

Day Camp

Traditional Day Camp

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New for 2012

We are adding a 7th week to our Traditional Day Camp programs, your camper can now enjoy 7 weeks of camp at Germantown Academy Summer Programs. Traditional Day Camp June 25 – August 10, 2012

Shoot archery arrows, make jewelry, take a nature walk in the woods, launch a rocket, climb a rope ladder, catch a fish, play a game of soccer, learn Aikido and canoe in the Wissahickon Creek. This is just a glimpse of what you can do at our Traditional Day Camp program.

Campers are divided into troops of six to twelve children. Adult leaders instruct our specialty areas; arts and crafts, archery, swimming lessons, field games, tennis, nature, canoeing, and the challenge course. Every morning there is an instructional swim period in our 25-yard indoor pool and there is also a recreational swim period in the afternoon. Each week at Day Camp has a unique theme with both troop specific activities in the morning and all-camp group activities in the afternoon. (Check our web site for this year's calendar!)

A typical afternoon includes a one-hour free choice period, where campers choose between several options ranging from; quiet games in the grove, capture the flag, fishing in the creek, Aikido, a Japanese self-defense art with our neighbor on Morris Road "The River of Life Martial Arts" and more. During the afternoon children participate alongside campers from other troops, including campers enrolled in Afternoon Day Camp.

For children aged 6 to 12, entering grades 1-6.

Dates: June 25-Aug 10

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee: \$400/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7

Fee: \$320/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Afternoon Day Camp

Combo Camp after Academic Classes and Enrichment Camps

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Campers enrolled in Science Camp, half-day Tennis, morning Art Quest, Theater or any other Academic/Enrichment Classes are invited to join Day Camp for an exhilarating afternoon of fun from 12:00noon - 4:00pm. All campers will eat lunch in the Day Camp grove and choose from a variety of afternoon activities. Campers will also have a daily recreational swim and participate in our special weekly thematic events.

Dates: June 25-Aug 3

Time: 12:00-4:00

Fee: \$200/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6

Fee: \$160/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Mini Camp

Director: Joanna Rominger | joanna.rominger@gacamp.org

Mini Camp provides a warm, friendly and supportive environment where children ages 3-5 feel safe and right at home. Our age-appropriate facilities promote cognitive development through interactive and fun activities. Each week, we introduce a new theme and incorporate lessons around the week's topic. (See our web site for the full calendar.) A typical day at Mini Camp is filled with child-centered activities including swimming, arts & crafts, outdoor play, music, and science. All children participate in daily group swimming lessons. Our professional swim instructors have great success with helping young children reach their full potential in the water. There are three enrollment options that are available for Mini Camp. Please read the descriptions listed below, to see which option will work best for you.

Full Day Mini Camp

For children ages 4-5; entering Pre-K or Kindergarten

Campers will participate in a variety of activities (see above description) based around our theme for the summer. The primary goal of our Mini Camp is to engage campers in practicing social skills while making friends, learning new things, and having fun.

Dates: June 25-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee: \$425/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$340/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Afternoon Mini Camp

For campers entering Kindergarten

Campers may combine a morning program such as Science Camp or Academics with an afternoon of Preschool Camp. Campers eat lunch at Preschool Camp, engage in afternoon free play, participate in special group activities, and spend some quiet time resting. Instructional swim is not available in the afternoon of Mini Camp.

Dates: June 25-Aug 3

Time: 12:00-4:00 Fee: \$225/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Time: 12:00-4:00 Fee: \$180/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Mini Half Day Camp

For campers ages 3-4

This option is specifically designed to meet the needs of our very youngest campers, who may not be ready for a full day of camp yet. Although the program is only a half day, the campers enrolled for the half day program participate in all of the Mini Camp activities (see description above). This program does not include time for lunch.

Campers must be proficient in using the toilet. Diapers or pull-ups are not allowed.

Dates: June 25-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$250/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$200/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Explorer Camp

Contact: summer@gacamp.org

NOTICE: Lunch is not available to purchase for Full Day Explorer Camp.

The goal of Explorer Camp is to give campers entering grades 7-8 the opportunity to learn how to take healthy risks while making friends and having fun. Campers travel off campus to attend wilderness excursions, participate in service projects, and enjoy recreational pursuits. Our creative, experienced staff supervises the safe and exciting schedule of varied summer activities, from whitewater rafting and rock climbing to museum trips and miniature golf outings. Campers may attend one week or all six, but space is limited so early registration is recommended. The fee covers all costs except spending money for souvenirs when applicable. Due to the nature of the program, all campers should plan to bring a lunch from home every day instead of ordering from our lunch service. Every week is different, and the schedule is available on our web site.

*Note: The activity schedule may change due to weather. On some days, campers are required to arrive before 8:30 a.m., and will arrive back at GA camp after 4:00 p.m. Parents will be notified about those occasions in advance.

Dates: June 25– Aug 3(Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee: \$500/week 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$400/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Counselors in Training

Director: Joanna Stahl | joanna.stahl@gacamp.org

A program designed to teach responsible teens the essentials of becoming a superior quality leader, employee, and camp counselor. CITs participate in workshops and discussions to learn about basic child care, behavior management techniques, camp organization, activity planning, job application, first aid and leadership. For a portion of each day, CITs gain valuable hands-on experience while working in a troop under the guidance of our professional camp staff. This is a selective 6 week program, a minimum of 4 weeks and required enrollment is limited. The deadline for applications and recommendations is April 30, 2012. See our web site for application materials. Candidates must be aged 14-15 and completed at least 8th grade.

Dates: June 25-August 3

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee: \$970.00 (Closed on July 4th)

Academics

Handwriting Without Tears™

Full of fun activities, songs, and phonics, Handwriting Without Tears™ (HWT) is an easy and fun way to learn to print and to improve existing printing skills. This unique program, developed by an occupational therapist and a handwriting specialist, provides a developmentally based learning sequence where children learn writing skills using multi-sensory teaching aids and methods. This course, taught by our trained HWT teacher, will reinforce proper pencil grip, directionality, and writing fluency. Open to students entering grades K-1.

Dates: June 25-July 20 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$665

Get Ready for Numbers and Letters

A relaxed and fun readiness program for beginning and non-readers, this course is designed for students who would benefit from development of letter and number recognition. Teachers emphasize group social skills and understanding of basic number and letter concepts needed to succeed in a formal school setting. Open to students who are entering grades K-1.

Dates: July 23–Aug 3

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$350

Beginning Chinese Language and Culture

Have fun and learn some of the basics of the Chinese language and culture in this two-week, highly interactive program taught by a native speaker. Students will learn basic vocabulary, songs, games, and arts and crafts to better understand our one billion friends in China. Open to students who are entering grades 1-2.

Dates: July 9-20

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$350

Fun with Spanish

Get a jumpstart on learning another language! This fun class for students entering grades K-1 is a great way to start learning Spanish or reinforce beginning Spanish language skills. In addition to learning basic vocabulary and conversational Spanish, students will be exposed to customs, crafts, music, and games from Spanish-speaking areas of the world.

Dates: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$350

Summer in Alphabetia

Children entering grades 1 - 2 are invited to join our puppet friends in the Land of Alphabetia, where letters and words come to life! The Alphabetia program is a unique part of the very successful Lower School curriculum at Germantown Academy, and our qualified teachers are excited to facilitate activities developed especially for our summer program. Beginning reading skills will be reinforced through fun games and hands-on activities. Children will learn and practice phonetic strategies, as emphasized in the *Signs for Sounds* program. Participants will also gain confidence and build motivation for reading as they enjoy a wide variety of reading at their specific Independent Reading Level.

Session 1: June 25-July 6 (Closed July 4th)

Session 2: July 23 – August 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Session 1 *Fee: \$315*

Session 2 *Fee: \$350*

Planet Math

Students entering grades 1-2 will love this summer opportunity to practice their math skills and satisfy their excitement to advance their learning. Don't miss your ticket to a mathematical adventure that is out of this world! This class engages young learners through hands-on activities

and games as they blast through outer space and by visiting special sites throughout the galaxy as they explore mathematical concepts.

Session 1: June 25–July 6 (Closed July 4th)

Session 2: July 23–Aug 3

Time: 9:00–12:00

Session 1 Fee: \$315/session

Session 2 Fee: \$350/session

Hooked on Books

This is a fun course designed for students who would benefit from short-term skill maintenance in reading and language arts. Students read and write daily and participate in book talks, discussion groups, games, and computer activities related to language arts. A variety of appealing books, magazines, and stories on tape are available for students to borrow. Open to students entering grades 2-3.

Dates: July 9-20

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$350

Math Attack

Need to keep your mind actively engaged in math? Worried about beginning school in September having forgotten your math facts and learned skills? Love to play games, work with numbers, and solve puzzles? Desire some mathematical confidence? If you answered yes to any of the above questions, Math Attack is right for you, providing the battleground needed to conquer those menacing problems! This course is designed for the student who either needs or desires to improve his/her mathematical prowess. Skills will be learned in an engaging, relaxed environment with extensive use of SMART technology and game websites that focus on numbers. All math topics – algebra, number operations, measurement, geometry, and problem solving will be explored and each participant will receive a packet of games and activities that can easily be used at home throughout the summer and school year.

Math Attack “3-4” - Open to students entering grades 3-4. (Choose one week or more.)

Dates: June 25-29

July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13

July 16-20

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$175/week 1, 3, and 4

Fee: \$140/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Math Attack “5-6” - Open to students entering grades 5-6. (Choose one week or more.)

Dates: July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$175

Read/Write/Compute

Read/Write/Compute is a course designed to maintain and encourage quality reading and writing for students entering grades 3-5. Participants will strengthen their language arts and technology skills while taking part in motivating thematic projects targeted towards their specific capabilities and learning styles. A variety of online resources, interactive SmartBoard lessons, and games will support the reading done in class, and different themes will be explored each week.

July 2-6: (Closed July 4th) Mystery & Adventure

July 9-13: Animals

July 16-20: World Traveler

July 23-27: Fantasy

July 30-August 3: Chocolate

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$175/week 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$140/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Study Skills Junior

Ever want to learn some tricks to make studying for tests easier? Need help keeping assignments straight? Wondering what text marking is all about? This is the course for you! Come and explore many topics that will make your academic life easier and more enjoyable in this dynamic and engaging course. The middle grades can present challenges as the academic workload become more rigorous. You will learn strategies for managing long-term assignments, writing research papers, writing summaries, and more. Students should expect to complete a small amount of homework each night. Open to students entering grades 5-6.

Dates: June 25-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$350

Reading and Writing Workshop

This course helps students improve their reading, writing, and study skills. Students will work on strengthening these areas through a variety of activities in and out of class. Reading selections will include fiction and nonfiction. Working individually and in groups, students will develop their reading comprehension, critical thinking, and expository writing abilities. Using content area material, students will practice how to read a textbook, take notes, prepare an outline, and study for a test. Daily instruction in grammatical concepts will also be provided. Open to students entering grades 6-7.

Dates: June 25-Aug 3 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 8:00-10:00

Fee: \$725

Creative Writing Workshop

We all have stories to tell. We've done things, been places, and dreamed great dreams. Come craft your ideas into dramatic short stories, comical scenes, and powerful poetic images. Let's share our ideas and develop our strengths. This is an invitation to writers and pretenders entering grades 6-8.

Dates: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$400

Pre-Algebra

A comprehensive course that includes a study of number systems (members of the system, properties, arithmetic operations), preparation and simplification of mathematical expressions, equations and inequalities, properties of numbers (factors, multiples, primes, composites, etc.), geometry of basic plane figures, and a variety of problems whose solutions require knowledge and understanding of the topics noted above. Open to students entering grades 7-9. (*6th graders may enroll with special permission*)

Dates: June 25–Aug 3 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 10:00–12:00

Fee: \$725

Study Skills 101

This course is designed to give students experience with a variety of valuable study techniques, to lead them to recognize their particular learning styles, and to help them to connect the two. Are you more left-brained or right-brained? A list maker or a graphic organizer? A visual or auditory learner? Let's find out, and then let's work to develop specific study skills that will help you to maximize your academic talents. Open to students entering grades 7-9.

Dates: June 25-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$360

Algebra 1

Open to students entering grades 7-10 who would benefit from exposure to introductory algebra. This course emphasizes the fundamental ideas and processes of introductory algebra. The axiomatic basis of algebra is blended with the development of skills and the ability to use algebra in solving problems.

Dates: June 25–Aug 3 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 8:00-10:00

Fee: \$725

Algebra 2

For students entering grades 8-11, this course emphasizes the structure of algebra and basic algebraic procedures. Topics include understanding the definition of a function and performing arithmetic operations and transformations of functions – including linear, quadratic, cubic, radical, rational and absolute value. The course also focuses on solving systems of linear equations and the methods for solving quadratic equations. In addition, the basis of combinations and permutations are discussed. Depending on the skill level of the students enrolled in the course, the topics covered may expand beyond these topics to include additional skills. If possible, the motivation for the additional topics will come from the specific areas indicated as a requirement on the syllabus provided by the students' home schools.

Dates: June 25–Aug 3 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 10:00–12:00

Fee: \$725

Geometry

For students entering grades 8-11, this course includes a thorough study of the main topics of plane geometry and how these topics coordinate with one another. We discuss the properties of parallel lines, triangles, quadrilaterals, and circles. Students will learn the principles of deductive reasoning and mathematical proof, and to present arguments in a clear, orderly fashion. Emphasis on proofs is done especially in the section on congruent triangles. Other topics studied are similar figures, trigonometry, area and volume. Depending on the skill level of the students enrolled in the course, the topics covered may expand beyond these topics to include additional skills. If possible, the motivation for the additional topics will come from the specific areas indicated as a requirement on the syllabus provided by the students' home schools.

Dates: June 25–Aug 3 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 8:00–10:00

Fee: \$725

ENRICHMENT CAMPS

(New for 2012) Lavner Culinary Camp at GA

Learn about the importance of kitchen and food safety, ingredients, home-made recipes, healthy eating and teamwork, all while having a blast! This camp provides a completely hands-on learning experience in a safe and child-friendly environment. Lavner chefs are experienced in a diverse background of culinary dishes, have excellent teaching skills, and experience in great restaurants. One of our chefs even worked at Le Bec Fin!

Throughout the day, campers will enjoy both group and individual lessons with the chefs, combining cooking and baking techniques while learning how to navigate through the kitchen. The variety of dishes and desserts learned throughout the week will be international and domestic. The Lavner Culinary Camp is a fantastic way to meet friends with similar interests all while learning life-long skills and having fun. Many students even improve their math skills without ever realizing it, while learning how to bake! The best part of each day, of course, is eating the tasty food and desserts, and bringing them home for the entire family to enjoy as well!

*Accommodations can be made for food allergies or other food restrictions.

Ages: 6 to 14

Grouped by age and ability

Dates: June 25-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$440/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6,

Fee: \$355/week 2 (Closed on July 4th)

Aikido

The Art of Japanese Self-Defense

Learn Aikido, a Japanese self-defense art that combines powerful movements with ancient samurai philosophy of chivalry. The word 'Aikido' literally means 'the way of harmonizing with energy.' It teaches students to be able to defend themselves while also protecting their opponent. We live in a competitive world, Aikido students discover how to remain dependably calm in stressful situations. The ultimate aim is not only to be able to resolve external conflict, but also to find a deep calm and

confident center within ourselves. Building a steady, confident spirit within young individuals helps them achieve success in whatever path they pursue.

Campers will be escorted from Germantown Academy Campus to the River of Life Martial Arts and Wellness Center at 321 Morris Road, Fort Washington, PA 19034.

Session 1: July 9–20, entering grades 4-6, \$300/session

Session 2: July 23-Aug 3, entering grades 1-3, \$300/session

Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM

Babysitting Workshop

Designed for campers entering grades 6-8 who are responsible and enjoy spending time with young children. In this course, campers will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to become confident caregivers for infants, toddlers, and school-age children. They will interact with children at the GA Child Care Center and learn ways to keep children safe and happy. Hands-on activities and role playing will include topics such as responding to emergencies, making decisions under pressure, communicating with parents, and landing a babysitting job. Participants will receive a certificate upon successful completion of the course.

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$160

Introduction to Sewing

If you yearn to create crafts and clothing, here is the place to start. For beginners with minimal sewing experience, this workshop is the perfect way to learn how to operate a sewing machine and use various sewing tools, as well as to learn foolproof methods for sewing a straight seam and hand stitching. Finished projects include a draw-string bag and a personalized pillow. Open to campers entering grades 6-8. Ready, set, sew!

Dates: July 23-27

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$250

Outdoorsmanship and (Wilderness) Survival Skills

This action-packed course introduces the basics of practical outdoor skills and wilderness survival. We learn and apply our new skills in the abundantly varied terrain of our Wissahickon watershed. Our daily explorations take place within the rich habitat that surrounds the Wissahickon Creek, from Fort Washington State Park along the creek's path through the dramatic Valley Green section of Fairmount Park. The opportunities for discovery are endless as the creek travels through this forested landscape. We'll become familiar with elementary survival skills including basic emergency first aid, poison ivy and tick avoidance, sheltering skills and simple shelter building, water purification, fire building, identifying edible and toxic plants, wilderness nutrition, climbing skills, catching fish and other aquatic life, and practical navigation. We learn how the area surrounding the stream can provide most of our survival needs. This course is fast-paced and always outside. Open to students entering grades 5-8.

Dates: July 23-27

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee \$420

Advanced Outdoorsmanship

This course is fast-paced, ambitious and exciting! It introduces and applies many of the same wilderness and survival skills as the first course, while building the challenge and sense of discovery with more advanced climbing and rope skills, whitewater safety, team survival tactics, foul weather survival preparation, use of essential survival tools, orienteering, forest stewardship, and leave-no-trace outdoorsmanship. All necessary equipment will be provided. Safe, resourceful, environmentally friendly exploration will be emphasized. Outdoorsmanship and Wilderness Survival Skills is not a prerequisite for this course, though taking both courses will offer the most comprehensive experience. Open to students entering grades 6-8.

Dates: July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-4:00

Fee: \$420

Summer Jazz Ensemble

Directed by: Chris Horner | christopher.horner@gacamp.org

Summer Jazz is the perfect opportunity for students of piano, guitar, wind, string or percussion instruments to have some fun with music, learn how to improvise, and share some great sounds together. Students create some original works for the final concert. Open to students entering grades 5-9.

Dates: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$400

Strike up the Band!

Directed by: Jeremy Correnti | jeremy.correnti@gacamp.org

Strike up the Band is a beginning band introduction for young musicians with little or no experience. It is the perfect springboard for someone who is interested in joining a school's band program. Campers may learn to play trumpet, trombone, French horn, clarinet, flute, or saxophone. Program includes small group lessons, private lessons, and ensemble experience. Limited to 8 students entering grades 4 and 5. Instrument rental is not included in camp fee.

Dates: June 25-July 20 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$760

Summer Pops Ensemble

Directed by: Jeremy Correnti | jeremy.correnti@gacamp.org

Play great music, make new friends, and sharpen your instrumental skills at Germantown Academy's Summer Pops! Campers will explore a variety of musical styles, participate in small groups and large ensembles, and produce a culminating concert for family and friends. Instrumental time will be mixed with games that provide new perspectives on music appreciation, harmony and rhythm. For students of standard woodwind, brass and percussion instruments. Open to students entering grades 5-9.

Dates: June 25-July 20 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 1:00-3:30

Fee: \$665.00

Summer Strings Ensemble

Directed by: Chris Horner | christopher.horner@gacamp.org

Dedicate yourself to the beautiful sounds of Summer Strings! This program is designed to give students of the violin, viola, cello, or double bass a chance to maintain their skills or challenge themselves to improve their abilities. Students truly enjoy the opportunity to counter the summer doldrums by learning new music and practicing in the company of other young musicians. Open to students entering grades 5-9.

Dates: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 1:00-3:30

Fee: \$350

Wildlife Discovery Camps

Director: Craig Newberger | craig.newberger@gacamp.org

Cape Cod Marine Life Adventure

Spend four days and three nights immersed in the natural environment of Cape Cod. We will travel by bus, stopping at the Mystic Aquarium along the way. On the Cape, we will spend three nights at the Cape Cod Sea Camp. We will explore a variety of habitats including sandy beaches, tidepools, salt marshes, sand dunes, and tidal flats. Activities will include whale watching, kayaking, and beachcombing. Participants can expect to see over 50 species of wildlife, including whales, birds, and marine invertebrates. Meals, lodging, and transportation are included in the cost of the program. Limited to 20 students entering grades 6-8.

Dates: June 16-19 (Orientation program on Saturday June 9)

Fee: \$650

Pocono Mountain Adventure

Spend three days and two nights this summer exploring the Pocono Mountains and seeing lots of wildlife. Our adventure will include an afternoon of orientation on Saturday June 23, followed by three days and two nights at the Pocono Environmental Education Center. Highlights of our trip will include hiking to a Pocono waterfall, canoeing on a beaver pond, and searching for reptiles and amphibians. Participants can expect to see over 50 species of mammals, birds, reptiles, and amphibians. Meals, lodging, and transportation are included in the cost of the program. Limited to 16 students entering grades 5 and 6.

Dates: June 25-27 (Orientation on Saturday, June 23)

Fee: \$495

New England Mountain Adventure

Spend four days and three nights exploring the natural wonders in the mountains of New England. Highlights of our trip will include mountain climbing, white-water rafting, wildlife tracking, exploring a dinosaur trackway, and searching for reptiles and amphibians with a herpetologist. We will stay at a beautiful lodge in the Berkshire Mountains of Massachusetts. Meals, lodging, and transportation are included in the cost of the program. Participants must be in good physical condition. Limited to 16 students entering grades 6-8.

Dates: July 30-Aug 2 (Orientation on Sunday, July 29)

Fee: \$650

Exploring Delaware Valley Natural Areas

Spent four days exploring a variety of natural communities close to GA, including forest, field, pond, stream, and wetland environments. Some of the places we will visit include Peace Valley Nature Center, Fort Washington State Park, French Creek State Park, and the Wissahickon. Participants can expect to see over 50 species of wildlife, including mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and insects. There is no overnight component to this program. Limited to 16 students entering grades 4 and 5.

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$360

Science Camp

Our science camp offers unique hands-on, real-world experiences for kids who have a genuine interest in how things work and what things are made of. Students entering grades K-5 are grouped according to age and taught by teachers skilled at presenting physical and biological sciences, in creative and entertaining formats. Every class is a new adventure as young scientists participate in activities that tap into their curiosity and encourage critical thinking. Check the web site for this year's activity calendar, daily projects include some take-home materials and a written explanation for parents. Questions? Contact Jamie Anderson | James.anderson@gacamp.org

Dates: June 25-29

July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13

July 16-20

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$220/week 1, 3, and 4

Fee: \$180/week 2 (week of July 4th)

(New for 2012) Video Game Programming & Design (ages 6-14)

Campers will learn how to create their own video games by using Multimedia Fusion 2 Developer® and Games Factory 2®. No previous experience is necessary, however more complicated projects are offered to campers based upon their age and ability. Starting from scratch, campers will learn the basics of placing objects and controlling their behavior, creating scenery, and developing multiple levels. The result will be a complete multi-level Arcade and/or Platform game.

Campers will learn not only programming logic, but also animation and design. Multi-level decision making will teach campers to consider the game as a whole, and encourages vision and planning. Decisions will be made by the campers, with the guidance of the instructor. In addition, campers will learn how to market their game to the public by creating packaging, ratings, and reviews. And the best part, all campers will take home their games to enjoy with family and friends!

Campers may sign up for one week, or multiple weeks, because there are so many types of games that can be created all various skill levels!

Dates: July 9-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$440

Design Technology (for primary grades)

Students entering grades 2-3 will explore principles of design while stretching their creativity and problem-solving skills. In this exciting hands-on workshop, young engineers will build a variety of models using kits from LEGO™ and K'NEX™. Some of the topics we will explore include bridges, simple machines, motorized vehicles, the science of flight, and solar energy. Enrollment is limited to one week per camper.

Dates: June 25-29

July 2-6 (closed July 4)

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00–12:00

Fee: \$220/week 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$180/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Design Technology (for intermediate grades)

Students entering grades 4-6 explore principles of design while stretching their creativity and problem-solving skills. In this exciting hands-on workshop, young engineers will build a variety of models using kits from LEGO™ and K'NEX™. Some of the topics we will explore include structures, pneumatics, solar energy, and robotics. Enrollment is limited to one week per camper.

Questions? Contact Phy Chauveau | phy.chauveau@gacamp.org

Dates: July 2-6 (closed July 4)

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$220/week 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Robotics

Do you enjoy building models with LEGO™ NXT building kits? Do you enjoy computer programming or would you like to know more? Campers learn about the fundamentals of robotics while working with the LEGO MINDSTORMS™ NXT kits. You will learn how to use the provided software to program your design to complete the required tasks. The building kits contain all of the programmable sensors, motors, and gears necessary to keep the imagination flowing!

Open to students entering grades 5-8. Questions? Contact Kristen Donches

| kristen.donches@gacamp.org

Dates: July 2-6

Fee: \$190

Dates: July 16-20

Fee: \$235

Time: 9:00-12:00

Model Rocketry

Do you really enjoy building models and wonder how things fly? Then this rocketry camp is for you! We'll spend a week learning the fundamentals of flight and apply these concepts to model rocketry. You'll build one rocket from a kit to gain construction experience while learning the principles of stability (center of gravity and center of pressure), altitude prediction and measurement. You'll then apply this knowledge to design, build and launch your own rocket. Open to students entering grades 5-8. Questions? Contact Kristen Donches | kristen.donches@gacamp.org

Dates: July 2-6 Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$200/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Dates: July 9-13 Time: 9:00-12:00

Dates: July 23-27 Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$250/week 3 and 5

Advanced Model Rocketry, for students entering grades 6-9 who have completed Model Rocketry. The structure of the week is similar to Model Rocketry – but the students complete and launch either a two-stage or two-cluster rocket for their first build, and a more complex design for their custom built rocket. Questions? Contact Kristen Donches | kristen.donches@gacamp.org

Dates: July 16-20 Time: 1:00-4:00

Dates: July 23-27 Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$250/week 3 and 5

Rocket Launch Camp

Build your own controllers and launch pads to practice launching model rockets. Learn about electronics and understand how to “debug” a problem launch. Each camper will build and launch a rocket using their newly constructed launching devices, build a simple altitude tracker, and calculate the height of their rocket's flight. Open to *experienced rocketeers entering grades 5-9.

*(Camper has taken Model Rocketry GA Summer Program or equivalent.) Questions? Kristen Donches, US/MS Academic Director | email: kristen.donches@gacamp.org

Dates: July 9-13

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$250/week

Multimedia Madness

No more plain text on a page—make your projects move, fill them with color, and personalize them with photographs and video. In this 2-week session featuring SMART Board technology, students will learn how to use digital photography, sound, and claymation in multimedia presentations.

They'll have fun while creating some awesome computer projects. Open to students entering grades 5-7. Questions? Contact Phy Chauveau | phy.chauveau@gacamp.org

Dates: June 25-July 6

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$360

Video Arts Camp

Learn how to create and produce your own videos with MacIntosh's iLife production suite. By documenting events around campus, you'll learn the basics of digital photography and videography, narrative development and editing... then put it all to use and make some exciting videos to keep and share on DVD. For students entering Grades 6-8, this two-week program will teach the basics

in audiovisual production using our state-of-the-art media center. Students will receive practical instruction in camera techniques, digital editing, storyboarding, and the production of audio sound tracks for video. Participants must be physically able to travel over rough terrain. Sign up for 2, 4, or 6 weeks.

Session 1: June 25-July 6 (Closed July 4th)

Session 2: July 9-20

Session 3: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$400/session 2 and 3

Fee: \$360/session 1 (Closed on July 4th)

BELFRY THEATRE CAMP

Director: K. Richardson | k.richardson@gacamp.org

Belfry Mainstage

The Belfry Mainstage Theatre Camp is a production-oriented program designed to give children of varying levels of experience the opportunity to learn under the direction of professional theatre artists. The 2012 show will be *The Music Man Jr.* When not directly rehearsing for the play, campers will be engaged in theatre-related games, activities, acting exercises and crafts. Open to boys and girls entering grades 4-8.

Note: All participants must plan to attend every rehearsal.

Dates: June 25-July 27 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$1300.00

Performance Dates: Free matinee for young children 10:00 AM July 26th and 27th

Evening performances: 7:00 PM July 26th and 7:00 PM July 27th

Junior Belfry

Open to campers entering grades 1-3, this program is specially designed to introduce younger theatre lovers to the stage. Junior Belfry is a process-oriented camp featuring dance, song, theatre games, and just plain fun. In addition to exploring theatre-related skills, Junior Belfry campers will, as a group, have the opportunity to perform in at least one number in the Mainstage production of *The Music Man*.

Dates: July 2-27 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$900.00

Invited Dress Rehearsal: July 22nd at 10:00 AM.

Performance Dates: Free matinee for young children 10:00 AM July 26th and 27th

Evening performances July 26th 7:00PM and July 27th 7:00PM

Theatre Workshop Series

Our workshop series is designed for the acting student who is eager to improve his or her techniques on stage. Campers receive individualized instruction to help them grow as performers.

Time: 1PM-3:30PM

	Grades 3-5	Grades 6-8	
6/25 - 6/29	Improv	Dance	\$220.00
7/2 - 7/6 (Closed July 4 th)	Dance	Improv	\$175.00
7/9 - 7/13	Acting	Music Theater	\$220.00
7/16 - 7/20	Music Theater	Acting	\$220.00

Art Quest

Art Quest Morning

Director: Jessica Grisafi | jessica.grisafi@gacamp.org

Art Quest Adventure

For students entering grades 2-6. Tap into your creativity and make a variety of art projects, using a different art medium each week. Campers are grouped informally by age. See weekly themes below.

Art Quest Junior

For students entering grades K-1. Activities each week will be based on the same art media as Art Quest Adventure, but will be tailored to meet the needs of this age group. There will be additional recess and story times each day. See weekly themes below.

Week of June 25-29: Painting

Week of July 2-6: Drawing (Closed July 4th)

Week of July 9-13: Mixed Media

Week of July 16-20: Works with Paper & Origami (With special guest Mimmy San)

Week of July 23-27: Printmaking

Week of July 30-Aug 3: Sculpture

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Intermediate Clay building and Pottery

Open to students entering grades 3-6. Students explore the intricacies of hand-built clay work as well as experience the challenge of using a potter's wheel. Please note that each session is a two-week course.

Session 1: June 25-July 6 (Closed July 4th)

Session 2: July 9-20

Session 3: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$450/session 2 and 3

Fee: \$405/session 1 (session of July 4th)

Middle/High School Art Quest Classes

A series of in-depth classes designed for students entering grades 6-12.

See our web site for additional course details.

Week of June 25-29: Printmaking with *Master Printmaker* Lynn Peterfreund

Week of July 2-6: Fiber Arts (Closed July 4th)

Week of July 9-13: Drawing Studio

Week of July 16-20: Painting Studio

Week of July 23-27: Mixed Media Studio

Week of July 30-Aug 3: Sculpture Studio

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Digital Photography (Morning)

Learn the basics of taking photographs using your digital camera. Daily photo safaris emphasize techniques that improve composition and image quality. In the lab, we will use Adobe Photoshop Elements™, a powerful but easy-to-use software, to open up the world of creative editing for use on the web or in print. Advanced students are welcome too! Expand your creative horizon as you further enhance images with filters, special effects, and styles. Go from taking pictures to making images! Learn how to enhance pictures using the same tools that the pros use! *Note that camp cameras can be provided, but bringing your personal camera is recommended. Open to students entering grades 5-9. Questions? Contact Jessica Grisafi | Jessica.grisafi@gacamp.org

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-12:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Art Quest Afternoon

Art Quest Afternoon Workshop Series

*Please note the change in age grouping which includes our addition of Middle School/High School classes!

Director: Jessica Grisafi | jessica.grisafi@gacamp.org

For students entering grades 3-5. Art Quest Afternoon provides opportunities for students to develop their artistic and creative skills while having fun through enriching experiences! This program is workshop-style and allows students the freedom and opportunity for more independent choices. Our experienced and enthusiastic staff direct students in two main areas of focus each week, with students choosing the workshops that interest them. Students may opt to stay in one choice area for the entire week to develop more in-depth projects or they may choose a different experience from day to day. In addition to our art workshops, Mimmy San, an experienced Origami

expert and yoga instructor, teaches optional origami and yoga sessions one day per week for the campers in Art Quest Afternoon.

June 25-29: Cartooning and Mask Making

July 2-6: Recycled Works and Drawing Studio (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13: Painting Studio and Printmaking

July 16-20: Jewelry and Mixed Media Studio

July 23-27: Wire Sculpture & Jewelry

July 30-Aug 3: Fabric Workshop and Sculpture Studio

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Middle/High School Art Quest Afternoon Workshop Series

For students entering grades 6-10. This course is very similar to the Art Quest Afternoon Workshop Series, but there is only one area of choice per week, and all projects are geared toward older students. Each student will receive instruction and teacher guidance with an emphasis on independent exploration. In addition to our art workshops, Mimmy San, an experienced Origami expert and yoga instructor, teaches optional origami and yoga sessions one day per week for all of the campers in Art Quest Afternoon. June 25-29: Jewelry Studio

July 2-6: Painting Studio (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13: Printmaking Studio

July 16-20: Drawing Studio

July 23-27: Sculpture Studio

July 30-Aug 3: Mixed Media Studio

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

Advanced Clay Building and Pottery

For students entering grades 6-10. This class is for older students who want to work on independent clay pieces with teacher guidance. Students will also receive instruction and have the opportunity to practice using the pottery wheels. Please note that each session is a two-week course.

Session 1: June 25-July 6 (Closed July 4th)

Session 2: July 9-20

Session 3: July 23-Aug 3

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$450/session 2 and 3

Fee: \$405/session 1 (session of July 4th)

Digital Photography (Afternoon)

This course is almost identical to the morning digital photography class with emphasis on independent exploration. Learn the basics of taking photographs using your digital camera. Daily photo safaris emphasize techniques that improve composition and image quality. In the lab, we will use Adobe Photoshop Elements™, a powerful but easy-to-use software, to open up the world of creative editing for use on the web or in print. Advanced students are welcome too! Expand your creative horizon as you further enhance images with filters, special effects, and styles. Go from

taking pictures to making images! Learn how to enhance pictures using the same tools that the pros use! *Note that camp cameras can be provided, but bringing your personal camera is recommended. Open to students entering grades 5-9. Questions? Contact Jessica Grisafi |

jessica.grisafi@gacamp.org

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 1:00-4:00

Fee: \$220/weeks 3, 4, 5 and 6

Fee: \$175/week 2 (week of July 4th)

SPORTS CAMPS

Baseball

Head Coach: Tyler Stampone

Tyler.stampone@gacamp.org

Participants in Baseball Camp receive individual skills instruction, learn about position responsibilities, and participate in position drills and skills contests with awards and prizes. The program also includes instructional videos, daily games, and recreational swimming.

Baseball Junior

Ages: 8-12

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$220

Baseball Senior

Ages: 13-16

Dates: July 9-13

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Basketball

Boys Basketball Camp

Head Coach: Jim Fenerty

james.fenerty@gacamp.org

Program Activities

Coaches provide individual instruction for all ability levels in our Basketball Camp. Campers prepare for the one-on-one tournament, 3-point shot contest, foul shooting contests, and league tournament and playoffs. Program includes lectures by college coaches, instructional videos, awards and prizes, and recreational swimming.

Ages: 7-15

Dates: July 23-27

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Middle and High School Boys
Developmental Basketball Camp

Head Coach: Jim Fenerty
james.fenerty@gacamp.org

This is a dynamic program for the serious basketball player entering grades 6-10 with prior team experience. Coaches teach team principles and conduct instructional stations by positions. Campers also enjoy the college coaches guest speaker program, individual and team contests, and recreational swimming.

Dates: June 25-29

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275/week

Girls Basketball

Head Coach: Sherri Retif
Sherri.retif@gacamp.org

Learn from GA coaching staff and players in this camp for all ability levels. This week combines fun and fundamentals as campers learn dribbling, passing, shooting, and rebounding through station work, individual and team competitions and games. Program includes guest speakers from various colleges, instructional videos, prizes, and recreational swimming.

Ages: 8-14

Dates: July 2-6 Fee: \$220/week (Closed July 4th)

July 9-13 Fee: \$275/week

Time: 9:00-3:30

Middle and High School Girls
2-Day Developmental

Basketball Camp

Head Coach: Sherri Retif
sherri.retif@gacamp.org

This advanced two-day program is for athletes entering grades 6-9 who aspire to compete at the next level. Program includes instructional stations by positions, read and react offensive concepts, video evaluation, development of movement without the ball, court spacing, hedging screens and understanding angles. Clinic also includes team and individual competitions.

Dates: July 16-17

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$100

FIELD HOCKEY CAMP

Co-DIRECTORS: Tonja Magerman and Brooke Watson

tonja.magerman@gacamp.org

brooke.watson@gacamp.org

Players attending the camp will be instructed in individual skill development, learn offensive and defensive strategy, and position responsibilities. Players will have the opportunity to play on a state of the art turf field. The turf field will allow for more advanced skill development and instruction.

The players will be scrimmaging daily. We will have skills contests with awards and prizes. Program includes instructional videos, daily games and recreational swimming. Each player needs to have a field hockey stick, shin guards and mouth guard daily. Turf or running shoes are recommended.

Ages: 7-15

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$220

Football

summer@gacamp.org

Perfect for boys who love football, whether just starting to learn or preparing for team play in the fall. In addition to providing drills and conditioning instruction, our coaches teach players about offensive and defensive techniques, position responsibilities, and game tactics and strategy.

Program includes skills contests, instructional videos, guest speakers, and recreational swimming.

Proper equipment is necessary.

Senior Camp

Partial contact. Helmet and shoulder pads required. Equipment rental is available.

Ages: 12-15

Dates: July 16-20

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Junior Camp

This is a Non-Contact Camp

Ages: 9-12

Dates: July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Ice Hockey

Head Coach: Matthew Rominger

matthew.rominger@gacamp.org

NOTICE: Lunch is not available for Hockey Camp.

Our Ice Hockey camp is for Girls and Boys. Coaches provide individual skills instruction on the ice and dry land training. Campers learn position responsibilities for offense and defense. Program also includes instructional videos, skills contests and daily games. Campers will receive instruction from current and former Germantown Academy ice hockey players and coaches. All campers must provide their own equipment for camp.

Ages: 6-14

Dates: June 25-29

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$350 (Goalie Fee: \$175/week)

Camp Location: Wissahickon Skating Club, Chestnut Hill, PA

Lacrosse

Our lacrosse coaches teach position drills and responsibilities, game tactics and strategy, and offensive and defensive techniques. Program includes skills contests, instructional videos, awards and prizes and recreational swimming.

Camper provides equipment. Contact director regarding any equipment questions.

Boys Lacrosse

Head Coach: David Martin

david.martin@gacamp.org

Boys: Ages 8-15

Dates: June 25-29

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Girls Lacrosse

Head Coach: Brooke Watson

brooke.watson@gacamp.org

Girls: Ages 8-15

Dates: July 23-27

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Soccer

Soccer is a blast at GA Summer Programs! We provide individual skills instruction for all ability levels. Campers learn position responsibilities for offense and defense, including some goalkeeper training. Team training is also available. Program includes skills contests, daily games, instructional videos, awards and prizes, and recreational swimming.

Girls Soccer

Head Coach: Christopher Nelson

Christopher.nelson@gacamp.org

Ages: 6-15

Dates: June 25-29

July 30-Aug 3

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275/week

Boys Soccer

Head Coach: Christopher Fehrle

christopher.fehrle@gacamp.org

Ages: 6-15

Dates: July 9-13

July 16-20

July 23-27

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Goalkeeper Camp for Girls and Boys

Head Coach: Kurt Wetzel

kurt.wetzel@gacamp.org

Focusing on drills and skills necessary to succeed as a goalie.

Ages: 10-16
 Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)
 Time: 9:00-3:30
 Fee: \$220.00

Girls Softball

Head Coach: Tonja Magerman
 tonja.magerman@gacamp.org

Girls in Softball Camp receive individual skills instruction, learn about position responsibilities, and participate in position drills and skills contests with awards and prizes. The program also includes instructional videos, daily games, and recreational swimming.

Ages: 8-14
 Dates: July 30-Aug 3
 Time: 9:00-3:30
 Fee: \$275

Tennis

Head Coach: Dan Sullivan
 daniel.sullivan@gacamp.org

Our tennis camp is a developmental program perfect for beginning and intermediate tennis players. The program includes individual skills instruction, skills contests, awards and prizes, and daily games. In addition, full day tennis campers have recreational swimming time as well as a singles and doubles tournament. Choose between half-day (mornings) or full day. Campers are grouped according to age and ability.

Junior Division: Entering grades 2-3

Senior Division: Entering grades 4-8

Dates: June 25-29
 July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)
 July 9-13
 July 16-20
 July 23-27
 July 30-Aug 3

Times and Fees: Half-day Tennis 9:00-12:00 \$160/weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6
 Full-day Tennis 9:00-3:30 \$275/ weeks 1, 3, 4, 5 and 6
 Half-day Tennis 9:00-12:00 \$130/week 2 (Closed July 4th)
 Full-day Tennis 9:00-3:30 \$220/week 2 (Closed July 4th)

Wrestling

Head Coach: Steve Hill
 stephen.hill@gacamp.org

Our wrestling coaches provide individual technique and teaching for beginning wrestlers as well as advanced instruction and drilling for experienced wrestlers. The program incorporates live wrestling with speed & agility training, team building exercises, outside games, a daily fun run, instructional videos, and recreational swimming.

Senior Camp

Ages: Boys entering Grades 7-11

Dates: June 25-29

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$275

Junior Camp

Ages: Boys entering grades 3-6

Dates: July 2-6 (Closed July 4th)

Time: 9:00-3:30

Fee: \$220