

Mini Camps

We are excited to offer Mini Camps this summer for our elementary campers! Mini Camps are week-long, themed camps led by a variety of instructors and are from 1:00-4:00 p.m. each afternoon. Campers do not have to be enrolled at MA camp to participate in the Mini Camps. The cost of each Mini Camp is \$130 per week, with a discounted rate of \$65 per week for campers also enrolled at MA for the week. Mini Camps may be canceled if minimum enrollment is not met. Parents will be notified if it is cancelled and fees for that camp will be refunded. For more information, email us at summer@montessoriacad.org.

Week 1: (June 5-9) Outdoor Adventures

Instructor: Mark Woodward
Min: 7 Max: 13

Say hello to your favorite summer camp as a kid – outdoors, in the woods, beautiful scenery, and priceless camaraderie. This mini-camp experience takes campers on daily field trips to many of our special “wilderness” places in the Nashville/Brentwood area. Travel destinations include The Little Harpeth River, Edwin and Percy Warner Parks, and Radnor Lake. Walking/athletic shoes are a must. We will be hiking, exploring, observing wildlife where possible, and enjoying nature in the company of friends. Your camper will come home with tired legs and a full heart at the end of each day! For more information, email Mark Woodward at mwoodward@montessoriacad.org

Week 2: (June 12-16) Fiddle

Instructor: Cheri Drummond
Min: 5

From country to bluegrass, you'll be fiddling in no time. This is for students who have already taken for at least one year. Improvisation, chopping and ways to make any simple tune advanced are included. Packet of music included. ***Please note that this camp will run from 1:00-3:00 p.m. ***

Week 2: (June 12-16) Art 1

Instructor: Kay Mattingly
Min: 5

“The Wonderful World of Disney”
Explore the magical world of Disney with art projects that feature many of your favorite characters and stories.

Week 3: (June 19-23) Art 2

Instructor: Kay Mattingly
Min: 5

“The Hogwarts Imagination”
Join us for an artistic adventure into Harry Potter’s world at Hogwarts. Create your very own wand and lots of magical creatures.

**Week 4: (June 26-
June 30)**

Baking

Instructor: Faith Woodward

Max: 10 (\$20 ingredient fee)

Join Mrs. Woodward for a week of baking fun! Students will learn about wheat, grinding flour, and how to make a variety of cookies, breads, and their own homemade granola. They will take some of their creations home each day (if they don't eat them all first), and at the end of the week, they'll receive their own recipe packet and honorary baker's spatula. Please send an apron with your child if you have one, and email Mrs. Woodward about any food or nut allergies your child may have by June 15th at ftwoodward@gmail.com. Please note: recipes will *not* be gluten and dairy free.

**Week 5:
(July 3-7)**

NO Mini Camp

**Week 6:
(July 10-14)**

Art 3

Instructor: Kay Mattingly

Min: 5

"Animal Planet"

Paint through the rainforest, draw through the desert, build through the barnyard and create the mighty jungle. Making beautiful animal art projects with all ages!

Week 7: (July 17-21)

All Sports Camp

Instructor: Gar Vallone & Ben Wright

Min: 8

All Sports Campers will play a variety of sports throughout the week. Campers will learn the fundamentals of basketball, baseball, football, soccer, and participate in fun games and activities that build endurance, coordination and fitness. Daily scrimmages, skills competitions, fundamental drills and knowledgeable instruction will make this an action-packed, fun-filled week for all campers.

Week 8: (July 24-28)

Art 4

Instructor: Kay Mattingly

Min: 5

"Fine Art Fiesta"

Recreating art from some of our famous fine art masters. Paint, draw, collage and sculpt and make your own Fiesta piñata.

**Week 9:
(July 31- August 4)**

Music & Drama

Instructor: Mark Woodward

Min: 6 Max: 12

As a sequel to last summer's Music & Drama mini-camp, we will be putting on another Imaginary Friends Musical – a musical play to be written by the campers themselves. Campers will don outrageous costumes and create their own characters. We will tie each character together in a storyline and add songs and dialogue to go along. At the end of the week, campers will perform their work for parents and peers.

(Note: Participation in drama stimulates the creative, right side of the brain, develops memorization skills, and fosters friendship between actors. It can also help in overcoming the fear of public speaking. This mini-camp will be a low-pressure environment with no prior drama experience necessary.)