

2024 Summer Ideas!

As parents we understand how busy summer months can be and how quickly June arrives. We are fortunate to live in a community with lots of fun activities to choose from, however finding the signups and information for all those activities can be cumbersome. In the hopes of easing some of that burden for parents, PTC has compiled a list of *some* of those programs for you!

Catholic Youth Summer Camp

"Experience Camp while living, learning, and growing in the Catholic faith. CYO camps are the only summer camps in Washington that inspire campers to learn respect and dignity for themselves, others, and the environment....all through Catholic teachings."

Location for CYO Camps: Greater Seattle Area/Kirkland

Grades: K - 12

Website: https://cyo.camp/
Pricing: starts at \$380

Phone: 425-333-6135 Email: cyo@seattleearch.org

American Camp Association Accredited

*Father Moore was a camp counselor for two years at CYO and would be happy to discuss his experience with anyone who is interested

Camp Hamilton:

"The beauty of God's creation abounds at Camp Hamilton! Nestled in the Cascade foothills on Lake Hannan, Camp Hamilton has been helping campers feel alive in their faith since 1990. Whether it's boating on the lake or climbing the high ropes, playing paintball or stringing a bow & arrow, campers at Hamilton will laugh, sing, experience God while making new friends. They will experience true joy as they grow into a community of faith!"

Adventure 1: Grades 5-10 Adventure 2: Grades 9-12

Website: Camp Hamilton — CYO Summer Camp

Camp Don Bosco Resident Summer Camp: "Swimming in the pool, hitting the mark with a bow & arrow, hiking, or horseback riding are just a few of the fun activities at Camp Don Bosco! Each experience is interwoven throughout the week with prayer, community, and Fun! Whether it's their first year or fifth, new challenges each day that increase with age level will help campers grow in faith and confidence as lifelong memories and friendships are made at Don Bosco!"

Overnight Camps: Grades 1-9 Horse Camp: Grades 1-9 CIT/WIT: Grades 9-12 **Horses:** Group riding and ground lessons help campers gain horsemanship skills and learn why horses are so much fun! Each camper will be assigned a horse for the week that they will play games on horseback, take lessons on, and even on a trail ride.

- Trail Scouts: Beginner riders build confidence and skills with horses.
- Appaloosa: older beginner to intermediate riders build confidence and skills with horses.
- Wrangler: Experienced riders sharpen their skills with horses and even go on a horse overnight.

Family Camp: Family Camp. — CYO Summer Camp - "Give your family the gift of sacred memories at our Catholic Family Camps! This weekend away provides the opportunity to spend family time together un-plugged from your routines and plugged in to adventure activities and time together with God in the beauty of His creation and beautiful Camp Don Bosco."

<u>Camp Don Bosco Day Camp:</u> "Spend every day at camp learning outdoor skills, swimming in the pool, making crafts, and much more before going home in the evening to rest up for the next day of fun! Our conscientious staff will help campers learn in the out of doors and how to find God there, while building strong bonds within their cabin groups. Special activities include camp songs and a campfire lunch!"

Horse Camp: Grades 1-9 Specialty Camps: Grades K-9 Bus Transportation available

Sports and Athletics

Bellingham Bells baseball camp – "Bellingham Bells coaching staff would like to welcome youth to join us for a variety of baseball and softball programming in 2023, presented by Walton Beverage. Camps will be directed by Bells Head Coach, Jim Clem, managed by the Bellingham Bells front office, and staffed by Bells assistance coaches, players, and friends of the Bells."

Location: Joe Martin Field at 1221 Potter Street, Bellingham, WA 98229

Phone: (360) 527-1035

Website: bellinghambells.com

Beginning Camp: Ages 5-10 Price: \$100

Dates: July – 20th Time: 10AM-12PM

Skills Clinic: Ages 6-12, Price: \$150

Dates: July 9,10, & 11Time: 10AM-1PM

Pitching & Hitting: Ages 6-14, Dates: July 23, 24, &25

Pitching - 10AM-11:45AM, Hitting - 12:15- 2PM \$100 Per Session \$175 for Both

Signup and more information @ 2023 Bells Camps (bellinghambells.com)

Bellingham Hammers FC Academy – Youth soccer camps

Dates: TBD

Location: Phillips 66 Soccer Park of the Sportsplex – 3 Summer soccer Camps

Ages 5-12 Cost \$Unavailable/Varies by Camp

Signup and more information @ <u>Soccer – Whatcom Sports & Recreation</u>

(whatcomsportsandrec.com)

Nike Sports Camps: Volleyball, Basketball Camp, Others

Dates: TBD, Last year many of these camps were offered in Mt Vernon, Blaine, and Anacortes \$Unavailable at this time More information at Nike Sports Camp. Nike.com

NorthCoast Gymnatics

Bellingham Location: 1710 Express Drive, Bellingham WA 98229

Website: info@northcoastgym.com

Phone: (360)733-6969

Lynden Location: 1842 Front Street, Lynden WA 98264

Website: lynden@northcoastgym.com

Phone: (360) 733-6969

More Information and signup at, Gymnastics in Bellingham Washington | North Coast

Gymnastics

Lake Padden Jr Golf Program - 2 Day camps designed to get your golfer, "course ready." Focus will be on the fundamentals of the swing, etiquette, and rules.

Location: 4882 Samish Way, Bellingham, WA 98229

Phone: (360) 738-7400

Time: 9:00AM-1:00PM Wednesday – Thursday

Ages: 7-14 Cost: \$125 2024 Dates:

> Session 1: June 26 & 27 Session 2: July 10&11 Session 3: July 24 & 25 Session 4: Aug 21 & 22

More Info: lakepaddengolf.com/-camps-and-programs

North Bellingham Golf Course Jr Golf Program – "PGA Junior Golf Program provides a kid friendly environment for those 13 and under to learn this great game."

Location: 205 W Smith Rd, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 398-8300

Website: (http://northbellinghamgolf.com/-junior-golf-information)

North Bellingham Golf Course

Jr Lessons 30 minutes \$25-\$30, **Junior Golf Pass** \$299 + 40% off range balls -17 under **2024 Junior PGA League** – 2024 dates TBD

* One-hour practices are around 4:30 on Mondays with 9 hole matches around 5:30 on Tuesdays. Junior participants will get free golf in June and July on a space-available basis.

Libraries and Summer Reading Clubs

Remember to check-in with your local library, books stores, and other businesses who offer summer reading programs. Below are some places many of our students recommend.

Bellingham Public Library Website: Home - Bellingham Public Library

Whatcom Libraries: Whatcom County Library System (wcls.org)

Barnes & Noble: Summer Reading Program | B&N INC (barnesandnobleinc.com)

Coconut Kenny's/Bellingham Bells Reading program: Books and Bells Reading Program -

Coconut Kenny's (coconutkennys.com)

YMCA Summer Camps

More Information at Camps | Whatcom Family YMCA (whatcomymca.org)

2024 Summer Includes:

Adventure camp – Grades 1-5

Challenger Camp - Grades 6-8

Climbing Camp - Kids 6-9

Girls on the Run Camps - Girls Grades 3-6

Trailblazers Adventure - All kids Grades 3-6

Youth Sports Camps – All kids Ages 6-12

Cost of 2024/2025 Membership: Teen: Ages 13-19 \$26/Month or \$296/Year, Youth: Ages 0-12 \$20/Month or \$228/Year, Two Adults and All Children in Household = \$91/month OR \$1,037/year

Exploring the Creative

Bellingham ART – "Approachable and encouraging art instruction for children, teens, and adults wanting the tools to confidently create art. – where everyone can learn to draw and pant!"

Location: 1701 Ellis, Bellingham, WA 98225 **Phone:** (360)738-8379, Classes for **All Ages Cost:** Varies by class, Scholarships are available

Website and more Info: Bellingham Art (https://www.bellinghamart.com/)

Summer Camp Registration will open March 23, 2024

Bellingham Art Academy for Youth (BAAY) – "Enriching the lives of children through the exploration of the arts." - Theatre, Comedy, Dance, Music, and more!

Location: 1059 N State Street, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 306 - 8531

Website: Bellingham Arts Academy for Youth | Enriching lives of children through

exploration of arts in Bellingham Washington (baay.org)

Burnish Clay Studio – "Located in Sunnyland neighborhood, this Clay studio focuses on building a creative community based on love, diversity, and inclusiveness."

Location: 2006 N James Street, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 419 - 6526

Ages 6-11 Clay \$115, Ages 11-15 Wheel Throwing \$130

Website and More Info: Kids Classes (burnishclaystudio.com)

Bellingham MakerSpace – "Calling all Artist, Tinkerers, Creators, and Inventors" - Located in the Bellis Fair mall, they have 3D printers much more! -the expensive technologies that many of us

might be curious about. MakerSpace is run by volunteers who can assist with exploring creativity using these very tools to create cool stuff with your child. They also offer classes regularly over various fun projects!"

Location: 1 Bellis Fair Parkway #618, Bellingham, WA 98226

Phone: (360) 812-7287

Email: info@bellinghammakerspace.org

Website: Bellingham Makerspace - Satisfy your curiosity

Membership Pricing: \$59/Month, \$39/Month for students with ASB

card/Educators/Seniors, \$89/Month per household

Gabriel's Art Kids - "When school is out, art is in! We offer great camps during school breaks so that children can experience a full week of art immersion. From creation station to art in the park, our camps can't be beat! Come work with us for a bit and have some fun!"

Location: 1405 Dupont St, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 739-9365

Website: The school (gabrielsartkids.com)

Pricing: Tuition varies on number of days and age of child. Annual fees and supply fees

apply

Other Local Clubs and Opportunities

Bellingham Coding Club

"An Inclusive and fun space where kids learn coding, STEM, and robotics while developing critical thinking skills."

Location: 1304 12th Street, Bellingham, WA 98225 **Phone:** (360) 389-5747

Location 2: 263 S Burlington Blvd, Burlington, WA 98233 Phone: (360) 389-5747

Pricing: Monthly membership \$100-\$200 depending on program

Email: info@bellinghamcodingclub.com

Website: Bellingham Coding + Robotics Club (codingandroboticsclub.com)
*Please note that Robotics has additional summer camp locations for 2024!

Quest Northwest

"Nearly 20 years of experience running Adventure Quest Summer camps, where the kids become the heroes of a dynamic and exciting adventure. It is a week-long Live-Action Roleplaying experience that is fun and extraordinary. A new adventure every time! 6 kids per adult. Great for promoting ethical reasoning, fitness, creativity, critical thinking, decision making, and more!"

Location: 1059 N State Street, Bellingham, WA 98225

Phone: (360) 836 - 0386

Ages: 6 - 17

Time: 10:00AM-3:00PM

Dates: Lots of new 2024 dates, hold ctrl and click this link for schedule Summer

Camps in Bellingham & Seattle - Majestic Adventures (questnorthwest.com)

Average price: \$90 - \$375

Website: Summer Camps in Bellingham & Seattle - Majestic Adventures

(questnorthwest.com)

Camp Firwood – Camp Firwood is a high energy, multiactivity Christian youth camp for 7-18 year olds. Located on the shores of Lake Whatcom and with its own private island, Firwood provides an unforgettable experience for all who attend.

Location: 4605 Cable Street, Bellingham, WA 98229

Phone: 360.733.6840 Website: <u>HOME | The Firs</u>

Ages: 7-18

Day Camps, Overnight Camps, and Retreats available

Lutherwood Camp and Retreat Center: "Lutherwood immerses kids in all aspects of camp including mealtimes, outdoor activities, Bible encounter, chapel, campfire, and more with their cabin! The overnight camp also includes cabins sorted into color teams where all week long they work on team building, fun, and more!"

Location: 1185 Roy Rd, Bellingham, WA 98229 - Office Hours: M-F 9AM-4PM

Email: office@camplutherwood.org
Website: www.camplutherwood.org

Phone: (360) 734-7652

Registration and Pricing for all Summer 2024 Lutherwood camps available at this link:

Summer Camp — Lutherwood Camp & Retreat Center (camplutherwood.org)

Camp Kirby

Camp Kirby provides a magical summer with programs for grades 1 – 12 including: archery, waterfront activities, arts & crafts, 40-foot climbing tower, hiking trails, and much more. The camp has 47 acres of forest, grasslands and beach that spread 1 1/2 miles along Padilla Bay. Furthermore, parents can rest easy knowing that Camp Kirby is ACA accredited

Location: 1321 King Street Suite #3, Bellingham, WA 98229

Phone: (360) 733-5710

Website: www.campfiresamish.org

2024 Camp Rates:

\$795 full-week session \$450 half-week session (Session 4) \$250 for 4-day, Day Camps \$190 for 3-day, Day Camps

Bring own Lunch and Snacks for the day!

<u>Western Washington University</u> – The Wade King Student Recreation center offers opportunities for children to get connected. Summer camps are back! 6 weeks of recreation-based summer camps for summer 2024.

Pone: (360) 650-3308

Grades: Entering Kindergarten – Entering 5th Grade

Price: \$290 (rec center member)/\$310 non-rec center member

Website: Youth Programs | Campus Recreation | Western Washington University

(wwu.edu)

Whatcom Community College - Kids College and Teen Programs

Website: Kids' College and Teen Programs | Whatcom Community College

Phone: (360) 383-3200, 8AM – 5PM, M-F

Wild Whatcom -Wild Whatcom fosters lifelong connections to nature.

Website: Wild Whatcom

Email: camps@whatcomwild.org

Phone: (360) 389-3414

Preschool Summer camps Ages 3-5 visit: <u>Preschool Summer Camps — Wild Whatcom</u> **5-day camps:** Visit this link to read about the many different camps and themes available

for grades 1-8: Summer Camps — Wild Whatcom

Grades 1-3 Grades 3-5 Grades 6-8

Cost: Prices vary, Scholarships available during registration!

Lang's Horse and Pony Farm - Lang's horse camp has been sharing the love of ponies and horses with children for over 40 years. Our Summer Camp program is immensely popular, and usually fills up quickly. Please only sign up for one summer camp per person.

*Dress Code: Jeans or riding breeches, cowboy boots, English riding boots, no tank tops or crop tops, dress in layers, riding is outdoors, strongly recommend purchasing own riding helmet. No bike or ski helmets.

Location: 21463 Little Mountain Rd, Mt Vernon, WA 98274

Email: langshorseandponyfarm@hotmail.com

Ages: 4-16 years old **Phone**: (360) 424-7630

Website: Horse Camp | comeride

Parent & Child Pony Camp:

Parent and Child Pony Camp is where it all beings. Designed for littles who are not quite ready to come to camp on their own, it is a great way for you and your child to experience the adventure of Lang's Pony Camp. Together you will learn about ponies, grooming, saddling, and riding.

Best for Ages 4-6

Camp Times: Morning Session: 9:30-11:30AM, Afternoon Session: 12:00 – 2:00PM

Cost: \$285 for 5 Day camps

Website: for dates and additional information Parent & Child Pony Camp | comeride

Ranch Riders Camp:

Campers will catch, groom, and saddle the horses. They will enjoy riding lessons, trail rides, and playing games on horseback. Campers will be taught different styles of riding, horse care, the cost of ownership, and stable management practices – such as cleaning and feeding. Campers must bring their own snacks, lunch, and drinks.

Best for Ages 7-12

Camp Times: 8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Check-in: Monday 8:30 a.m., arrive 15 minutes before

Cost: \$650 for 5 days of camp (3-day camp, July 1-3, \$390)

Riding Level: Beginner to Intermediate, no riding experience required

Age: Boys and Girls, ages 7-12 years old

Dates: June 24-28, July 1-3 (3-day camp), July 8-12, July 15-19, July 29-Aug 2, Aug 12-16,

Aug 19-23

Website: Ranch Riders Camp | comeride

\$100 nonrefundable deposit required to reserve spot at this camp. Full payment is required

one month prior to the first day of camp.

Pony Pals Camp:

At the beginning of the week your child will be partnered up with a pony to ride for the week. Daily activities include riding lessons, trail rides, and pony games. Pony Pals is a great camp if your camper has attended Parent and Child Camps or has taken riding lessons. Pony Pals is for children who are independent in their riding and have stamina to attend a 3-hour camp each day. Parents are not permitted to stay at this camp.

Boys and Girls Ages 6-9

Must have attended camp before or be able to trot without a helper.

Price: \$450 for 5 days of camp

Check-in: 15 minutes before camp on Monday

Dates: see link for dates/times Pony Pals Camp | comeride

All Day Horse Camp:

This camp is best for Intermediate to Advanced riders. Campers must be able to walk, jog, posting trot, and canter. Campers must be physically fit to ride at least five hours a day. Full days of catching, grooming, riding, saddling. Campers are responsible for their own lunch, snacks, and drinks.

Camp Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Check-in: Monday at 9:00 a.m. (please no early birds)

Cost: \$850 for 5 days of camp (3-day camp \$510)

Ages: Boys and Girls ages 9-16 Horse ownership 101, **Cost** = \$195

One-Day Camps: July 5 – Teen adventure camp from 9–16-year-olds with intermediate to advanced riding skills. Campers will take riding lessons, play games on horseback, and ride

the mountain trail. **Cost** = \$195

Website: for more dates and times: All Day Camp | comeride

Canoe Island French Camp on Orcas Island – Study Canoeing AND French In the beautiful San Juan Islands. Taught by a native French speaker, this is not just an immersive language experience, the children will also enjoy French culture and food on a private island full of traditional camp activities. Only 50 campers per session. Overnight lodging on canvas tents on wooden platforms, beds and electricity provided. Each tent will have one counselor to five children. Family camp dates available! The food served at camp is classic, cooked from scratch, French food! Overnight

Email: info@canoeisland.org

Phone: (360) 468-2329

Location: Canoe Island, 47 acre, fully secure, private island

How to get there: Take the ferry to Orcas Island where they will pick you up

Other activities at French camp: Technology free environment, Sailing, kayaking,

canoeing, fencing, archery, theatre, and marine biology

Ages: 9-16

Sessions: 2-3 week sessions **French and American Counselors**

Website: for dates and registration, Canoe Island French Camp | Summer French Camp,

San Juan Islands, Washington

<u>March Northwest</u> – Mountain Bike skills clinic and guiding. March Northwest hires instructors certified by the Bike Instructor Certification Program (BICP). For Beginners, intermediate, expert, and professional riders who want to boost skills and confidence in their riding.

Phone: (360) 527 - 5223

Email: marchnorthwest@gmail.com
Website: CLINICS — March Northwest
Personal Assessment: \$60

Private Coaching with Shaums March: From \$500