

UNITY IN LEARNING



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SUMMER CAMP LOCATIONS

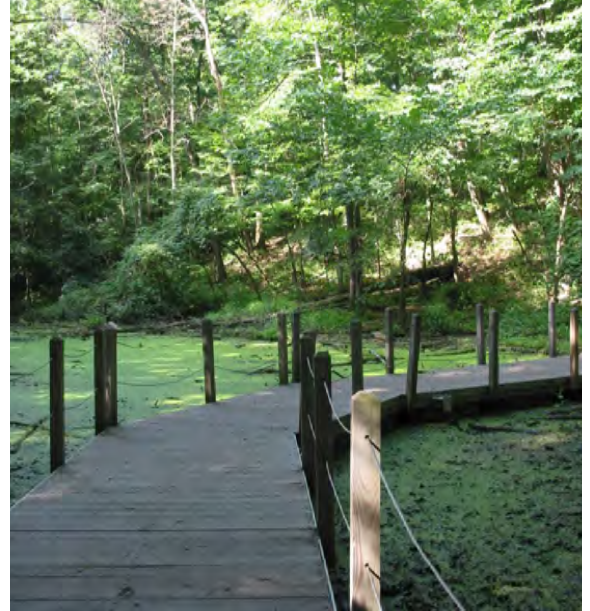
**NEW! We are excited to be offering
TWO camp locations for Summer 2023**

LESLIE SCIENCE & NATURE CENTER

PreK-5th grade Unity in Learning summer camp programs will take place at **Leslie Science & Nature Center**. LSNC has 50 acres of oak hickory forest, vernal ponds, prairies, and open fields for campers to explore. We're also home to a large variety of live animals, giving the campers opportunities for up-close encounters, such as invertebrates, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, and birds of prey!

Leslie Science & Nature Center is a private nonprofit organization. Visit anytime to see the wonderful world that's in store for your campers!

Leslie Science and Nature Center is located at **1831 Traver Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48105**.



ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM

K-3rd grade Unity in Learning summer camp programs will take also place at the **Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum**. The mission of AAHOM is to provide an opportunity for people of all ages to discover and enjoy the wonder of science, math and technology in an interactive environment that promotes science literacy through experimentation, exploration and education.

In addition to their own ScienceWorks Lab rooms and local outdoor spaces in Downtown Ann Arbor, campers will enjoy over 250 interactive exhibits, each with a different focus to bring physics, geology, math, music and more to life!

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is located at **220 East Ann Street, Ann Arbor, MI 48103**.



4/5 YEAR OLD CAMP SCHEDULE

LESLIE SCIENCE & NATURE CENTER



IMPORTANT: Your 4/5 year old camper is welcome to register for up to three full weeks of camp. Additional one-day camps do not count towards the session limit.

DATES	LSNC THEMES
June 12-16	Bug-Tastic
June 19-23	Neighborhood Naturalists
June 26-30	Summer Sensations
July 3-7 Closed July 3rd & 4th	One-Day Camps: Choice Days! July 5 th , 6 th , and 7 th
July 10-14	Animal Olympics
July 17-21	Bug-Tastic
July 24-28	Neighborhood Naturalists
July 31-August 4	Summer Sensations
August 7-11	Animal Olympics
August 14-18	Bug-Tastic
August 21-25	Neighborhood Naturalists
August 28- September 1	One-Day Camps: Choice Days!

We are so thrilled to offer camps for **4/5 Year Old's** at the **Leslie Science & Nature Center** this summer! These camps are for children who have not yet completed Kindergarten but may attend another program such as preschool, young 5's, daycare, etc...

If you have specific question about your child's readiness for camp, please email camp@unityinlearning.org.

4/5 YEAR OLD LSNC THEMES



AGES: 4/5 Years Old- Completed full-day Young 5's, Preschool, or Daycare

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Camp Cool-Down available 3:30 - 5 p.m. for \$100 per week

****If you are interested in Camp Cool-Down, please take a moment to confirm that your child is well-equipped for an 8+ hour day!****



BUG-TASTIC: 6/12-6/16, 7/17-7/21, 8/14-8/18

Dress up, dance, sing, and play as we explore the world of insects—and beyond. Learn about how and what insects eat, hike in search of insect homes, and meet live insect predators like turtles and birds up-close. Study the flowers and trees to learn about how to help insects living in our neighborhood.

NEIGHBORHOOD NATURALISTS: 6/19-6/23, 7/24-7/28, 8/21-8/25

Discover the wild world all around you as we practice using scientific tools and explore our trails, pond, and pollinator gardens. Peer through a magnifying glass at ants in the grass or find birds in the trees with binoculars. We will meet animals up-close, play silly games, and sing songs. By the end of this camp, we'll know exactly how to uncover the incredible nature we can find right in our own neighborhood.



SUMMER SENSATIONS: 6/26-6/30, 7/31-8/4

Move like a mole, taste like a butterfly, and hear like a deer in this camp all about the five senses. Meet live animals and explore the ways they use their senses to survive in the wild. Practice all your sensing skills when we make music and other one-of-a-kind art. This camp is perfect for anyone who wants to get messy and explore the great outdoors.

ANIMAL OLYMPICS: 7/10-7/14, 8/7-8/11

What is the fastest creature on the planet? What are nature's stealthiest critters? What animal can lift hundreds of times its own body weight? Meet and learn about nature's most amazing feats of strength, speed, and endurance and then we'll practice our own skills through games, challenges, and relays. By the end of the week, we'll be ready to win a gold medal with everything we've learned!



K/1st GRADE CAMP SCHEDULE

LESLIE SCIENCE & NATURE CENTER



ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM



IMPORTANT: Your K/1 camper is welcome to register for up to three full weeks of camp at each site. Additional one-day camps do not count towards the session limit.

DATES	LSNC THEMES	AAHOM THEMES
June 12-16	In The Garden	The Art of Sound & Music
June 19-23	Nature's Supervillains	I Dream of STEAM
June 26-30	Flying High	Drip Drip Drop
July 3-7 Closed July 3rd & 4th	One-Day Camps: Choice Days! July 5 th , 6 th , and 7 th	AAHOM Camp Closed All Week
July 10-14	Slimy Scaly	Challenge Your Senses
July 17-21	In The Garden	The Art of Sound & Music
July 24-28	Nature's Supervillains	Drip Drip Drop
July 31-August 4	Flying High	I Dream of STEAM
August 7-11	Slimy Scaly	Challenge Your Senses
August 14-18	In The Garden	The Art of Sound & Music
August 21-25	Nature's Supervillains	I Dream of Steam
August 28- September 1	One-Day Camps: Choice Days!	AAHOM Camp Closed All Week

This summer we are excited to bring back **Camp Cool-Down** aftercare for all age groups!

Unwind from an action-packed day of exploration by playing games, reading, making art, or otherwise relaxing inside or out! Campers get an extra 90 minutes of fun with our awesome staff team from **3:30-5pm for \$100 per week**.

K/1st LSNC THEMES

AGES: Completed Kindergarten or First Grade

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Camp Cool-Down available 3:30 - 5 p.m. for \$100 per week



*We offer two camp groups with the same theme for campers who have completed Kindergarten and First Grade. If your camper would like to be in the same camp group as a friend or family member, please be sure that **both you and the other camper** indicate this during registration and we will do our best to accommodate your request.*

NATURE'S SUPERVILLAINS: 6/19-6/23, 7/24-7/28, 8/21-8/25

They sneak into the forests, prairies, lakes, and streams. They steal food, water, shelter, and space from the other plants and animals living in a habitat. Through games, hikes, art making, and more, uncover the dastardly plots of an ecosystem's most villainous organisms: invasive species. Learn how these organisms found their way here and use your detective skills to unmask the most dangerous invasive species of all.

IN THE GARDEN: 6/12-6/16, 7/17-7/21, 8/14-8/18

Where does our food come from? Find out the answer as we explore plants from roots to flowers and learn about what they need to thrive. Once we've explored how plants live their entire lives, we'll choose our own spot in nature and explore how it changes from day to day. Observe native pollinators in action everywhere we look, cut into stems and seeds to see what's inside, and learn about how people and other animals rely on plants for more than just dinner.



FLYING HIGH: 6/26-6/30, 7/31-8/4

Ever wanted a bird's eye view of the world? Join us in this exciting camp as we explore the sky-high world of winged creatures such as birds, bats, and bugs! We'll meet flying friends of all kinds up-close, and take to the trails to search for these masters of the sky. Learn how these creatures take flight, and investigate the special ways in which they find their way around. We'll play games to test out our flight skills, and perhaps even build our own flying creature!

SLIMY SCALY: 7/10-7/14, 8/7-8/11

Meet reptiles, amphibians, and invertebrates up-close while we uncover what it means to be a cold-blooded critter. Compare an eft to a pollywog and investigate an incredible vernal pool to look for signs of cold-blooded animals beneath the surface. Complete physical challenges to practice cold-blooded survival skills and see how well we match up to these slimy, scaly animals.



ENGAGING
Head
Heart
Hands

K/1st AAHOM THEMES

AGES: Completed Kindergarten or First Grade

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

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THE ART OF SOUND & MUSIC: 6/12-6/16, 7/17-7/21, 8/14-8/18



Do-Re-Mi-Fa-So-La-Ti-Do! Can we paint to a rhythm? Can we draw to a song? Explore the artistic side of sound and music and learn the science behind it. We'll make our own instruments, experience sound through different materials, and feel the vibrations of this melodious camp!

I DREAM OF STEAM: 6/19-6/23, 7/31-8/4, 8/21-8/25

Come explore the magic of Science, Technology, Engineering, Art & Math in this dreamy camp! Can we make a cloud in a bottle? Which STEAM-y skills can we use to make our own lava lamps? We'll explore star-lit skies while indoors and make our own constellations. Discovery starts with a dream and we'll be dreaming about this camp long after it's done!



DRIP DRIP DROP: 6/26-6/30, 7/24-7/28

Dive into this camp and investigate the water all around us. Can water defy gravity? Can we design, build, and test our very own seaworthy vessel? Explore water from every angle as we dip, measure, and splash in this exciting hands-on cam.! We'll be H2-overjoyed with all the things we discover!

CHALLENGE YOUR SENSES: 7/10-7/14, 8/7-8/11

Can we smell sound? Can we hear a color? Can we write our names with our vision flipped upside down? On each day of this exciting camp, we will put one our five senses to the test! Come explore the limits of your own senses and learn how they work together to help us navigate the world around us!



Some weeks, we offer two camp groups with the same theme for campers who have completed Kindergarten and First Grade.



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2nd/3rd GRADE SCHEDULE

LESLIE SCIENCE & NATURE CENTER



ANN ARBOR HANDS-ON MUSEUM



IMPORTANT: Your 2nd/3rd camper is welcome to register for up to three full weeks of camp at each site. Additional one-day camps do not count towards the session limit.

DATES	LSNC THEMES	AAHOM THEMES
June 12-16	Undercover Critters	Design It, Build It, Test It!
June 19-23	Digging for Dinos	1,2,3 Launch!
June 26-30	Fantastical Fauna	
July 3-7 Closed July 3rd & 4th	One-Day Camps: Choice Days! July 5 th , 6 th , and 7 th	AAHOM Camp Closed All Week
July 10-14	Food Web Frenzy	
July 17-21	Undercover Critters	
July 24-28	Fantastical Fauna	Pop, Fizz, Bang
July 31-August 4	Digging for Dinos	
August 7-11	Undercover Critters	Design It, Build It, Test It!
August 14-18	Food Web Frenzy	
August 21-25	Fantastical Fauna	
August 28- September 1	One-Day Camps: Choice Days!	AAHOM Camp Closed All Week

During the week of 4th of July and the last week of summer, we offer One-Day Camps at LSNC called **Choice Days** for all ages!

Choose from sports, games, hikes, experiments, art, and more in this exciting one-day camp and cap it off in the afternoon with the incredible choice carnival where you'll meet animals, play games, make a snack around a fire, and more! One-day camps **do not** count toward the three-session per-site limit.

2nd/3rd LSNC THEMES

AGES: Completed Second or Third Grade

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Camp Cool-Down available 3:30 - 5 p.m. for \$100 per week



*We offer two camp groups with the same theme for campers who have completed Second and Third Grade. If your camper would like to be in the same camp group as a friend or family member, please be sure that **both you and the other camper** indicate this during registration and we will do our best to accommodate your request.*

UNDERCOVER CRITTERS: 6/12-6/16, 7/17-7/21, 8/7-8/11

Learn how nature's super spies use daring acrobatics, and tricky disguises to deceive. Crack the secret codes of animal calls, markings, or scents. See how animals use super senses to see, hear, and sniff out their targets. Once we've studied nature's spies, we'll practice our own super spy skills in this week full of deception, stealth, and intrigue.



DIGGING FOR DINOS: 6/19-6/23, 7/31-8/4

What would it have been like to walk with dinosaurs!? Dig deep into history as we explore what life was like millions of years ago. We'll learn how ancient creatures were preserved in mud, meet a modern (living!) dinosaur, and practice our detective skills as we piece together fossilized animals.



FANTASTICAL FAUNA: 6/26-6/30, 7/24-7/28, 8/21-8/25

Ever wonder what magical creatures inhabit Black Pond Woods? Explore what animals need to survive, and attempt to decipher what they might be trying to tell you. Then, we'll try our hand at animal care and learn how to protect the natural homes of magical creatures in this exciting, hands-on camp!



FOOD WEB FRENZY 7/10-7/14, 8/14-8/18

Hike out in the woods, creep through the grasses of a prairie, and peer into the muddy depths of a pond as we investigate the food web in action. Pretend to stalk prey like a fox and look for wiggly critters in rotting logs. Find out where other animals go to get food instead of the grocery store, and who eats who in this world full of drama, betrayal, and mystery. We'll even meet live animals up-close and learn how plants make their own food using the sun!

2nd/3rd AAHOM THEMES

AGES: Completed Second or Third Grade

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

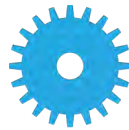
Camp Cool-Down available 3:30 - 5 p.m. for \$100 per week



DESIGN IT, BUILD IT, TEST IT! 6/12-6/16, 8/7-8/11

Calling all engineers! Hypothesize, experiment, and work together to solve real-world problems as we exercise the steps of the scientific method. Get inspiration from the exhibits around us and maybe even make one of your own. We can't wait to see what we create in this inventive camp!

1, 2, 3, LAUNCH! 6/19-6/23



1.... 2.... 3..... LAUNCH to space with us in this galactic camp week! Discover the mysteries of our own solar system, learn the physics of flight, and try and answer the age-old question- Is there life on Mars? It will be out of this world!

POP, FIZZ, BANG: 7/24-7/28

Grab your lab coat and safety goggles and get ready for some explosive science! We'll learn how to make our own rocket, detonate a volcano, and figure out what elephant toothpaste *really is*. *Let's take to the lab and get down to the molecular level for some up-close chemistry fun!*



Did you know?

The Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum is located in charming Kerrytown in Downtown Ann Arbor. It's within walking distance of several local parks, the University of Michigan campus, farmer's markets, local museums, and so much more! These are just some examples of the amazing places we'll visit outside of the museum walls during Summer 2023.



4th/5th GRADE SCHEDULE

LESLIE SCIENCE & NATURE CENTER



IMPORTANT: Your 4th/5th camper is welcome to register for up to three full weeks of camp. Additional one-day camps do not count towards the session limit.

DATES	LSNC THEMES
June 12-16	Wading in Wetlands
June 19-23	Critter Caretakers
June 26-30	
July 3-7 Closed July 3rd & 4th	One-Day Camps: Choice Days! July 5 th , 6 th , and 7 th
July 10-14	
July 17-21	
July 24-28	Adventure Quest
July 31-August 4	Wading in Wetlands
August 7-11	Critter Caretakers
August 14-18	
August 21-25	
August 28- September 1	One-Day Camps: Choice Days!

Did you know?

Every Wednesday we offer special experiences that compliment the weekly theme for all campers! This could be a field trip, special guest, performance, or other one-of-a-kind opportunities. This special Wednesday experience, as well as a take-home piece of apparel, is included in your summer camp tuition for each week you sign up!

4th/5th LSNC THEMES

AGES: Completed Fourth or Fifth Grade

FEE: \$325

SCHEDULE: M-F, 8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Camp Cool-Down available 3:30 - 5 p.m. for \$100 per week



WADING IN WETLANDS: 6/12-6/16, 7/31-8/4

Do you want to build a wetland? Get in line! In this camp, explore one of the Great Lakes state's most threatened ecosystems, and discover the vital role they play in keeping our water clean and our planet healthy. Meet the plants that create these unique places, and the wildlife that call them home. Get up-close and visit one of Ann Arbor's many wetlands, practice being a wetland scientist, and learn how we can help protect these vanishing habitats!

CRITTER CARETAKERS: 6/19-6/23, 8/7-8/11

Ever wonder what it takes to care for the creatures at the LSNC? It's going to take a lot of careful observation to find out what they need! Learn how to chop up fruit salad for bats, design animal enclosures, and hear from critter care experts in this special and integrative wildlife camp.



ADVENTURE QUEST: 7/24-7/28

We can find nature anywhere from the darkest cave to the highest mountain peak. Follow quests and complete challenges to gain the skills we need to protect nature as we explore the wild, discover mythical beasts, and uncover secrets long buried beneath our feet. We'll battle disaster and search for adventure at every turn. YOU are the hero of this story!



VOLUNTEER

AT SUMMER CAMP



Spend some of your summer in the great outdoors when you volunteer at Unity in Learning's summer camps! Join other teens from Washtenaw County as you develop new leadership skills, gain valuable work experience, and learn about Michigan's natural history, ecology, chemistry, biology, and physics. Participate in camp favorites like tie dye and silly games! **Applications will open January 20th.** Learn more and sign up on our website.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Youth 13-17 years old interested in environmental issues, STEM, outdoor education, camp, teaching, or leadership
- Responsible individuals who are interested in mentoring younger kids and spending the summer outside, rain or shine
- Folks who want to share their skills and love for music, sports, art, theater, dance, etc. with our campers
- Youth who can commit to volunteering for at least two weeks, 8am-4pm, Monday-Friday between June and August, 2023

WHAT ARE THE RESPONSIBILITIES?

Volunteers help lead activities, provide one-on-one attention to campers, prep/put away materials, assist with serving snack and cleaning buildings and so much more!

Contact our camp leadership team with any questions: camp@unityinlearning.org.

Volunteers must also attend a few training sessions in Spring.



WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

- Develop leadership skills, learn about science, and gain work/volunteer experience
- Participate in leadership development and skill-building opportunities, and receive performance feedback from Summer Camp Educators
- Upon request, receive documentation of community service or volunteer hours and a letter of recommendation

APPLY ONLINE 1/20 [HTTPS://DISCOVERSCIENCEANDNATURE.ORG/SUMMER-CAMP](https://discoverscienceandnature.org/summer-camp)

JOIN OUR STAFF!

AT SUMMER CAMP



Working at camp is a real job. It's a crash course in teaching, conflict resolution, and teamwork. It helps you build communication, critical thinking, and leadership skills that all employers are looking for. It's hard work, it's super fun, and it makes a lasting impact on the lives of the youth you serve.

Join us this summer! **Applications will open January 20th.**



WHY WORK AT CAMP?

- Receive ongoing professional development and skill-building opportunities useful for life and many jobs, as well as training and certifications that look great on a resume
 - Learn and teach exciting content from several science fields while you practice skills in education and youth development such as behavior management and age-appropriate lesson planning
 - Learn, practice, and facilitate conflict resolution, communication, and problem solving that will make you a valuable member of any team
- Mentor high school-age volunteers by providing coaching and performance feedback
 - Gain networking opportunities with THREE of Southeast Michigan's leading education organizations

WE'RE LOOKING FOR TEAM MEMBERS WHO...

- Are 18 or older and are positive, team-focused, and self-reflective
- Have a background or strong interest in education, recreation, or youth development
- Have skills or passions for music, the arts, science, and sports to share with kids
- Will support an inclusive camp environment and a staff culture centered around professional and personal growth
- Are bilingual in English and Japanese, Korean, or Mandarin

IMPORTANT DATES AND DEADLINES

- Participate in mandatory camp training June 5-9, 2023
- Work all of summer camp, June through end of August (except the week of July 4th)

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