

LOCAL SUMMER PROGRAMS

WESTPORT CONTINUING EDUCATION

Note to parents: Continuing Education offers many different programs for all children. Students in elementary school can bring lunch and stay for lunch bunch and afternoon programs. If determined at a PPT, the Westport School District will work alongside Continuing Ed to place students that qualify, into these programs and an aide may be provided.

Programs for Elementary School

https://www.westportsummerschool.com/CourseCatalog/Classes_Elementary.asp

Programs for Middle School

https://www.westportsummerschool.com/CourseCatalog/Classes_MiddleSchool.asp

Programs for High School

https://www.westportsummerschool.com/CourseCatalog/Classes_HighSchool.asp

WESTPORT PARKS AND RECREATION

Note to parents: Inclusive camp, 1:1 aide (high school or college student) provided at NO extra charge. Aide can be exclusively for child or can be assigned to a group as a whole. Camp is entirely outdoors. Before registering it is recommended that you talk to Cyndi Palaia. Registration starts on March 13th.

Parent & Me Soccer Squirts - AGES 2 - 3

Parent & Me Soccer Squirts classes are a fun and positive introduction to soccer for young children with a helping hand from Mom or Dad! With a parent participating by their side, kids will have fun learning the fundamental skills of soccer through structured activities, fun based games and scrimmages. For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 10 - AUG. 14

WEDNESDAY 3:30 P.M. - 4:15 P.M

BURR FARMS FIELD

Parent & Me Multi-Sports Squirts

The Parent & Me Multi Sports Squirts program allows children to try a variety of sports with a helping hand from Mom or Dad! Ease your child into social situations with support and confidence as you engage in fun sports activities and games together. For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 7 - AUG 11
SUNDAY 9 A.M. - 9:45 A.M.
LUCIANO FIELD

Parent & Me T-Ball Squirts

Parent & Me T-Ball Squirts is a fun and positive introduction to T-ball for young children with a helping hand from Mom or Dad! With a parent participating by their side, kids will have fun learning the fundamental skills of T-ball through structured activities, fun based games and scrimmages. For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 9 - AUG 13
TUESDAY 3:30 P.M. - 4:15 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

Soccer Squirts - AGES 3-5

Soccer Squirts is your child's perfect introduction to the most popular sport in the world! Skills covered include dribbling, passing, shooting, stealing and more. Each session is taught through structured activities, fun games and scrimmages designed to ensure learning and most importantly: fun, fun, fun! For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 10 - AUG. 14
WEDNESDAY 4:15 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

JULY 10 - AUG. 14
WEDNESDAY 5 P.M. - 5:45 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

Squirts Multi Sports

The Squirts Multi Sports program allows children to try a variety of different sports throughout the season including Lacrosse, Soccer, T-Ball and Track & Field. All sports are taught in a safe and structured learning environment designed to ensure learning and most importantly: fun, fun, fun! For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 7 - AUG 11
SUNDAY 9:45 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.
LUCIANO FIELD

JULY 7 - AUG 11
SUNDAY 10:30 A.M - 11:15 A.M.
LUCIANO FIELD

Squirts T-Ball

Open to both boys and girls, there's no better introduction to the sports of baseball or softball skills, covered includes hitting, throwing, catching, base running, fielding and more. Each session is taught through structured activities, fun games and scrimmages designed to ensure learning and most importantly: fun, fun, fun! For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 9 - AUG 13
TUESDAY 4:15 P.M. - 5 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

JULY 9 - AUG 13
TUESDAY 5 P.M. - 5:45 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

Senior Squirts Multi Sports - AGES 5-7

This class is the perfect stepping stone for children who have graduated from Squirts Multi Sports or for children looking for their first ever sports experience. Players will learn key skills in a variety of sports through small-sided scrimmages, games and activities in a variety of sports. For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 7 - AUG 11
SUNDAY 11:15 A.M. - 12 P.M.
LUCIANO FIELD

Senior Soccer Squirts

Senior Squirts Soccer is the perfect program for players graduating from Soccer Squirts or for children looking for their first ever soccer experience. Each session will focus on developing a particular skill or technique including dribbling, passing, ball control, moves & turns, positioning and more. For more information, www.ussportsinstitute.com

JULY 10 - AUG. 14
WEDNESDAY 5:45 P.M. - 6:30 P.M.
BURR FARMS FIELD

Senior T-Ball Squirts

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BURR FARMS FIELD

<https://www.westportct.gov/index.aspx?page=1216>

SWIM LESSONS

Location: Longshore Swimming Pools

Ages: 3 - 12 years old for levels 1 - 6

13 - 35 months Parent/Child classes

Fee: \$40 per child plus a handpass if age 6 and older

For more information on dates and times offered please visit <https://www.westportct.gov/index.aspx?page=266>

Tot 'n Play Sports Camp

IST Preschool Tot'n Play summer camp at Burying Hill Beach will provide week-long experiences that introduce young children to a multitude of sports, arts and crafts, and exploration while also creating a traditional camp experience that focuses on friendship, spirit, and fun in the sun!.

Programs, designed by IST coaches and teachers, will expose children to various popular sports while participating in developmentally appropriate activities. Games will be included to teach and emphasize skills, and top-notch instructors will provide the ideal balance of instruction and entertainment. The values of sportsmanship, cooperation, and respect will be highlighted throughout each and every session.

A flexible schedule offers registration options for any amount of weeks. Baseball, basketball, football, and soccer are just some of the highlighted sports. Arts and crafts, story-time, and other popular children's games will be a constant each day. In case of inclement weather, camp will move indoors to our IST facility in Norwalk.

IST Sports Headquarters

25 Van Zant Street, Norwalk, CT 06855

www.ISTSportsCT.com

For more information on dates and times please visit <https://www.westportct.gov/index.aspx?page=259>

Camp Compo

For children entering grades K through 4 in Sept, 2019

Camp Compo is happy to offer seven, one week sessions.. A spectacular summer camp program, Camp Compo offers children a variety of activities throughout the summer. The camp specializes in offering a well-balanced core of activities daily that includes arts and crafts, sports, games, yoga, beach and playground time. Camp Compo offers every camper the chance to be creative and explore their imagination while making new friends and enjoying a positive camp experience. Several different special

events will highlight each week as well. Each camper must bring their own lunch and several drinks for the day plus towel, bathing suit and water shoes. Severe inclement weather will cause the camp to cancel for the day or shut down if the program is already in progress. There are no group placement requests accepted.

<http://www.westportct.gov/index.aspx?page=258>

RECing Crew

For children entering grades 5 to 8 in Sept. 2019

RECing Crew offers middle school children a variety of activities throughout the summer. During each week long session, the camp goes on two field trips to different local entertainment places and attractions. Every Friday is spent at Longshore Club Park where campers may take part in a variety of planned recreational games and activities, including a time for swimming in the in-ground public pool. RECing Crew will make its home base at Coleytown Middle School where all campers will enjoy sports, games and special events when not traveling. On days of field trips, pick-up times may vary and will be noted in the parental information guide. Each camper must bring their own lunch, several drinks for the day and a bathing suit and towel when attending on days of water activity. Depending on the day and the field trip, inclement weather will cause the camp to stay at the school for the day.

<http://www.westportct.gov/index.aspx?page=260>

EARTHPLACE

Note to parents: Our committee recently spoke to Earthplace, This is an inclusive camp, Earthplace will provide a counselor/aide if required, at no extra charge during regular summer camp hours. Camp includes indoor spaces for severe weather. Younger age groups use both indoor and outdoor spaces. Before registering please contact Camp directors Ameer Borys or Becky Newman to discuss your child's needs.

Summer is a great time for nature exploration and discovery at Earthplace!

At Earthplace Summer Camp, we welcome campers of all abilities from age 2-15. All enjoy an unspoiled natural setting—on the trails, by the pond, in the fields or under the shade of our pine grove. Camps run in weekly sessions from mid-June through mid-August.

Our staff is trained to ensure a safe and fun summer filled with adventure, friendships and plenty of fresh air. With engaged staff and a ton of rotating nature-based activities, each week is sure to be a new and exciting experience for even the most frequent camper.

To register please visit: earthplace.org/page/welcometosummercamp

For more information, or to discuss your child's needs, don't hesitate to contact our camp director, Becky Newman, at b.newman@earthplace.org or 203.557.4400 ext.107.

ZANIAC

Note to parents: Inclusive camp. Zaniac is an inclusive camp. They do not provide 1:1 aide but will work with you on other accommodations such as smaller class size. Please contact Zaniac to discuss your child's needs.

Grades Pre K-K

Popular Camps for this age group include Robotics Apprentice Lab, Minecraft Apprentice Lab, Circuits Lab, Mechanics in Motion Lab, STEAM Quest Lab, Math and Coding Apprentice Lab.

Grades 1-4

Popular Camps include Robotics Apprentice and Master Lab, Minecraft Apprentice and Master Lab, Circuits Lab, Mechanics in Motion Lab, Costume Design, Coding Apprentice Lab, App Creation, Web Maker Apprentice, 3D Maker Lab, Music Lab, Drones, Math, Reading and STEAM Quest Lab

Grades 5-8

Popular Camps include all levels of the Minecraft, Robotics and Coding Labs, Music Lab, Drones, Aeronautical Lab, Tinker and Code, Math and 3D Game Design, Math & Young Entrepreneurs Lab.

FULL-DAY WEEKLY CAMPS:

9:00AM-4:00PM

HALF-DAY WEEKLY CAMPS:

9:00AM-12:00PM OR 1:00PM-4:00PM

WESTPORT Y

Note to parents: Inclusive camp, 1:1 aide (high school or college student) provided at NO extra charge. Aide can be exclusively for child or can be assigned to a group as a whole. Camp is entirely outdoors. Before registering it is recommended that you talk to Meg George.

Camp Mahackeno

Camp Mahackeno offers our campers a chance to experience a traditional outdoor summer camp close to home. Kids are encouraged to try new things, have fun, make new friends and be silly. Don't be surprised if you find yourself getting caught up in the stories and humming our camp songs.

SPECIAL CARES

This group is for campers in grades K-5th who need a 1:1 aide at camp. Campers in the Special Cares program will be provided their own counselor who will help them navigate the camp day. Our Special Cares Counselors are high school and college students who have experience and/or interest in working with children with special needs. We also welcome trained para professionals if your school continues to provide them during the summer.

If you have questions about whether or not YMCA Camp Mahackeno is right for your child, please contact Meg George, Director of Camp and Family Services at (203) 226-8981 x 119, mgeorge@westport.org. Please note that spaces are limited.

<https://westport.org/programs-services/summer-programs/camp-mahackeno/>

YMCA Camp Hafaday

FOR AGES 4-8

MONDAY-FRIDAY - 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Designed for children ages 4 to 8 and held each weekday from 8:45 am to 12:30 pm, Hafaday is primarily a swim program, with both a lesson and a free swim period each day. It's the best way to learn to swim. Arts and crafts, music and gym time, including yoga, karate, and games round out each morning of fun.

<https://westport.org/programs-services/summer-programs/hafaday/>

Gymnastics Center Summer

The YMCA Gymnastics Center at 145 Main St. in Norwalk offers a range of special programs and camps throughout the summer. Here's a partial schedule of the fun for Y gymnasts this summer:

Summer Gymnastic Camp (ages 5 and up): Monday - Friday, 12 pm-4:15 pm; includes free swim.

NEW!! Gymnastic Camp Full Day Option (ages 5 and up): Monday - Friday 8:45 am-4:15 pm; Available July 23-27, July 30-August 3, August 6-10, August 13-17; includes free swim.

Summer Fantasy Gymnastics and Art Program (ages 3-6): Monday - Thursday, 9 am-12 noon. Gymnastics, add some games and an art project each day!

Competitive Team Summer Practice Current or incoming members of the Competitive Team or Pre-Competition Team; Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday 3:30-5:30 July 2-August 15

Toddler Adventure Open Gym (ages 6 months-4 years): Held daily during the school year and on Fridays, 9 am-11 am, June 25-July 20. (No Adventure Gym July 23-September 3)

Call the gymnastics center at 203-857-1139

<https://westport.org/programs-services/summer-programs/summer-gymnastics/>

WILTON Y

Note to parents: See Special Needs below. Wilton Y also offers a CIT program.

Camp Gordyland

“Make Friends, Make Memories and Make a Difference”

Welcome to Camp Gordyland! Our camp directors dedicate year-round planning and collectively have over 100+ years of camp experience to ensure our campers learn life-lasting skills and foster friendships in a safe environment. Our camp sits on 22 acres where we enjoy a 50 meter pool, 25 yard indoor pool, pond, mini-golf course, ropes course/climbing wall, 2 ball fields, fishing area, archery range and more!

This summer, we are expanding! Due to the upcoming centralized renovations taking place in the lobby and the construction of a new 2nd floor (above the offices and 25 YD locker rooms) at the Y, we are able to grow our Gordy “land”. In addition to our 22 acres at our Y property, we are fortunate to be partnered with the Wilton High School who have granted us use of their North Field as well as multiple classrooms and indoor space to keep rainy day activities fun and fresh!

SPECIAL NEEDS

Camp Gordyland is an all-inclusive camp. We take every step to ensure that all children have the opportunity to experience a fun-filled camp day. If your child needs additional support from a one-on-one staff member (paraprofessional), please contact Chris Foley, Special Needs Director @ 203-762-8384x207. Families will work closely with the Special Needs Director to make sure both your family's and Camp Gordyland's expectations are met. Campers will be assigned to a group and work with their paraprofessional who will have the flexibility to modify activities to meet the child's needs. Camp Gordyland reserves the right to deem if a camper requires additional support throughout the camp day. At this time, the Special Needs Director will contact the family to discuss a proper plan.

<http://www.wiltonymca.org/special-needs/>

PILOT HOUSE

Note to parents: This is a special needs camp with good student to staff ratio.

Camp Fun in the Sun

Come and enjoy a great summer filled with fun and exciting activities for all ages and abilities at The Pilot House Summer Camp. Each camper is placed in a group according to his/her age and ability ages 4-16. We provide a favorable camper to staff ratio (1:5). Campers will participate in various activities rotating throughout the day.

Activities include: Sports & Games, Arts & Crafts, Cooking & Baking, Photography, Yoga and more! Each Friday we have a special outing day: bowling, dance party, field trip, or a BBQ in our field with a giant waterslide, slip and slide, blow up basketball game and more!

For dates and prices – <https://www.thepilothouse.org/young-adults-summer-counselor/>

Counselor In Training Program

Our Counselor in Training program offers young adults the opportunity to learn team building, leadership skills, and how to work with peers, while gaining self confidence and independence in a supportive environment. CITs are integrated into the camp program and receive hands-on training working with an experienced staff. Each week they will work with a different group and will assist with activities.

Ages 17-25.

<https://www.thepilothouse.org/young-adults-summer-counselor/>

Neighborhood Studios Summer Arts Camp for Children with Special Needs

Summer Arts Camp for Children with Special Needs

Neighborhood Studios was founded in 1977 as the first music school for the blind in Connecticut by Patricia Hart, a musician who was losing her sight. Our founder developed the school in response to a basic need she faced - that there was no specialized music instruction for individuals with vision impairments.

The organization grew to accommodate children with other disabilities and soon incorporated the other arts. Realizing that there were little to no opportunities for children with special needs to participate in summer programs, Camp Hart was born. Although other summer programs exist, Camp Hart remains the only arts and learning program in the area designed exclusively to support the needs of children with disabilities.

The goal of Camp Hart is to enhance the development and learning of children with special needs using arts and thematic instruction. Camp Hart operates Monday through Friday from 9:00 AM - 2:30 PM for four weeks at the Neighborhood Studios facility, 391 East Washington Avenue, Bridgeport. The students learn cultural drumming, visual arts, theater and dance. Children are placed into groups based on age and rotate through the four arts classes. The groups of students are small and managed by one to two group leaders who stay with the groups as they change classes. Each day, the students also take part in recreational activities, including sports, games, and swimming, all adapted to meet the needs of the students. Each week, students go on field trips to cultural and regional attractions, often related to the theme. Camp Hart will run this year from July 1 through July 26 with culminating performance on July 24th.

For more information, please contact Frank Derico, Executive Director, Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County at fderico@nstudios.org

Swim and Sail Camp For Children With Special Needs

The Swim and Sail program will be offered to children with special needs and one typical sibling or friend to swim at the YMCA and sail, canoe, and kayak on Holly Pond. The Y's sailing staff and support staff will be conducting and facilitating this program, which includes social skills and development.

SESSION TIMES

5 - 10 YR OLDS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 3:00 PM - 5:15 PM

11 - 18 YR OLDS: MONDAY - FRIDAY 5:30 PM - 7:45 PM

SESSIONS

SESSION A: JULY 1 - JULY 12

SESSION B: JULY 15 - JULY 26

SESSION C: JULY 29 - AUGUST 9

FEES:

SESSION A: MEMBERS- \$245 NON-MEMBERS- \$295

SESSION B: MEMBERS- \$270 NON-MEMBERS- \$320

SESSION C: MEMBERS- \$270 NON-MEMBERS- \$320

FEE FOR ONE ADDITIONAL TYPICAL SIBLING OR FRIEND PER SESSION: MEMBERS- \$100 NON-MEMBERS- \$150

Special Needs Camp Support

The Darien YMCA is an all-inclusive camp. We feel that every child should be given the opportunity to participate in a fun-filled camp day. Campers are fully immersed in the camp program. At the discretion of the Special Needs Director and Camp Inclusion Coordinator, campers will be assigned 1:2 or 1:1 support. Support staff will motivate campers to be actively engaged in their group activities and provide modification when needed. The Darien YMCA reserves the right to deem if a camper requires additional support. At this time, the Special Needs Director or Camp Inclusion Coordinator will contact the family to discuss the proper plan.

Please see specific camp based on age/grade for fees and times.

You must contact Suzanne Richards at srichards@darien-ymca.org to arrange a support staff or to answer any questions. Registration is based on program availability. Once a session is full, your child will be placed on the waitlist.

NEW! Innovative Vocations Summer Program

Ages 14 +

This new summer program was designed to teach teenage students with special needs practical life skills that will allow them to be an integral part of summer camp. An extension of our school year program,

students will broaden their social, functional and task-oriented skills while working with the camp staff and campers in their daily activities.

The Innovative Vocations Summer Program will focus on helping the summer camp staff by creating seamless transitions for summer activities. Earning Y-Bucks for end of the day cash-in rewards, our students will learn time management skills with task-oriented goals. Summer Camp consists of multiple groups of different ages who fill their days with various games and activities. The Innovative Vocations program students will ease the stress of the staff and give them more time with their groups by setting up and taking down specific activities. They will assist our program specialists with sports, arts & crafts, STEM and more.

Throughout the day, they will also have time to socialize with their group, as well as the other camp groups. They will have the opportunity to swim & do boating if they choose.

The program will be individually tailored to each participant's schedules, interests and abilities. Each participant will have their own binder with daily schedule and specific tasks. They will be assisted when needed by volunteers and peers.

WEEK 1: JUNE 24 - JUNE 28

WEEK 2: JULY 1 - JULY 5

WEEK 3: JULY 8 - JULY 12

WEEK 4- JULY 15 - JULY 19

WEEK 5- JULY 22 - JULY 26

WEEK 6- JULY 29 - AUGUST 2

WEEK 7 - AUGUST 5 - AUGUST 9

FULL DAY	8:30 AM - 3:30 PM	\$230 PER WEEK
HALF DAY MORNING	8:30 AM - 12:00 PM	\$140 PER WEEK
HALF DAY AFTERNOON	12:00 PM - 3:30 PM	\$140 PER WEEK

For more information or to register, please contact Suzanne Richards at srichards@darien-ymca.org.