



Elementary Summer School Program

# CHAMP CAMP

June 3-27th  
2024

OPEN HOUSE  
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## 2024

# Thorpe Gordon STEM Academy Summer School Course Catalog

# COURSE GUIDE

## SUMMER SCHOOL INFO

**If you have any question regarding the courses in this guide or general Champ Camp questions, please contact Thorpe Gordon STEM Academy directly.**

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**Jill Martin, Jessica Soskins, Landon Dunlap**

Librarian - **Tara Barbour**  
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Reading Remediation - **Amy Bochat, Renee Anderson**  
Math Remediation -  
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Building Substitutes - **Katie Cole**  
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### **Getting Ready for Kindergarten!**

Our summer school kindergarten course is designed specifically for incoming students to kickstart their journey into formal education. At Champ Camp, young learners will immerse themselves in the routines and expectations of school life, forging new friendships along the way. From mastering classroom procedures to honing essential skills, our engaging activities will prepare students for a successful transition to kindergarten in the fall. With a blend of fun games and interactive learning, Champ Camp ensures a summer filled with excitement and readiness for the adventures ahead!

***\*NOTE - Course selection is NOT required for kindergarten students, because ALL incoming kindergarteners will be assigned to a Getting Ready for Kindergarten course.***

### **Ocean Exploration, Grades 1-2**

All aboard Ms. Lang's submarine! Let's travel to the bottom of the ocean! During the 16 days, students will become marine biologists. We will create submarines that will be used to travel the oceans. Students will keep a journal to document the animals we encounter on our journey. Come prepared to learn and have fun!

### **All About Olympics, Grades 1-2**

With the Olympics happening this year, I would introduce the Olympics and the history of them. I would talk about the history of the Olympics and different sports. We would have Olympic games and make up teams and complete different challenges.

### **Keyboarding, Grades 3-5**

Play, sing, and dance your way to learning as your your student will learn the basics of playing piano/keyboard! This course is designed to nurture your child's creativity, the three units of this course provide an experiential music curriculum centered on developing their innate musical abilities into early musical literacy. Covering melodies, the names and fingering of piano keys, music theory, and more, your child will practice listening skills and improvising while learning about the structure and history of music. By the end of this course's 16 lessons, your child will have been introduced to multiple facets of music making, empowering their creativity, developing their music mastery, and nurturing their love of music, along with integration of math and literacy in each lesson.

### **What if....?, Grades 3-5**

Have you ever asked yourself... What if the bees all die? What if we run out of gasoline? What if aliens come to earth? What if dinosaurs were still living? What if... Well now is your chance to find the answers! In What If class, students will be able to ask questions, imagine, plan, create, improve, and inform.

### **Road Trip Adventure: Exploring America's National Parks and Monuments, Grades 3-5**

Pack your bags and jump in the camper as we head out for an exciting road trip to America's coolest parks and monuments! We'll visit amazing places like Yellowstone National Park, The Statue of Liberty, and the Golden Gate Bridge! On our journey we will play fun games, build our own monuments and even imagine we're park rangers for the day. Get ready for a wild ride packed with awesome sights, cool projects, and fun adventures!