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Akron Zoo

Grade(s): 1st - 6th

Date: June 26
Time: 8:30 AM - 6:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$30
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: At the Akron Zoo, you will get up-close to exotic animals from all over the world. The zoo is home to over 700 animals representing over 900 species. Some areas of interest: Legends of the Wild, Grizzly Ridge, Wild Prairie, Pride of Africa, Wild Asia and Curious Creatures. The Akron Zoo will be sure to excite all ages. Students may pack a lunch or purchase one at the zoo. Please bring money for a snack and if you would like to purchase a zoo trinket.

Camp Invention

Grade(s): 1st - 6th

Date: June 19-23
Time: 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$160
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Camp Invention is the only nationally recognized non-profit summer enrichment program that is inspired by the brightest thinkers around - the inductees of the national Inventors Hall of Fame. Children are empowered to have big ideas while they take on challenges that inspire them to question, brainstorm, collaborate with teammates, and build amazing prototypes. Camp Invention presents children with fun challenges that emphasize STEM, creative problem-solving, and entrepreneurship through innovation. Camp 2023: POP_UP Venture- Children design their own mini pop-up business. They create a business plan and choose how to spend their startup funds. employing their imaginations, they add lights, greenery, and other features to attract customers. Create & Skate with Catching Air - Children build their own mini skate park with ramps, bowls, and rails. They ride through physics, design engineering and art to personalize their mini skateboards and create and design awesome skate park features. Show Your Style with MimicBot - Children investigate the inner workings of their own MimicBot - and transform it into a one-of-a-kind animatronic stuffie. They find inspiration in nature, get hands-on with design and use the power of intellectual property to protect their stuffie from the idea-stealing Copy Cat. Party On Celebration - Children will become confident event planners. They will have fun engineering light-up party hats, inventing a Party Assistant to help with their big plans, exploring color with bubble art banners and experimenting with sound as they create instruments. On the celebration day, they will rotate between all the fun stations to celebrate their amazing accomplishments.

Cleveland Metroparks & RainForest - Trip #1

Grade(s): 2nd - 7th

Date: June 13
Time: 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$35
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo is divided into several areas: Australian Adventure, African Savanna, North Wilderness Trek, Primates- Cats & Aquatics, Waterfowl Lake, & the RainForest -and many more exciting animal sites. The RainForest is housed in a large glass building and features an assortment of tropical plants and animal habitats. Entering into this building, you will be greeted by a waterfall resembling the Ancient Mayan ruins. This indoor tropical environment is the largest in the world. Must wear tennis shoes to be safe wading through this large and exciting zoo. Students should bring money for lunch, dinner, and snacks. Also, please bring extra money for zoo trinkets.

Cleveland Metroparks & RainForest - Trip #2

Grade(s): 2nd - 7th

Date: June 28
Time: 9:00 AM - 7:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$35
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: The Cleveland Metroparks Zoo is divided into several areas: Au trailian Adventure, African Savanna, North Wilderness Trek, Primates-Cats& Aquatics, Waterfowl Lake & the RainForest - and many more exciting animal sites. The RainForest is housed in a large glass building and features an assortment of tropical plants and animal habitats. Entering into this building, you will be greeted by a waterfall resembling the Ancient Mayan ruins. This indoor tropical environment is the largest in the world. Must wear tennis shoes to be safe walking through this large and exciting zoo. Students should bring money for lunch, dinner and snacks. Also, please bring money for zoo trinkets.

T-Shirt Design

Grade(s): 5th - 12th

Date: June 20
Time: 9:00 AM - Noon
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kira Drakulic and Michelle Lanshcak
Cost per Student: \$25
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Students learn step by step how to design and create a shirt using a cricut machine. They will be able to choose from a design ahead of time will need to bring a shirt with them.

Moraine State Park Adventure

Grade(s): 2nd - 7th

Date: June 12
Time: 8:45 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$25
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Moraine State Park will offer a student field outdoor learning experience as we cruise Lake Arthur aboard the Preston Pearl. Students will be on-board a double-decker pontoon boat touring the lake as the Moraine Park Staff teaches us about the fish, birds, and animals that inhabit the lake. In addition, students will be introduced to two environmental education programs: "Trees are Terrific" and a hike to the Dam & Spillway. Students must wear sneakers for hiking - no sandals. At the end of the program, students can purchase a snack or trinket from the Owlet gift shop. The exciting outdoor adventure is one not to be missed!

A Sweet Education - Grades 4-6

Grade(s): 4th - 6th

Date: June 14
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$50
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: No need to bring lunch, you will be creating it yourself! Come join us for a day of exceptional culinary experiences. During our first session we will be decorating desserts using icing and fondant to create a summer-themed cake/cupcake designed and instructed by Sweet T's Creations. Then we will travel to Thyme in the Kitchen where their chef will help you become a self-confident cook and spark your creativity while preparing your own lunch of savory and sweet crepes. At Rita's Ice, we will learn how to create gelati and other custard treats. This course will offer you a variety of sweet skills.

Beginners in the Weightroom

Grade(s): 4th - 7th

Date: June 19-22
Time: 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Allison Dietz and Shawn Valenly
Cost per Student: \$5
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: This course is meant to get students comfortable moving around the weight room. It will include how to use a variety of different machines, weights, and equipment. The students will learn exercises that help promote their health, and the benefits of strength training for your body. Goal setting is a huge part of the weight room, and the students will learn how to create their own personal fitness goal. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle.

It's Not Magic, It's Science

Grade(s): 4th - 6th

Date: June 13
Time: 8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$30
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: The OH WOW! Center's colorful, hands-on environment encourages independent thinking through interactive STEM-based exhibits and EDUtaining programs. We will tour the OH WOW! Zones with more than sixty hands-on, interactive opportunities where the exhibits promote understanding of the Scientific Process of Inquiry, encourage visitors to make observations, draw conclusions from those observations, and adjust or modify their experiments to get better results. We will participate in an engaging lesson, "Reactive Rockets." After lunch, we will return to our classroom for a Science Rocks interactive lesson.

Basics of Fitness

Grade(s): 4th - 7th

Date: June 19-22
Time: 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Allison Dietz and Shawn Valenly
Cost per Student: \$5
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: This class is dedicated to teaching students a variety of different ways to exercise using fitness. We will cover stretching before and after physical activity, strength training, cardio training, circuit and HIIT training. In this class students have the opportunity to find what their favorite way to stay fit is. A huge part of this class will revolve around proper form and teaching the student show to prevent injuries while participating in exercise. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle.

We're going to the Zoo!

Grade(s): 4th -7th

Date: June 15
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$50
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Enjoy an experience that fosters understanding, respect, and appreciation of wildlife with a visit to the Pittsburgh Zoo & Aquarium. Our zoo visit starts with Forest Passage, where you will be introduced to lynx, tigers, and red pandas. Journey up the hill to take in the scenic view of the African Savanna, with favorites like elephants and giraffes. We will be sure to meet the new lion pride, too! Then we will venture into the Jungle where we'll discover a giant anteater, the elusive fossa, and the pygmy hippo, before heading to our aquarium and Water's Edge, home of our polar bear and sea otters. We're going to the zoo. How about you?

"A Funny Thing Happened On the Way to the Forum" - An Evening at Blossom

Outdoor Theater

Grade(s): 5th - 12th

Date: June 15
Time: 4:30 PM - Midnight
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$45
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Broadway's greatest farce: light, face-paced, witty, irreverent; one of the funniest musicals ever written. "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" takes comedy back to its roots, combining 2000-year-old comedies of Roman playwright, Plautus, with the infectious energy of classic vaudeville. It is a nonstop laughfest. As the opening song announces "something for everyone, a comedy tonight!" Students should bring money as we will be stopping for dinner before attending the performance.

"Ragtime" - The Musical - Night at the Weathervane Playhouse

Grade(s): 5th - 12th

Date: June 22
Time: 4:30 PM - 11:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$40
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: The musical "Ragtime" is set at the dawn of a new century, everything is changing...and anything is possible. Called "a triumph for the stage," and "the best musical in twenty years," this winner of multiple Tony Awards confronts history's timeless contradictions of wealth and poverty, freedom and prejudice, hope and despair, and what it truly means to live in America. It tells of 3 groups in the U.S.: African Americans, upper-class suburbanites, and Eastern European immigrants. This musical story incorporates historical figures such as, Harry Houdini, Booker T. Washington, J.P. Morgan, Henry Ford; just to name a few. The music is by Stephen Flaherty, lyrics by Lynn Ahrens, and book by Terrence McNally. Students should bring money as we will be stopping for dinner before attending the performance.

"The Marvelous Wonderettes" - An Evening at Blossom Music Center

Grade(s): 5th - 12th

Date: June 30
Time: 4:30 PM - Midnight
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Bonnie Sich
Cost per Student: \$60
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: A smash Off-Broadway hit that takes you to 1958 Springfield High School prom, where we meet Betty Jean, Cindy Lou, Missy and Suzy: four girls with hopes and dreams as big as their crinoline skirts! As we learn about their lives and loves, the girls serenade us with classic 50's hits including "Lollipop", "Dream Lover", and "Stupid Cupid." In Act II, the Wonderettes reunite to take the stage and perform at their ten-year reunion. Featuring over 30 classic 50's and 60's hits, "The Marvelous Wonderettes," will keep you smiling in this trip down memory lane! Students should bring money as we will be stopping for dinner before the performance.

The Sound of Music - LIVE!

Grade(s): 5th - 12th

Date: July 15
Time: 11:15 AM - 9:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Mike Wilson and Mary Rumelfanger
Cost per Student: \$90
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Come experience the classic musical "The Sound of Music" presented by the CLO at the Benedum Center in Pittsburgh! Be transported to another time and land by the performers of this musical, set in Europe, you will go to dinner at the Hofbräuhaus where you will be able to enjoy authentic German style food! The bus will leave at 11:30 AM so please arrive by 11:15 AM. Be sure to eat lunch before coming. Students are allowed to bring snacks for the bus and will need to bring money for dinner. We recommend bringing at least \$20 dollars for dinner.

Intro to Engineering

Grade(s): 5th - 7th

Date: August 8
Time: 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Jeannette Anderson
Cost per Student: \$10
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Design and build several projects including rubber band powered cars, bridges, catapults and more. Students will learn about the engineering design process while having fun building and testing their projects.

Fun with Robotics

Grade(s): 5th - 7th

Date: August 15-16
Time: 11:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Jeannette Anderson
Cost per Student: \$10
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Students will have the opportunity to build and program robots to compete in various obstacle courses and challenges. Students will be exposed to engineering, electronics and programming concepts. This is good preparation for students that plan to join robotics club and compete at various robotic competitions. Please eat lunch before this academy. We will have an afternoon snack.

Aqua Art

Grade(s): 5th - 7th

Date: July 13
Time: 9:00 AM - Noon
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kira Drakulic and Kim Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$50
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Students will learn how to hydro dip and tie dye. They will begin by designing and creating their own hydro dipped water bottle. They will then move on to create a tie dye towel. (All items needed for the course are included in the cost and will be provided at the school.)

Advanced Yoga

Grade(s): 5th -7th

Date: June 19-22
Time: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Location: Meet in the AES Lobby
Teacher(s): Allison Dietz and Shawn Valenly
Cost per Student: \$10
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: This course is a step up from our Beginner Yoga class. It will focus on educating the students on how to challenge themselves and push their limits. It will incorporate breathing techniques, a variety of challenge poses, headstands, and partner yoga poses. This class is beneficial for students who may already have a background in flexibility or students who want a challenge! At the end of the course, students will be able to take home their yoga mat. Students are encouraged to bring a water bottle.

Visit Gettysburg

Grade(s): 5th - 9th

Date: July 10
Time: 5:00 AM - 9:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly Ghirardi and Michelle Lanshcak
Cost per Student: \$185
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: No, But Will Need Money for Dinner

Course Description: Visit Gettysburg! Students will travel via motorcoach with Premier Tour and Travel to Gettysburg. The Gettysburg National Military Park Museum provides exclusive resources and unique experiences to introduce you to the Battle of Gettysburg. We will have a two hour guided tour of the battlefield. Then students will have a picnic lunch before arriving at the museum. They will be immersed in the sights and sounds of Pickett's Charge in the iconic Gettysburg Cyclorama and view the war and its aftermath through authentic artifacts and interactive exhibits in the Gettysburg Museum of the American Civil War. Narrated by Morgan Freeman, students will watch a short film "A New Birth of Freedom" that provides a dramatic look at the Battle of Gettysburg and its place in history. The battlefield is vast. The names are legendary. The experience is humbling. A snack will be provided on the ride in the morning. Lunch will be provided, but the kids will need to bring money for dinner. There will be a fast food dinner stop on the way home with the approximate return at 8:30. You are also welcome to send snacks for your child on the bus.

Intro to Video Production

Grade(s): 6th - 7th

Date: August 7
Time: 8:30 AM - 2:30 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Jeannette Anderson
Cost per Student: \$10
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Direct, light, shoot, and edit videos. In this summer academy, students will learn to utilize titles, greenscreen, graphics, music, voice-over, and live-action video. This summer academy is geared toward students interested in being part of the middle school morning announcement crew.

Not All Who Wander Are Lost

Grade(s): 6th - 7th

Date: July 3
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$25
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Geocaching is an outdoor recreational activity, in which participants use a Global Positioning System receiver or mobile device and other navigational techniques to hide and seek containers, called "geocaches" or "caches", at specific locations marked by coordinates. We will select local caches, go outside, and use the app to navigate. Next, we will hide geocaches at Buhl Park after designing containers, finding coordinate locations, and GPS usage. Soon you will be asking, "Just one more cache?" *Must download the geocache app.

Into the Woods

Grade(s): 6th - 8th

Date: June 30
Time: 3:30 PM - Midnight
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly Ghirardi and Jennifer Kemper
Cost per Student: \$110
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Join us for a decadent lunch at the Grand Concourse followed by a magical musical, INTO THE WOODS. The story follows a Baker and his wife, who wish to have a child; Cinderella, who wishes to attend the King's Festival; and Jack, who wishes his cow would give milk. When the Baker and his wife learn that they cannot have a child because of a Witch's curse, the two set off on a journey to break the curse. Everyone's wish is granted, but the consequences of their actions return to haunt them later with disastrous results. Filled with exquisite music and brilliant lyrics, this innovative production is sure to enchant as it ventures beyond "happily ever after." *Note: Seats are orchestra, right center. Theater attire suggested and snacks for the bus ride home are permitted.

Work Hard, Play Hard - Grades 6, 8-10

Grade(s): 6th, 8th - 10th

Date: June 21-23
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$55
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: This course offers students the chance to learn new skills, enhance self-confidence, show responsibility, and increase problem solving skills through volunteerism. Students will discuss, plan, budget, implement, and reflect on daily volunteerism. One of the most selfless acts anyone can do is donate their time and talents. To celebrate this hard work, we will play hard too. This course will give students a sample of Silver Cord approved locations which will include Buhl Park, Community Food Warehouse, and Prince of Peace. For some fun, we will skate at the Olympic Fun Center, swim at Buhl Park, and bowl at Ten Pin Alley.

Work Hard, Play Hard - 7th Grade

Grade(s): 7th

Date: July 5-7
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$120
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: Calling all 7th Graders! This course offers students the chance to learn new skills, enhance self-confidence, show responsibility, and increase problem solving skills through volunteerism. Students will discuss, plan, budget, implement, and reflect on daily volunteerism. One of the most selfless acts anyone can do is donate their time and talents. To celebrate this hard work, we will play hard too. This course will give students a sample of Silver Cord approved locations that will include Buhl Park, Community Food Warehouse, Prince of Peace, and the Ronald McDonald House. For some fun, we will go swimming at Buhl Park, bowl at Ten Pin Alley, climb at FA Park, and go to The Melting Pot in Pittsburgh.

A Sweet Education - Grade 7

Grade(s): 7th

Date: June 16
Time: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$50
Snack Provided by School: Yes
Students Need a Lunch: No

Course Description: No need to bring lunch, you will be creating it yourself! Come join us for a day of exceptional culinary experiences. During our first session we will be decorating desserts using icing and fondant to create a summer-themed cake/cupcake designed and instructed by Sweet T's Creations. Then we will travel to Thyme in the Kitchen where their chef will help you become a self-confident cook and spark your creativity while preparing your own lunch of enchiladas and churros for dessert. At Rita's Ice, we will learn how to create gelati and other custard treats. This course will offer you a variety of sweet skills.

Elementary, My Dear Watson

Grade(s): 7th

Date: July 11-12
Time: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Location: Meet in the DMS Lobby
Teacher(s): Kimberly and Jay Ghirardi
Cost per Student: \$65
Snack Provided by School: No
Students Need a Lunch: Yes

Course Description: Calling all Enolas and Sherlocks! We need your help for this two day mystery. The school mascot is taken. There's a note, some strange-looking leaves, a mouth guard and some white fibers left at the scene. Who took the mascot? Was it one of the rival schools? Students must figure it out before the big game! Investigations include analyzing DNA results; using dichotomous keys to identify selected plants; analyzing handwriting, fingerprints, and bite marks; and a fiber flame test. After a fast food lunch, students will attempt to use these skills to escape history (day one) and escape fiction (day two). It will be a real-life adventure with hidden clues and complex puzzles at the escape rooms. Whether we solve the mystery is up to our team.