



## Summer 2019 Brochure

**June 10<sup>th</sup> through June 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 am to noon**

The perfect way to make the transition from school to summer is to participate with friends and RCDS teachers in Rye Country Day School's *Wildcat Mini-Camp*. These camps are open to all Rye Country Day students and run for two weeks after the close of the academic year. All camps are held on campus from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm, Monday through Friday. Additionally, the Early Bird Program is open to all campers. It is available Monday to Friday from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. while camp is in session.

Please review the General Information at the end of the brochure for information regarding enrollment, snacks, and payment. Online registration is the only way to register for *Wildcat Mini-Camp*, including the Early Bird Program. Registration must be complete and submitted prior to **Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**. Payment will be billed directly to your RCDS account.

For additional questions please contact Nicole Leath by phone (914)-967-1417 (ext. 4427) or email [Nicole\\_Leath@ryecountryday.org](mailto:Nicole_Leath@ryecountryday.org).

## Camp Wildcubs

Campers entering grades K-2

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructors: Sandy Castagna and Laura Festo

Fun and friends, arts and crafts, games and much more... that's Camp Wildcubs! Start your summer at Camp Wildcubs where you will make awesome crafts and play amazing games both inside and out! Laugh, create, and explore with Mrs. Castagna and Ms. Festo at Camp Wildcubs! We can't wait to see you there! Go Wildcubs! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Wildcat Soccer K-2

Campers entering grades K-2

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructors: Melissa Wirth and Joseph Blasetti

Would you like to learn the game of soccer, improve your current soccer skills, or just have fun? Then Wildcat Soccer is the camp for you! Qualified and experienced Coaches Wirth and Blasetti will be your instructors. This is a soccer program to help the children develop a love for the game of soccer, and compete in a fun, nurturing environment. Players will work on the fundamentals of the game such as passing, receiving, shooting, dribbling, and heading. All players must have cleats, shin guards, a soccer ball, and be ready to have lots of fun!

## Ultimate Problem-Solving Challenge

Campers entering grades K-2

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructors: Torie Regan and Jake Landry

Do you like to build, craft, invent, design, draw, imagine? Do you wish you could put your talents to the test in an ultimate challenge? Well now you can! In Ultimate PSC you will use all your talents as a problem-solver to solve seemingly impossible situations using whatever you can! Can you find a way to save a Lego village from the wave zombies heading into town? Can you build a bridge that to support a truck full of puppies trying to cross a raging river? All these questions and much more will be answered at Ultimate PSC! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Read It! Paint It!

Campers entering grades K-2

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructors: Monique Caterina and Heather Lentini

Do you like to paint? We do! Do you love to read? We do! In Read It! Paint It! we will listen to a new story each day and paint a picture or create an exciting project based on the illustrator's technique and medium. We will use watercolors, tempura paint, Dot Art, cray-pas, make collages, and so much more! Campers will also have the opportunity to do yoga and play outdoor games each day. There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Crafty Kids

Campers entering grades K-2

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructors: Monique Caterina and Kristin Kassay

If you LOVE to do arts and crafts projects, you will have a blast in Crafty Kids! We will spend the week painting using various mediums, sculpting with clay and Model Magic, and designing collages. Campers will also learn yoga and play fun games outdoors. Children will be inspired to create until their heart is content. Let's have a great week together! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Papier-Mâché Workshop 1-3

Campers entering grades 1-3

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Lauren Behar

Dive into the art of papier-mâché! Create your own larger-than-life ice cream cone, miniature airplane, dinosaur or volcano... whatever you can imagine! Work alone, with a partner, or on a large group project. We will begin by researching, planning, and building the underlying structures. Then, we'll cover them with layers of gluten free papier-mâché. After the objects are dry, we'll paint final works of art! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Yarn Works

Campers entering grades 2-4

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Elvira Rebate

Do you like to create things with yarn? Would you like to learn how? Yarn works is the camp for you! We will make cords, flowers, pom-poms, friendship bracelets, and have so much fun doing it all. You can even learn to knit, crochet, or sew on a sewing machine! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Make Shop Workshop 2-4

Campers entering grades 2-4

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Gail Sesito

Join us in the Make Shop Workshop and become a Master Maker this summer! Ms. Sesito, RCDS Makerspace Director, will help you develop your ideas and create unique works of STEAM in the Makerspace. Your ideas will come to life using high tech and low-tech tools, such as paper craft, 3D design and printing, laser etching and cutting, 2-D and 3-D constructions, motors and electricity, circuits, and more! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Coding Design and Engineering 2-4

Campers entering grades 2-4

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Whitney Turner

This summer immerse yourself in computer science at Coding, Engineering, and Design. Let your imagination run wild as you unlock the creative, interactive possibilities of *Arduino* platforms and *Makey Makey* interface, sensors, servos, and more. Explore the world of coding while designing digital games with *Scratch*; build a 3D world using *Minecraft*; and make comics, digital music, and video using animation techniques and editing software. Come learn, create, collaborate, problem-solve, and have fun with technology this summer!

## Robotics Workshop

Campers entering grades 3-5

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Debra Simpson

STEAM is in the air this summer! Join Mrs. Simpson in the science room to build and program robots using Lego Wedo 2.0. We will also build the terrain for our robots to move around on using found materials and other art supplies. Bring your active imaginations to this fun adventure! We will share your creations at the end of the week. There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Coding Design and Engineering 3-5

Campers entering grades 3-5

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Whitney Turner

This summer immerse yourself in computer science at Coding, Engineering, and Design. Let your imagination run wild as you unlock the creative, interactive possibilities of *Arduino* platforms and *Makey Makey* interface, sensors, servos, and more. Explore the world of coding while designing digital games with *Scratch*; build a 3D world using *Minecraft*; and make comics, digital music, and video using animation techniques and editing software. Come learn, create, collaborate, problem-solve, and have fun with technology this summer!

## Wildcat Soccer 3-5

Campers entering grades 3-5

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Alin Andrei

Would you like to learn the game of soccer, improve your current soccer skills, or just have fun? Then Wildcat Soccer is the camp for you! Qualified and experienced RCDS Coach Andrei will be your instructor. This is a soccer program to help the children develop a love for the game of soccer, and compete in a fun, nurturing environment. Players will work on the fundamentals of the game such as passing, receiving, shooting, dribbling, and heading. All players must have cleats, shin guards, a soccer ball, and be ready to have lots of fun!

## Ready, Set...Fun!

Campers entering grades 3-5

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructors: Stacy Kaufman and Caryn Olson

Would you rather hang out inside to work on a fun craft or cool slime recipe, or participate in a team building challenge or fun game of Gaga out on the turf field? Good thing you won't need to choose in Camp Ready, Set...FUN! This camp will be a blend of exciting outdoor AND indoor activities: hands-on arts and crafts, interactive games, sports, building, and more! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Carnival Games

Campers entering grades 3-5

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Melissa Liebowitz

Carnivals are so much fun! You can play games, win prizes, and meet new people! Have you ever thought about MAKING a carnival? In Carnival Games Camp, we will collect materials, create games, advertise, and strategize to create the best carnival in town! Most of all, we will have a great time with lots of fun and laughs. There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## For the Love of Art

Campers entering grades 4-6

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Sue Keown

For the Love of Art campers will go on a creative journey. Each day we will focus on a different material or way of making art: ceramics, painting, printmaking, and more. Join us for this dream-filled and inspiring art camp in the Cohen Center for the Creative Arts. The sky is the limit to what you can create! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Fun with Tennis

Campers entering grades 4-6

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Gary Solem

Start the summer with tennis! Gary Solem, qualified and experienced RCDS tennis coach, is offering a camp for tennis players of all levels. Your child can have fun participating with classroom friends while making new friends on the RCDS tennis courts. Campers will improve balance, strengthen hand-eye coordination, and practice related tennis skills in a positive learning environment. Easy competitive rallies, skill-building, and team cooperation development will add to the fun of playing tennis and spending time with friends.

## Papier-Mâché Workshop 4-6

Campers entering grades 4-6

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Lauren Behar

Dive into the art of papier-mâché! Create your own larger-than-life ice cream cone, miniature airplane, dinosaur or volcano... whatever you can imagine! Work alone, with a partner, or on a large group project. We will begin by researching, planning, and building the underlying structures. Then, we'll cover them with layers of gluten free papier-mâché. After the objects are dry, we'll paint final works of art! There is a \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Rockin' Robotics

Campers entering grades 4-6

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Joanne Ciuccio

Calling all engineers! Build and program machines and robots using *Lego Mindstorms EV3* motors, sensors, and block based programming. We will first follow plans from *Lego* to learn about the EV3 system, program the robots to interact with their environment, then design, build, and program our own robots using our imaginations! Students may also explore and program *Ozobots* to extend their knowledge of robotics. This STEAM camp is a great way to learn about the engineering design process while working in a collaborative setting. There is an additional \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Makerspace Exploration

Campers entering grades 5-7

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Joanne Ciuccio

Be a part of the maker movement! Curious about what goes on in a makerspace? Craving creativity? Want to tinker with technology? Come work in our MS Makerspace to learn about 3D design and printing, 2D design and vinyl cutting, and explore programming and circuits using conductive materials, *Makey Makey*, and *LittleBits*. This STEAM camp is for students interested in invention, making, crafting, tinkering, and learning! There is an additional \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Stop! Collaborate! Action!

Campers entering grades 5-7

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructor: Tammy McKenna

Do you love to write creatively? Are you interested in digital storytelling, set design, and direction? Do you like arts and crafts? Then this is the camp for you! We will be crafting our own short movie script, which we will then film using stop-motion animation film using shadow puppets and iPads. Students will collaborate in all aspects of the process, and on our last day we will watch the movies we create! There is an additional \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Summer Games

Campers entering grades 5-7  
Week 2: June 17th-21st  
Instructor: Ryan Horton

Come enjoy a variety of games like Capture the Flag, Gaga, World Cup Soccer, Kickball, Spike Ball, Wiffle Ball, Kanjam, and a range of other fun activities. All skill levels and abilities are encouraged to come out and get moving! Just bring a positive and enthusiastic attitude! There is an additional \$20 supply fee for this camp.

## Make Shop Workshop 5-7

Campers entering grades 5-7  
Week 2: 17th-21st  
Instructor: Gail Sesito

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## Strength and Speed Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8  
Week 1: June 10th-14th  
Week 2: June 17th-21st  
Instructor: Ray McGhee

Strength & Speed Camp is an elite training program designed to educate athletes on effective training techniques. You will learn proper weight lifting techniques from *Bigger Faster Stronger* and the *National Strength & Conditioning Association*. Knowing the correct exercises, sets, repetitions, and rest periods will have a positive effect on your program. Improving speed, agility, and quickness can make anyone a better athlete. All training is age appropriate.

## Flag Football Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8  
Week 1: June 10th-14th  
Week 2: June 17th-21st  
Instructor: John Calandros

Head Varsity Football Coach, John Calandros is offering a special opportunity for youngsters to learn specific positions and team play. Campers will be taught offense, defense, special teams and decision-making concepts. These skills and concepts will carry over into the next athletic season. Overall football knowledge and techniques will be stressed. Each player will receive personal attention, including individual skills that relate to his particular position. Groups are arranged by grade level, experience and ability. This camp will also feature: instruction in techniques, related skills, and positional play; offensive and defensive strategies, skills and techniques; opportunities for coached team play; discussions of rules, theory and mental preparation; and flag football games.

## Ice Hockey Skills Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Emily Bennett

Hone your hockey skills this off-season! Experienced in leading on and off-ice conditioning programs, Coach Bennett is offering this camp to veterans and beginner players. We will work on stickhandling, hockey-specific conditioning and strength-training, and various other exercises you will be able to utilize on your own for future development. You will need to bring your stick, hockey gloves, and sneakers every day. The camp will have appropriate drills for all skill levels.

## Three-Dimensional Gaming

Campers entering grades 6-8

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Week 2: June 17th-21st

Instructor: Stephen Tofano

Did you ever wonder what 3-D Gaming is all about? Then here is your chance to find out from master game designer, Mr. Tofano. Learn about miniature game design; scenery building; rule, character, and story development--everything it takes to design and play fun and interesting games. Week 1 and week 2 offer different gaming experiences. Veteran gamers or new adventures are all welcome!

Week 1 is all about fantasy adventures. Imagine you are the crew of an ancient galley navigating dangerous waters and unfriendly islands in search for gold, jewels, and magical items. Perhaps, dangerous creatures, powerful wizards, mythological gods, kings and queens, and warriors await you as you navigate through your 3-D adventure. We will use *Heroscape*, *D&D*, and *Magic the Gathering* and other imaginary miniature gaming systems, which are easy to learn and full of action.

History buffs who enjoy tactical games will love week 2. Gaming subjects may include the ancient worlds of Greece, Rome, Vikings, Huns, Celts, or Normans and their wild mythologies. Strategize small groups of determined troops through the horse and musket periods of American and European history or the big tank battles of World War Two. During the week, campers will recreate one historical conflict using 3-D miniatures, beautiful scenery, and easy to play rules. Do you have what it takes to change the course of history?

## Biotech Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8

Week 1: June 10th-14th

Instructors: Cathie Bischoff and Jennifer Doran

Have you ever eaten yogurt, worn contact lenses, written on paper, taken medicine, or eaten corn chips? If so, you have used products of biotechnology. This is a hands-on camp that allows young scientists to get the chance to try cutting edge biotechnology such as DNA fingerprinting. Immerse yourself in science, as you conduct bioengineering experiments that can help to improve the health of the Earth and its people. There is an additional \$20 supply fee for this camp.



## General Information

**Online Registration:** Online registration for camp, including the Early Bird Program is available on the RCDS website, as well as an attachment to e-notes. **Registration closes on Friday, May 10th.** Registration should be submitted prior to this day. Enrollment for each camp is on a first submitted, first enrolled basis. Shortly after registering, you will receive an email confirming that your registration has been received. Specific camps do have maximum numbers. If a camp or the Early Bird program cannot be offered because of insufficient enrollment, you will be notified as soon as possible, and your account will not be charged.

**Payment:** Please do not send payments by check, as all camp fees will be charged to your school account. The fee is \$265.00 per camp per week. In addition, there may be a \$20 supply fee depending upon the nature of the camp. The Early Bird Program fee is \$10 per day. This fee will also be charged to your school account

**Withdrawal:** If a camper withdraws from a registered mini-camp **after Tuesday, June 4th, no refund will be made.**

**Orientation:** There will be a brief orientation meeting for campers attending Week 1 on **Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00** at the entrance of the Main Building. After the meeting, campers will be escorted to their individual camps by their instructors.

**Snacks:** Campers will be provided a mid-morning snack. The cost of snack is included in the overall price of camps, and you will not need to send any additional money for the snack.

**Absence:** If your child is unable to attend camp due to illness or scheduled absence, please notify the Camp Coordinator, Nicole Leath, at (914) 967-1417 X4427 or email [nicole\\_leath@ryecountryday.org](mailto:nicole_leath@ryecountryday.org)

**Behavior:** All campers are expected to follow the guidelines for behavior at Rye Country Day School as outlined in the Parent-Student Handbook. In consultation with a parent, *Wildcat Mini-Camp* may require the withdrawal of any camper whose behavior, in the opinion of the staff of a specific camp, is considered to be detrimental to the general welfare of the group.

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