



## 2019 Summer Programs

Compiled by JAGC – Jefferson County Association for Gifted Children

### Elementary School Ages 5-12

[Art Garage](#) (Ages 3-12) - Art  
[ArtSpark](#) (Ages 3-15) - Art, photography, design  
[Art Students League of Denver](#) (Ages 6-17) - Art  
[Arvada Center](#) (Ages 3-18) - Many different offerings  
[Aviation Expedition](#) (Ages 9-12) - Aviation & aerospace  
[Avid4Adventure](#) (Grades K-11) - Outdoors  
[Bits, Bytes, and Bots](#) Camps (Ages 6-16) - Technology  
[Bluff Lake Nature Center](#) (Ages 6-11) - Nature  
[Bricks4Kids](#) (Grades K-6) - Engineering with LEGOs  
[Camp Invention](#) (Grades K-9) - STEM  
[Carson Nature Center](#) Littleton (Ages 4-13) - Nature  
[Catchpenny Theater](#) (Ages 4-13) - Theater  
[Center for Bright Kids](#) (Ages 8-17) - Residential program at Mines  
[Chess Academy of Denver](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess  
[Cleverlike](#) (Ages 8-17) - Technology  
[CodeSpire](#) (Ages 8-16) - Computer coding  
[Coding with Kids](#) (Grades K-12) - Computer coding  
[Colorado Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Many different offerings  
[Colorado Children's Theater](#) (Ages 7-14) - Theater  
[Colorado Code Club](#) (Ages 6-12) - Coding  
[Colorado College Summer Program](#) for Gifted and Talented (Grades Rising 1-11) - Creativity  
[Colorado Mountain Club](#) Summer Adventure Programs (Ages 9-18) - Mountaineering  
[Colorado School of Acting](#) (Ages 9-16) - Acting and filmmaking  
[Colorado School of Mines Academies for Young Minds Camp](#) (Rising 2nd-8th grades) - Technology  
[Colorado School of Mines STEM](#) Programs typically for girls, but some programs include boys (elementary school) - Technology  
[Colorado Shakespeare Festival](#) (Ages 6-18) - Theater  
[Colorado State University](#) (Ages 7-18) - Music and theater  
[Denver Audubon Society](#) (Grades 1-5) - Nature  
[Denver Bouldering Club](#) (Ages 5-18) - Indoor climbing  
[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Theater  
[Denver Dumb Friends League](#) (Grades 3-8) - Animal appreciation  
[Denver Film Society Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking  
[Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) (Grades PreK-6) - Science  
[Denver Rocky Mountain Chess Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess  
[Denver School of the Arts](#) Music Camps (Grades 6-12) - Jazz, percussion and horns  
[Denver Writes](#) (Ages 8-12) - Writing  
[Denver Writing Project](#) Young Writers Camp (Grades 4-12) - Writing  
[Denver Zoo](#) (Ages 4-14) - Nature & animals  
[DIGISTARS Make-A-Movie Workshop](#) (Grades 1-8) - Filmmaking  
[Dinosaur Ridge](#) (Ages 6-12) - Paleontology

[Engineering for Kids](#) (Ages 6-14) - Engineering, robotics, coding  
[Every Kid in a Park](#) (4<sup>th</sup> graders) - Free entry to national parks  
[Foothills Art Center](#) (Ages 4-12) - Visual Arts  
[Gold Crown Enrichment](#) (Grades 2-10) - Athletic and STEM  
[Golden History Museum](#) (Ages 6-12) - History  
[Harry Potter Summer Camp](#) (Ages 6-12) - Imagination  
[iDTech](#) (Ages 7-19) - Technology  
[International School of Denver](#) (Ages 3-14) - Various themes in multiple languages  
[Jeffco 4-H ENOR](#) Environmental Discovery Camp (Grades 3-6) - Environment  
[Jeffco SPARKS](#) (Ages 4-14) - Creativity  
[Jewish Community Center Summer Camps](#) (Grades K-12) - Many different offerings  
[Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth](#) (Grades 2-12) - Residential all areas summer programs  
[Keystone Science School](#) (Ages 5-17) - Science  
[Kidstage](#) (Grades K-6) - Theater  
[Lighthouse Writer's Workshops](#) (Ages 8-18) - Writing  
[Mad Science](#) (Ages 6-12) - Science  
[Notable Kids Arts Center](#) (Ages 3-15) - Variety  
[Pals Summer Chess Camps](#) (Ages K-12) - Chess  
[PlayWell TEKologies](#) (Ages 5-12) - LEGO engineering  
[Profoundly Gifted Retreat](#) (PGR) (Grades K-12) - Retreat  
[Renaissance Adventures](#) (Ages 6-18) - Mythic quests  
[Ricks Center Summer at Ricks](#) - (Grades PreK-8) - Many different offerings  
[Rocky Mountain Conservatory Theater](#) (Ages 5-18) - Theater  
[Rocky Mountain Theatre for Kids & Teens](#) (Ages 5-17) - Theater  
[Rocky Ridge Music Center](#) (Ages 10-18+) - Music  
[School of the Poetic City](#) (Ages 5-15) - Arts & animation  
[Science Matters](#) (Ages 6-12) - Science  
[Silicon STEM Academy](#) (Ages 8-18) - Engineering and STEM  
[SOAR Naure Camp Wyoming](#) - (Ages 8-24) - ADHD outdoor adventure summer camp  
[Space Voyage](#) (Ages 5-16+) - Space  
[Spree Summer Urban Waterways](#) (Grades 1-5) - Outdoors  
[St. Mary's Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Variety including athletics and math for girls  
[Steve & Kate's Camp](#) (Ages 4-12) - Many different offerings  
[Strategic Kids](#) (Grades K-6) - Chess, LEGOs, magic and origami  
[Studio Arts Boulder](#) (Ages 6-16) - Ceramics  
[Summer at Kent Denver](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Academic  
[Summer Institute for the Gifted](#) (SIG) (Ages 5-17) - Academic  
[Swallow Hill Music Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Music  
[Talk to the Camera](#) (Ages 6-13) - Communication and self-confidence  
[Teacher's Professional Resource](#) (Grades 2-6) - STEM  
[Thorne Nature Experience](#) (Ages 3-15) - Nature  
[University of Colorado Science Discovery](#) (Ages 5-18) - Science  
[University of Northern Colorado Summer Enrichment Program](#) (Ages 4-18) - Variety of courses  
[Wild Bear Mountain Ecology](#) (Ages 3-16) - Nature  
[Wings Over the Rockies](#) (Ages 8-12) - Aerospace  
[Women's Wilderness Programs for Girls](#) (Grades 3-12) - Outdoors  
[Woodshop Wizards](#) (Ages 5-18) - Woodworking  
[Young Americans Center for Financial Education](#) (Grades 2-8) - Financial  
[Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking

[Youth Journalism Day](#) (Ages 8-14) - Journalism  
[Yunasa West in Colorado](#) (Ages 10-15) - Social-emotional

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## **Middle School Ages 12-14**

[Art Garage](#) (Ages 3-12) - Art  
[ArtSpark](#) (Ages 3-15) - Art, photography, design  
[Art Students League of Denver](#) (Ages 6-17) - Art  
[Arvada Center](#) (Ages 3-18) - Many different offerings  
[Aspen Flying Club AeroCamp](#) (Ages 13-15) - Aviation & aerospace  
[Athena Project Programs for Girls](#) (Grades Rising 6-10) - Art, dance, writing  
[Aviation Expedition](#) (Ages 9-12) - Aviation & aerospace  
[Avid4Adventure](#) (Grades K-11) - Outdoors  
[Bits, Bytes, and Bots](#) (Ages 6-16) - Technology  
[Camp Invention](#) (Grades K-9) - STEM  
[Carson Nature Center Littleton](#) (Ages 4-13) - Nature  
[Catchpenny Theater](#) (Ages 4-13) - Theater  
[Center for Bright Kids](#) (Ages 8-17) - Residential program at Mines  
[Chess Academy of Denver](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess  
[Cleverlike](#) (Ages 8-17) - Technology  
[CodeSpire](#) (Ages 8-16) - Computer coding  
[Coding with Kids](#) (Grades K-12) - Computer coding  
[Colorado Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Many different offerings  
[Colorado Children's Theater](#) (Ages 7-14) - Theater  
[Colorado Code Club](#) (Ages 6-12) - Coding  
[Colorado College Summer Program](#) for Gifted and Talented (Grades Rising 1-11) - Creativity  
[Colorado Mountain Club](#) Summer Adventure Programs (Ages 9-18) - Mountaineering  
[Colorado School of Acting](#) (Ages 9-16) - Acting and filmmaking  
[Colorado School of Mines Academies for Young Minds Camp](#) (Rising 2nd-8th grades) - Technology  
[Colorado School of Mines STEM](#) Programs typically for girls, but some programs include boys (Middle school) - Technology  
[Colorado Shakespeare Festival](#) (Ages 6-18) - Theater  
[Colorado State University](#) (Ages 7-18) - Music and theater  
[Crow Canyon Archaeological Center](#) (Ages 12-18) - Archaeology  
[Denver Bouldering Club](#) (Ages 5-18) - Indoor climbing  
[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Theater  
[Denver Dumb Friends League](#) (Grades 3-8) - Animal appreciation  
[Denver Film Society Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking  
[Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) (Grades PreK-6) - Science  
[Denver Rocky Mountain Chess Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess  
[Denver School of the Arts](#) Music Camps (Grades 6-12) - Jazz, percussion and horns  
[Denver Writes](#) (Ages 8-12) - Writing  
[Denver Writing Project](#) Young Writers Camp (Grades 4-12) - Writing  
[Denver Zoo](#) (Ages 4-14) - Nature & animals  
[DIGISTARS Make-A-Movie Workshop](#) (Grades 1-8) - Filmmaking  
[Dinosaur Ridge](#) (Ages 6-12) - Paleontology  
[Engineering for Kids](#) (Ages 6-14) - Engineering, robotics, coding  
[Explorati Teen Writers](#) Boot Camp (Middle and High School) - Writing  
[Foothills Art Center](#) (Ages 4-12) - Visual Arts  
[Gold Crown Enrichment](#) (Grades 2-10) - Athletic and STEM

[Golden History Museum](#) (Ages 6-12) - History  
[Harry Potter Summer Camp](#) (Ages 6-12) - Imagination  
[iDTech](#) (Ages 7-19) - Technology  
[International School of Denver Summer Camps](#) (Ages 3-14) - Various themes in multiple languages  
[Jeffco SPARKS](#) (Ages 4-14) - Creativity  
[Jewish Community Center](#) (Grades K-12) - Many different offerings  
[Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth](#) (Grades 2-12) - Residential all areas summer programs  
[Kent Mountain Adventure](#) (Ages 14-17) - Teen bouldering camp  
[Keystone Science School](#) (Ages 5-17) - Science  
[Kidstage](#) (Grades K-6) - Theater  
[Lighthouse Writer's Workshops](#) (Ages 8-18) - Writing  
[Mad Science](#) (Ages 6-12) – Science  
[Metropolitan State University of Denver](#) - Center for Advanced STEM Education Summer Program (Grade 6-8)  
[Noteable Kids Arts Center](#) (Ages 3-15) - Variety  
[Pals Summer Chess Camps](#) (Ages K-12) - Chess  
[PlayWell TEKologies](#) (Ages 5-12) - LEGO engineering  
[Profoundly Gifted Retreat](#) (PGR) (Grades K-12) - Retreat  
[Renaissance Adventures](#) (Ages 7-18) - Mythic quests  
[Ricks Center Summer at Ricks](#) - (Grades PreK-8) - Many different offerings  
[Rocky Mountain Conservatory Theater](#) (Ages 5-18) - Theater  
[Rocky Mountain Theatre for Kids & Teens](#) (Ages 5-17) - Theater  
[Rocky Ridge Music Center](#) (Ages 10-18+) - Music  
[School of the Poetic City](#) (Ages 5-15) - Arts & animation  
[Science Matters](#) (Ages 6-12) - Science  
[Silicon STEM Academy](#) (Ages 8-18) - Engineering and STEM  
[SOAR Naure Camp Wyoming](#) - (Ages 8-24) - ADHD outdoor adventure summer camp  
[Space Voyage](#) (Ages 5-16+) - Space  
[St. Mary's Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Variety including athletics and math for girls  
[Steve & Kate's Camp](#) (Ages 4-12) - Many different offerings  
[Strategic Kids](#) (Grades K-6) - Chess, LEGOs, magic and origami  
[Studio Arts Boulder](#) (Ages 6-16) - Ceramics  
[Summer at Kent Denver](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Academic  
[Summer Institute for the Gifted](#) (SIG) (Ages 5-17) - Academic  
[Swallow Hill Music Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Music  
[Talk to the Camera](#) (Ages 6-13) - Communication and self-confidence  
[Thorne Nature Experience](#) (Ages 3-15) - Nature  
[University of Colorado Science Discovery](#) (Ages 5-18) - Science  
[University of Colorado STEM Academies](#) (Ages 14-18) - Science  
[University of Colorado Summer Music Academy](#) (Middle school and high school) - Music  
[University of Northern Colorado Summer Enrichment Program](#) (Ages 4-18) - Wide variety of courses  
[Walking Tree Travel](#) (Ages 14-18) - International travel  
[Wild Bear Mountain Ecology](#) (Ages 3-16) - Nature  
[Wings Over the Rockies](#) (Ages 8-12) - Aerospace  
[Women's Wilderness Programs for Girls](#) (Grades 3-12) - Outdoors  
[Woodshop Wizards](#) (Ages 5-18) - Woodworking  
[Young Americans Center for Financial Education](#) (Grades 2-8) - Financial  
[Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking  
[Youth Journalism Day](#) (Ages 8-14) - Journalism  
[Yunasa West in Colorado](#) (Ages 10-15) - Social-emotional

## **High School Ages 14-18**

Camp Finder Sites

[Summer Program Finder](#) pre-college and summer opportunities for high school kids

[PrepScholar Finder](#) pre-college summer programs for high school kids

[Colorado Summer Programs](#) for high school students

[ArtSpark](#) (Ages 3-15) - Art, photography, design

[Art Students League of Denver](#) (Ages 6-17) – Art

[Arvada Center](#) (Ages 3-18) - Many different offerings

[Aspen Flying Club AeroCamp](#) (Ages 13-15) - Aviation & aerospace

[Arvada Center](#) (Grades 5-12) - Theater and arts

[Athena Project](#) Programs for Girls (Grades Rising 6-10) - Art, dance, and writing

[Avid4Adventure](#) (Grades K-11) - Outdoors

[Bits, Bytes, and Bots](#) (Ages 6-16) - Technology

[Camp Invention](#) (Grades K-9) - STEM

[Center for Bright Kids](#) (Ages 8-17) - Residential program at Mines

[Chess Academy of Denver](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess

[Cleverlike](#) (Ages 8-17) - Technology

[CodeSpire](#) (Ages 8-16) - Computer coding

[Coding with Kids](#) (Grades K-12) - Computer coding

[Colorado Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Many different offerings

[Colorado College Summer Program](#) for Gifted and Talented (Grades rising 1-11) - Creativity

[Colorado Mountain Club](#) Summer Adventure Programs (Ages 9-18) - Mountaineering

[Colorado School of Acting](#) (Ages 9-16) - Acting and filmmaking

[Colorado School of Mines Engineering Design](#) (High school) - Engineering

[Colorado School of Mines STEM](#) Programs typically for girls, but some programs include boys (High School) - Technology

[Colorado School of Mines SUMMET](#) (Summer Multicultural Engineering Training) (Rising 11th & 12th Graders)

[Colorado Shakespeare Festival](#) (Ages 6-18) - Theater

[Colorado State University](#) (Ages 7-18) - Music and theater

[Colorado State University Pre-College](#) (Ages 15-18) - Career exploration

[Crow Canyon Archaeological Center](#) (Ages 12-18) - Archaeology

[CU Denver LYNX Arts & Media Camps](#) (High school) - Art & media

[Denver Bouldering Club](#) (Ages 5-18) - Indoor climbing

[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Theater

[Denver Film Society Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking

[Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) (Rising 11th & 12th Graders) - Teen science scholars

[Denver Rocky Mountain Chess Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Chess

[Denver School of the Arts](#) Music Camps (Grades 6-12) - Jazz, percussion and horns

[Denver Writing Project](#) Young Writers Camp (Grades 4-12) - Writing

[Explorati Teen Writers](#) Boot Camp (Middle and High School) - Writing

[Girls Who Code](#) (Grades 10-11) - Coding for girls

[Gold Crown Enrichment](#) (Grades 2-10) - Athletic and STEM

[iDTech](#) (Ages 7-19) - Technology

[Jewish Community Center Summer Camps](#) (Grades K-12) - Many different offerings

[Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth](#) (Grades 2-12) - Residential all areas summer programs

[Kent Mountain Adventure](#) (Ages 14-17) - Teen bouldering camp

[Keystone Science School](#) (Ages 5-17) - Science

[Lighthouse Writer's Workshops](#) (Ages 8-18) - Writing  
[Metropolitan State University of Denver](#) - (High school) Center for Advanced STEM Education Summer Program geared toward minority youth  
[Noteable Kids Arts Center](#) (Ages 3-15) - Variety  
[Profoundly Gifted Retreat](#) (PGR) (Grades K-12) - Retreat  
[Prove It! Math Academy](#) - (High school) Residential Mathematics Program  
[Renaissance Adventures](#) (Ages 6-18) - Mythic Quests  
[Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design](#) (Grades 9-12) - Arts  
[Rocky Mountain Conservatory Theater](#) (Ages 5-18) - Theater  
[Rocky Mountain Theatre for Kids & Teens](#) (Ages 5-17) - Theater  
[Rocky Ridge Music Center](#) (Ages 10-18+) - Music  
[School of the Poetic City](#) (Ages 5-15) - Arts & animation  
[Silicon STEM Academy](#) (Ages 8-18) - Engineering and STEM  
[SOAR Nature Camp Wyoming](#) - (Ages 8-24) - ADHD outdoor adventure summer camp  
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[St. Mary's Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Variety including athletics and math for girls  
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[Summer Institute for the Gifted](#) (SIG) (Ages 5-17) - Academic  
[Summer at Kent Denver](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Academic  
[Swallow Hill Music Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Music  
[Thorne Nature Experience](#) (Ages 3-15) - Nature  
[University of Colorado Science Discovery](#) (Ages 5-18) - Science  
[University of Colorado STEM Academies](#) (Ages 14-18) - Science  
[University of Colorado STEM Anchutz Medical Campus](#) (Grades 9-12)  
[University of Colorado Summer Music Academy](#) (Middle school and high school) - Music  
[University of Denver Engineering](#) (Grades 9-11) - Engineering  
[University of Northern Colorado Summer Enrichment Program](#) (Ages 4-18) - Wide variety of courses  
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[Woodshop Wizards](#) (Ages 5-18) - Woodworking  
[Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Filmmaking  
[Yunasa](#) West in Colorado (Ages 10-15) - Social-Emotional

***NOTE:** This article is not an endorsement, approval of the services, or recommendation provided by any specific program. It is meant to provide information on a variety of programs available.*

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[Art Garage](#) (Ages 3-12) - The Art Garage offers high-quality art education classes, workshops and summer classes taught by local practicing artists for kids, teens and adults. Students are able to explore creative art materials, learn and demonstrate art techniques and design original artwork. Students learn fundamental art elements, art vocabulary, artistic styles, famous artists and much more!

[ArtSpark](#) (Ages 3-15) - Art, photography, fashion design, painting, drawing, mixed media, fiber art, architecture, sewing and adult/child playgroups for ages 1-6. Kids will problem-solve, use critical thinking skills, collaborate, experiment, invent, and be exposed to new artists, materials, and processes for inspiration.

[Art Students League of Denver](#) (Ages 6-17) - Each of our KidART Camps and Summer Teen Workshops emphasize the fundamental elements and essential vocabulary of art, encouraging students to explore and communicate as they create. In addition to gaining skills in a variety of media, including paint, clay, wire, fiber,

and so much more, each student will explore ideas that open the doors to creativity, guided by our professional art educators.

[Arvada Center](#) (Ages 3-18) - This summer, the Arvada Center will offer camps in dance, drama, digital arts, music and visual arts. Most camps run just one week, while some last as long as a month.

[Aspen Flying Club AeroCamp](#) (Ages 13-15) - Presented by the Aspen Flying Club, the camp is a weeklong summer day program that gives young people a unique opportunity to explore the world of aviation and aerospace. Aspiring aviators will spend the week with us participating in hands-on activities and learning experiences. Campers will learn firsthand about the dynamics of airplanes and flight and about the broad spectrum of careers in the aviation and aerospace industry.

[Athena Project Programs for Girls](#) (Grades rising 6-10) - Girls Create is a mentoring program for playwriting, dance and visual arts too. The program teaches girls (going into 6th grade through 10th grade) various aspects of these performing art forms in a unique way--we prioritize on bringing in professionals from the community to teach the program, guest artists to share their expertise and utilize mentors also from the community to provide guidance to the girls and encourage their own creations. Each week long program culminates in a final project for the week where we invite the community, including friends and family of the girls, to see their work."

[Aviation Expedition](#) (Ages 9-12) - Presented by the Aspen Flying Club, the camp is a weeklong summer day program that gives young people a unique opportunity to explore the world of aviation and aerospace. Aspiring aviators will spend the week with us participating in hands-on activities and learning experiences. Campers will learn firsthand about the dynamics of airplanes and flight and about the broad spectrum of careers in the aviation and aerospace industry.

[Avid4Adventure](#) (Grades K-11) - You don't live in Colorado so your kids can spend the summer staring at their screens. Finding the time or feeling comfortable getting them out kayaking and rock climbing isn't always easy. That's why there's Avid4 Adventure. For the last 15 years, we've been operating Colorado's premier adventure summer camps, launching kids into a lifetime of empowering outdoor adventure.

[Bits, Bytes, and Bots](#) (Ages 6-16) - Offering morning and afternoon week-long programs in robotics engineering, stop-motion animated movie making, computer video game creation, Anime, & 3D game design. Kids have a blast while learning skills that will help them in school and beyond. Choose a morning and afternoon class for a full day of supervised summer camp fun. Each child is provided with their own computer to work on during class. Students receive both individual and group instruction from well qualified staff.

[Bluff Lake Nature Center](#) (Ages 6-11) - Bluff Lake Nature Center is a nonprofit agency that owns and manages a unique urban wildlife refuge and outdoor classroom in northeast Denver, near Stapleton. The refuge is home to an abundance of animals and native plants, which thrive in a variety of habitats.

[Bricks4Kids](#) (Grades K-6) - Each unit teaches an aspect of science, technology, engineering and/or math. Students work in a lab-type setting using LEGOS® with an integrated curriculum based on math and science. Instructional content includes concepts of friction, gravity and torque, scale, gears, axles and beams. The material covered each session will vary depending on students' ages, experience, and skill level.

[Camp Invention](#) (Grades K-9) - Inspires girls and boys to think BIG and imagine how they can change the world for the better one day! This one-of-a-kind weeklong experience connects science, technology, engineering and math through fun hands-on activities. The program allows students to learn about creative problem solving (and so much more!) in teams grouped by age. There is also a Counselor-in-Training program for 7-9th graders.

[Carson Nature Center](#) (Ages 4-13) - South Platte Park in Littleton offers programs guided by interpretive naturalists for a variety of ages and interests. Join us for campfire programs, moonlight walks, school break camps, adult education, and much more.

[Catchpenny Theater](#) (Ages 4-13) - Lil' Pennies camps are designed to introduce kids, ages 4-7, to the fun of acting by giving them hands on experience. Your child will learn how to interact with a director, and other actors on stage in a low pressure environment. For older kids, campers will get intensive training in acting, singing, and dancing; no experience is required.

[Center for Bright Kids](#) (Ages 8-17) - Residential summer programs for high-ability, high interest students offering a wide variety of subjects. Classes are held at the University of Colorado campus in Boulder.

[Chess Academy of Denver](#) (Ages 6-18) - Participants will be divided into similar ability groups (beginner, intermediate, advanced) and age groups for sessions focusing on all aspects of the game including scorekeeping and chess etiquette. Students will compete in mini tournaments for trophies and as well as play in a simultaneous exhibition against an instructor.

[Cleverlike](#) (Ages 8-17) - Technology summer camps in Parker and Highlands Ranch. Cleverlike is dedicated to creating rich technology experiences and education for your young engineer. Summer camp programs are designed to give curious minds exposure, guidance and experience on multiple types of technology.

[CodeSpire](#) (Ages 8-16) - If you're ready to accelerate your child's computer coding literacy, check CodeSpire's full offering of after-school, weekend, and summer coding camps and coursework. We believe learning computer coding cannot only be fun, but a worthwhile investment in your child's future. Prepare them for the science and coding jobs of the future through robotics, games, apps and more!

[Coding with Kids](#) (Grades K-12) - A place for coders to unleash their creativity and take the next step on the Coder's Ladder. Tech-savvy instructors will guide small groups of campers as they unleash their creativity to build games, interactive stories, websites, programmable circuits, and more. Campers will receive personalized instruction and collaborate with new friends. After camp, kids will be able to share projects with family and friends and continue development through online access.

[Colorado Academy](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Our camps have over 20 different programs per week and you don't have to be a CA student to participate. Choose from a variety of activities that are fun, engaging, and challenging – both intellectually and physically. Our campus consists of 94 acres in southwest Denver. We transport kids to different attractions around Denver, so you can add variety to your child's summer activities and let us do the driving. Before and after camp options and transportation are available.

[Colorado Children's Theater](#) (Ages 7-14) - Locations in Denver, Evergreen, Stapleton and Highlands Ranch. All of our camps are designed to educate, elevate, and uplift our students. Our goal is to help our students believe in themselves and their ability to achieve by learning the process of performing and by growing in fun, loving, and inspiring classes. Through technique, proper training, play, improvisation, and fun every student is given an opportunity to grow, to make friends, and to have their moment in the spotlight. Each camp ends with a showcase performance for family and friends.

[Colorado Code Club](#) (Ages 6-12) - Offers students an introduction into the world of coding. Aside from our highly successful after school programs, we also offer a wide range of summer camps that give even more students the opportunity to learn and grow with us while developing technical skills that are in high demand.

[Colorado College](#) Summer Program for Gifted and Talented (Grades rising 1-11) - offers two and three-week



summer programs for gifted students as rising 1st through 11th grades, which are designed to challenge the children's intellectual and creative abilities.

[Colorado Mountain Club](#) (Ages 9-18) - Climb and explore the mountains with the CMC Youth Education Program! Specialized multi-day courses offer outdoor skill-building and adventure! We offer programs for a wide range of ages and all abilities.

[Colorado School of Acting](#) (Ages 9-16) - All campers get to participate in all aspects of the film, from concept to completion. They will all have speaking roles, and will serve as the writers, producers, and film crew, led by a professional filmmaker. We have lots of fun, making friends and hanging out at the park for breaks and meals.

[Colorado School of Mines Academies for Young Minds Camp](#) (Rising 2nd-8th grades) - These camps encourage children to be innovative and use creative problem-solving by engaging them in fun, hands-on activities.

[Colorado School of Mines Engineering Design](#) (High school) - These camps, designed for those entering 9th through 12th grade in the fall, provide exposure to real-world problem solving in a team environment and provide opportunities to learn design skills that are applicable to many fields of engineering.

[Colorado School of Mines STEM Programs](#) (Grades 3-12) - After school and summer camp options typically for girls, but some programs are open to boys.

[Colorado School of Mines SUMMET](#) (Summer Multicultural Engineering Training) (Rising 11th & 12th graders) - A science and engineering program for students who are from underrepresented populations, including ethnic minorities and women combining course work, hands-on projects, industry tours, sporting activities, and social events. SUMMET is an excellent stepping stone to the lifestyle and challenges of college. Students from across the nation stay in Mines' residence halls, experience life as a college student, and receive instruction in trigonometry & calculus, chemistry, geology, computer science, physics and basic to advanced engineering concepts.

[Colorado Shakespeare Festival](#) (Ages 6-18) - CSF Education offers summer camps for kids and teens on the CU-Boulder campus to expand their understanding of Shakespeare through engagement and practice. Includes Shakespeare's Sprites, a playful introduction to the Bard for ages 6-9. Discover the fun of Shakespeare through pool-noodle fights, Elizabethan costumes, period insults, Renaissance songs and lively scene work.

[Colorado State University](#) (Ages 7-18) - The School of Music, Theatre and Dance offers a wide range of performing arts experiences including annual favorites and exciting new programs designed for secondary students, adults, and youth.

[Colorado State University Pre-College](#) (Ages 15-18) - High school students are eligible for this unique opportunity to experience college life in a "non-pressured" atmosphere where crucial life skills including time management, independence and community style living flourish. All students enrolled in our high school summer enrichment programs at Colorado State University have the option of taking a variety of career exploration classes, community service based workshops, etc.

[Crow Canyon Archaeological Center](#) (Ages 12-18) - Offers summer programs for teens (middle school and high school), including a nationally recognized field school for high school students. Located in southwest Colorado, near Mesa Verde National Park, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center programs offer a rare opportunity for students to do hands-on archaeology at the pre-college level.

[CU Denver LYNX Arts & Media Camps](#) (High school) - The LYNX National Arts and Media Camps are

summer immersion programs for high school students interested in contemporary music, film, or visual arts. At the camps, students learn from CU Denver faculty, get a taste of college life, get mentored by current CU Denver students, and bond with other arts high school students from throughout the country. The camps are designed to be previews of our college programs. The camps take place on the CU Denver campus in downtown Denver.

[Denver Audubon Society](#) (Grades 1-5) - Explore the trails, ponds, rivers, and streams this summer at the Audubon Nature Center at Chatfield. Search for nests, investigate water critters, and construct your own beaver lodge – help us solve the mysteries of the natural world or become a warrior for wetlands. Our summer camps at the Audubon Nature Center are offered in partnership with Colorado Academy. To register, please visit [coloradoacademysummer.org/](http://coloradoacademysummer.org/).

[Denver Bouldering Club](#) (Ages 5-18) - Offers beginners and experts a premium climbing experience at two Denver locations. The DBC features over 13,000 square feet of bouldering space and the community support that will energize your workout for improved fitness and more rewarding climbing. By introducing athletes to the climbing community at a young age, they foster the larger values our community holds dear: fun, improvement, and collaboration.

[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#) (Grades PreK-12) - For eager students as young as 3 to high schoolers taking the first step towards a theatre career, our classes fuel creativity and reinforce the tools to help all skill levels improve and develop their craft. Through acting, improvisation, musical theatre, on-camera or audition technique, students build confidence and fuel imagination in their lives.

[Denver Dumb Friends League](#) (Grades 3-8) - Offers seasonal camps for kids and teens in support of DDFL's goal to teach children and young adults the importance of treating animals in a humane way, a lesson that will benefit them and the animals in our community for a lifetime. Camps are available at the shelters in Denver, Castle Rock as well as at the Harmony Equine Center in Franktown.

[Denver Film Society Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Developed for teens aged 12-18, the Denver Film Society's Young Filmmakers Workshops (TFW) furnish their participants with opportunities to learn the art of cinema, collaborate with other young filmmakers, refine their work with industry professionals and exhibit their films in public premieres.

[Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) (Ages 4-12) - A variety of camps in science, space, nature and art. Full-day and half-day options are available.

[Denver Museum of Nature and Science](#) (Rising 11th & 12th graders) - The Teen Science Scholars (TSS) internship provides high school students opportunities to work in the Archives, Anthropology, Earth Sciences, Health Sciences, Museum Conservation, Space Sciences, and Zoology departments at the Museum. Selected students will be involved with various aspects of their mentors' research and/or collections programs. Each student will present an overview of their TSS work at an annual symposium held at the Museum at the end of the summer. This program introduces students interested in science careers to various aspects of museum research and/or collections work and helps strengthen investigative and communication skills.

[Denver Rocky Mountain Chess Camp](#) (Ages 6-18) - Participants will be divided into similar ability groups (beginner, intermediate, advanced) and age groups for sessions focusing on all aspects of the game including scorekeeping and chess etiquette. Students will compete in mini tournaments for trophies as well as play in a simultaneous exhibition against an instructor.

[Denver School of the Arts Music Camps](#) (Grades 6-12) - Camps for jazz, percussion and horns are open to all middle school and high school students.

[Denver Writes](#) (Ages 8-12) - These camps are for kids who like to write. You don't have to be good at writing, you certainly don't have to get good grades in writing, and we accept all kinds of handwriting, but you have to LIKE TO WRITE. We publish a summer camp anthology that you help author. We want you to see new things, think new thoughts, and then write new stories to share with the world.

[Denver Writing Project](#) Young Writers Camp (Grades 4-12) - Do you love to write? Are you a budding poet, flourishing story writer, or even future famous author? Would you like to write in a relaxed, social atmosphere? If so, join us for Young Writers Camp at CU-Denver's scenic Auraria Campus! Spend a fun-filled week of your summer with other young writers exploring and developing your own creative writing abilities. Who knows whom you'll meet and what you'll write?

[Denver Zoo](#) (Ages 4-14) - This summer, campers will puzzle out some of our planet's most exciting challenges. How can we ensure each animal gets what it needs? How do you even begin tracking the nearly invisible and even unheard from? What role will YOU play once you've uncovered the secret connections that hold our world together? Campers connect with animals through Zoo exploration, up-close animal experiences, engineering challenges, nature play, and special camp-only Zoo opportunities.

[DIGISTARS Make-A-Movie Workshop](#) (Grades 1-8) - Campers learn how to write, direct, and edit their own short digital movies this summer in a fun and educational atmosphere. Choose either stop motion animation (Claymation™) or live action filmmaking using green screen technology... or join us for both! With an educationally-solid curriculum led by professional working filmmakers with film degrees, camps cover pre-production, production, and post-production skills for quality digital storytelling. Campers split into production groups and emerge with a finished short film or animation project, the knowledge of how to make movies on their own later, and fun memories of creating something from nothing!

[Dinosaur Ridge](#) (Ages 6-12) - Do you have a dinosaur or rock enthusiast at home? Would they like to explore over 300 dinosaur footprints and dozens of other fossils from Colorado this summer? Or would they rather identify, collect, and label rocks and minerals for their collections while learning how Colorado was built layer by layer? Learn about Colorado's history and prehistory. Filled with activities ranging from measuring REAL dinosaur footprints to collecting rocks from local formations, Dinosaur Ridge Summer Camps can't be beat!

[Engineering for Kids](#) (Ages 6-14) - Each summer camp offers hands-on learning, activity-based lessons, and plenty of fun tech gadgets. Choose from programming camps, technology (or tech) camps, robotics camps and engineering camps.

[Every Kid in a Park](#) (4<sup>th</sup> graders) - Register on the website and print your free 4th grade pass to national parks and waters. Entry is free for a full year. You need to print your pass and bring it with you when you visit. Electronic copies aren't accepted. Your pass has a unique code. That means you can't copy it and give it to friends. Encourage your friends to get their own pass if they're in the 4th grade.

[Foothills Art Center](#) (Ages 4-12) - offers seven weeks of visual arts programming for ages 4-6 and 7-12. Guided by professional artists and arts educators, camps integrate visual arts activities with science, technology and mathematics. Our programs are designed with the Denver Public Schools Curriculum Standards in mind to provide a powerful supplement to your child's education during the summer months.

[Girls Who Code](#) (Grades 10-11) - Summer Immersion Program is a free 7-week introductory computer science program girls going into their junior or senior year of high school. During the 7-week program, participants learn about computer science, gain exposure to tech jobs, and join a sisterhood of girls who are using computer science to become change-makers.

[Gold Crown Enrichment](#) (Grades 2-10) - Offers art and technology camps along with athletic camps. The organization operates with a mission to provide opportunities and educate youth and community through sports and enrichment programs.

[Golden History Museum](#) (Ages 6-12) - Hands-on history is a weeklong summer day camp that gets kids excited about local history. Offers several half and full day programs.

[Harry Potter Summer Camp](#) (Ages 6-12) - Make your own wand, flying keys, a magical crystal ball. Create potions and bubbling concoctions. Create polyjuice potion slime, drink butterbeer and DIY Harry Potter treats. Magical spells, daily duels, House competitions, hilarious games, jelly bean challenge...a trip to Honeydukes Candy Shop. SO MUCH FUN, your child won't want camp to end!

[iDTech](#) (Ages 7-19) - Summer tech camps held at the University of Denver, CSU Fort Collins, CU Boulder, and others. Courses in programming, Minecraft, game design, robotics, and more.

[International School of Denver](#) (Ages 3-14) - Every week your child will have a chance to explore the world while moving their body, expanding their mind, developing new skills, and forming new friendships! With experienced counselors, fresh topics each week, and camps offered in English, French, Mandarin, and Spanish, you can choose from options like Camp Invention, Movie Making, Hula Hooping and Circus Arts, STEM Challenge, Seed Science, and more. (No prior language experience is required for participation.) Plus, weekly field trips around Colorado.

[Jeffco 4-H ENOR](#) Environmental Discovery Camp (Grades 3-6) - A nationally recognized, award-winning 4-H program that has offered quality environmental education and experiences since 1974. The program offers students entering 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade an opportunity to explore Colorado's natural and cultural history.

[Jeffco SPARKS](#) (Ages 4-14) - SPARKS is a two-week gifted and talented summer camp where children from 4-14 years of age choose from various creative classes being offered. Children can take from one to four classes that are taught daily for two weeks. The last day is a half day Share Fair where parents can see what their children have been working on in class. There is also an opportunity for high school students to volunteer their time helping in classrooms.

[Jewish Community Center](#) (Grades K-12) - Many different camp offerings open to all and JCC has a special inclusion policy for special needs children.

[Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth](#) (Grades 2-12) - Residential summer programs around the country in all areas of interest.

[Kent Mountain Adventure](#) (Ages 14-17) - Bring your crash pads and take your climbing skills to the next level and beyond. Students with prior climbing experience will have the opportunity to further develop and expand their climbing skills in extended climbing and bouldering sessions by climbing with one of the KMAC coaching guides.

[Keystone Science School](#) (Ages 5-17) - Be astonished this summer at Keystone Science School for a summer of extraordinary experiences, best friends, and new insight into the awe-inspiring world of Science. Adventure. Fun! Campers will expand their curiosity, accomplish challenges, and wonder at the world around them. Let the MARVELous adventure begin.

[Kidstage](#) (Grades K-6) - Through the KidStage experience, students can develop an enhanced imagination, strengthen their creativity, and learn to take risks in a safe environment. Parents have told us that after

KidStage, their children exhibited an expanded vocabulary, higher reading scores in their school work, and much more confidence in conversations in groups as well as in a one-on-one setting.

[Lighthouse Writer's Workshops](#) (Ages 8-18) - Workshops are designed to be a place where writers can learn the craft, engage in productive discussion, and be inspired by others.

[Mad Science](#) (Ages 6-12) - Offer a daily combination of in-class discovery, outdoor games, physical activities and hands-on applications of the scientific principles presented! From biology, forensics and astronomy to chemistry, physics, engineering and more, elementary-aged campers are invited to explore a wide range of exciting concepts.

[Metropolitan State University of Denver \(MS\)](#) - Center for Advanced STEM Education Summer Program (Grade 6-8) - Summer Science Institute. Middle school students (6th, 7th, 8th grade) have the opportunity to explore fun applications of math and science in an exciting, hands-on, team-oriented atmosphere on the Auraria Campus. In each session, the Metropolitan State University faculty will teach morning and afternoon classes based on Colorado content standards in an integrated setting. Students will be provided lunch each day, and a day-long field trip to Elitch Gardens to study physics will conclude each two-week camp. Daily attendance is required. All activities are supervised.

[Metropolitan State University of Denver \(HS\)](#) - Center for Advanced STEM Education Summer Program (High school) - The Summer Science Scholars program is geared toward minority youth and addresses their under-representation in choosing careers in science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The Summer Science Scholars program will give students entering 10th through 12th grade the chance to explore biology and mathematics concepts in depth. This program is designed to help facilitate these students getting into college. The classes are rigorous, and daily attendance is required.

[Noteable Kids Arts Center](#) (Ages 3-15) - Art, theater, science, space, LEGOs, coding, Minecraft, robotics for ages 5-15 and Curiosity Club camps for ages 3-5. Locations at 8101 E. Belleview Ave in Denver and Parker.

[Pals Summer Chess Camps](#) (Ages K-12) - Students are divided into groups based on skill level. Time is divided equally between learning and playing. Camps include recess and exercise games, lunch and snacks, and prizes and recognition. Our lessons are full of humor, stories, and hands-on learning activities. Children who enjoy chess at a young age are likely to keep playing chess as a lifelong hobby. Our classes use play-based learning inspired by Lior's time in theater production.

[PlayWell TEKnologies](#) (Ages 5-12) - The core engineering programs are our biggest "sandbox;" this is the safe space for kids to learn and discover the most through play. It's about the process, not the result. Themed classes and camps explore imaginative worlds that kids already know and love, such as Star Wars or Ninjago. Programs include Intro to STEM and STEM Challenge. Advanced Engineering programs are designed for experienced students. Themed classes and camps such as Jedi Engineering and Super Hero Engineering incorporate many engineering concepts, and have no prerequisites.

[Profoundly Gifted Retreat \(PGR\)](#) (Grades K-12) - Summer retreats to bring profoundly gifted children and teenagers together for shared connections and community. Although every child is unique and beautiful in his or her own way, profoundly gifted children often have a difficult time finding true peers within their day-to-day communities. Our gatherings provide an opportunity to meet, learn, socialize, and yes, just hang out with other kids and teens who are developmentally advanced. In fact, many attendees fondly refer to the Retreat as their 'annual family reunion'.

[Prove It! Math Academy](#) (High school) - A summer residential mathematics program taught by experts. A unique, high-quality resource to help motivated, talented high school students reach their full potential.

[Renaissance Adventures](#) (Ages 6-18) - Be the hero of a mythic quest! These adventures lead children and teens on an amazing journey, solving puzzles and riddles, exploring mythic realms, and swashbuckling with foes using safe, foam swasher swords.

[Ricks Center Summer at Ricks](#) (Ages 3-14) - Summer at Ricks blends fun summer activities with rich learning experiences. Campers entering preschool-8th grade will enjoy weekly themes and specialty camps ranging from Grossology to coding and more.

[Rocky Mountain College of Art + Design](#) (Grades 9-12) - RMCAD has high school programs that include workshops offered throughout the year and art camps during the summer months. Through year-round programs, you can access our talented faculty, experience college life, and prepare for your creative future.

[Rocky Mountain Conservatory Theater](#) (Ages 5-18) - Each student is guaranteed a part in the summer production, and auditions are done on day 1 of camp. A variety of shows will be performed this season.

[Rocky Mountain Theatre for Kids & Teens](#) (Ages 5-17) - RMTK is the only local youth theatre company that provides professional theatre staff, 8:1 student-teacher ratio, professional performance venues, and a daily camp curriculum sculpted by 20+ years of experience.

[Rocky Ridge Music Center](#) (Ages 10-18+) - Our youth summer programs take place in the heart of Rocky Mountain National Park and vary in length from one to four weeks. All students will receive private lessons with our world-class faculty and play in chamber & large ensembles.

[School of the Poetic City](#) (Ages 5-15) - Camps promote ideas through contemporary art practices, exploration of the city, and art making. They are intentionally mixed-age, for children 5 to 15 years old. This year's camps include urban art camp and animation lab. Camps are based at St. Andrew's Church, 2015 Glenarm Place, Denver.

[Science Matters](#) (Ages 6-12) - Great science projects; camp cheers; sing songs. After the morning project, camperd play a game or engage in a critical thinking project followed by the second science project. We end each camp with a Group RAP (Review, Acknowledge, and Praise). Various locations in Denver.

[Silicon STEM Academy](#) (Ages 8-18) - Offered at several locations in the Denver area. Camps include Coding & Programming, Robotics & Engineering, Digital Media, Game Design, Chemistry and Experiments.

[SOAR Nature Camp Wyoming](#) - (Ages 8-24) - Accredited ADHD outdoor adventure summer camp, boarding school, and GAP year program serving youth and young adults with ADHD and other learning disabilities in Dubois, WY. Our outdoor adventure based programs provide academic instruction, experiential education, and life skills development for youth and young adults ages 8-24.

[Space Voyage](#) (Ages 6-16+) - Offers an intensive program of learning and confidence building within a space motif. Space Voyage brings to life the importance of math and science. The camp is designed so different age students focus on different program components. All programs are offered in all weeks so kids can come when it fits the family calendar for as many weeks as they wish.

[Spree Summer Urban Waterways](#) (Grades 1-5) - Looking for a way to get your kids outside and active this summer while you are at work? Don't want them to stop learning just because it's summer? Then SPREE is for you! We have 10 unique weeks of camp at two spectacular locations! Each week has a unique theme tied to The

South Platte River and our urban waterways. Activities, games, and crafts are tied to the theme and allow campers to engage with and learn about their environment while having fun.

[St. Mary's Academy](#) (Girls grades PreK-12) - Offers a variety of options, including leadership, theater, science, math and athletics designed to empower young women.

[Steve & Kate's Camp](#) (Ages 4-12) - Many different offerings  
Whatever your child's passion, they can push their limits at our camp. Stop-motion animation, fashion, coding, breadmaking, sports, music, dance, and so much more. Locations in Boulder and Denver.

[Strategic Kids](#) (Grades K-6) - Through fun and exciting methods, kids learn Chess, LEGOs, Magic and Origami. Kids play games and to use play as a way to learn. From problem-solving through teamwork, patience through visualizing results, confidence through achievement and sportsmanship through defeat, games and the strategies behind them have a way of teaching these life skills while having fun and exercising the mind.

[Studio Arts Boulder](#) (Ages 6-16) - Studio Arts Boulder offers ceramics programs through the Boulder Pottery Lab, which was founded in 1954. The Lab provides educational programs to children and teens as well as people with disabilities. Lab staff and students also work to advance safe environmental practices in the arts, such as energy-efficiency, low-water use, and zero waste.

[Summer at Kent Denver](#) (Grades PreK-12) - Summer at Kent Denver offers students ages Pre-K through 12th-grade a chance to explore their passions with outstanding programs in the arts, athletics, technology and design, and academics. Participants explore our 200-acre campus and world-class facilities as they play, create, learn and thrive!

[Summer Institute for the Gifted \(SIG\)](#) (Ages 5-17) - This program of the National Society for the Gifted and Talented (NSGT) offers three-week academic summer camps for gifted and talented students ages 5 to 17. The program combines academics with engaging social, cultural and recreational opportunities. Students can choose from many different campuses (all out of state) including Yale, Princeton and the University of Chicago. Residential, commuter and day programs are available.

[Swallow Hill Music](#) (Ages 6-18) - Swallow Hill Music has been teaching kids, teens, and tweens since 1979, and what better way for them to delve into music than through one of their summer music camps! House of Rock ages 13-18, Belt It Out! ages 10-13, Explore! Music ages 6-9, and Bluegrass in Paradise ages 8-17.

[Talk to the Camera](#) (Ages 6-13) - In Talk to the Camera, students embrace their on camera personalities, boost self-confidence, and become more effective communicators as they create their own news broadcast, talk show, or mini-movie.

[Teacher's Professional Resource](#) (Grades 2-6) - Interactive STEM workshops throughout the Denver metro area for students, parents, and teachers. We believe that students can learn just as much from games and songs as they can from flashcards. We believe students deserve workshops that are truly innovative, not just repackaged lesson plans. Most of all, we believe that learning should always, always be fun.

[Thorne Nature Experience](#) (Ages 3-15) - Thorne Summer Camps in Boulder, Lafayette and Littleton connect youth to nature. Each summer, Thorne offers more than 150 camp experiences for youth to explore in nature and offer just the right mix of fun and hands-on learning.

[University of Colorado Science Discovery](#) (Ages 5-18) - An experience-based educational outreach program of the University of Colorado in Boulder. CU Science Discovery offers a variety of hands-on STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) camps.

[University of Colorado STEM Academies](#) (Ages 14-18) - Summer Discovery CU-Boulder helps you prepare for your transition from high school to college. Our pre-college program combines academics, athletics, and activities to give high school students a well-rounded introduction to college life.

[University of Colorado STEM Anschutz Medical Campus Programs](#) (Grades 9-12) - An experience-based educational outreach program of the University of Colorado in Boulder Each summer, CU Science Discovery offers an extensive array of medically-focused programs at UC Denver's Anschutz Medical Campus. High school students can choose from week-long classes and 4-week long STEM Research Experiences covering a variety of current CU science topics.

[University of Colorado Summer Music Academy](#) (Middle school and high school) - The Summer Music Academy at the University of Colorado Boulder College of Music is an exciting opportunity for high school and middle school musicians from Colorado and around the country to receive world-class instruction in a one-week summer session.

[University of Northern Colorado Summer Enrichment Program](#) (Ages 4-18) - The Center for the Education and Study of the Gifted, Talented, Creative Learners at the University of Northern Colorado offers three summer programs for children and youth with a wide array of class choices.

[Walking Tree Travel/Smithsonian Student Adventures](#) (Ages 14-18) - Our Mission is to inspire individuals to become global citizens by taking an active interest in the world around them. We achieve this goal by providing unforgettable travel programs filled with challenging and enriching adventures. Walking Tree stands for a more open, curious and compassionate approach to travel. We facilitate meaningful cross-cultural interactions that lead participants to recognize the similarities between people instead of focusing on the differences. Rather than a typical tour, our programs are designed for a proactive, select group of travelers who seek an authentic international experience and the opportunity to effect positive change in the global community.

[Wild Bear Mountain Ecology](#) (Ages 3-16) - Wild Bear offers true nature experiences near Nederland, CO.

[Wings Over the Rockies](#) (Ages 8-12) - Welcome to a world of aerospace wonder. At Air & Space Camp, your 8-12 year old will be immersed in a week-long themed aerospace experience. There are five themed camps to choose from. Each camp is repeated twice throughout the summer and takes place at Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum.

[Women's Wilderness Programs for Girls](#) (Grades 3-12) - Girls' courses are 1 to 10 days long. We offer financial aid for all girls' courses. Activities include rock climbing, camping, backpacking, canoeing, art projects, team-building and leadership initiatives, fun and adventure! Our recipe of strong female instructors as role models, wild places away from phones, media, cliques, and school pressure, and a girl-positive approach, helps girls feel strong and great about who they are. All courses occur in an atmosphere that cultivates respect, inclusivity and collaboration.

[Woodshop Wizards](#) (Ages 5-18) - Students build the featured projects and then have the opportunity to choose from over 30 additional projects to build. If time permits, students will have a final day of building their own creatively designed project. If student has built a featured project in a previous camp they will build something different.

[Young Americans Center for Financial Education](#) (Grades 2-8) - Cool camps from Young Americans Bank in Denver, the only bank in the entire world specifically designed for young people ages 21 and younger. The mission of Young Americans Center for Financial Education is to further the economic education of young



people so they will be competent and knowledgeable in managing their financial affairs and may prosper in the free enterprise system.

[Young Filmmakers Workshop](#) (Ages 12-18) - Denver Film Society's Young Filmmakers Workshops furnish their participants with opportunities to learn the art of cinema, collaborate with other young filmmakers, refine their work with industry professionals and exhibit their films in public premieres. Camps are two weeks during the summer.

[Youth Journalism Day](#) (Ages 8-14) - This is a one-day, intense and fun learning experience for kids ages 8 to 14. Here's a great chance for budding journalists, writers and photographers to spend the day with professionals learning about foundational journalism, asking good questions, headlines that draw readers, writing tips, and photojournalism.

[Yunasa West](#) in Colorado (Ages 10-15) - A weeklong camp experience for highly gifted youth. The mission of Yunasa is to teach campers techniques and skills for integrating the intellectual, emotional, social, spiritual and physical aspects of their lives. Yunasa is devoted to reminding bright young people that they are more than just intellect. There is also a camp in Michigan.

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