

# Summer Camp

## Virtual Open House



# Art Sparks Kids Cooking Camp, Baking Boot Camp GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Age Range:**
  - Art Sparks (6-8 years old),
  - Kids Cooking Camp Jr. (6-8 years old)
  - Kids Cooking Camp Sr. (9-13 years old)
  - Baking Boot Camp (7-13 years old)
  - CITs and Apprentices (12-15 for art, 13-15 for cooking)
- **Location:** Devonshire Cultural Center
- **Camper to Staff Ratio:** Age 6-8-year-old camps have a ratio of 8 to 1. Ages 9-14 are 10 to 1.
- **Supervisor Contact Information:**

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# CAMP SPECIFIC GOALS

- Create art projects or recipes that are fun and rewarding! Foster enthusiasm for learning.
- Provide for the physical and emotional well-being of each camper by creating an atmosphere of warmth, safety, and acceptance.
- Give campers the opportunity to interact with peers from diverse backgrounds and practice collaboration.





# GENERAL DAILY SCHEDULE

## ART SPARKS

- Parent Drop-Off and Sign In
- Camp Games on the Lawn
- Art Project
- Lunch and Recess
- Art Project
- Parent Pick-Up and Sign Out (snack)

**\*We swim twice a week too!**

## KIDS COOKING CAMP JR.

- Parent Drop-Off and Sign In
- Camp Games and Exercise Outside  
*(While Sr. Camp is Cooking Lunch)*
- Lunch and Recess
- Cook 2 Appetizer Recipes  
*(While Sr. Camp is Outside)*
- Parent Pick-Up and Sign Out (snack)

**\*We swim three times a week too!**

# Real, hands-on experiences



The background features a stylized landscape with rolling hills in shades of green and blue. On the left side, there is a tree with a dark brown trunk and a large, rounded canopy of purple and pink leaves. The sky is a gradient of light blue and white.

# What to bring to camp:

- **Lunch and snack** (refrigeration will not be available, nut free)
  - **Water bottle** (ideally labeled with name)
  - **Sunscreen**
  - **On swim days: bathing suit under clothes, towel, change of clothing**
- optional: sandals, coast guard approved swim vest, goggles  
(no toys please)

# Art Sparks 2023



**Practicing rainbow order**



**Learning about Surrealist artist, Rene Magritte**



**Experimenting with chalk pastel techniques**



## Kids Cooking Camp and Baking Boot Camp

*Campers work together to make a variety of culinary creations.*

*From chopping up cobb salad to caramelizing crème brûlée, kids learn valuable life skills and enjoy the fruits of their labor.*



# Camp Communication



## Camp App

- Push notifications (pool day reminders, severe weather plans)
- Calendar at-a-glance
- Photos
- Occasional news (camp kindness day, in-house field trips)

## Camp Cell Phones

- If you need to report an absence
  - Contacting the Director in the event of an emergency
- (otherwise, email works great)*



# Swimming and Pool Rules

## District Wide Pool Policies:

- All campers, regardless of height, will be required to take the swimming test if they wish to have access to all areas of the pool.
- To pass the swimming test, the camper is required to swim the length of the pool without any breaks. The Skokie Park District's staff will determine 'pass' or 'fail' and will record it.
- Campers that do not take the swimming test or do not pass the swimming test will be issued a wristband. Campers issued a wristband should remain in shallow water. This is determined as water shallower than their own armpits.
- Campers that pass the swimming test can have access to all areas in the pool. This consists of water deeper than their own armpits, slides, and diving boards
- Swimming tests will be supervised by lifeguards and camp staff.
- Swimming tests will be available to campers every visit to the pool.
- Campers are welcome to retake the swim test as many times as they like to try.
- If the camper is in multiple camps, the camper will be required to take the test at each camp for which they are registered.
- Along with lifeguards, camp staff will be in and around the pool to provide extra supervision and monitor the wristbands.
- Campers will be asked to use the buddy system while swimming at the pool and using the locker room bathrooms. Buddies should have similar swim ability (update according to your own camp rules).





*Thank you and  
hope to see you this summer!*