



# Activity Ideas

## Camps and Programs

**SAC Summer Camp (K-8)**

<https://www.isd197.org/resources/school-age-care/school-age-care-summer-camp>

(K-4 Description): Located at Moreland Elementary School, SAC Summer Camp provides a full day of supervision and recreation activities for elementary level students. Join us for guest presenters, a variety of creative, learning and enrichment activities, swimming, field trips and access to our SAC Bike Fleet!

**District 197 Camps**

<https://tridistrict.ce.eleyo.com/courses/category/76/courses-youth/district-197-distrito-197>

Track and field, Chess Camp, Swimming Lessons and more. These types of camps are usually shorter in duration, but a nice break-up to your kids' routine.

**Mendota Heights Parks & Rec** <https://www.mendota-heights.com/parksrecreation>

Day camps with fun themed activities at Mendakota Park (2022 program details not yet available)

**Children's Country Day School - Summer At The Farm**

<https://www.childrenscountryday.org/summer-camp/>

Open to Children up to age 7, the summer following Kindergarten.

**Dodge Nature Center** <https://www.dodgenaturecenter.org/camps>

Dodge will be offering seven weeks of four-day Summer Camps between June 20 and August 11 with various themes for each grade group (1-2, 3-5, 6-8). Registration opens in March

**Woodlake Nature Center**

[https://www.richfieldmn.gov/around\\_town/wood\\_lake\\_nature\\_center/index.php](https://www.richfieldmn.gov/around_town/wood_lake_nature_center/index.php)

Great nature camps in Richfield for younger kids.

**YMCA Camp - Spring Lake** [https://www.ymcanorth.org/camps/day\\_camp\\_spring\\_lake](https://www.ymcanorth.org/camps/day_camp_spring_lake)

As campers, children have the chance to experience all of the traditional camp activities (S'mores, archery, field games, etc.) as well as specialty times like arts and crafts, working on a farm, horseback riding, etc.

**Minnesota JCC - Camp Butwin (Eagan)** <https://minnesotajcc.org/summer-camp-butwin/>

**Visitation School - Summer Solution**

<https://www.visitation.net/campus-life/summer-programs>

Registration begins February 24th



- Discovery Day Camp** <https://camp.northernstar.org/discovery>  
Discovery Day Camp is a week-long program (5 days) that is open to all youth in Kindergarten through 8th grade. Each day will be filled with activities such as swimming, hiking, climbing, archery, STEM activities, outdoor skills, crafts, and more!

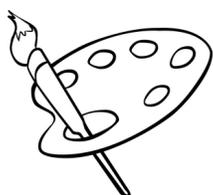
- The Gym** <https://thegymmh.com/program/summer-camp/>  
Martial Arts, Water Wars, Large group games and more!

- MN Zoo Camps** <https://mnzoo.org/summerzoo-camp/>

- Camp Como** <https://comozooconservatory.org/camp-como-sign-up-today/>  
(May be suspended due to COVID)



- Color Me Mine (Eagan)** <https://eagan.colormemine.com>  
themed camps either one day or week long. Kids create several projects that they can use at home and some just for fun.



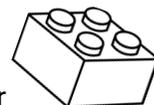
- KidCreate Studio Art Camps** (Woodbury)  
<https://kidcreate.com/woodbury/classes/camps>

Art Camps specialized for the summer months that will thrill your child, boost confidence, encourage creativity and keep them occupied with high-quality activities!

- Way Cool Cooking School**  
<https://waycoolcookingschool.com/what-we-do/cooking-classes/kids-classes/>  
Great camp in Eden Prairie for kids who like to cook/bake

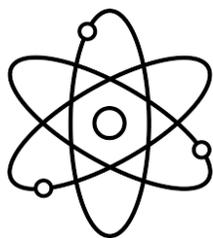
- Snapology** <https://www.snapology.com/location/minneapolis> S.T.E.A.M. based day camps and events

- Code Ninjas** <https://www.codeninjas.com/mn-edina/camps>  
Transform your child's love for technology into an exciting learning adventure. Guided by our team of Code Senseis, Code Ninjas Camps empower kids to gain valuable tech skills and make new friends.



- The Works Museum**  
<https://theworks.org/stem-camps-mn/science-summer-camp-mn/>

Engage your kids in science and engineering summer camps at The Works Museum! Featuring new camps each season, as well as favorites like LEGO Robotics, Code Camp, architecture, and more. Our summer camps for kids at The Works are ideal for girls and boys ages 5-13.



- Science Museum Summer Camps** <https://new.smm.org/camps>  
Our STEM education team is excited to bring back old favorites and introduce new themes for in-person and virtual camps available for ages 6–16. Topics include art, biology, carpentry, chemistry, coding, engineering, magic, media, paleontology, space, and more.

- Adventures in Cardboard Camp** <https://adventuresincardboard.com/>  
Make your own gear! Play mythic live action games along the most idyllic fields, trails and shorelines near the Twin Cities.

- Dakota County Library** <https://www.co.dakota.mn.us/libraries/Programs/Kids>

Summer Reading program (bonus if you have older kids- great volunteer opportunity for them to help run the sign up desk!)



- Barnes & Noble Reading Program**

<https://www.barnesandnobleinc.com/our-stores-communities/summer-reading-program/>

Read, get a free book!



- Music Together** <https://www.mindfulmusictogether.com/>

Mixed age and Rhythm classes available. Meets locally at Harmon Park (winter) or United Methodist Church (summer).

- Summer music camps and workshops from Music 101 to various artists

- Brighter Minds Music** <https://www.brightermindsmusic.com/>

Music lessons for all ages. See coupon for Mendota Families below!

### **Spring and Summer Sports**

- Mendota Heights Parks & Rec** <https://www.mendota-heights.com/parksrecreation>

Sports Camps, Gymnastics, Tennis Lessons, Golf Camps at Mendota Par 3  
(2022 program details not yet available)

- Mendota Heights Athletic Association (MHAA)** <https://www.mendotaheightsathletics.com/>

Spring and summer registration for various sports is now open! (Baseball, Lacrosse, Softball, T-Ball)

- Eagan Athletic Association (EAA)**

**Track (Spring)** - <https://www.eaasports.org/page/show/189017-track>

**Cross Country (Late Summer)** <https://www.eaasports.org/page/show/1267385-cross-country>

- BlackHawks Summer Soccer Camps** <https://blackhawksoccer.org/summer-camps/>

- Salvo Summer Soccer** - <http://www.salvosoccer.org/>

- Saint Paul Saints Baseball camp**

<https://www.milb.com/st-paul/community/youth-sports/summer-youth-baseball-camps>

- Minnesota Twins Summer Camp**

<https://www.mlb.com/twins/community/training/summer-camps>



## **Fun Ideas To Do Anywhere!**

- Find a friend or 2, grab your bikes, parents set a perimeter, and they can ride and play anywhere within the perimeter. Go over the ground rules: No one goes near water (no ponds/lakes/streams - creeks at your own risk!), they need to be home at X time to check in, at least one kid has a watch with an alarm set so they come back - GO!).
- sand box, sprinkler, lake, pool, fireworks at the farm, trampoline, playing soccer parents vs kids, playing basketball, eating ice cream, eating popsicles, climbing trees, going to the park, biking, roller blading, water skiing, tubing, playing tag, read a book outside, chalk, build a tree fort, hiking and exploring
- Go camping! Even if it's just in your backyard.
- Explore your local parks and trails

[https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state\\_parks/starter\\_kit/index.html](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/starter_kit/index.html)



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