



WT Summer Camp

2026 Catalog



June 8 - August 14 • Age 3 - Grade 12 • Learning, growth, and fun!



WT Summer Camp 2026

- **June 8-12:** WT Summer Camp at Allegheny RiverTrail Park (Grades: 1-6)
- **June 8-12:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Grades: 6-9)
- **June 15-18:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **June 15-18:** WT Summer Camp at Allegheny RiverTrail Park (Grades: 1-6)
- ***NO CAMP** June 19th in observation of Juneteenth
- **June 22-26:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **June 22-26:** WT Summer Camp at Allegheny RiverTrail Park (Grades: 1-6)
- **June 29-July 2:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- ***NO CAMP** July 3rd in observance of Independence Day
- **July 6-10:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **July 13-17:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **July 20-24:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **July 27-31:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Age 3-Grade 9)
- **August 3-7:** WT Summer Camp at Allegheny RiverTrail Park (Grades: 2-6)
- **August 3-7:** WT Summer Camp at WT's Shadyside Campus (Grade 6-9)
- **August 10-14:** WT Summer Camp at Allegheny RiverTrail Park (Grades: 2-6)



Look for this symbol on the individual week pages to know what camps are offered at the Allegheny RiverTrail Park!



Welcome to Winchester Thurston's Summer Camp 2026! We offer camps and programs for children entering Junior Pre-Kindergarten (three years old) through Grade 12.

All of our camps are **full-day sessions**!

We will still offer our Teddy Bear Camps for 3-year-olds during the weeks of June 15-July 31 from 9:00a-12:00p.

Need Morning and Aftercare? Families can drop off campers as early as 7:30 a.m. and pick up between 4:00-5:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required for both.

Lunch and Snacks at WT Summer Camp:

Campers will be automatically registered for hot lunch Monday through Thursday, Pizza Lunch Friday, and Kona Ice. Caregivers are welcome to remove this from their registration and add a la carte options as needed. Mid-morning and afternoon snacks will be provided at no extra charge. While we do not have a nut-free facility, all snacks and food provided by WT will be peanut- and tree-nut-free. If your child has additional dietary restrictions, please do not hesitate to reach out and ensure their health records are updated during registration.

Tuition:

Half-day program: \$265 per week. (Teddy Bear Camp only)

Full-day program: \$425- \$465 pending transportation and supplies

Cancellation Policy:

All summer camp offerings are subject to minimum and maximum enrollment. In the event of a cancellation, Winchester Thurston will attempt to notify families in advance and refund the entire course fee.

- 28+ days before start:
 - Full refund, minus a \$25 nonrefundable registration fee (per camper)
- 14–27 days before start:
 - 50% refund of camp tuition (registration fee is nonrefundable).
- 0–13 days before start:
 - No refunds.

A camp credit (up to 50% of tuition) may be issued in extenuating circumstances. Credit is valid for 12 months.

Changes:

Families may request a switch to another session (space permitting) at no cost if requested 28+ days before start.

Additional changes or later requests are subject to a \$25 change fee.

Medical Exception:

With a doctor's note, WT will offer a transfer or camp credit (registration fee excluded).

Change policy:

We understand that family schedules can be complex and that sometimes changes need to be made to an original plan. We will gladly support families with schedule changes for a fee of \$25 *per change*.

JUNE 8-12

FULL DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 WHERE CAMPERS PICK
THEIR AM & PM FUN

ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 2-6

- OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION
- AM & PM CARE AVAILABLE AT WT
- DUE TO CONSTRUCTION WE WILL NOT HAVE CAMP AT WT FOR LOWER SCHOOL STUDENTS



Allegheny RiverTrail Park Morning Themes						
Camp Options	1	2	3	4	5	6
Creature Creations Lorraine Free	●	●				
Giggles & Goofballs Improv Camp Chris Olshefski	●	●				
Summer Classics Elisa Belfiore & Elsa Buehler			●	●	●	●
Recess All Day Jelisa Lyde & Song Duarte Esgalhado			●	●	●	●
Allegheny RiverTrail Park Afternoon Themes						
Creature Creations Lorraine Free			●	●	●	●
Giggles & Goofballs Improv Camp Chris Olshefski			●	●	●	●
Summer Classics Elisa Belfiore & Elsa Buehler	●	●				
Recess All Day Jelisa Lyde & Song Duarte Esgalhado	●	●				

JUNE 8-12

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00

ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 1-6

WT GATEWAY TO SUMMER FOR GRADES 6,7,8,9



Middle & Upper School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Dungeons & Dragons Weird Eric	●	●	●	●
Art Ahrand Tahn Megan Johnston & Steph Flati	●	●	●	●
Islands, Waves, and Waterways with SUP Callie Gropp & Javier Cancino & SUP Staff	●	●	●	●

JUNE 15-18 *NO CAMP 6/19

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9
ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 1-6



Camp Theme	JPK/ 3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Move & Groove with Playnotes Playnotes	●							
Mini Maker Studio Cheryl Molnor	●	●						
Color Quest Dani Powell	●	●	●					
Once Upon a Slime Kimberly Freynik		●	●					
Out of this World Space Camp Melody Doerfler		●	●					
Under the Sea Discovery Vasvi Chandramouli		●	●					
WT Summer Camp Cheer Squad Kristin Atkinson			●	●	●			
Spa Science Emily Marcellus				●	●			
Curious Collectors Jelisa Lyde				●	●			
Secret Agents Training Camp Maddie Piemme				●	●			
Dream House with Dah Dah Nadia Wojcik of Dah Dah Creative Play				●	●			
Skills and Scrimmage Soccer Camp Song Duarte Esgalhado						●	●	●
Olympic Sport Fencing: Training & Conditioning Iana Dakova						●	●	●
Global Kitchen Adventures: Destination Italy Alex Abt						●	●	●
Lights, Camera, Create - Video Production Nate Rouse						●	●	●
Musical Mashup Taylor Hildebrand						●	●	●
Who Dunnit - SPY SCHOOL Hannah Miller						●	●	●

JUNE 15-18 *NO CAMP 6/19

FULL DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 WHERE CAMPERS PICK THEIR AM & PM FUN

ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 2-6

- OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION
- AM & PM CARE AVAILABLE AT WT



Allegheny RiverTrail Park Morning Themes

Camp Options	1	2	3	4	5	6
Nature Protectors Elsa Buehler			●	●	●	●
Art On The Tail Lorraine Free			●	●	●	●
Campfire Cooking Elisa Belifore	●	●				
Ukulele Rockstars by the River Marie Faulkner	●	●				

Allegheny RiverTrail Park Afternoon Themes

Nature Protectors Elsa Buehler	●	●				
Art On The Tail Lorraine Free	●	●				
Campfire Cooking Elisa Belifore			●	●	●	●
Ukulele Rockstars by the River Marie Faulkner			●	●	●	●

Middle & Upper School Camp Themes

	6	7	8	9	10-12
Skateboarding 101 Chris Olshefski	●	●	●	●	
Sew Much Fun 101: Patterns & Clothes Megan Johnston	●	●	●	●	
Steel City Splash Callie Gropp & Javier Cancino	●	●	●	●	
Extreme Pittsburgh Heather Crowley & Dave Piemme	●	●	●	●	

JUNE 22-26

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9
ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 1-6



Camp Theme	JPK/ 3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Dinosaur Dig & Nature Detectives Laurie Sloan	●							
Mess-Terpiece Cheryl Molnor	●	●						
Shake, Spin, Shine Dance Party Taylor Hildebrand	●	●	●					
Wild Art Wonders Dani Powell		●	●					
Passport to Fun Melody Doerfler		●	●					
Wings, Wands, and Wonderlands Elsa Buehler		●	●					
Build Your Own Band Playnotes		●	●					
Recess All Day Eleni McGrath				●	●			
Whimsical Worlds Maddie Piemme				●	●			
DIY Design Elizabeth Friedman				●	●			
Wild Kratts Kitchen Emily Marcellus				●	●			
Textiles 101: Knot Your Average Fabric Camp Alison Babusci						●	●	●
Game ON: Board Gamer Bonanza Isaac Anticole						●	●	●
Graphic Design: Make it POP Nate Rouse						●	●	●
Global Kitchen Adventures: Destination Latin America Alex Abt						●	●	●
Together We Build Britt Dozario						●	●	●
Percy Jackson: Demigods in Training Weird Eric						●	●	●

JUNE 23-27

FULL DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 WHERE CAMPERS PICK
THEIR AM & PM FUN
ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 2-6

- OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION
- AM & PM CARE AVAILABLE AT WT



Allegheny RiverTrail Park Morning Themes

Camp Options	1	2	3	4	5	6
Confetti Crew: Party Planners in Training Shanda Snyder	●	●				
Beat Drop Bootcamp Trina Mauder	●	●				
River to Rock Studio Lorraine Free			●	●	●	●
Power PLAY with Dashstrom Dashstorm			●	●	●	●

Allegheny RiverTrail Park Afternoon Themes

Confetti Crew: Party Planners in Training Shanda Snyder			●	●	●	●
Beat Drop Bootcamp Trina Mauder			●	●	●	●
River to Rock Studio Lorraine Free	●	●				
Power PLAY with Dashstrom Dashstorm	●	●				

Middle & Upper School Camp Themes

	6	7	8	9
Sew What? - Stuffed with Love Megan Johnston	●	●	●	●
Extreme Sports: Yinz Got Game? Chris Olshefski & Callie Gropp	●	●	●	●
Forbidden Forest Professor Perkins & Professor Gonzales	●	●	●	●
And Show Goes On ASSEMBLE	●	●	●	●

JUNE 29-JULY 2 *NO CAMP 7/3

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Camp Theme	JPK/ 3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Garden Explorers Laurie Sloan	●							
Seasons of FUN Rachel Wilson	●	●						
Best of Dah Dah Sensory Play Nadia Wojcik	●	●						
Mini Music Makers You Be You Music		●	●					
Once Upon a Slime Kimberly Freynik		●	●					
KPOP Crafters Dani Powell			●	●	●			
Gym Jams Jelisa Lyde			●	●	●			
Master LEGO Builder - Time Travelers Melody Doerfler				●	●			
Master LEGO Builder - Games, Mazes, and More Isaac Anticole				●	●			
Good Vibes on the Go Casey Rose Colcombe				●	●			
Confetti Crew: Party Planners in Training Shanda Snyder						●	●	●
World Cup Soccer Camp Song Duarte Esgalhado						●	●	●
Sew Much Style: Fashion 101 Alexis Lenae						●	●	●
The Costume Lab Katie Pless						●	●	●
The Great Experiment Camp Taylor Hildebrand						●	●	●
Swiftie Summer Marie Faulkner						●	●	●

JUNE 29-JULY 2 *NO CAMP 7/3

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Middle & Upper School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Vibe Check: Self-Care Edition Megan Johnston	●	●	●	●
SciFi/Fantasy Props Factory Weird Eric	●	●	●	●
Lights, Camera, Create - Video Production Nate Rouse	●	●	●	●

JULY 6-10

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 12



Camp Theme	JPK/3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Senses Kimberly Freynik	●							
Messy Play All Day Rachel Wilson	●	●						
The Power within Princess Camp Casey Rose Colcombe	●	●	●					
Puur-fect Doll House Play Cheryl Molnor		●	●					
Gym JAMS Jelisa Lyde		●	●					
Cooking Creations with Miss Cassidy Miss Cassidy			●	●	●			
Superheroes and Magical Mysteries ASSEMBLE				●	●			
Party in the USA: A Road Trip across the USA Melody Doerfler				●	●			
WHO Durnit Jr. Detectives Hannah Miller				●	●			
Sew Much Style: Fashion 101 Alexis Lenae				●	●			
Trailblazers: Hike & Swim Teresa Matthews & Kristin Atkinson						●	●	●
Designing the World: Minecraft Architecture Studio Jen DeFoe and Crystal Gonzales						●	●	●
Global Kitchen Adventures: Destination South East Asia Alex Abt						●	●	●
Simply Complicated: The Rube Goldberg Experience Chris Olshefski						●	●	●
Computer Animation Creation Chris Wilmer						●	●	●
Performance PLAY with Dashstorm Dashstorm						●	●	●
Swiftie Summer Marie Faulkner						●	●	●

JULY 6-10

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 12



Middle & Upper School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Filmmaking 101: the Art of the Almost Real Amy Wang	●	●	●	●
Weird Pittsburgh: Exploring the Obscure and Unusual Weird Eric	●	●	●	●
Extreme Pittsburgh Barrett Gough	●	●	●	●

JULY 13-17

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Camp Theme	JPK/3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Puppet Theater Lara Tessier	●							
Super Movers Dance Class Casey Rose Colcombe	●	●						
Bugs, Blooms, and Butterflies Cheryl Molnor	●	●						
Hidden Fairy Hollow Emily Robertson		●	●					
To Infinity and...Camp Kira Senedak		●	●					
Magic Treehouse: Dino Dig Maddie Piemme		●	●					
Pop, Fizz, Boom! Science Taylor Hilderbrand			●	●	●			
Power PLAY with Dashstorm Dashstorm				●	●			
WT Summer Camp Cheer Squad Kristin Atkinson				●	●			
Mystical Magical Creatures Jelisa Lyde				●	●			
Smarted Studios: The Podcast Kids Alex Abt				●	●			
Model Magic & Diorama Drama Weird Eric						●	●	●
Bearthistle School of Witchcraft and Wizardry Professor Perkins & Professor Gonzalez						●	●	●
Poly Clay Creations Katie Pless						●	●	●
Cooking Studio Rory Mendat						●	●	●
Ocean Legends and Lore Vasavi Chandramouli						●	●	●
Mini Med Lab Isaac Anticole						●	●	●
Glam Squad Miss Cassidy						●	●	●

JULY 13-17

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 8



Middle & Upper School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Musical Revue Britt Dorazio	●	●	●	●
Nuts about Nets Matt Robertson	●	●	●	●
Computer Animation Creation Chris Wilmer	●	●	●	●
Stories on the Wall: Public Art with GEMS Max Gonzales	●	●	●	●

JULY 20-24

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Camp Theme	JPK/3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear: Bubbles and Balloons Laurie Sloan	●							
The Power within Princess Camp Casey Rose Colcombe	●	●						
MESS-Terpiece Makers Cheryl Molnor	●	●						
Animal Discovery Laura Tessier		●	●					
Camp Color Monster Lexi Schaefer		●	●					
Into the Unknown: Adventures in Arendelle Dana Myrick		●	●					
Power PLAY with Dashstorm Dashstorm			●	●	●			
Master Builder Lego: Building Bonanza Isaac Anticole			●	●	●			
Whimsical Worlds Maddie Piemme				●	●			
Activate Creature Power Hannah Miller				●	●			
Making Waves: The Wonders of Water Alex Abt				●	●			
WT Summer Camp Cheer Squad Kristin Atkinson						●	●	●
The WTSC International Art Adventure: Exploring the 59th Carnegie International Jen DeFoe						●	●	●
Production Studio Miss Cassidy						●	●	●
LEGO Stop Motion Animation Rory Mendat						●	●	●
WT Coffee Company Shanda Snyder						●	●	●
Bearthistle School of Witchcraft and Wizardry Professor Perkins & Professor Gonzalez						●	●	●
Emerging Engineers ASSEMBLE						●	●	●

JULY 20-24

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Middle School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Improv and Comedy Club Chris Olshefski	●	●	●	●
Master Model Makers & Pro Painters Weird Eric	●	●	●	●
Food Network Stars: No Bake Edition Taylor Hilderbrand	●	●	●	●
Graphic Design: Make it POP Nate Rouse	●	●	●	●

JULY 27-31

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Camp Theme	JPK/ 3	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5
Teddy Bear Camp: Under The Sea Laurie Sloan	●							
Bluey's Big Adventure Jelisa Lyde	●	●	●					
A WICKED week at WT Summer Camp Laura Tessier		●	●					
Curious Collectors Cheryl Molnor		●	●					
Songwriting and Recording Studio You Be You Music			●	●	●			
Building Buddies Rory Mendat			●	●	●			
Deep Dive into Deep Sea Vasavi Chandramouli				●	●			
Magic Treehouse: Merlin's Magical Academy Maddie Piemme				●	●			
Smarted Studios: The Podcast Kids Alex Abt				●	●			
Big Box Builders Katie Pless						●	●	●
Mural Makers: Graffiti Lab Max Gonzales GEMS						●	●	●
Gems & Geology ASSEMBLE						●	●	●
Burgh Ventures Teresa Matthews & Kristin Atkinson						●	●	●
WT Summer Camp Dancing With the Stars Casey Rose Colcombe						●	●	●
Puppets Puppets Puppets Alison Babusci						●	●	●
Game Design Studio: Trading Cards from Pokemon and Beyond Isaac Anticole						●	●	●
Intro to Dungeons and Dragons Weird Eric						●	●	●

JULY 27-31

FULL-DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 @ WINCHESTER THURSTON
FOR AGE 3 - GRADE 9



Middle School Camp Themes	6	7	8	9
Reading to Lead Kira Senedak	●	●	●	●
Olympic Sport Fencing: Training & Conditioning Iana Dakova	●	●	●	●
Steel City Legends: Sports in Pittsburgh Barrett Gough & Basyl Durnan	●	●	●	●

AUGUST 3-7

FULL DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 WHERE CAMPERS PICK
THEIR AM & PM FUN
ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 1-6

- OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION
- AM & PM CARE AVAILABLE AT WT



Allegheny RiverTrail Park Morning Themes

Camp Options	1	2	3	4	5	6
Fantasy Forest Makers Lorraine Free	●	●				
Outwit, Outplay, Outlast: A Survivor-Style Camp of Teamwork & Challenges Chris Olshefski	●	●				
Sticks, Stones, Stories Grace Raabe			●	●	●	●
Tae Kwon Do by the River Young Bro TKD			●	●	●	●

Allegheny RiverTrail Park Afternoon Themes

Fantasy Forest Makers Lorraine Free			●	●	●	●
Outwit, Outplay, Outlast: A Survivor-Style Camp of Teamwork & Challenges Chris Olshefski			●	●	●	●
Sticks, Stones, Stories Grace Raabe	●	●				
Tae Kwon Do by the River Young Bro TKD	●	●				

Middle School Camp Themes

	6	7	8	9	10
Dungeons Dragons & Beyond Weird Eric	●	●	●	●	
Stories Across Borders: Summer Reading Lab Barrett Gough				●	●

AUGUST 10-14

FULL DAY CAMPS 9:00-4:00 WHERE CAMPERS PICK
THEIR AM & PM FUN

ALLEGHENY RIVERTRAIL PARK FOR GRADES 1-6

- OPTIONAL TRANSPORTATION
- AM & PM CARE AVAILABLE AT WT



Allegheny RiverTrail Park Morning Themes

Morning Theme	1	2	3	4	5	6
Eco Art Challenge Lorraine Free	●	●				
West African Drumming, Dancing, and Art Balafon	●	●				
Recess All Day Barrett Gough			●	●	●	●
Stitching & Felting by the River Grace Raabe			●	●	●	●

Allegheny RiverTrail Park Afternoon Themes

Eco Art Challenge Lorraine Free			●	●	●	●
West African Drumming, Dancing, and Art Balafon			●	●	●	●
Recess All Day Barrett Gough	●	●				
Stitching & Felting by the River Grace Raabe	●	●				

SUMMER LEARNING

STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND EVERY WEEK. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE MATH COURSES, PLEASE CONTACT [VANDENBOSCHEK@WINCHESTERTHURSTON.ORG](mailto:vandenboschek@winchesterthurston.org)



Math Courses

Classes	Grades	Prerequisites	Dates	Credits
Summer Geometry Shahnaz Alam-Denlinger, Erin Sy, Sherry Amaya, Mike Davidson	9-12	Letter of Rec (Middle School Only)	June 4-18 July 6-17 Aug 3-14	6 WT Credits
Summer Calculus A Megan Presnar, Kate Sickler, Shahnaz Alam-Denlinger, Steve Miller	10-12	- PreCalc - Approval of Math Dept or letter of Rec	June 4-18 July 6-17 Aug 3-14	4 WT Credits

SAT/ ACT Preparation Programs

Classes	Dates	Times
SAT/ACT Test Prep Course 1 Goldstein Test Prep	June 6 – July 5	6:30-8:30 pm. Practice Tests take place on the weekend.
SAT/ACT Test Prep Course 2 Goldstein Test Prep	June 6 – June 11 July 5 – July 25	6:30-8:30 pm. Practice Tests take place on the weekend.
SAT/ACT Test Prep Course 3 Goldstein Test Prep	June 6 – June 11 July 18 – Aug 8	6:30-8:30 pm. Practice Tests take place on the weekend.

Reading Courses

Camp	Grades	Dates	Skill
Reading to Lead Kira Senedak	6,7,8	July 27-31	Back to school readiness 1 reading complete
Stories Across Borders: Summer Reading Lab Barrett Gough	9-10	August 3-7	Back to school readiness 1 reading complete Annotated Bibliography complete