

2019 Summer Opportunities in Kentucky of Interest to Gifted and Talented Students

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The summer programs listed here are just a sample of the opportunities available to gifted students. Your child's teacher or district G/T coordinator may be able to provide you with additional options. Many Kentucky universities, community colleges, and city governments offer summer programs that would be of interest to high ability young people. At the end of this list are some websites with listings for these and other compilations for area summer camps. We suggest thinking about your child's interests and looking accordingly - for instance, many musical and theatre companies, museums, and nature preserves and parks offer summer camps. Thanks to everyone who sent information. Please let the camps know that you heard about them through KAGE.

Many of these camps have early registration deadlines, so contact them as soon as possible if you are interested. All information is accurate to the best of our knowledge. Inclusion in this document does not mean a recommendation or endorsement by KAGE, but is offered only as a service to families and educators of gifted children. It is not to be considered an exhaustive list. See page 6 for some suggested sites to visit and articles to read.

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Camp Explore (The Center for Gifted Studies, WKU)

Bowling Green; rising grades 2-4; June 3-7, 2019

gifted@wku.edu, 270.745.6323; http://www.wku.edu/gifted/camp_explore/index.php

Camp Innovate (The Center for Gifted Studies, WKU)

Bowling Green; rising grades 4-6; July 8-12, 2019

gifted@wku.edu, 270.745.6323; http://www.wku.edu/gifted/camp_innovate/index.php

SCATS - The Summer Camp for Academically Talented Middle School Students (The Center for Gifted Studies, WKU)

Bowling Green; rising grades 7-9; June 9-21, 2019

gifted@wku.edu, 270.745.6323; <http://www.wku.edu/gifted/scats/index.php>

VAMPY - The Summer Program for Verbally & Mathematically Precocious Youth (The Center for Gifted Studies, WKU)

Bowling Green; rising grades 8-11; June 23-July 13, 2019

gifted@wku.edu, 270.745.6323; <http://www.wku.edu/gifted/vampy/>

Art Matters Summer Camp

Bowling Green; K-Jr. High; various weeks June-July 2019

270.781.0361; <https://www.artmatterscommunitystudiogallery.com/summer-art-camps-2019.html>

Artkids (Lexington Parks and Recreation)

Lexington; ages 7-12; various weeks July 2019

sbuckles@lexingtonky.gov; 859.425.2048; <https://www.lexingtonky.gov/artkids-camp>

Aviation Camp (Aviation Museum of Kentucky)

Bowling Green, Pikeville, Lexington, Louisville; ages 10-16 depending on camp; various weeks summer 2019

camps2019@aviationky.org, 859.353.0467; <https://www.aviationky.org/order/default.asp?page=CampDates>

Area Health Education Center (AHEC) South Kentucky Health Camps

Floyd, Harlan, Letcher Perry Counties; various weeks June-July 2019

mgayheart0004@kctcs.edu; 606.487.0135, <https://www.southeastkyahec.com/summer-camps>

Awesome Inc. U Week of Code Summer Camp

Lexington; ages 10-15; various weeks June-July 2019

<https://www.awesomeincu.com/weekofcode/>

Berea Leadership Experience

Berea; rising grades 2-8; June 24-28, 2019

kim.kobersmith@gmail.com; <https://www.facebook.com/breakidslead/>

Bethune Institute Education Corporation STEAM Camp

Lexington; grades K-6; weekly in June 2019

pglc21@yahoo.com; 859.287.7952; <http://www.bethuneedcorp.org/>

Bricks 4 Kidz Legos Camp, (Movie Mashup, Extreme Ninjas, Galaxy Far Away, Jr. Robotics, & more)

Lexington; ages 5-14 depending on class; various weeks June-August 2019

859.433.1515; <http://www.bricks4kidz.com/kentucky-lexington-georgetown/summer-camps/>

Broadway Clay Summer Camps

Frankfort; various weeks June-July 2019

info@broadwayclay.net; 502.320.7250; <https://www.broadwayclay.net/summer-kids-clay-camps>

Broadway Workshop (The Carson Center)

Paducah; ages 9-18; June 10-14, Kids Firework STEAM Camp, grades 3-5; July 3, 2019

mkatz@thecarsoncenter.org, 270.440.4444; <https://thecarsoncenter.org/class-acts/summer-opportunities>

Camp ArtyFact (Bluegrass Bookmakers, River Pirates, ArtyFact Cake Wars, & more (Kentucky Historical Society))

Frankfort; ages 6-12, various weeks June-July 2019

502.564.1792 x 4408; <https://history.ky.gov/camp-artyfact/>

Camp InnerSpace (Eastern Kentucky University Department of Psychology)

Richmond; high school students; June 16-21, 2019

robert.brubaker@eku.edu; <https://psychology.eku.edu/live-think-existpsychology>

Camp Innovation Pathways to College (Northern Kentucky University)

Highland Heights; grades K-9; June 10-14, 2019

Dr. Kimberly Code; gifted@nku.edu, 859.572.5600; <http://gifted.nku.edu>

Camp Invention at Pikeville Elementary

Pikeville; rising grades K-6; June 10-14, 2019

markayla.stevens@pikeville.kyschools.us; <https://www.invent.org/programs/camp-invention>

Camp Invention, Career Craze Healthcare, Robotics, College Camps & more (Ashland Community & Technical College)

Ashland; various ages, various weeks June-July 2019

606.326.2072; <https://ashland.kctcs.edu/news/actc-announces-youth-summer-camps.aspx>

Club SciKidz (Emergency Vet, Jr. Meteorologist, Robot Mechanic, & more)

Louisville; ages 4-15; various times June-July 2019

<http://www.clubscikidzkentucky.com/programs/>

Camp Shakespeare (Kentucky Shakespeare Company)

Louisville, Frankfort, Locust Grove; ages 4-18 depending on program, various weeks June-July 2019

hannah@kyshakespeare.com, 502.574.9900; <https://kyshakespeare.com/programs/camp/>

Camp WAVE (Newport Aquarium/WAVE Foundation)

Newport; K-8th grades; various weeks June-July 2019

<https://wavefoundation.org/education/campwave/summer-camp/>

Circus Mojo Summer Camp (Juggling, Theatrical Clowning, Acrobatics, & more)

Ludlow; ages 7-17; various days June-August 2019

info@circusmojo.com; 800.381.8232; <http://www.circusmojo.com/programs/summer-camps>

Conservation Camps (Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources)

Kentucky Lake, Lake Cumberland, or Grayson Lake; various times summer 2019

<http://fw.ky.gov/Education/Pages/Summer-Camps.aspx>

Creative Writing Workshop (Community Arts Center)

Danville; high school; August 5-9, 2019

859.236.4054; <http://communityartscenter.net/art-for-kids/camp/>

Dungeons and Dragons Summer Camp

Lexington; ages 5-18 depending on camp; June-July 2019

PlaidElephantProps@gmail.com; <https://www.plaidelephantprops.com/camps.html>

Appalachian Shakespeare Center (Eastern Kentucky University)

Richmond; rising grades 2-12 depending on camp; various weeks July 2019

sj@appshakes.com; <https://www.ekutheatre.com/>

Explorium of Lexington Summer Camp

Lexington; various weeks June-August 2019
859.258.3253; <http://explorium.com/events/camps>

ExploreMore! Summer Program (Covington Latin School)

Covington; grades K-8, June 17-21, 2019
director@exploremoregifted.org; <https://exploremoregifted.org/>

Financial Literacy Academy (Northern Kentucky University)

Highland Heights; rising grades 5-9; June 18, 2019
Dr. Kimberly Code; gifted@nku.edu; 859.572.5600; <https://gifted.nku.edu>

Frazier History Museum Summer Camps (Hometown History, Myths & Legends, & more)

Louisville; various weeks June-August 2019
<https://fraziermuseum.org/camps>

Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road

camps located all around Kentucky; day and residential camps; various weeks, June-July 2019
<http://www.gskentucky.org/en/Camp/SummerResidentCamp.html>

Hear Camp (University of Louisville Audiology doctoral students/Student Academy of Audiology)

Louisville; ages 4-12 with hearing loss & their friends / family, June 11-14, 2019
Beth Rosen, louisvillehearcamp@gmail.com; 410.603.4462

iDTech Computer Camps (University of Louisville)

Louisville; ages 7-17, various weeks June-July 2019
<https://www.idtech.com/locations/kentucky-summer-camps/louisville/id-tech-university-of-louisville/>

International Adventure Camps (Pirates, French Filmmakers, Global News, & more) (Los Monitos Language Co.)

Louisville; ages 6-10; various weeks July-August 2019
chelsea@losmonitos.com, 502.893.0933; <http://www.losmonitos.com/>

JA (Junior Achievement) BizTown Summer Camp

Louisville; ages 9-12; various weeks June-July 2019
502.561.5437; <https://www.jaky.org/programs/summer-camp/>

Jenny Wiley Theatre Footlights Theatre Summer Camp

Pikeville; rising grades 1-12; various weeks June-August 2019
606.886.9274; <https://www.jwtheatre.com/summer-camps>

KAAC Governor's Cup Summer Camps (Quick Recall, Written Assessment, Future Problem Solving)

Berea; high school, June 11-14; middle grades, June 18-21, 2019
kaac@kaac.com, 502.223.0088; <http://www.kaac.com/governors-cup-summer-camps/>

Kentucky Forest Leadership Program (Entomology, Forestry, or Wildlife option) (University of Kentucky)

Jabez; rising juniors and seniors; June 2-7, 2019
laurie.thomas@uky.edu; 859.257.2703; <https://kflp.ca.uky.edu/>

Kentucky Humane Society Lifelong Friends Summer Camp

Louisville; ages 6-11 depending on camp; various weeks June-July, 2019
502.366.3355; <https://www.kyhumane.org/lf-camp>

Kentucky Science Center Summer Camps (Medical Mysteries, Amusement Park Physics, Pokemon Science, & more)

Louisville; various weeks June-July 2019
502.561.7128; <http://kysciencecenter.org/kids/camps/schools-out-science-camps/>

Kids Firework STEAM Camp,

Paducah; rising grades 3-5; July 3, 2019
mkatz@thecarsoncenter.org, 270.440.4444; <https://thecarsoncenter.org/class-acts/summer-opportunities>

Lexington Children's Theatre Summer School

Lexington; ages 4-18 depending on camp; various weeks June-July 2019
<http://www.lctonstage.org/theatre-school/summer-theatre-school/>

Light It Up (Morehead State University)

Morehead; rising grades 8-10; July 12-20, 2019

j.carter@moreheadstate.edu; 606.783.5426; <https://www.moreheadstate.edu/Academics/Craft-Academy/Summer-Programs-and-Camps/Light-It-Up>

Louisville Visual Arts Summer Camp (Painting, Creature Feature, Stop Motion, & more)

Louisville; ages 7-14 depending on camp; June-July 2019

502.584.8166; <http://www.louisvillevisualart.org/camps-workshops/>

Newton's Attic STEM Camps

Lexington & Georgetown; grades 1-10, weekly May-August 2019

Dawn Cloyd; newtonsatticoffice@gmail.com, 859.368.7334; <http://newtonsattic.org/programs/camp/>

NKU Music Prep Summer Programs (Musical Theatre, Strings, Dance, & more) (Northern Kentucky University)

Highland Heights; ages 8-high school depending on camp, various weeks in June 2019

<https://www.nku.edu/academics/sota/musicprep/programs/summerprograms.html>

Parkland at Floyds Fork Outdoor Classroom Summer Camp

Louisville; ages 5-12, various weeks June-July 2019

ccarman@21cparks.org; 502.815.0274; <https://www.theparklands.org/Things-To-Do/Camps>

Pre-College Academic Experience in Mathematics and Science (PAEMS) (Georgetown College)

Georgetown; rising grades 10-12; June 16-28, 2019

tracy_livingston@georgetowncollege.edu; 502.863.7978; <http://www.georgetowncollege.edu/paems/>

RiverPark Center Missoula Children's Theatre (Alladin)

Owensboro; rising grades 1-8; June 24-28, 2019

info@riverparkcenter.org; 270.687.2770; <https://riverparkcenter.org/event/summer-camp-aladdin/>

Project Runway Art Camp (Community Arts Center)

Danville; rising grades 4-8, July 22-26, 2019

859.236.4054; <http://communityartscenter.net/art-for-kids/camp/>

RiverPark Center Harry Potter Camp

Owensboro; rising grades 3-9; July 8-11, 2019

info@riverparkcenter.org; 270.687.2770; <https://riverparkcenter.org/event/summer-camp-school-of-witchcraft-wizardry/>

See Blue see STEM (Chem, STEM, Robotics) (University of Kentucky Colleges of Education, Engineering, Arts & Sciences)

Lexington; various weeks summer 2019

sebluestemcamp@gmail.com, 859.494.4224; <https://education.uky.edu/stem/camp/>

Social Justice Youth Summer Camp (University of Louisville)

Louisville; July 12-26, 2019

<https://louisville.edu/diversity/diveduc/youthcamp>

Shaker Village Explore Summer Camp 2019

Harrodsburg; ages 6-12; various weeks June 2019

<https://shakervillageky.org/events/explorer-summer-camp/>

Slime & Potions, Under the Sea, & more camps (CREATE art + play studio)

Lexington; various ages depending on camp; various weeks summer 2019

<https://www.createstudioky.com/>

Southeast Kentucky Area Health Education Center Summer Camps

Southeast Kentucky counties; various weeks June-July depending on camp location

cpigman0002@kctcs.edu, 606.487.0135; <https://www.southeastkyahec.com/summer-camps>

Space Camps (Adventure & Explorations) (Gheens Science Hall & Rauch Planetarium, University of Louisville)

Louisville; rising grades 2-9 depending on camp, various weeks June-July 2019

<http://louisville.edu/planetarium/kids/summercamps>

Space Quest 2019 (Challenger Learning Center) (West Kentucky Community & Technical College)

Paducah; various weeks June 2019

270.534.3101; <http://www.clcpaducah.org/camps.htm>

SpaceTrek Space Science Camp for Young Women (Morehead State University)

Morehead; rising grades 10-12; July 12-20, 2019

j.carter@moreheadstate.edu; 606.783.5426; <https://www.moreheadstate.edu/Academics/Craft-Academy/SpaceTrek>

Speed School of Engineering Summer Camps (Advance Coding, Drones, & more)

Louisville; grade 6-12 depending on camp; various weeks summer 2019

<http://louisville.edu/speed/outreachh>

Speed Art Museum Summer Camps (Young Architects, Crazy for Color, Art Safari, & more)

Louisville; ages 5-10 depending on camp; various weeks summer 2019

summercamp@speedmuseum.org; <https://www.speedmuseum.org/learn/youth-family/camps/>

Squallis Puppeteers Summer Camps (Aliens & Their Worlds, Gadgets, & more)

Louisville; (contact for age and dates)

<http://www.squallispuppeteers.com/#/one-day-camps/>

STEM Academy (Northern Kentucky University)

Highland Heights; rising grades 4-6; June 17, 2019

Dr. Kimberly Code; *gifted@nku.edu*; 859.572.5600; <https://gifted.nku.edu>

Stephen Collins Foster Music Camps (Band, Strings, Piano, & Percussion) (Eastern Kentucky University)

Richmond; various weeks June 2019

859.622.3266; <http://www.fostercamp.org/>

Stop Motion Animation (Community Arts Center)

Danville; rising grades 4-8, June 17-21, 2019

859.236.4054; <http://communityartscenter.net/art-for-kids/camp/>

Sullivan University Summer Camps (cybersecurity, med, pharmacy, culinary, web development camps)

Louisville; grades 9-12; various weeks summer 2019

<http://pages.sctd.edu/studio/>

Summer & Enrichment Camp (Capital Day School)

Frankfort; preK-8th grade depending on camp, various weeks June-July 2019

summercamp@capitaldayschool.net, <https://www.capitaldayschool.net/summer-camp>

Summer Arts Camps (Southern Kentucky Performing Arts Center)

Bowling Green; June-July 2019

<http://theskypac.com/education/>

Summer Camps (Simple Machines, EV3 Robotics) (West KY Community & Technical College)

Paducah; rising grades 1-12 depending on class; various times June 2019

270.554.9200; <https://ws.kctcs.edu/westkentucky/category/category.aspx?C=&S=29>

Summer Dance Programs (Louisville Ballet School)

Louisville; ages 3-16 depending on class; various weeks June-July 2019

<https://www.louisvilleballet.org/DanceSchool/summer-semester-programs/>

Summer Music Camp (Paducah Symphony Orchestra)

Paducah; rising 4th-12th graders; June 17-21, 2019

steven@paducahsymphony.org; 270.444.0065; <http://paducahsymphony.org/summer-music-camp>

Summer Safari (Photo Safari, Rockin' Reptiles, Animal Superheroes, & more) (Louisville Zoo)

Louisville, pre-K-8th grades; various weeks June-July 2019

502.459.2181; <https://louisvillezoo.org/education/public/summercamps/>

Summer Stretch (Harry Potter, Fortnite, Lego Fun, Quick Recall, & more) (Kentucky Country Day School)

Louisville; K-12 depending on camp; various weeks summer 2019

arron.davis@kcd.org, 502.814.4329; <https://www.kcd.org/Page/Programs/Summer-Stretch>

Summer Thyme Kids Camp (Cook Like a Food Network Star, & more) (Wild Thyme Cooking School)

Lexington; ages 5-16 depending on camp, summer 2019

wildthymecooking@gmail.com; 859.523.2665; <https://wildthymecooking.com/camps/>

Summer Youth College

Madisonville; grades K-5; July 8-11, 2019
Brianna Crowley; brianna.crowley@kctcs.edu

Sylvan Learning STEM Summer Camps (robotics, engineering, coding, & more)

Paducah; summer 2019
270.953.0295, <https://cities.sylvanlearning.com/us/kentucky/summer-camps-in-paducah#>

Verizon Innovative Learning Girls STEM Camp (Big Sandy Community & Technical College)

Prestonsburg; rising grades 6-8 girls; June 10-28, 2019
<https://www.nacce.com/vil19regformgirls>

Whet Your Palette Summer Camps

Anchorage; ages 4-16; various weeks June-July 2019
<http://www.whetyourpalette.com/>

XPosure High School Journalism Workshop (Western Kentucky University)

Bowling Green; high school; June 8-16, 2019
chuck.clark@wku.edu; <https://www.wku.edu/studentpublications/xposure.php>

You Can Be An Entrepreneur (Northern Kentucky University)

Highland Heights; rising grades 4-8; June 19, 2019
Dr. Kimberly Code; gifted@nku.edu; 859.572.5600; <https://inside.nku.edu/coehs/centers/gifted.html>

You've Got the Write One Summer Enrichment Camp (University of Louisville)

Louisville; rising grades 4-8; July 15-19, 2019
patty.grimes@louisville.edu, 502.852.6593; <http://louisville.edu/education/initiatives/spi/>

ALSO:

Contact institutions in your area (e.g., universities, community colleges, city government, museums, libraries, theater groups, art galleries, parent magazines, news media) to find out about camp offerings. Here are some we found:

- Asbury College / Impact U: <https://www.asbury.edu/impactu>
- Bellarmine University: <http://www.bellarmino.edu/ce/summeryouthcamps/>
- East Kentucky Science Center / Big Sandy Community & Technical College: <https://bigsandy.kctcs.edu/EKSC/>
- Eastern Kentucky University: <http://summercamps.eku.edu/list-summer-camps-conferences>
- Lexington / Fayette County Parks & Recreation: <https://www.lexingtonky.gov/browse/recreation/camps>
- Lexington Fun 4 Kids: <https://lexfun4kids.com/summer-camp-guide/>
- Louisville Family Fun: <http://louisvillefamilyfun.net/summer-camps>
- Morehead State University: <http://www.moreheadstate.edu/Academic-Services/Summer-Sessions>
- Murray State University: <https://www.murraystate.edu/academics/care/Noncredit/summercamps/index.aspx>
- Northern Kentucky University: <https://inside.nku.edu/artsci/centers/cinsam/p12students/summercamps/summercampofferings.html>
- Sullivan University Summer Camps: <https://sullivan.edu/camps-page/>
- Paducah Parks & Recreation Summer Day Camps; <http://paducahky.gov/day-camps>
- University of Louisville: <http://louisville.edu/communityengagement/summer-youth-opportunities-1/summer-youth-opportunities>

Helpful articles:

- *How to Choose a Summer Camp* (good suggestions for 2e students) - Heidi Cooley-Cook, University of Louisville Kentucky Autism Training Center <https://louisville.edu/education/kyautismtraining/news/how-to-choose-a-summer-camp>
- *The Importance of Summer Learning Opportunities for Gifted Students* - Barbara Swicord, CEO of the National Society for the Gifted & Talented. <http://www.nsgt.org/summer-learning-opportunities-gifted-students/>
- *Planning for Summer* - National Association for Gifted Children (NAGC) - <http://www.nagc.org/resources-publications/resources-parents/planning-summer>