

St Ambrose Summer Camp 2026 Camp Descriptions

Adventures with Bluey – Come join the pack! Tag along with Bluey, her sister Bingon, their parents, and friends for a weeklong adventure of dance, games, crafts, songs, imaginative play, and learning about the world!

American Girl® – Enjoy a week full of American Girl® parties, games and activities. Learn what it means to be a girl of strong character – confident and loyal, courageous and kind.

Artsy Craftsy – Let’s get crafty! In this DIY craft class campers will engage in a wide variety of age-stimulating arts and crafts activities and projects. This camp is sure to get your creative juices flowing!

Aventuras en Español: Spanish Immersion Camp – Experience a joyful, immersive introduction to the Spanish language and the rich cultures of the Spanish speaking world. Campers will participate in songs, games, movement, arts and crafts, and sports while being surrounded by Spanish throughout the day. No previous Spanish experience is required. This camp is designed to be welcoming, playful, and engaging for all learners.

Babysitter Training - Learn what you need to know to start your own babysitting business - professionalism, business etiquette, preparedness, safety, first aid, emergency preparedness, marketing, and more. This camp provides soon-to-be babysitters with everything you need to know to launch your babysitting business. Campers will learn to watch out for safety issues and deal with fussy children; as well, new babysitters will become comfortable in dealing with basic first aid and keeping children safe during an emergency – giving you the confidence and knowledge to be a great babysitter. Campers will also be trained and certified in CPR and First Aid.

¡Baila el Mundo! Spanish Dance - Get ready to move, groove, and explore the world through dance. In "¡Baila el Mundo!" children will be introduced to a variety of dances inspired by Latin and Hispanic cultures from around the globe. Through music, movement, and simple Spanish vocabulary, campers will celebrate culture, rhythm, and self-expression in a fun and engaging environment.

Baking – Learn the art of baking through instruction and hands-on practice. Bake, decorate, and taste your very own cookies, cakes, pies, and pastries. There is a \$30/student surcharge for this class to cover materials.

Basketball – Learn the basic skills of ball handling, passing, shooting and defense through drills, competitions and scrimmages, as well as good sportsmanship, all in a fun, supportive environment.

Big Blue Sea - It wouldn’t be summer without the beach, the ocean, and even some pirates! Sail away with us as we explore legends of the sea, play some pirate games, collect sea shells, make under the sea slime and so much more!

Boys Being Boys – Spend an adventure-filled week with just the boys! Learn how to escape quicksand, build a raft, start a survival fire, tie basic knots, place a splint or write with invisible ink. Even learn some basic etiquette so you can impress like James Bond.

Cake Boss – Learn the art of cake decorating! Practice the proper techniques of torting and stacking cakes, icing preparation, and working with buttercream. Decorate cakes of all shapes and sizes to become the new pastry chef in your family. *There is a \$30/student surcharge for this class to cover materials.*

Camping 101 – Learn basic camping skills like building fires and pitching tents. Make camping food such as s'mores and trail mix. Build your own lantern. Learn to identify different animal tracks. Sing campfire songs, roast marshmallows, go on a nature-themed scavenger hunt and tell scary stories.

Candy & Mold Making – In addition to making candy in this camp, campers will learn and practice the art of fabricating candy mold using food-grade silicone. Anything from creating tiny toy candy mold to gummy candies and chocolates is on the table! Candy is much more delicious when you've made it yourself. *There is a \$30/student surcharge for this class to cover materials.*

Christmas in July – Reignite the spirit of Christmas during the summer months with music, crafts, and other fun winter wonderland activities that will make you forget what season it really is.

Danger Zone - In this age of computers and video games, kids still need time for play, imagination, and epic adventure! In this camp, hands-on activities that encourage curiosity, problem solving, and confidence are the name of the game. Campers will flirt with danger in a safe and controlled environment. This camp offers an exciting mix of physical and mental challenges for the mind and body. Sound dangerous? A little. Sound different? A lot. Sound fun? Absolutely! It's all about making your own fun.

Duct Tape Fabrication – Have you ever wanted to just get your hands on lots of colorful duct tape, some cardboard and other odds and ends to create something? If so, this class is for you! Build free form or follow plans to build things like flip flops, a Captain America Shield, Thor's hammer, a backpack, wallet and other cool things!

Flag Football – Learn the core skills of passing, catching, and de-flagging or defensive positioning while having fun. Become a champion both on and off the field through good sportsmanship and teamwork. All campers will have the opportunity to learn the game and improve their skills in a positive, secure environment.

Fun Factory – Come spend a week in our fun factory! Test the limits of fun making things like play doh, paint, chalk, bubbles, glow-in-the-dark slime, tie dye and more!

Game On! Crazy Games – Like to play games!?! This camp is for you! We'll play a variety of indoor and outdoor games including Gaga ball, Charades, Jugball, Ants on a Log, Keeper of the

Castle, Freeze Tag, Capture the Flag, card games, board/table games, and so much more! Campers can participate in individual challenges to test their mettle or join forces in team events that foster collaboration and friendship, ensuring everyone finds their perfect game. Let's play!

Girl Power – Whether you're a tomboy, a girly-girl, or a little bit of both, we invite you to join us for a summer adventure where we'll explore the gift and strength of your feminine genius! Learn about female heroes in history, female Nobel Prize winners, and female Saints; basic self-defense and how to deal with bullies; how to throw a football and even how to negotiate. Enjoy dance parties, making friendship bracelets, a tea party, and more!

Grab Bag Sports – Do you love all sports? Then this is the camp for you! Play a new sport every day, anything from baseball to soccer to ultimate frisbee. Get a chance to learn the basics, run drills, play skill games, and scrimmage for 5 different sports! Go team!

Gross & Fun Science – Ponder, predict and play your way through a week of slimy hands-on experiments designed to encourage curiosity and wonder. All experiments will be either gross, or fun, but ideally both!

Hair & Nail Salon – Have fun exploring hair and nail care and design! Girls will paint and decorate nails, enjoy manicure and pedicure workshops, and learn and practice various hair wrapping and braiding methods.

Ice Cream Shoppe – Do you like homemade ice cream? Spend a week creating your own flavors of ice cream, working in teams as you name your shoppe, create your logo and go into business making ice cream. Take home daily samples of your special custom flavors and toppings. *There is a \$30/student surcharge for this class to cover materials.*

Jr. Engineering – Discover how things move with science. Join a team of Jr. Engineers and build bridges, domes, cubes and pyramids. Assemble simple machines such as levers, pulleys, catapults, balances, crank fans, and/or tops to investigate the laws of physics.

Junior Olympics – Do you like sports? Then this is the camp for you! This camp will introduce you to different sports such as basketball, track and field, soccer, kickball, tee-ball, lacrosse, tag, and playing catch with a lightweight ball. At the end of the week, campers will put their skills to the test in a fun Olympics style competition.

Laser Tag – Spend a week learning team strategies and playing one of the most popular games in the galaxy!

LEGO® Robotics – A new and improved LEGO camp with added robotics and STEM components. Dive into a playful narrative-based problem-solving camp with relatable themes that will be sure to develop independent STEM thinkers. Powered by LEGO education, this camp is both fun and educational using a robotics set while still providing time for creative building and games.

Mario Madness – Activate your star power and join Mario on his adventure through the Mushroom Kingdom and beyond. Get ready to flash through this camp through imaginative play, storytelling, creative movement, and arts & crafts.

May the Force Be with You – Join the Resistance! Begin your Jedi training and explore new galaxies as you fight for peace and justice. Learn the ways of the Force, build droids, go on Jedi missions, eat Star Wars food and play Jedi games. Are you ready to help Rey, Finn, Poe, Chewbacca, Luke Skywalker and Princess Leia fight the forces of evil to defeat Kylo Ren and the First Order?

Minecraft –Put your creativity caps on to design and build a Minecraft world like never before. Get ready to freely interact with your environment and gather resources needed to create tools, homes, boats, bridges and more.

Neon Glow – Let your creativity GLOW as hot neon colors and glow-in-the-dark media come to life under black light. Fun and creativity flow as you paint in the dark and watch your fluorescent creations pop with dimension. Projects include watercolor, fabric design, neon balloon animals, painting, and much more! The possibilities are endless in this NEON GLOW experience!

Nerf Wars – Nerf week is loaded with fun! You will create battlefields, hone your targeting skills, learn tactical movements, and engage in team building games through a variety of different styles of nerf war play.

Once Upon A Time – Make cool crafts, stretch your imagination and creativity, and play fun games as you journey through classic fairy tales! Dance with Cinderella or run around with the Three Little Pigs as we rediscover these beautiful stories in new ways.

Pizza Shoppe – Become the owner of your very own pizza shoppe. Work alongside other campers to create a shoppe name and logo while working daily to create the perfect sauce and trying out different types of crust. *There is a \$30/student surcharge for this class to cover materials.*

Safari Adventure – An exciting week filled with discovery! Campers will role play going on a safari and become experts on safari animals and their habitat. A week filled with lots of safari games, activities, and arts and crafts.

Sculpting– Are you the next Donatello or Michelangelo? Spend a week honing your sculpting skills. View examples from some of the greatest artists in history and try your hand at sculpting using a variety of materials such as clay, soap, and similar mediums.

Soccer – Campers will strengthen their individual soccer skills and sportsmanship through training with direct coaching in small groups. Instruction will focus on getting open, anticipating opportunities, shooting, and creativity in the attacking third of play. Further emphasis will be placed on defensive coverage in a one-on-one situation.

Spa Science – Mix it, measure it, make it, try it out and take it home! You will get busy making fizzy bath bombs, sweet lip smackers, shake ‘em up bath salts, yummy face masks and more. Become a clever spa scientist for the week as you learn about ingredients and how to combine them to make fun (and fabulous!) pampering goodies.

Spies & Detectives – Learn secrets of espionage and detective work; from dissolving messages and decoding clues, students will have the opportunity to check out the skills that spies and detectives have in their hands-on journey into the world of espionage and detective work.

Superheroes – Welcome to Superhero Camp, a magical summer camp designed for 4-5 year olds where every child can unleash their inner hero! Create your own superhero, superpowers, and back story. Train to use your superpowers with super stunts and test yourself in a supercharged obstacle course. Design your own logos and costumes, take on special missions, tackle obstacle courses and go on rescue missions to save other superheroes from villains. Uncover the beginnings of some of the best-known superheroes while also discovering your own. Unleash your inner superhero!

Survival Training – Are you the next Bear Grylls or Les Stroud? Join us for an exciting week learning many valuable skills, like tying important knots, starting a fire without matches or a lighter, building a sleeping shelter, making snares, developing directional skills and much more!

Treasure Hunt – Do you love challenges? If so, this is the camp for you! Search for hidden treasure using treasure maps, while competing with other crews searching for the same treasure. Learn the history of famous pirates and treasures and how maps were coded. Get competitive with your team in a series of timed scavenger hunts and even create your own hunt to send your campmates on!

Ultimate Challenge – Are you competitive? Do you like a challenge? Then this camp is for you! Engage in numerous team and individual challenges that sound like they come straight from Survivor, Fear Factor, Minute to Win It, or the Amazing Race. Do you have what it takes to be the Ultimate Winner?

Wild & Wacky – Let’s get crazy! This week we will let our silly side shine as we make kooky crafts, play goofy games, and make marvelous memories. It’ll be wild & wacky fun all week long!