

2018 Blaze Weekly Morning Camps

	Fitness and Sports	Creative Expressions	STEM
Week 1	<p>Express Yourself! Campers will enjoy a blend of “I AM! Who ARE YOU? Activities through the use of visual arts, crafts, and games with a focus on self-expression. At the end of the week each camper will have an artistic presentation that focuses on things that are meaningful and important to them in their daily lives. Let’s learn about our fellow campers and make NEW FRIENDS!</p>		
Week 2	<p>Move & Groove is a week that will celebrate kids getting active in traditional and nontraditional settings. From sports, to dance, to silly active games, kids will get their exercise and fun all in one big dose.</p>	<p>Aloha Moana In the Hawaiian language, Aloha stands for both “goodbye” and “hello”, so say Aloha to boredom and Aloha to an adventure-packed week of Polynesian play. Campers will join Moana* on her quest to become a master way-finder, overcoming obstacles of volcanic proportions and discovering the beauty of the Polynesian islands.</p>	<p>Space & Rockets Blast off! This week campers will travel to new heights as they explore how and why we travel in space. In addition to learning about the satellites and ships we have invented they will have an opportunity to design, build and launch several types of rockets themselves.</p>
Week 3	<p>Sportstastic Channel your inner sports star while utilizing everything Kids’ Co has to offer. This week will be about coming together as a team and developing new skills in a variety of sports.</p>	<p>Dory’s Deep Blue What would Dory do? She’d “just keep swimming”, of course! Campers will dive into discovery this week, learning about the ocean’s cute critters and fascinating flora. No seaweed or coral reef will be left un-explored as we go deep-sea diving straight into adventure.</p>	<p>Take a look, it’s in a book! What is your favorite book? From fairy tales and Dr. Seuss to Greek mythology and Shel Silverstein, we will read them all. Is non-fiction your preference? No worries! From A to Z, you can pick a topic to explore. This week you will become the author and illustrator of your very own books. Come to camp in your favorite costume each day and get ready to let your creativity flow!</p>
Week 4	<p>Sports of all sports How many sports can we fit into a week? Let’s find out as wear ourselves silly with as many games, matches, and tournaments as we can cram into four days. Come and join the fun!</p>	<p>Artistic Creations Explore your range of creativity, as creativity runs wild here all summer long! Art week is designed for kids to use their imaginations and creative thought process. Campers will have the opportunity to express themselves through the type of art they love the best. We’ll have jewelry making, painting, tie dying, and so much more. Be the first one to display your talents with techniques never seen before. Who knows, maybe we’ll have the very next Picasso just waiting to be discovered!</p>	<p>Dig. Dinosaur. Dig Did you hear? A dinosaur fossil was found in a field on campus! What kind of dinosaur is it? How long ago did it live? We’ll journey back 65 million years to learn about the time when dinosaurs roamed the earth and discover the lost world where the dinosaur lived.</p>
Week 5	<p>Ready, set, get fit! Now that you’re getting your muscles a little more warmed up, this is the perfect time to show us what you’re made of! Throughout the week, the camp will be participating in a Get Fit Challenge. Each group will participate in activities where we’ll learn about nutrition, and also learn some new, exciting, and fun ways to get your body movin’ and groovin’.</p>	<p>Down on the Farm From dawn to dusk, farm life is all about loving the land and hard work. We’ll celebrate a simpler way of life this week. Bring your overalls, straw hats, and bandanas!</p>	<p>Experimentation Station Conduct hands-on experiments with things gooey, strange, stinky, colorful, eruptive, surprising and always fun! Hypothesize about the science behaving the reactions you’ll see</p>
Week 6	<p>Color Wars! Red team! Blue team! Let’s cheer for any team! This week of camp will be an all-camp event that brings out the champion in each camper. Nothing like some friendly competition centered around the colors of the rainbow.</p>		
Week 7	<p>Backyard Bash Enjoy the great outdoors as we partake in summertime classic games like tug-of-war, kickball, foursquare, hopscotch, lawn games, nature crafts, picnics, recycling projects, s’mores, and a BBQ bash to end the week.</p>	<p>Eatz With an ode to Good Eats, America’s Test Kitchen, Cupcake Wars, and Iron Chef, we’ll don non-celebrity personas and blissfully bake, cheerfully chop, playfully pour, and wistfully whip our way through a combination of ingredients to delight anyone’s pallet. Spurred on by a little friendly competition, this cooking camp with inspired budding hash slingers and dough punchers to new levels of edible (and even build-able) creations!</p>	<p>World of Wizardry Experience the magic in a world full of wizardry. Come be sorted into different houses, learn how to create your own wands, search for horcruxes, create potions, and learn how to play the game of quiddich and much more</p>

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Week 8	Games Lagoon Games, games and more games are played all around, from our classroom to the pool to the fields. Discover, laugh and grow learning traditional and new games from marbles to cards. Get active and connect with others playing table tennis or by designing your own game to play!	Say "Yes" to the mess This is the quintessential arts and crafts camp- a literal hodgepodge of activities and mediums that include crayons, pottery, bamboo, cloth, clay, duct tape... the sky is the limit. We'll use all the good crafty verbs guaranteed to inspire: blending, carving, molding, sculpting, pasting, painting... fun! Neat nicks need not apply!	Wonderous Weather What makes the wind blow? How does a rainbow form? Can a tornado really pick up a cow? From science demonstrations to real-time observations, we will answer these questions and many more about the weather we experience every day. Come camera-ready to practice your own weather report in front of our green screen!
Week 9	Jungle Yoga Stretch your mind and body as your explore the rainforest with stories, art, music and jungle movement and meditation. Build and decorate a giant rain stick to transport yourself into the wild. Learn to use your breath to both calm and energize your body, build coordination, balance and strength.	Wacky Water Week Enjoy the summer heat with wacky water fun! Come ready to get wet and enjoy swimming, water games, relays, water balloons and team competitions.	Junior Detective Solve the mystery of the stolen art with science! Become a crime scene investigator and get eyewitness accounts, analyze fingerprints and DNA (are these hair fibers our thief's or leftover cat hair?), and match ink samples through chromatography. Each day, you'll uncover new evidence until you find the culprit! Share your analysis with a real-life crime fighter to earn your junior detective badge.
Week 10	Run, Play, Eat The recipe for feeling great is to eat healthy and move more! Play some high-energy, fun games and sample yummy, fresh food every day, keeping active and fueling our bodies.	Frozen Fanatics This week, No Bummer Summer becomes Arendelle as campers meet up with Olaf, Sven, Anna and Elsa for a fantastically Frozen* time! The cold never bothered Gomer anyway so he's excited to join us to create ice castles, build snowmen, and help Olaf discover what snow does in summer.	Rolling Along Let's explore and play with things that roll – marbles, balls, wheels, and our own bodies! We'll work as a team to build a fancy marble run. We'll play group games with beach balls and a giant earth ball. We'll roll our bodies down a hill and ride bikes and scooters on our bike trail. Rolling balls in wacky relay races and trying some mini bowling will add to the fun as we go "rolling along"!
Week 11	Sports around the World Pack your bags and all of your gear. Why? Because we are taking a trip around the world and playing a new sport in each host country. So whether or not we're kicking una pelota in Argentina or throwing a bocce ball in Italy, you child will have a blast immersing themselves in a new culture every day!	Art around the World Every day you will explore a different part of the world. Find each location on a map, learn greetings in the local language, hear exciting stories from these exotic lands, and create art inspired by your "travels." Destinations will include Greece, Egypt, Japan and more, and each stop earns a stamp in our passports. Invent your own country and imagine its art and culture as you build a landmark of your own design!	LEGO Landmarks Use your creativity and problem-solving skills to construct celebrated natural and man-made wonders using LEGOs! Projects will build on ideas from famous Chicago-area architects like Frank Lloyd Wright, Jeanne Gang, and Frank Gehry. Kids will work both individually and in small groups. We'll document our projects and share them with friends and family at the end of camp.
Week 12	All Star Ballers This week we will bring out the champion within you! This week you will participate in your favorite sports including soccer, basketball, kickball, and wiffle ball.	Rainforest Rangers Grab your binoculars! Spray on your bug spray! Bring an appetite for adventure! In the first week of camp, we'll dive into the rainforest to explore the animals, plants and bugs that call it home. From tree frogs and parrots to orchids and rubber trees – the vast ecosystem of the rainforest makes for an exciting and action-packed week of camp!	Science is Magical See the fun side of science with egg-drop experiments, salty art, magic tricks and more activities your kids will love.