to leap from a balance bike to a pedal bike, where our focus is on capturing their balance and glide. WeeWheel: On a Mission to Teach 1 Million Kids How To Ride. Let the summer fun begin!



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Radical Reptiles with ArtHaus (Rising K-5): Whether imaginary or real, the reptiles we create through clay, paint, collage, and a variety of mixed media are sure to captivate your child's creative energy and imagination! Chameleons, dragons, or dinosaurs will take on a colorful and whacky look that only your artist can dream up! All materials provided.

Marvel vs. DC Inspired Game Design with Vineyard App Camp (Rising 3-5): Do you love villains and superheroes? Do you love Marvel and DC? Put your Marvel and DC knowledge to the test by joining our game design camp. In this camp, students will explore the world of Marvel and DC by conceiving, designing, and creating their own game. The resulting Marvel vs DC-inspired games can be shared online and texted to friends for them to play on their phones. It's a great way to combine learning with fun to become an amazing game



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developer. You don't need any previous experience or special software to take this-- all you need is your creativity!

Galaxy Far Away with Bricks 4 Kidz (Rising 1-5): A long, long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, the Jedis, Empire, Sith, Wookies and Mandalorians were all in a battle to run the galaxy. In this summer camp, your child will learn the way of The Force by making all the classic Star Wars characters and spaceships out of LEGO® Bricks. Campers will be using their creativity and our signature building methods to create motorized models 3-D brick builds, mosaics and more. Themed games and crafts add to the fun! May the brick be with you, as we get ready to take over the galaxy...the Bricks 4 Kidz way! Campers will build and take home a custom LEGO® name tag and a custom LEGO® mini-figure.

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