

Lorain County Summer Options for Kids

Save Our Children of Elyria- Dream Chasers Summer

8 week summer program for students entering grades K-12 in the fall.

The KEYS Student camp (K-8) takes place from June 10-August 2, Monday-Friday from 9:00am-2:30pm. **Free Admission**

The ETAS Student camp (9-12) takes place from June 11-August 1st, Tuesday-Thursday from 3:30pm-7:30pm. **Free Admission**

Both programs will focus on the areas of academic skill building, health & wellness, social emotional learning, community engagement, and college & career readiness.

Contact Melissa Hamel via phone at (440) 323-3272 or via email at melissahamel@socelyria.com with questions and to register

Lorain County MetroParks- Grandparents Camp- Age Range: children of all ages + grandparent- **Fee: \$10/camper**

Session 1 (morning): Wednesday, August 7 from 10:00am-1:00pm at Amherst Beaver Creek Reservation

Session 2 (evening): Wednesday, August 14, 2024 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at Cascade Park (Elyria)

Session 3 (morning): Wednesday, August 21, 2024 from 10:00am-1:00pm at Carlisle Reservation- Visitor Center (LaGrange)

Session 4 (evening): Wednesday, August 28, 2024 from 4:00pm-7:00pm at Vermilion River Reservation- Mill Hollow side (Vermilion)

What to Expect: Grandparents and Grandchildren are out of this world! Come explore nature together at one of our four park options! The program includes outdoor games, indoor games, a self-guided hike, crafts and light refreshments- All with a SPACE-THEMED twist! Bring a bag lunch (for morning sessions) and a portable dinner (for evening sessions) and your senses of wonder and creativity! The program is open to all ages. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Registration is required at least two weeks prior to your selected date. Please register all participants.

****Session 1, 2, & 3 Note: Building does not have stairs, and the hiking path is paved. Closed-toe shoes are advised.**

***Session 4 Note: Building does not have stairs, and the hiking path is unpaved. Closed-toe shoes are advised.*

Contact Andrea at (440) 865-8786 or e-mail aarriaga@loraincountymetroparks.com with any questions or food allergies.

Elyria Parks & Recreation Summer Sports Programs

Youth sports leagues are open for registration! Sports include baseball, basketball, cheerleading, e-sports, flag football (ages 5-6) (ages 7-9), golf, pickleball, safety town (sessions 1,2,3), soccer (grade k-1) (grade 2-3) (grade 4-6), Summer Camp- Firefighters Basketball Camp, swim team, t-ball (ages 3-4) (ages 5-7), tennis, volleyball and youth bike camp!

You can register your child at the following link, and the camp schedules are also listed. [Programs \(recdesk.com\)](http://recdesk.com)

City of Lorain Youth Sports Summer Programs

The City of Lorain has baseball, girls softball and soccer open for registration. More information here: [Youth Sports | Lorain, OH \(cityoflorain.org\)](http://cityoflorain.org)

Inclusive Playground in Amherst

There is an inclusive playground and splash pad within Hollstein Reservation behind the Amherst Health Plex. There are structured play areas, sand pits, a fishing pond, natural play areas with a living willow hut, slide and stage, as well as the splash pad.

Daily pass Admission is \$2.00/person and can be purchased inside the HealthPlex. Hours of Admission are as follows from Memorial Day-Labor Day:

Monday-Saturday: 10 a.m.-7:45 p.m.

Sunday: Noon-7:45 p.m.

47160 Hollstein Drive, Amherst, OH 44001

(440) 984 – 3470

Lorain County Metroparks Splash Zone

Splash Zone is an aquatic and fitness center with many year round recreational activities including but not limited to aquatics, fitness, youth activities and a 6000 square foot outdoor pool (weather permitting). There is also a tot pool, concession stand, playground, and the outdoor pool has a 24 foot slide!

Daily admission is \$8.00/person, and 3 month memberships are \$74.00

95 W. Hamilton Rd, Oberlin, OH 44074

(440) 774-5059

Lorain County Community College- Kids Cooking Classes

Kids – Ages 5-10

LCCC offers a series of Saturday morning cooking classes for kids ages 5-10. Class topics include fudge, ice cream, cookies, smoothies, pizza and mac & cheese. Classes are \$25 for each child and parents are welcome to stay free of charge.

Teens – Ages 10-17

Aspiring young chefs from 10-17 years old will explore a variety cooking techniques and recipes in this four-part series of courses. Each weekly segment provides a unique experience that builds upon the skills learned in the previous series. Classes can be taken as a series or as individual courses. To see current cooking class schedules or to register, visit Cooking Classes or call 440-366-4100.

[Cooking Classes at LCCC Culinary Arts Institute \(lorainccc.edu\)](http://lorainccc.edu)

Lorain County Community College- Junior Golf Camp

LCCC has a junior golf camp for kids ages 8-12 to learn the basics of golf from June 17-June 21, 2024. This camp will take place at the LCCC Fieldhouse from 3:00-4:30pm each day. The Enrollment fee is \$50/child.

[Junior Golf Camp - College for Kids \(canvaslms.com\)](https://canvaslms.com)

Ohio Guidestone- Girls Friendship Group

Girls Friendship Group is an 8 week program which utilizes the *Wonderfully Me* curriculum, focusing on self-concept, identifying strengths, and interacting with others while learning Cognitive Behavioral Skills.

Meeting times are as follows:

9-10 Year Olds- Wednesdays from 10:00am-11:30am

11-12 Year Olds- Wednesdays from 12:00pm-1:30pm

This group runs from June 7-August 2. Please contact Megan Sindelar for more information at 440.420.0588

Ohio Guidestone- Teen Grief Group

Teen Grief Group is an 8 week treatment group designed to help teens process their grief, make connections and develop coping skills.

Meeting time: Tuesdays from 9:30am-12:00pm

June 11-August 6, 2024 (no session the week of July 4)

Location: 2173 N Ridge Rd Ste E, Lorain, OH 44055

To register, please contact Kathleen Donnelly at 440-260-6468 or via email at Kathleen.donnelly@ohioguidestone.org *Intake and DE required.*

Ohio Guidestone- Affirm Youth

A group designed to help LGBTQ+ youth manage stress. AFFIRM is an 8 week session, manualized intervention . It is focused on reducing depression and improving coping and self- efficacy for LGBTQ+ youth by providing them with opportunities to identify their cognitions, moods and behaviors, and equipping them with the tools to manage and influence these factors by themselves.

AFFIRM Youth is geared towards Middle School Ages (12-14) and will be run by Alayna Morgan. Meeting time: Mondays from 12:00pm-2:00pm from June 10-July 29, 2024.

For more information, please contact Kathleen Donnelly at 440-260-6468 or via email at Kathleen.donnelly@ohioguidestone.org

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Lorain County Summer Camps

Free Admission but must enroll

Theatre Camp- Ages 8-15

One week Sessions- June 10-14, June 24-28, July 8-12 from 9:00am-3:00pm

Location: Workshop Players Theatre, Amherst, OH

Tabletop Role- Play Quest Camp- Ages 8-15

One Week Sessions- June 17-21, July 1-5 (no camp on 4th of July) from 9:0am-3:00pm

Location: Workshop Players Theatre, Amherst, OH

STEAM Camp- Ages 6-15

Two Week Sessions- June 10-21, June 24-July 5 (no camp on 4th of July), July 8-19, July 22-August 2 from 9:00am-3:00pm.

Location varies by week. Location depends on which week you register for

Sports and Literacy Adventure Camp- Ages 6-15

One Week Sessions- July 15-19, July 22-26, July 29-August 2 from 9:00am-3:00pm

Location: Hilltop Park, Elyria

Please register using the following link:

[Summer Camps — Big Brothers Big Sisters of Lorain County \(bigloraincounty.org\)](http://bigloraincounty.org)

Lorain County Urban League

Read and Rise Family Literacy- The Read and Rise program provides families, with children 0-8 year olds, hands-on strategies for building literacy at home, reinforces the fact that caregivers are their child's first and most important teacher, and builds text-rich environments at home by providing take-home books and other caregiver resources for

families who participate in the program. The Urban League will provide **FREE dinner** and **FREE childcare for 2+** during the six-week workshop series. For more information email coach@lcul.org

Youth Development Workshops- Our children are part of the next generation of leaders – and as they grow into adults, they will need the necessary tools to thrive and succeed. To help them on their journey, we provided workshops in several areas from college readiness to career speakers.

For more information, please email outreach@lcul.org or call (440) 323-3364

Abilities First, LLC Summer Camps

Summer Camp groups will have a 2 to 1 ratio of students to Occupational Therapist. There is a minimum of 4 students and maximum of 6 students per class. Students will have an opportunity to complete all activities with social distancing.

Fine Motor Fun Camp – This camp is for children ages 4 to 6 who will not enter Kindergarten in the Fall. Sessions will emphasize fine motor skills needed for pre-writing, grasp, introduction to upper case letters, writing name, attention to task, turn taking, and two hand use through a variety of sensory experiences and games.

Tuesdays from 9:30-11:00 am, June 11th- July 23th 2024.

No session on 7/2/2024

Write-On into Kindergarten – This camp is for children ages 5 to 7 who will enter Kindergarten in the Fall. Sessions will emphasize core strength, body awareness, right/left awareness and learn to write upper case letters and introduction to lower case letters and simple words with effective pencil grasp, praxis, sizing, and spacing through a variety of fun games and sensory experiences.

Thursdays from 9:30-11:00 am, June 13th- July 25th, 2024.

No session on 7/4/2024

Write 4 U – This camp is offered to children who will enter grades 1st – 3rd in the Fall who have already had initial instruction in upper and lower case letters but need further work on core/hand strength, grasp, sizing, and spacing of letters, words, and sentence writing.

Fridays from 9:30-11:00 am, June 14th- July 26th, 2024.

No session on 7/5/2024

Please call the office at Abilities First, LLC to register today: 440-333-1880.