Summer Learning Programs are identified regionally on the following pages and include a variety of learning activities. Each program is accompanied by name, type of program, an overview, and a link. Please understand Sarasota County Schools is not affiliated with the organizations listed in this resource and therefore does not direct or control the programs. Furthermore, Sarasota County Schools assumes no responsibility for the independent programs.

The Summer Learning Programs identified in this resource may not necessarily include all programs in the area and Sarasota County Schools is merely providing available information as a resource to you. Due to COVID-19, many camps have been cancelled or have altered their dates and way of operation. At the time of publication, the camps included indicated that they would offer some form of camp program. Please contact the individual organizations for more information.

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MULTIPLE LOCATIONS

**Action Quest (FEE IS CHARGED)**
**Website:** [http://www.actionquest.com/](http://www.actionquest.com/)
**Contact Information:** 941-924-6789 or info@actionquest.com
**Dates:** Various camps offered beginning July 2020
**Description:** From Introductory to Advanced Sailing and Scuba – Marine Biology – Wakeboarding & Water Skiing; Island Exploration and even a little windsurfing or community service – AQ delivers fast-paced action with our adventure camp activities no matter what your experience level.

**Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County (FREE - LIMITED AVAILABILITY)**
**Website:** [https://www.bgcsarasota.com/2020-great-futures-academy-summer-program](https://www.bgcsarasota.com/2020-great-futures-academy-summer-program)
**Contact Information:** 941-366-3911
**Dates:** Two Summer Sessions at all six B&G Club locations Monday through Friday from 8:00am to 5:30pm. Session 1 - June 1 to June 26 and Session 2 - July 6 to July 31.
**Description:** As the organization continues to monitor the evolving pandemic, Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County has designed the 2020 Great Futures Academy Summer Program in accordance with the health and safety protocols set forth by federal and local officials including the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention and the Florida Department of Health. As a result, the Boys & Girls Clubs must restrict the number of participants in each session to 333 children with the greatest academic needs in order to provide the highest quality of program at the highest level of safety.

**Sarasota Parks and Recreation (FEE IS CHARGED)**
**Contact Information:** 941-861-5000 or ParksOnline@scgov.net
**Dates:** June 1-August 7, 2020
**Description:** Sarasota County Parks, Recreation and Natural Resources offers 10 weeks of summer fun for children entering grades 1 through 12. Options include Day Camp, Adventure Camp, Counselor-in-Training, and over 30 specialty camps. [Click here for the full camp brochure.](#)
State College of Florida (SCF) (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.scf.edu/CorporateCommunityDevelopment/ContinuingCommunityEducation/kids-summer-camp/
Contact Information: richark@scf.edu
Dates: June 1-July 31, 2020
Description: SCF Summer Camp is a summer educational camp for children ages 7-14. Summer educational courses include arts & crafts, cooking, science, technology and coding classes, along with recreational sports like kickball and volleyball. Campers may register for morning sessions, afternoon sessions, or both, with supervision provided at lunch time. Morning care is available at SCF Bradenton and SCF Lakewood Ranch for an additional fee.

NORTH COUNTY CAMPS

Nathan Benderson Park (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://nathanbendersonpark.org/programming/camps.html
Contact Information: Meghan@sanca.us
Dates: June 1-August 7, 2020
Description: Campers can participate in several NBP Camps including Watersports, Archery & Fishing, and Sailing & STEM options. Full day and half-day camp options available.

MID COUNTY CAMPS

Sarasota Youth Sailing (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://www.sarasotayouthsailing.org/programs/summer-camp-2020/
Contact Information: sarasotayouthsailing@gmail.com or 941-504-4236
Dates: June 1-July 31, 2020
Description: Summer sailing camps available for students age 5+. The cost is $400 per camp or two weeks of camp for $800. All camps take place at Ken Thompson Park, Sarasota, FL.

Art Center Sarasota (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://artsarasota.org/summercamp
Contact Information: 941-365-2032
Dates: See website for details.
Description: Youth education programs are on hold due to COVID-19. Interested families may sign up on the summer camp website regarding updates as they occur over the summer. If camp does not occur, Art Center Sarasota has great resources at https://www.artsarasota.org/explore.
Mote Marine (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://mote.org/education/kids-families/summer-camps
Contact Information: 941-381-4441 ext. 324 or camps@mote.org
Dates: July & August 2020
Description: Mote Camp may resume in July or August of 2020. Registration is currently on hold as the pandemic situation evolves. Mote offers a wide variety of camp themes both onsite and offsite for campers entering Kindergarten to 12th grade. In the event that Mote Camp is canceled, in part or as a whole, they will offer families a credit in full for their registration fees paid up to the date of cancellation, for any Mote camp program through December 2021.

Jungle Gardens (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://www.sarasotajunglegardens.com/Zoo-Camp/
Contact Information: 941-355-5305
Dates: June 1-July 3, 2020
Description: Sarasota Jungle Gardens Zoo Camp is unlike any other camp in the area. It explores nature through hands-on games, crafts, demonstrations and other fun activities! Come explore behind the scenes as you learn about caring for our animals. There's lots of animal interactions and trekking through the jungle. You'll see first-hand what it takes to be a zookeeper.

Music Compound (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.musiccompound.com/summercamp
Contact Information: 941-379-9100
Dates: June 8-July 27, 2020
Description: Music Compound offers a fun and interactive summer camp for Sarasota and Manatee students of all ages. The perfect camp for kids who want to explore new music or get better in their favorite instrument. Full day options offered. Each week ends with a performance for family and friends. Find your inner musician this summer.

Florida Studio Theatre (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.floridastudiotheatre.org/youth-workshops
Contact Information: 941-366-1350 or psmith@floridastudiotheatre.org
Dates: June 1-August 8, 2020
Description: In addition to year-round classes, the Florida Studio Theatre School offers Summer Theatre Camps for students ages 4-17.
Sarasota Orchestra (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.sarasotaorchestra.org/education/summer-music-camp
Contact Information: 941-953-4252
Dates: July 6–17, 2020
Description: The Orchestra offers a new two-week, full-day format (9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m) that promises an incredible experience and provides a structure that will improve skills and technique for the years ahead. Classes are kept to a manageable size so each student receives individual attention. Don’t be nervous – auditions are NOT required for participation.

Sarasota Opera (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.sarasotaopera.org/summer-camp
Contact Information: 941-328-1300
Dates: Session 1 – June 8-12 ($150), Session 2 – June 15-19 ($150), Combined Sessions – June 8-19 ($275)
Description: Designed for all skill levels, our annual camp engages young people in the magic of opera. A typical day includes Zoom and Youtube sessions in singing, acting, sets, props, wigs, make-up, and costumes, all led by professional singers, artists, directors, musicians, and technicians.

Ringling College of Art and Design (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.ringling.edu/PreCollege
Contact Information: precollege@ringling.edu 941-955-8866
Dates: June 21-July 18, 2020
Description: Online summer arts course for teens available! Participants will build a portfolio and prepare for college and the professional world of art and design by learning from and studying with Ringling College’s professional faculty, exactly like their undergraduates. If you can access the internet, you can participate in PreCollege.

Stage Door (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://www.stagedoorstudios.com/stage-door_camps.htm
Contact Information: stagedoorstudios@yahoo.com or 941-921-1600
Dates: June 15-July 24, 2020
Description: Dance, tumbling, arts & crafts, and theater camps available to students aged 5-12. Cost is $165 per week. Camp hours are 9:00am-2:00pm (doors open at 8:30am) and after care is available 2:00pm-5:30pm at a cost of $40 per week or $20 a day. Snacks will be provided. Child will need to bring lunch. $50 (non-refundable) deposit is required per camp to hold a child's spot.
Suncoast Science Center (FEE IS CHARGED)

Website: http://www.suncoastscience.org/camps/

Contact Information: INFO@SUNCOASTSCIENCE.ORG or 941-840-4394

Dates: Camps run June 1-July 31, 2020

Description: Fab Lab science and engineering summer camps are designed for students, by students. Each session runs Monday-Friday, 8:30am-12:30pm. Please select camp grade level based on the grade your child is entering in 2020-21 school year. Camps are available to students 2nd-8th grade.

SOUTH COUNTY CAMPS

Sarasota Educational Resource Center (FEE IS CHARGED)

Website: www.iserc.com/information/programs

Contact Information: 941-924-2778

Dates: Sessions are scheduled with SERC.

Description: Most of SERC's Programs are also offered during the summer in both Sarasota and Venice. The Hours are 9am to 6pm, Monday thru Friday. Offerings include:

- Reading ONE-ON-ONE, remediation and enrichment programs
- Math including Elementary, High School and College
- Written and expressive language
- Readiness classes for kindergarten and first grade
- Study skills for 5th through 8th grade
- Processing and Cognitive Enhancement (PACE) - Brain Training
- Cognitive-Behavioral Attention (C-BAT) -AD/HD and Brain Training
- Play Attention -AD/HD and Brain Training
- Fast ForWord (Language Program)
Sarasota Crew (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.sarasotacrew.org/programs/camps/summercamp
Contact Information: teamadmin@sarasotacrew.org
Dates: Session One: June 15-26, 2020, Session Two: July 6 - July 17, 2020, Session Three: July 27 - August 7, 2020
Description: Register for Camp if you are a new rower of any age - elementary school (beginning with 3rd grade), middle school, high school, Rowers are grouped by age and skill level. Students are grouped by age and experience. Camp is $250 for a two week session.

Venice Theatre (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://venicestage.com/all-classes/summer-classes/
Contact Information: 941-488-1115
Dates: Summer Sessions available beginning July 2020
Description: Camps available for students in grades 1-12. Younger students rotate between singing, dancing, creative dramatics, and technical theatre. Grades 3-12 will rehearse and perform on the main stage! Participate in acting, singing, dancing, and technical theatre.
LOCAL ONLINE CAMPS


Suncoast Campaign for Grade-Level Reading - THIS BOOK IS COOL! (FREE)
Support your child’s reading activity this summer — with FREE programs for grades PreK–5. SCGLR will distribute books and hand out rewards to qualifying children who are registered and fully participating in THIS BOOK IS COOL! More information available at https://www.gradelevelreadingsuncoast.net/project/this-book-is-cool/.

Arts 4 All (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: http://arts4all.org/camps-workshops/summer-camps
Contact Information: Meredith Forster @ 650-917-6800 or mforster@arts4all.org
Dates: June 15-August 14, 2020
Description: Our camps let students explore, create and share the joy of making art, music and new friends! Due to COVID-19, CSMA's 2020 Summer camps will be held as online. Nine 1-week sessions open to students ages 5-17. Camps include a variety of art themes with a faculty of professional artists.

Out of Door Academy (ODA) (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.oda.edu/page/student-life/summer-academy
Contact Information: Tammy Strot tstrot@oda.edu or 941-349-3223
Dates: Every Wednesday starting June 3rd-July 29
Description: The Out-of-Door Academy's on-site programs and activities have been cancelled for 2020. ODA will add new virtual camps and courses for all ages on a regular basis. Current registration includes online STEM and Lego classes for grades K-5. Academic courses are now available for grades 9-12.

University of South Florida (USF) (FEE IS CHARGED)
Website: https://www.usf.edu/continuing-education/explore-programs/community-outreach/summer-reading-and-writing-skills.aspx
Contact Information: 800-964-8888
Dates: Contact USF for specific dates.
Description: The USF Summer Reading and Writing Skills Program program is by the Institute of Reading Development and available for individuals age 4+. Due to COVID-19, some summer programs will be offered virtually for those who would still like to participate online from home.

Sarasota County Libraries (FREE)
Website: https://www.scgov.net/government/libraries/kids
Description: Sarasota County Libraries are closed for the immediate time. There are many online offerings, virtual clubs, and experiences for families.
ONLINE ACTIVITIES & CAMPS

**Kanopy (FREE)**
Website: [https://www.kanopy.com/](https://www.kanopy.com/)
Description: As long as you have a library card, you can access all the free entertainment and educational videos this app has to offer. Most of the content choices on Kanopy are similar to what patrons of a well-stocked library would expect: well-selected, award-winning films; independent and foreign films; popular kids' and adults' TV series; educational shows.

**Start With a Book (FREE)**
Website: [https://www.startwithabook.org/](https://www.startwithabook.org/)
Description: In addition to a summer science camp, this site offers a long list of themes, such as Art, Night Sky, and Weather Report, for kids to explore. For each theme, you get book suggestions (for all reading levels), discussion guides, hands-on activities, and related sites and apps.

**PBS Kids for Parents (FREE)**
Website: [https://www.pbs.org/parents/](https://www.pbs.org/parents/)
Description: The PBS Parents' site offers a variety of practical, step-by-step plans to incorporate learning and playing into summer. You can search by age and topic to find tons of age-appropriate ideas to keep kids active and engaged.

**DIY (FREE TO TRY - SUBSCRIPTION AVAILABLE)**
Website: [https://www.diy.org](https://www.diy.org)
Description: This site offers online courses in areas such as drawing, photography, animation, inventing, and science, plus more than 1,000 additional activities (many of which can be completed offline). You can try out the site for 14 days before committing to a monthly subscription.

**Make Online (FREE - KITS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE)**
Website: [https://makezine.com](https://makezine.com)
Description: The folks behind the maker movement offer weekly camps based on themes such as Far Out Future and Flight. You get a PDF with daily activities that support the theme, such as making slime and designing and flying kites.

**Camp Wonderopolis (FREE)**
Website: [https://camp.wonderopolis.org/](https://camp.wonderopolis.org/)
Description: Free for campers; optional instruction guide for parents; age 7 and up. Sponsored by the National Center for Families Learning, this online camp lets kids explore topics such as weather, food, and technology. Each topic includes lessons, outdoor activities, videos, and additional reading suggestions for all ages.
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