

Story Stretchers

How many ideas can a good book inspire? Come join us in discovering the answer through art projects, games, songs, and activities based on both classic and modern children's literature.

Sensory Overload

Can't resist jumping in that puddle? Couldn't help but make mud pies? Well, this camp is especially designed for you! Roll up your sleeves and don your smock for some exciting and hands-on learning through sensory play. If it oozes and goozes and squishes and drips then it is sure to be a part of this messy camp.

Bellwether Jr. Bakers

Send your little helpers our way for some hands-on fun in the kitchen! Along with learning the basics of baking, children will be introduced to other topics including: safety in the kitchen, the importance of eating well, choosing high-quality ingredients, and being mindful in the selection and preparation of the food that we share. Campers will find this camp to be deliciously rewarding!

Seriously Silly

Knock! Knock! Who's there? Orange? Orange who? Orange you going to sign up for this silly camp? Campers are sure to get the giggles as they explore communication through humor: jokes, riddles, puns, songs, stories, games and more. No dropping anvils or rotting tomatoes, please!

The How Things Workshop

Why? Why? Why? The answer is simple... because children are wonderfully bright and curious and passionately pursuing knowledge. Based on the interests of participants, this camp focuses on how things work and aims to take on the task of satisfying the curiosities of all. Questions are encouraged and explored through books, projects, science experiments, and by taking things apart.

For the Fun of Fit

Campers discover the fun and benefits of being active in this upbeat and fitness-focused camp. By participating in group activities such as aerobics, dance, musical play, relay races, yoga, hoola-hoops, and obstacle courses, campers are introduced to the science of exercise and are inspired to get their bodies moving!

Create & Imagine: Original Drama

Performing is a fun, imaginative way for children to learn how to express themselves. Campers will take part in confidence-building games, character explorations, storytelling and team-building role-playing improvisations. These activities, along with lively brainstorming sessions, will lead the group to writing and producing an original script. Watch your child surprise you! By the end of this camp, s/he could become a real showstopper!

Snack Attack

Did you know that most kids receive at least one-fourth of their daily energy from snacks? In this hands-on camp, children tie on their aprons to learn how to make simple, nutritious, delicious, and, most of all, fun snacks that can easily be made at home when they are feeling an oncoming snack attack!

Funky Junk Band

Vacuum tubes. Bubble wrap. A water jug. A pie tin. What do these have in common? Believe it or not, they all have the ability to inspire campers to reach their musical potential. Participants in this camp will be introduced to the basic concepts of sound and rhythm and will work as a band to turn otherwise ordinary objects into musical instruments.

The Art of Book Making

Have you got a story to tell? This inspiring camp will introduce participants to the many arts and crafts that go into creating hand-made books. Campers will focus on the simple process of making books, learning along the way an appreciation for and a love of reading, writing, making art, expressions and story telling. Children will have an opportunity to create a variety of books including: accordion, pop-up and natural. They will also be encouraged to design a book of their own.

Recycle Reuse ReCREATE

Most of us are familiar with traditional recycling methods, but did you know that one of the ways to recycle is to make art? Participants will celebrate invention and innovation as they are challenged to repurpose found and scrap materials that can be recycled into art projects.

Vive La France

Come and celebrate the French language and culture through music, art projects, art history, geography, and a bit of a sampler of French cuisine. Singing will certainly be a part of the plan, as it has shown to be one of the best ways to learn a new language!

Chess Camp

Hey campers! Join us in playing the game that has proven to help students enhance their creativity, improve concentration, expand critical thinking skills, boost memory and retention, and achieve superior academic performance. Oh yeah... and it's engaging and FUN! Open to all skill levels; good sportsmanship, positive environment required!

The Biz Kids

Are your kids looking for a way to earn money this summer? Are they bored with babysitting and lemonade stands? Why be limited to the traditional "kid jobs". Campers will brainstorm ideas, develop a business plan, and strategize the best way to launch their "companies". This supportive camp is about more than just making money; having a business plan helps build a child's self-confidence while developing problem-solving skills, social skills & financial responsibility.

Outdoor Shelter Building

One of the most universal activities of childhood is to create forts, houses, caves and dens out of found materials. In this camp, local landscape, architecture, and design concepts will be introduced as campers explore the natural materials found near and around the Bellwether playground then work cooperatively to use the resources to design and build enchanting outdoor enclosures.

Cartoon Art & Animation

Campers will celebrate graphic art in motion as they explore the work of traditional animators to understand the basics of scene and character drawing, and drawing sequence. Along with experimenting with the uniqueness of their own style, campers will create narrative comic books, filmstrips, flipbooks and storyboards.

Rising Stars!

Tickets are on sale now! One show only! Step right up for a talent show produced, directed, designed, written and performed by Bellwether's Rising Stars! Open call! All types cast! Campers who love to ham it up front and center along with campers who prefer behind the scenes are all needed and welcome!

Rocket Science

Have a blast this summer and join us for this explosive science camp! Campers will learn the history of rocket science, be exposed to rocket science lingo, experiment with and discuss the laws of motion, and demonstrate some of the basic principles of rocketry as they build and launch simple (and safe!) rockets out of a variety of materials.

**Nature & Nurture
Ages 3-6 • 9-12pm**

Pack your bags! Rain or shine, Bellwether campers are heading outside! Campers will do much more than run, climb, and play ball. They will notice the weather, insects, plants, and everything going on around them. Curiosity will be stimulated as campers gain awareness and reach greater levels of creativity. Join us in celebrating Bellwether's beautiful outdoor play space.

**In your Own Backyard:
Local Hikes & Nature
Preserves & Nurture
Ages 7-10 • 9-3pm**

During this field-trip based camp, we'll get outside & take advantage of our ideal proximity to great short hikes. Red Rocks, Mount Philo, Audubon Center, LaPlatte River Marsh, Ethan Allen Homestead. Check our website for more details!

**Haunted History
Ages 10-12 • 9-3pm**

Come along if you dare! This field-trip based camp dedicated to ghosts, hauntings and other forms of paranormal phenomena is sure to be spine tingling. Campers will learn about and visit local areas known for their ghostly goings-on.

Program Fees

Bellwether Summer!	
Half Day:	\$260/2wk session
Full Day:	\$460/2wk session
Bellwether Adventure Camp	
Half Day:	\$140/1wk session
Full Day:	\$240/1wk session
Little Dabblers	
9 - 10:30 am	\$80/1wk session