Learning + Adventure = Sciencenter Summer Camp

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Want to help ignite your children's imagination this summer while they explore the amazing world of science? Sciencenter Summer Camp in Ithaca combines fun and games with exciting, hands-on science activities, experiments, field trips, special presentations and museum exploration.

Each day, your child will interact with other kids, Sciencenter staff, and scientists in our friendly camp community. Our small size and low camper-to-staff ratio allow your child to participate in high-quality programming and develop personal relationships with the staff. All of our camp counselors have science backgrounds and experience working with children.

Sciencenter Summer Camp offers one- and two-week day camps for children entering kindergarten through grade 6 in the fall. Each camp session promotes creative thinking and encourages campers to explore their curiosity while they solve science-themed challenges. With a variety of themes like, “Experiment! Science,” “Build! Engineering,” “Explore! Mission to Mars,” and “Investigate! Forensics,” or, for your youngest explorers, “Ity Bity Scientists,” there's something for everyone. Camp begins on June 29, so sign up for one or more of these exciting sessions.

A typical day at Sciencenter Summer Camp is loud, messy, fast moving and full of fun! Science experience is not required – a full variety of topics and activities will appeal to all levels of science knowledge.

Hands-On Science

Making ice cream, launching rockets, and building bridges is all in a day's work. Your child will play games and experiment indoors and outdoors every day (weather permitting).

Museum Exploration

Camp days begin and end at the Sciencenter. There is an assortment of active, physical games, focused science experiences, special presentations, and free exploration of the museum and Science Playground. Camp sessions also include behind-the-scenes tours and interaction with Sciencenter staff.

Field Trips

Every week there are field trips designed to engage and delight summer campers. Sessions include field trips to venues that are within one mile, such as Stewart Park, Cascadilla Gorge, and the Farmer's Market Pavilion. We follow safe pedestrian rules and stop for water breaks as we travel on foot. We are happy to make reasonable accommodations for campers with physical limitations.

Special Presentations

Each session offers science-in-action. Guest presenters are scientists and experts in their fields who offer intriguing, hands-on demonstrations on topics varying from papermaking to robots!

Registration

Online camp registration opens March 25 at 9 am. Visit us at www.sciencenter.org to sign up and get more information about summer camp.

Science enthusiasts entering grades 7 to 9 are invited to apply for intern positions in the Future Science Leaders Counselor-in-Training Program. Throughout the program, CITs are empowered to make decisions and develop increased self-confidence through leadership roles such as delivering museum programming, participating in scientific research projects with museum staff, and developing exhibit prototypes. Applications for CIT internships will be accepted and reviewed through April 15.

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The Sciencenter inspires excitement for science through interactive exhibits and programs that engage, educate and empower.

The hands-on museum offers guests of all ages more than 250 exhibits, educational programs, a gift shop, and seasonal outdoor science park.

The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. Admission is $8 for adults, $7 for seniors, $6 for children (3 to 17 years), and free to members and toddlers (0 to 2 years). For membership information, current programs, and upcoming activities, please visit www.sciencenter.org. The Sciencenter is a proud member of the Discovery Trail in Ithaca.