

Let's Go (Science) Camping

Michigan's budding scientists are well-served by a wide-range of summer science camps. The state's science museums offer camps that accommodate kindergarteners to high school seniors, with an array of subject matter, including astronomy, forensics, climatology, entomology, chemistry and physics. Many science camps also accommodate working parents by offering before- and aftercare.



| Grade* or Age | Camp | Dates | Hours** | Member Fee | Non-member Fee |
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| Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, 220 E. Ann St., Ann Arbor, Mich. 48104 734.995.5439, http://www.aahom.org/programs/ss_camp.htm | | | | | |
| Gr. 1-2 | Astronomy | June 25-29 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Wild 'n' Crazy Weather | July 9-13 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Trees 'n' Bugs | July 23-27 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Dino-Mite Dinosaurs | July 30-Aug. 3 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Up in the Air: Things That Fly! | Aug. 6-10 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Playing With Your Food | Aug. 13-17 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Good Vibrations: Sound and Music | Aug. 20-24 | 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m. or 1:30 p.m. -4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 2-4 | Science and Drama: It Matters! | July 18-22 | 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. | \$300 | N/A |
| Cranbrook Institute of Science, 39221 Woodward Ave., PO Box 801, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. 48303 248-645-3210, http://science.cranbrook.edu/educational/scouts | | | | | |
| Ages 3-4 | Little Explorer | June 14-15; June 21-22; July 12-13; July 26-27 | 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. | \$75 | \$60 |
| Gr. K-1 | Beginner Explorer I | June 11-13 or July 9-11 or Aug. 6-8 | 10 a.m.-3 p.m. | \$130 | \$150 |
| Gr. K-1 | Beginner Explorer II | June 18-20 or July 23-25 or Aug. 13-15 | 10 a.m.-3 p.m. | \$130 | \$150 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Science Explorer I | June 11-15 or Aug. 6-10 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Science Explorer II | June 18-22 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 1-2 | Science Explorer III | Aug. 13-17 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 2-3 | Science Explorer I | June 25-29 or July 16-20 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 2-3 | Science Explorer II | July 9-13 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 3-4 | Science Explorer I | July 30-Aug. 3 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 3-4 | Science Explorer II | July 23-27 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 3-4 | Ecology Explorer | July 16-20 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 4-5 | Astronomy Explorer | July 16-20 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 4-5 | Outdoor Explorer | July 9-13 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (This camp ends 8 a.m. Friday after Thursday overnight.) | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 5-6 | Physics Explorer | June 25-29 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 6-8 | Crime Scene Explorer | July 30-Aug. 3 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$295 | \$325 |
| Gr. 6-8 | Advanced Outdoor Explorer | July 23-27 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. (This camp ends 9 a.m. Friday after Thursday overnight.) | \$270 | \$295 |
| Gr. 8-9 | Expert Explorer Days Geology (July 30); Archaeology (July 31); Paleontology (Aug. 1); Astronomy (Aug. 2); Anthropology (Aug. 3) | July 30-Aug. 3 | 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. | \$100/day; \$400/wk | \$125/day; \$500/wk |
| Detroit Science Center, 5020 John R St., Detroit, Mich. 48202 313-577-8400, option 5, http://www.detroitssciencecenter.org/camp/SummerCamp2006.htm | | | | | |
| Gr. 1-3 | Science Spectacular | June 18-22 or July 23-27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 1-3 | Construction Junction | June 25-29 or July 30-Aug. 3 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 1-3 | Surfing the Solar System | July 9-13 or Aug. 6-10 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 1-3 | Larger than Life: Explore Your World! | July 16-20 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 4-6 | Science Spectacular | June 18-22 or July 23-27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 4-6 | Inventor Invasion | June 25-29 or July 30-Aug. 3 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 4-6 | Missing Maple Mystery | July 9-13 or Aug. 6-10 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |
| Gr. 4-6 | Doctor Discovery | July 16-20 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$175 | \$190 |

*Students should be entering the grades listed. **Many camps offer extended hours for an additional fee. Call the host organization for details.

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| Exhibit Museum of Natural History , University of Michigan, 1109 Geddes Ave., Ann Arbor, Mich. 48109 Sarah Thompson, Camp Explorations Director, 734-647-6421, camp_explorations@umich.edu • http://www.lsa.umich.edu/exhibitmuseum/publicprogrms/special_programs/summer_camp/ | | | | | |
| Ages 6-11 | Camp Explorations: Space Adventure | June 25-July 6 (no camp July 4) | 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. | \$275/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 6-11 | Camp Explorations: Ecology Adventure | July 9-20 | 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. | \$295/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 6-11 | Camp Explorations: Paleo Adventure | July 23-Aug. 3 | 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. | \$295/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 6-11 | Camp Explorations: Science Sampler | Aug. 6-10 | 1 p.m.-4:30 p.m. | \$150 | N/A |
| Ages 8-12 | Camp Explorations Morning | June 25-July 6 (no camp July 4) | 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. | \$225/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 8-12 | Camp Explorations Morning | July 9-20 | 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. | \$245/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 8-12 | Camp Explorations Morning | July 23-Aug. 3 | 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. | \$245/2 wks; \$165/1 wk | N/A |
| Ages 8-12 | Camp Explorations Morning | Aug. 6-10 | 8:30 a.m. -12 p.m. | \$125 | N/A |
| Impression 5 Science Center, 200 Museum Dr., Lansing, Mich. 48933 517-485-8116, ext. 32, http://www.impression5.org/mos/view/Group_Visits/Group_Visits/LABS_Science_Camps | | | | | |
| Gr. K-2 | Microscope World | June 11 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Trash-It! Paper | June 12 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! | June 13 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Solar Blast | June 14 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Sensory Street | June 15 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Combo: Microscope, Trash, Bugs, Solar, Sensory | June 11-15 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Fizz Wiz Kidz | June 18-22 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Zaptastic Kids | June 25-29 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Tye-Dye Fun | July 2-3 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$90 | \$110 |
| Gr. K-2 | Fairytales Science | July 5-6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. K-2 | Combo: Tye-Dye, Fairy Tale | July 2-3 and July 5-6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$170 | \$200 |
| Gr. K-2 | Moon Walkers | July 9-13 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Blood & Guts | July 16-20 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Fizz Wiz Kidz | July 23-27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | DinoMania | July 30-Aug. 6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Nature Explorer | Aug. 6-10 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Science of Art | Aug. 13-17 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Kitchen Chemistry | Aug. 20-24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. K-2 | Ultimate Slime Bash | Aug. 27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Splash Science | Aug. 28 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Rock Hound | Aug. 29 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Blasting Sound | Aug. 30 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Bubble Bash | Aug. 31 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. K-2 | Combo: Slime, Splash, Rock, Blasting, Bubble | Aug. 27-31 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Microscope World | June 11 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Trash-It! Paper | June 12 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Bugs! Bugs! Bugs! | June 13 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Solar Blast | June 14 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Grossology | June 15 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Combo: Microscope, Trash, Bugs, Solar, Grossology | June 11-15 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Forensics | June 18-22 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Techno City | June 25-29 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Tye-Dye Fun | July 2-3 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$90 | \$110 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Rocket Builders | July 5-6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$90 | \$100 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Combo: Tye-Dye, Rocket | July 2-3 and July 5-6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$170 | \$200 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Comet Kidz | July 9-13 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Green Thumbs | July 16-20 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Treasure Hunter | July 23-27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Krazy Chemist | July 30-Aug. 6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Forensics | Aug. 6-10 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Movie Science | Aug. 13-17 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Mythbuster Science | Aug. 20-24 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Ultimate Slime Bash | Aug. 27 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Trebuchet Challenge | Aug. 28 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Rock Hound | Aug. 29 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Science Behind Magic | Aug. 30 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Medieval Science | Aug. 31 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$45 | \$55 |
| Gr. 3-5 | Combo: Slime, Trebuchet, Rock, Magic, Medieval | Aug. 27-31 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 6-8 | Robotics | June 25-29 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 6-8 | Advanced Techno City | July 9-13 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |
| Gr. 6-8 | Advanced Forensics | July 30-Aug. 6 | 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. | \$180 | \$220 |