



Camp TPS Schedule & Program Catalog

Current Grade <i>(2023-24 school year)</i>	WEEK 1 June 17 - 21 <i>(camp closed June 19)</i>	WEEK 2 June 24 - 28	WEEK 3 July 1 - 3 <i>(camp closed July 4 & 5)</i>	WEEK 4 July 8 - 12	WEEK 5 July 15 - 19	WEEK 6 July 22 - 26	WEEK 7 July 29 - Aug 2
Preschool	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp
Kindergarten	Chess Champions Seeds Day Camp	Junior Veterinarians Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp Soccer Camp	Adventures in STEM Seeds Day Camp	Dance & Creative Rhythm Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp	Seeds Day Camp Urban Gardening
Grades 1 & 2	Chess Champions Explorers Day Camp Junior Doctors Karate	Explorers Day Camp Junior Veterinarians Soccer Camp Spy Training	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Jr. Lego Robotics	Adventures in STEM Basketball: Skills&Drill Clay & Cooking Explorers Day Camp	All Star Sports Coding FUNdament Explorers Day Camp Zombie Survival	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp
Grade 3	Birdwatching & Sket Explorers Day Camp Junior Doctors Karate	App Game Design Colby Chess Acad Explorers Day Camp Flag Football	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Jr. Lego Robotics Photography	Adventures in STEM Basketball: Skills&Drill Clay & Cooking Nature Chemists	All Star Sports Coding FUNdament Explorers Day Camp Open Makerspace	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp
Grades 4 & 5	Birdwatching & Sket Explorers Day Camp Expl City by Bike You Go Girls	App Game Design Colby Chess Acad Explorers Day Camp Flag Football	3D Printing All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Photography	Adventures in STEM Basketball: Skills&Drill Movement & Mindful Nature Chemists	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Open Makerspace Ultimate Frisbee	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Robotics Academy	All Star Sports Explorers Day Camp Dungeons & Dragons
Grades 6, 7, 8	Basketball Clinic Expl City by Bike You Go Girls	Colby Chess Acad Theater & Improv Woodworking	3D Printing	Coding in Minecraft Movement & Mindful	Open Makerspace Ultimate Frisbee	Robotics Academy	Dungeons & Dragons
Grades 9+	Basketball Clinic	Woodworking	3D Printing	Coding in Minecraft	Ultimate Frisbee		

Any summer programs highlighted in yellow are remote options for the specified grade levels in each week. All remote programs will be held through Zoom.

Camp offerings are listed based on the grade campers complete in the 2023-24 school year.

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City Country Day Camps

In the tradition of progressive education at The Philadelphia School, campers will explore a variety of activities each day. Through two developmentally appropriate programs based on grade level, campers will explore Philadelphia, work in the TPS garden, play in our Center City classrooms, and enjoy a community that celebrates and teaches kind, creative, and healthy living. We encourage curiosity through onsite challenges, build confidence through projects, expand campers' worldview through storytelling, and empower them with opportunities to thrive throughout the day.

Each day begins at The Philadelphia School, where we gather for the Opening Circle. Campers greet one another, learn about the day to come, share their stories, and play games. After the Opening Circle, campers engage in art and exploration, sports and fitness activities, swimming, gardening, and a special adventure. All of our days end with Closing Circle, leaving campers excited for what's to come and grateful for the fun they've had.

Seeds Day Camp: Our Blue Planet

Weekly, June 17 - Aug 2 • campers currently in preschool & kindergarten

Have you ever wanted to reach the furthest parts of the ocean? Join us to take a deep dive below the surface as students learn about sea creatures and sustainability. Preschool and kindergarten campers will have a summer adventure through the many deep oceans. Together they will have an opportunity to learn about our blue planet, sea creatures, anatomy, and food chains, while discussing ways to help keep our waters clean and the fragile ecosystem safe! Each week campers will discover new books, create art projects, explore the outdoors, cool off in the 'pond' (pools) and sprinklers, and bask in summer fun. Come dive in to catch a glimpse under the water.

Please note: *Children enrolled in this camp must be over age four, potty trained, and have completed one year of preschool. There will be no camps on June 19, July 4 & 5.*

Cost: \$500 / week (\$2,800 for all 7 weeks / Week 1 = \$400 / Week 3 = \$300)

Explorers Day Camp: "World Travelers"

Weekly, June 17 - Aug 2 • campers currently in grades 1-5

City Country Explorers Day Camp encourages campers to broaden their horizons and enjoy the freedom summer brings to dabble daringly. Each week, campers explore a different continent to spark curiosity and love for different people and how they live. Together participants will immerse in diverse

cultures with respect and appreciation. They will take home a homemade souvenir passport with special stamps for each earned travel! Throughout each day, the group will engage in art, exploration, music, fitness activities, swimming, gardening, and end the week with a special adventure.

Please note: Access to the local public pool for scheduled swim, is determined by the City of Philadelphia's decision to reopen the local public pool. If organized swimming cannot be offered, other water play activities will be provided. Weekly outings to be announced. There will be no camps on June 19, July 4 & 5.

Cost: \$475 / week (\$2,600 for all 7 weeks / Week 1 = \$380 / Week 3 = \$285)

Enrichment Camps

Each year, TPS offers a variety of Enrichment Camps allowing campers to delve deeply into a theme, a skill, or a topic. These rich experiences are tailored to a camper's age group and development. The offerings include a well-rounded selection, built on the best progressive educational principles: choice, constructivism, challenge, relationships, and fun. With more than 20 Enrichment Camps to choose from this summer, everyone can discover individualized programming to bring excitement to their summer days!

3D Printing with Tor Sumpaopol

July 1 - 3 • campers currently in grades 4-9

Learn here, print anywhere! In this camp, participants will use two different avenues of 3D printing to learn the basics of bringing a 2-dimensional image to life. 3D Printing is the process of building an object from a computer model, layer by layer, through use of a 3D Printer. Working in design teams, campers will partner to create 3-dimensional models through a series of design challenges that requires them to learn and utilize various skills related to operating a 3D printer. The group will have to review technique, tips, and also troubleshoot.

Tor has a bachelor's degree in Technology Management. Entirely self-taught, he keeps up with lots of tech-related hobbies and connects with other 3D-printing enthusiasts online to troubleshoot and build his skills.

Please note: There will be no camp on July 4 & 5.

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$315

Adventures in STEM with Play-Well TEKnologies

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades K - 2

Let your imagination run wild with tens of thousands of LEGO® parts! Build engineer-designed projects and use special pieces to create your own unique designs! Projects are rotated seasonally to ensure that both new and returning students can explore the endless creative possibilities of the LEGO® building system. Play-Well TEKnologies strives to provide an environment where students can create without fear of mistakes, explore fundamental STEM concepts through play, and express their creativity in ways they never thought possible. Kids are naturally gifted creators.

(Max enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$525

All-Star Sports with DJ Baucom

Wk 3: July 1-3, Wk 5: July 15-19, Wk 6: July 22-26, Wk 7: July 29 - Aug 2 • campers currently in grades 1-5

All Star Sports offer campers an action-packed week of sports, fitness, and games! Campers will have plenty of space and time to play classic games like basketball, soccer, dodgeball, hockey, capture the flag, and kickball. Each day will be filled with practice drills, relay races, and game play designed to help campers practice fundamentals, improve their motor skills, and build confidence. Campers will find personal improvement throughout the week in various physical fitness drills, exercises and challenges. DJ Baucom is a beloved TPS teacher and coach, who is excited to continue camps this summer.

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$500 (Wk 3 = \$300)

App Game Design with Vineyard

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 3-5

Ever wanted to build your own games or apps? Love Roblox or Minecraft? This is the camp for you! This summer, campers will learn the skills of a game maker through conceiving, designing, and creating their own mobile app games. The resulting games can be shared online and sent to friends for them to play. It's a great way to combine learning with the fun of becoming a game developer. You don't need any previous experience or special software to participate in this camp. All you need is your creativity and a laptop!

VineyardAppCamp strives to teach students critical 21st-century skills through real world projects under the guidance of experienced teachers. By launching their apps, participants immediately see the impact on their community and achieve transformational outcomes they can be proud of. These personal growth moments are empowering and spark a love for entrepreneurship. [Read more here!](#)

(Maximum enrollment: 16)

Cost: \$525

Basketball Clinic with DJ Baucom

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 6-9

Led by TPS basketball coach, DJ Baucom, this premier clinic will help facilitate personal development and push independent drive. Players will be refreshed on fundamentals then introduced to various skills, drills, and concepts. Participants will be challenged to refocus on the principles of the game to strengthen the foundations of their individual skills. There will be an opportunity for a scrimmage and debrief throughout the week. This clinic is designed to facilitate a fairly competitive atmosphere. All skill levels are welcome, but all players should be prepared to exert a significant amount of effort and focus.

Please note: This clinic is co-ed and open to all interested students, including non-TPS students. Enrollment in the clinic does not confirm participation in the TPS winter basketball season. *There will be no camp on June 19.*

(Maximum enrollment: 20)

Cost: \$400

Basketball: Skills & Drills with DJ Baucom

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades 1-5

Led by TPS basketball coach, DJ Baucom, basketball campers will learn fundamentals then be introduced to various skills, drills, and concepts. Players will hone essential skills such as shooting, passing, dribbling, and defense. Game concepts such as identifying opponents' strengths and weaknesses and understanding basic defensive strategies will also be incorporated. In addition to developing players' conditioning, flexibility, and speed, players will build self-confidence and physical endurance, while strengthening teamwork and sportsmanship skills. DJ Baucom is a beloved TPS teacher and coach, who is excited to continue camps this summer.

Please note: This camp is co-ed and open to all interested students, including non-TPS students.

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$400

Birdwatching & Sketching with Bhavisha Patel

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 3-5

Being present in the moment is all about being conscious of where you are, what you see, and what you hear. One fun way to do this is through birdwatching! Do you know how many different sparrows there are in our city? Have you seen hawks around recently? Together campers will take a walk each morning to take in the neighborhood, sight birds, and challenge themselves to identify and sketch local birds. Each afternoon, participants will learn about local birds and their habitats. With the help of a professional artist, campers will document their sightings through plein air drawings in a personal sketch journal.

Born in Kenya, educated in England, and now living in Philadelphia as a neighbor of TPS, Bhavisha Patel is an artist who came to various mediums from a love of life experiences and a desire to express them.

Please note: There will be no camp on Monday, June 19.

(Maximum enrollment: 8)

Cost: \$420

Chess Champions (Week 1) with Ross Colby

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in kindergarten - grade 2

This camp gives campers an opportunity to learn chess and play friendly matches with peers in a low-stress environment. Week one is designed for newer players to navigate the rules and practice strategies to improve their own game. Campers can explore moves and challenge themselves. The emphasis is not on winning but on having fun while learning one of the world's oldest and most popular games. Devi comes with years of experience in chess, which all started as a TPS student. Ross has either played on or coached teams that have won state and national championships in Arizona, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania. In fact, two TPS teams have even won national championships!

Please note: There will be no camp on June 19.

(Maximum enrollment: 8)

Cost: \$450

Clay & Cooking with Lynne Dorman & Vineyard

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades 1-3

Campers will learn the art and craft of clay with TPS after school ceramics teacher, Lynne Dorman, and spend some time in the kitchen with Vineyard. Campers will leave with not only clay creations but culinary ones as well! Each morning will feature hands-on work with clay, where campers will expand their imagination and learn a variety of ceramic techniques. Ceramics projects will include the construction of pieces for functional use with food-safe glazes that will coordinate with the food items prepared in the cooking section and non-functional sculptures. Campers will also be able to use non-fireable clay to make whimsical and miniature creations of their choosing. During afternoon cooking instruction, students will improve their confidence in the kitchen, while learning food safety and fostering culinary independence. VineyardAppCamp strives to teach students critical 21st-century skills through real world projects under the guidance of experienced teachers.

Please note: All materials are included in the cost of camp. Recipes will be nut-free and oven-less; however, campers with food allergies should be mindful of exposure to allergens and thoughtfully consider this before enrolling.

(Maximum enrollment: 8)

Cost: \$575

Coding FUNdamentals with Matt Murray

July 15 - 19 • campers currently in grades 1-3

Everyone can code — even the littlest among us! Explore the core concepts of coding in a variety of ways, through unplugged activities and board games, stories and role-playing, robots that look like busy bees (Bee-Bots) and smiling cubes (Cubetto), and a few wonderful coding iPad apps (Kodable, Lightbot, Osmo Coding Jam).

Matt Murray is the TPS Director of Educational Technology and has been with the school since 2015. He enjoys creating space for students to explore areas of technology they normally would not. Matt leads STEAM initiatives and also co-facilitates the TPS white allyship student affinity group.

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$525

Coding in Minecraft with Teyanie Watson-Harris

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades 6-9

This camp will utilize some of the 'Coding in Minecraft' curriculum, which is a computer science credential program with support delivered through Minecraft Education. The pathway is composed of four courses with teacher-graded micro-credentials, which immerse students in a Minecraft world to develop and prove their coding skills. The Introduction and Intermediate courses are in block-based coding using Microsoft MakeCode. The Advanced courses are in text-based coding using either JavaScript or Python. Teyanie is TPS' STEAM Integration Specialist, who has worked as a robotics and STEAM instructor for several camps and the Steppingstone Scholars Organization. She is excited to continue to integrate science, technology, and engineering with other subject areas for students of all ages.

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$525

Colby Chess Academy (Week 2) with Ross Colby

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 3-8

Join national championship chess coach, Ross Colby, for a week of intensive chess instruction. Players will participate in a team game of “postal chess” in the morning to warm up, then play tournament style chess games with slow time controls after a morning break. Campers will analyze games after lunch, followed by a fun variant tournament (i.e., “Crazy House”) at faster time controls in the afternoon. During free time, everyone will learn about tactics, openings, middle games, and endgames.

Ross has either played on or coached teams that have won state and national championships in Arizona, North Carolina, and Pennsylvania. In fact, two TPS teams have even won national championships! With coaching at this level, who knows what future achievements are in store for the TPS Chess Tigers! Chess players from other schools are welcome.

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$575

Dance & Creative Rhythm with Rising Stars

July 15 - 19 • campers currently in kindergarten

In Dance & Creative Movement, campers combine physical movement, dance, music and games. Through movement, children will work on coordination, balance, flexibility, and strength. This camp helps children discover their creativity, uniqueness, and strengths while connecting their mind and body without competition. Rising Stars is an empowerment program where children grow in confidence as they remain active through sports and movement. They are on a mission to stay active, happy, and healthy.

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$525

Dungeons & Dragons Camp with Ross Colby

July 29 - Aug 2 • campers currently in grades 4-8

“Dungeons and Dragons” is a game of imagination and character development, creativity and cunning, and of course, monsters and gold! Together, campers will roll up the stats of our characters (strength, intelligence, wisdom, dexterity, constitution, and charisma) then choose our professions (eg, Fighter, Magic User, Cleric, Rouge, etc) and races (Human, Elf, Dwarf, Hobbit, etc), and go on adventures where we solve puzzles, collect treasure, and defeat monsters. Join D&D camp and journey far away from TPS! With guidance from the Dungeon Master, and with the help of four to one-hundred sided dice and pre-created landscapes, castles, and dungeons, we will create characters with strength, intelligence, wisdom, dexterity, constitution, and charisma, we will choose alignments, and forge legendary fellowships!

Please note: All levels are welcome, including players from other schools.

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$525

Exploring the City by Bike with Nick Dekker and Rick Jacobsen

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 4-8

Join us for a special urban experience with the world's most efficient machine — the bicycle. As Philadelphians, we have access to one of the best bike trails in the country, the Schuylkill River trail. Each day instructors will accompany campers along car-free roads and trails to glimpse the city and surrounding areas from our bikes. Campers will ride during the morning at a reasonable and safe pace, traveling 5-15 miles. They'll spend the afternoons talking about bikes, learning basic repairs, and even watching moments from the greatest bike race in the world, the Tour de France. Get ready to see sites, get exercise, learn skills, and make friends while rolling through the summer!

Please note: *Instructors have experience with bike maintenance and repair, but campers must have a bike in working order and it is recommended all participants get a safety check & tune up before the start of camp. Each camper must have a helmet, and water bottle(s). Cycling shorts are also strongly encouraged but not required. There will be no camp on June 19.*

(Maximum enrollment: 16)

Cost: \$420

Flag Football with DJ Baucom

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 3-5

Under the direction of Coach DJ Baucom, participants in Flag Football will learn the fundamentals of the game while developing important life skills. Campers will have the opportunity to work on individual skill development through drills, while also working on teamwork, perseverance, leadership, responsibility, and conflict resolution. This camp is co-ed and participants will spend their day stretching, running drills, and scrimmaging. DJ Baucom is a beloved TPS teacher and coach, who is excited to continue camps this summer.

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$500

Jr. Lego Robotics with Teyanie Watson-Harris

July 1 - 3 • campers currently in grades 1-3

Campers will explore the world of robotics through designing, engineering, and coding their own LEGO® robots. We will use LEGO® Education SPIKE™ Essential kits. "SPIKE Essential engages students in hands-on investigation of STEAM concepts while contributing to literacy, math, and social-emotional development. Standards-aligned learning units use everyday themes, relatable Minifigures with different personalities and familiar LEGO® building elements to solve problems through storytelling". Teyanie is TPS' STEAM Integration Specialist, who has worked as a robotics and STEAM instructor for several camps and the Steppingstone Scholars Organization. She is excited to continue to integrate science, technology, and engineering with other subject areas for students of all ages.

Please note: *There will be no camp on July 4 & 5.*

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$315

Junior Doctors with Little Medical School

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 1-3

Through innovative hands-on activities, students will assume the role of a doctor and learn how the body and organs work, how to use medical instruments, and even tie knots like a real surgeon. The interactive demonstrations inspire children to explore all facets of healthcare. Each student receives their own working stethoscope and a diploma at the completion of the course. Little Medical School is deeply rooted in family, medicine, and education. The passion for educating and encouraging careers in the healthcare field culminated in the creation of the organization in 2010, which is now the leading developer of this specialized curriculum for youth.

Please note: *There will be no camp on June 19.*

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$420

Junior Veterinarians with Little Medical School

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in kindergarten - grades 2

Through innovative hands-on activities, students will assume the role of a veterinarian and learn how to perform a nose-to-tail exam, the importance of proper nutrition, perform a tick check, and identify animal body language. Each student will take home their own stuffed animal dog that they will adopt along with tape measures, dog journal, dog bone cookie cutter and so much more! Little Medical School is deeply rooted in family, medicine, and education. The passion for educating and encouraging careers in the healthcare field culminated in the creation of the organization in 2010, which is now the leading developer of this specialized curriculum for youth.

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$525

Karate: Grow Martial Arts with Edgar Velez

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 1-3

Under the expert direction of martial artist Edgar Velez, campers will learn and practice drills designed to condition their minds and bodies, while emphasizing fun. Edgar specializes in teaching children of all ages, experience levels, and backgrounds. He is dedicated to instilling the benefits of hard work, respect, compassion, and drive inside and outside of the classroom.

Please note: *Campers may wear a gi uniform or comfortable clothing that allows for movement. This camp is open to all genders and levels. There will be no camp on June 19.*

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$420

Movement & Mindfulness with Rising Stars

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades 4-8

Campers have the opportunity to combine yoga, mindfulness, music and games. Through movement, children will work on coordination, balance, flexibility, and strength. This camp helps children discover their creativity, uniqueness, and strengths while connecting their mind and body without competition.

Rising Stars is an empowerment program where children grow in confidence as they remain active through sports and movement. They are on a mission to stay active, happy, and healthy.

(Maximum enrollment: 18)

Cost: \$525

Nature Chemists with GeoVentures

July 8 - 12 • campers currently in grades 3-5

Come learn about our world through safe and nature-friendly science experiments! Use plants to cause magic color changes, play with non-newtonian slimes, create a rainbow volcano and more! Each day will include games, hands-on activities, discussion and teamwork. Bring a water bottle and a healthy snack. If it is a full day program, please bring lunch. Wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and the weather.

GeoVentures is dedicated to reconnecting people with the outdoors through nature-based adventures. Utilizing games, technology and unique storylines, programs introduce participants to new activities that encourage a healthy lifestyle and connection with the world that surrounds them. Former TPS science teacher, Wendy Furry, leads this organization.

Please note: *This camp makes use of public parks surrounding the school. Campers must dress appropriately for the outdoor environment.*

(Maximum enrollment: 18)

Cost: \$525

Open Makerspace Camp with Francesco Cupolo

July 15 - 19 • campers currently in grades 3-8

Embark on a summer of innovation with the Open Makerspace! Campers will engage in hands-on design, construction, and artistic projects in this interdisciplinary, multi-age collaborative program. Together participants will explore various tools and materials to bring their creative visions to life. Highlights include iterative design explorations with recycled materials, shoebox interior design challenges, exploring practical engineering concepts, and mastering hot glue techniques. Inspired by a diverse range of artists, designers, and architects, students will nurture their creativity and develop their problem-solving skills in a safe and inspiring environment. Francesco has a Master's in Fine Art and has been a makerspace teacher at the Shady Hill School in Cambridge, MA for the last six years, before recently moving to the Philadelphia area. Francesco is committed to fostering an environment of optimistic lifelong learning and courageous exploration. His expertise in managing diverse shop environments also ensures a safe, productive, and inspiring space for every young creator to flourish.

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$525

Photography Camp with Kait Renna

July 1 - 3 • campers currently in grades 3-5

What makes a photograph interesting? In this camp, participants will explore different elements of photography, such as lighting, composition, background, focus, and use of color. They will try their hand at documentary, nature, portrait, and abstract photography. Each morning, campers will take daily walks to different destinations around the neighborhood, including the Schuylkill River Walk and Rittenhouse Square. After lunch, campers will experiment with editing their photographs in programs such as Pixlr and Photos, and participate in a group share of their work. Campers can expect to have fun, learn more about photography, and come home with one of their photographs framed at the end of the week!

Please note: There will be no camp on July 4 & 5.

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$315

Robotics Academy with Matt Murray

July 22 - 26 • campers currently in grades 4-8

Whether brand new to robots and programming or perhaps just looking to "up level" your prototyping and coding abilities, the Robotics Academy is a weeklong training in computational thinking, modular design, sensor conditioning, and bot building. Campers will look to construct a wide variety of robotic models, including a CNC machine, a dancing bot, a motorcycle bot, as well as a "sumobot" and a mechanized machine capable of completing challenges on a mission map. The primary focus being good clean robotic fun and a secondary focus is exploration of the wacky world of robotics!

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(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$450

Soccer Camp with Soccer Shots

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 1-2

July 1 - 3 • campers currently in kindergarten

Soccer Shots summer camp at TPS is a curriculum-based, fun-filled week of soccer games, activities, stories and crafts. We use expert instruction and age-appropriate curriculum to teach soccer and character skills that leave a lasting positive impact on every child we serve. As an extension of our after-school programs and summer enrichments, Soccer Shots focuses on individual skill development, fitness, and sportsmanship, providing an opportunity for children to be challenged through fun games and team interaction. Children will also be introduced to competition in a developmentally appropriate manner. Soccer Shots is an engaging children's soccer program with a focus on character development. Their caring team positively impacts children's lives on and off the field through best-in-class coaching, communication and curriculum. Their coaches are highly-trained and lead expert-approved curriculum that is age-appropriate and aligns with childhood education standards.

Please note: There will be no camp on July 4 & 5.

(Maximum enrollment: 12)

Cost: \$450

Spy Training Camp with GeoVentures

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 1-2

Are you the world's next Super Spy? After assuming your new secret identity and being debriefed, your spy training will begin and include becoming an expert in the art of disguise, code-breaking, surveillance, stealth and leaving no trace. As a team, you and the other cadets will solve mysteries, navigate challenging obstacle courses and try to discover the double-agent. Each day will include hands-on activities, discussion and a team activity. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack; wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and the weather. GeoVentures is dedicated to reconnecting people with the outdoors through nature-based adventures. Utilizing games, technology and unique storylines, programs introduce participants to new activities that encourage a healthy lifestyle and connection with the world that surrounds them. Former TPS science teacher, Wendy Furry, leads this organization.

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$525

Theater & Improv Camp with Vineyard

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 6-8

Do you love acting and want to learn how to improvise like a pro? Theater and Improv is the perfect place to explore your talents! Campers will explore the fundamentals of improvisational theater and learn how to think on their feet. You'll develop your acting skills through fun exercises and games, as well as learn the art of "Yes And" – a technique that encourages collaboration and creativity. Whether you're a seasoned actor or a beginner, this camp will help you develop your confidence and creativity on stage. No previous experience is necessary – just bring your willingness to play and have fun!

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(Maximum enrollment: 16)

Cost: \$525

Ultimate Frisbee with Phoenix Ultimate Academy

July 15 -19 • campers currently in grades 4-9

Learn awesome frisbee skills from some of the best players in the game! Phoenix Ultimate Academy programs cover the basics of ultimate frisbee, as well as strategies and skills. Instruction is tailored for beginning and intermediate players, so no experience is required. Daily activities include sessions of skills, drills, games, and fun. Coaching staff will include professional ultimate players of the Philadelphia Phoenix and other talented local coaches.

Please note: *This camp is open to all genders.*

(Maximum enrollment: 18)

Cost: \$525

Urban Gardening with Asha El-Shabazz

July 29 - August 2 • campers currently in kindergarten

Come plant, water, weed, graze, harvest, and save seeds from the TPS Garden. In this summer exploration, campers will be gardening, harvesting, tasting locally grown plants. Together, participants will care for plants, meet some of the animals and insects living in the garden, play games, create drawings, and stay cool. Be prepared to get dirty and have fun, while helping the garden grow! TPS gardener, Asha El-Shabazz, is excited to partner with former gardener, Bri Barton, to continue this beloved camp. Asha became our TPS PreK and K Garden Educator in the fall of 2022 and is excited to host this year's Urban Gardening Camp. As a mom of two, she is well versed in the joy of going outside and playing in the dirt! Asha will draw on her background in horticulture, and children's museum education to create a week filled with activities and take home goodies.

Please note: Campers should dress comfortably and appropriately for dirty and wet activities. Any work with food will be nut-free; however, campers with food allergies should be mindful of exposure to allergens and thoughtfully consider this before enrolling.

(Maximum enrollment: 8)

Cost: \$525

Woodworking Camp with Dirk Parker

June 24 - 28 • campers currently in grades 4-9

Bring your creativity, enthusiasm, and community spirit as we spend a week immersed in woodworking! Campers will learn about a variety of tools and techniques as they turn original project ideas into reality. Possible projects may include constructing a stool, a box, a bookshelf, birdhouse, musical instrument, a game, and more! Campers will work individually and collaboratively to plan, measure, cut, build, and decorate their projects using basic hand tools. They may use a pre-outlined plan or freestyle from their own ideas. Safety and proper use of protective eyewear will be stressed at all times as campers work with saws, drills, chisels, hammers, and screwdrivers. Previously a teacher at SCH and most recently at St. Revolution, Dirk Parker introduced Woodworking club, Makers Faire, Shark Tank, 3D Printing, and Robotics clubs to St. Peter's. He is also a full-time real estate developer, working in several schools on projects ranging from Boat Building (Waterborne Program at St. Peter's & Maritime Academy Charter) and Go Cart Building (Revolution School). This summer Dirk will be partnering with long time TPS middle school teacher, Terry Maguire, who not only teaches cultural studies but co-facilitates the TPS white allyship student affinity group.

Please note: Woodworking experience is not required; only a desire to learn new skills and have fun!

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$525

You Go Girls with Sabrina Anderson

June 17 - 21 • campers currently in grades 4-8

What a come-back.... The ever-popular You Go Girls (YGG), a program that supports sisterhood and self-esteem in the context of running. Campers will run 1.5 - 3 miles throughout the week on the Schuylkill Banks, to Penn Park, up the Art Museum stairs, or down UPenn's Locust Walk. When the weather isn't suitable for running, YGG participants will work on goal setting, movement indoors, and developing a healthy body image. Each day they will finish with a closing appreciation circle. Former TPS teacher and founding YGG instructor, Meg Waldron, has decided to pass the baton onto Sabrina Anderson. Sabrina is a former division one track and field athlete at the University of New Hampshire and a division two women's pole vaulter in the America East Conference. She has a Bachelor's of Science degree in Nutrition and Health from the University of New Hampshire and currently works at TPS as an ASEP teacher and substitute.

Please note: *This camp is open to all genders and levels. Campers need proper running shoes and layers for colder weather.*

(Maximum enrollment: 10)

Cost: \$420

Zombie Survival with GeoVentures

July 15 - 19 • campers currently in grades 1-2

Are you prepared to survive a zombie invasion? In this playfully camp we learn real survival skills with an exciting immersive storyline. Learn proper protocol for building zombie-proof shelters, locating supply caches using GPS, activities tracking movements, and camouflaging skills. Have a blast with games and challenges, while leaving with some new useful knowledge of life in the wild! Each day will include hands-on activities, discussion and a team activity. Bring a water bottle and healthy snack; wear comfortable shoes and dress for activity and the weather. GeoVentures is dedicated to reconnecting people with the outdoors through nature-based adventures. Utilizing games, technology and unique storylines, programs introduce participants to new activities that encourage a healthy lifestyle and connection with the world that surrounds them. Former TPS science teacher, Wendy Furry, leads this organization.

Please note: *This camp makes use of public parks surrounding the school. Campers must dress appropriately for the outdoor environment.*

(Maximum enrollment: 14)

Cost: \$525