

SUMMER 2023

# Free & Low Cost Summer Camps

MONTGOMERY COUNTY, OHIO





# Information on ACE (Afterschool Child Enrichment) Program

The Ohio Afterschool Child Enrichment (ACE) educational program provides funds for students and families to use on various enrichment and educational activities, including summer camps, tutoring, music lessons, study skill services, and field trips.

*Here's how it works for parents, guardians, and students:*

- 1** Parents and guardians can apply through the Ohio Department of Education for a \$1000 educational savings account to pay for goods to make up for learning loss due to Covid-19. Must meet eligibility requirements.
- 2** Qualifying parents/guardians will receive an email notifying them of their award
- 3** Parents/guardians can browse the Ohio ACE Education Marketplace to see relevant approved service providers
- 4** Parents/guardians use Merit's Ohio ACE app to submit claims and submit their balance
- 5** Parents/guardians will receive an email notifying them when a claim has been approved or rejected
- 6** Once a claim has been approved, payment will be made to the parent or service provider

## Eligibility (Must meet one of the three requirements)

- Children ages 6-18 years old
- Residency
  - Live in a district with high chronic absenteeism or has an EdChoice eligible school
- Government Social Programs
  - Medicaid, SNAP, OWF, and other programs
- Household Income
  - Families who are at or below 400% of the Federal Poverty Level

## Police & Youth Together

Police & Youth Together (PAYT) is a free, week-long day camp for students ages 10-13. PAYT is offered in collaboration with local law enforcement agencies from across the Miami Valley. PAYT builds bridges between police and youth, as well as their families, teaching respect and encouraging appreciation of diversity.

Dates: July 24-28, 2023

Ages: 10-13

Location: Dayton FOP

Cost: Free

Financial Assistance: N/A



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## Camp Kroc

Camp Kroc is a ministry of the Dayton Kroc Center. At the heart of the Camp Kroc Philosophy is out focus on building authentic relationships with caring adults and other children. There are 7 weeks of camp and children can attend one week or all 7.

Dates: June 5-July 28 (Various weeks)

Ages: 5-12

Location: Dayton Kroc Center

Cost: \$185/week

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## YMCA Teens in Action

Teens in Action is a YMCA service-learning day camp for youth ages 12-16/ Each summer they combine summer fun with various community service projects throughout the Dayton area. Activities include team building games, leadership activities, swimming, field trips, and serving in Dayton and the surrounding communities.

Dates: June 5-July 28 (Various sessions)

Ages: 12-16

Location: TBD

Cost: \$160/week (non-members) \$130/week (members)

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Art Camp

Campers explore the world of the museum with fun gallery games, new interdisciplinary art lessons, creative arts projects, and more. Children will learn and get inspired by the museum's collection and create their own masterpieces using 2D and 3D art-making techniques in their studios and Experientcenter.

Dates: Multiple dates

Ages: Students entering 1st-9th grade

Location: Dayton Art Institute

Cost: \$190/week (members) \$175/week (non-members)

Financial Assistance: Yes



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# Discovery Day Camp

The Seed to Bloom Discovery Day Camp is free of charge for rising 3rd-5th graders who want to engage in both hands-on science, technology, engineering, agriculture, math, and 4-H youth development experiential learning activities.

Dates: July 10-14

Ages: Rising 3rd-5th graders

Location: Central State University, Trotwood

Cost: Free

Financial Assistance: N/A



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# WiSTEM Institute

The Women in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (WiSTEM) Institute is an amazing opportunity to learn about the field of STEM. Each day, participants will participate in hands-on lab sessions in which they will build, experiment, and discover more about each of these exciting fields.

Dates: June 12-16, 2023

Ages: Rising 10-12th graders

Location: Sinclair College

Cost: \$10

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## RECKids

University of Dayton's RECKids Camp is a recreation-based day camp promoting healthy lifestyles. Each weekly session is designed around a fun, interactive theme where campers and counselors become designers of their own learning through high-level tasks and active roles.

Dates: May 30-August 4 (various sessions)

Ages: 6-12

Location: University of Dayton RecPlex

Cost: \$155/week (UDCR) \$180/week (community)

Financial Assistance: No



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## Learning Tree Farm Camp

It's time to get ready for summer fun! Learning Tree Farm invites you to immerse yourself in many exciting, hands-on opportunities. Days becomes adventures as campers explore the farm animals, gardens, woodlands, and the history of the farm. There are six different sessions for the 2023 season.

Dates: July 10-12, 13, 17-19, 20, 24-26, 27

Ages: Rising K-5th graders (ages vary by session)

Location: Learning Tree Farm

Cost: \$90-140 (price varies by session)

Financial Assistance: No



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## Camp Imaginators!

In this half-day camp, the creative space is transformed into an environment where anything is possible, and everyone is welcome. Build a strong sense of self and have fun while you're doing it! This camp is best experiences by rising 2nd-6th graders.

Dates: June 20-23, 2023

Ages: Rising 2nd-6th graders

Location: PNC Arts Annex

Cost: \$99

Financial Assistance: ACE Eligible



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## Camp Waves of Emotion

Camp Waves of Emotion is a four-day grief camp for children who have lost a parent, sibling, or significant loved one. During the camp, a bereavement counseling professional will utilize art, music, play and grief curriculum to assist children in identifying their unspoken feelings and process their grief.

Dates: August 1-4, 2023

Ages: 7-12

Location: Ohio Hospice, Wooster Campus

Cost: Free

Financial Assistance: N/A



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# Anytown Leadership Institute

Anytown Youth Leadership Institute is a week long overnight program that occurs in June. During the week, participants from across the Miami Valley come together to engage in conversation and education about diversity, equity, and inclusion. Participants also spend time participating in activities surrounding specific DEI issues and topics such as race, gender, ability/disability, class, and allyship.

Dates: June 11-16th, 2023  
Ages: Students grades 9-12  
Location: TBD  
Cost: Free  
Financial Assistance: N/A



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# Urban Adventures Camp

Urban Adventures Youth Camp will be an exciting and fun-filled time of learning, but most importantly, just plain fun! Each week campers will experience games, arts and crafts, and a field trip. This camp is designed to help youth physically and socially. There is a separate youth and preschool program.

Dates: Beginning June 6, for 8 weeks  
Ages: 3-12  
Location: Lohrey & Northwest Rec Center  
Cost: \$80/week  
Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Camp Tiponi

Camp Tiponi is an overnight camp for children receiving treatment for prediabetes, type 2 diabetes, at risk for diabetes or at risk of a metabolic disorder.

Dates: June 11-14, 2023

Ages: 14-17

Location: Camp Joy

Cost: \$100

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Peace Camp

The International Peace Museums Peace Camp provides peace themed curriculum, art, movement, and more fun to children ages 6-12 years old.

Dates: June 26-30, 2023

Ages: 6-12

Location: The International Peace Museum

Cost: \$95

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Signature Levitt Summer Camp

Signature Levitt Summer Camp Program is for teens who want to learn, perform, and work in the fields of music and/or creative arts. The camp will offer opportunities in the areas of song writing, entrepreneurship, performance arts, creative writing, stage management, and more.

Dates: July 10-15, 2023

Ages: 14-19

Location: Levitt Pavilion

Cost: Free

Financial Assistance: N/A



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## Girls LEAD! Summer Camp

Girls LEAD! Summer Camp provides a comprehensive experience for girls, by incorporating programming that addresses girls' overall growth and development, including social-emotional, academic, and leadership development. Camp provides a wide range of hands-on, experimental activities that build strength, courage, and compassion.

Dates: June 12-23, 2023

Ages: 10-14

Location: YWCA Huber Heights Campus

Cost: \$125/week

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## CSD KODA Camp

Community Services for the Deafs KODA (Kids of Deaf Adults) camp is free to any child, ages 9-15, of a Deaf adult. CSD KODA Camp provides a week filled with activities focused on Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drugs (ATOD) prevention education, leadership, and self-esteem. Activities include swimming, adventure challenges, giant swing, water games, movie nights, and more.

Dates: June 18-23rd, 2023

Ages: 9-15

Location: YMCA Camp Kern

Cost: Free

Financial Assistance: N/A



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## MADD Days

MADD Days at Westminster is a Christian music, art, dance and drama day camp for children and youth entering grades 3-8 from Miami Valley and beyond.

Dates: July 24-28, 2023

Ages: Rising 3rd-8th graders

Location: Westminster Presbyterian Church

Cost: \$80

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## OMK Teen Leadership Camp

Ohio Military Kids Teen Leadership Camp provides an opportunity for teens of active duty military parents to participate in leadership workshops in a camp setting where they will develop confidence, resilience, friendships, and leadership skills that will last a lifetime.

Dates: June 5-9, 2023

Ages: 13-17

Location: Central Ohio

Cost: \$100

Financial Assistance:



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## OMK Teen Kelleys Island Camp

Ohio Military Kids Teen Kelleys Island Camp is a 5-day and 4-night adventure on Kelleys Island for the youth of military-connected families. Activities include sailing, swimming, rafting, kayaking, volleyball, soccer, archery, line dancing, crafts, campfire, and more!

Dates: July 30-August 3, 2023

Ages: 12-15

Location: Kelleys Island

Cost: \$125

Financial Assistance:



**[Register Here](#)**

## YMCA Summer Day Camps

Join the YMCA for weekly opportunities for a fun-filled summer for your child. YMCA day camps offer a flexible schedule and provides fun and enriching activities. Activities include outdoor fun, field trips, and summer adventures. Campers will also gain an understanding of the YMCA's character development values of caring, honesty, respect, and responsibility.

Dates: Multiple dates

Ages: 5-12 (ages vary by location)

Location: Multiple locations

Cost: \$155/week

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Gateway Summer Camp

Gateway Summer Camp serves children in grades Kindergarten through 6th grade. This years theme is "introduction to the trades." 60-90 minutes of daily reading and 60 minutes of math will be provided daily. Daily activities include HVAC, painting, entrepreneurship, culinary, life skills, politics, art, choir, sports, and more. Free breakfast and lunch is included.

Dates: May 30-August 4, 2023

Ages: Kindergarten-6th graders

Location: Gateway Cathedral Church of God

Cost: \$65/week

Financial Assistance: No



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## AMEND Summer Collabs

Enjoy workshops filled with fun this summer at the YWCA Dayton's Amend Together Collabs, geared for boys ages 10-16. This year's June Summer Collabs include STEM activities, financial literacy, barbershop talk, a game truck and more! Then in July, activities will include a cooking class, field trips, a men's mental health panel, and more! Lunch is provided.

Dates: June 26-30 & July 10-14, 2023

Ages: 10-16

Location: YWCA Dayton Huber Heights Campus

Cost: \$35/session or \$150/week

Financial Assistance: Yes



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## Camp Emanuel

Camp Emanuel is an inclusive summer camp for children with or without disabilities. Camp Emanuel is designed to promote decision-making, team building skills, self-esteem, and an understanding of acceptance between all children. The 2023 theme is Safari.

Dates: June 19-23, 2023

Ages: 5-12

Location: Delco Park, Shelter 1

Cost: \$180

Financial Assistance:



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