

2026

SUMMER CAMP GUIDE

Rising 1st - 3rd
Graders

7
weeks
of
fun!



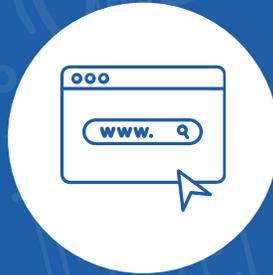
Summer Camps 2026

Let your child's imagination run wild this summer at Hands On! Children's Museum!
Our half-day camps are designed to captivate the imagination and stimulate the mind through a variety of FUN and EXCITING learning experiences!



STEP 1

SELECT
YOUR CAMPS



STEP 2

REGISTER
AND PAY ONLINE



STEP 3

COMPLETE
WAIVERS AND FORMS

register online: handsonwnc.org/camps

SCHEDULE AND LOCATION

Camp sessions begin promptly at **9:00am** and **conclude at 4:00pm**, with extended care from 8:00am - 9:00am and 4:00pm - 5:00pm. All camp activities will take place at Hands On! Children's Museum, located at 318 North Main Street in Downtown Hendersonville. Advanced written notice will be given to parents for off-campus activities that are within a short walking distance of the museum.

MINIMUM AGE & SUPERVISION

Prospective campers must be entering 1st through 3rd grade at the start of the 2026–2027 school year. Hands On! offers an educator-to-child ratio of 1:6 with a maximum number of 20 children in each camp and a minimum of 7.

BEHAVIOR

Campers are expected to exhibit proper behavior and self-control. Inappropriate, disruptive, and/or violent behavior (including bullying) will not be tolerated. Hands On! reserves the right to dismiss any child for improper conduct.

POTTY-TRAINING EXPECTATIONS

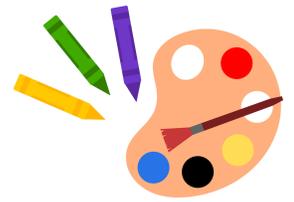
Hands On! staff do not assist in the toileting for any camper. All campers must be fully potty-trained and able to use the restroom independently. This includes being able to clean themselves and change into new clothes (without assistance) in case of a potty accident.

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS?

Call us between 9:00am - 5:00pm Monday - Friday at 828-697-8333 extension 221 or send an email to info@handsonwnc.org.

Art-tastic Creations! | June 8-12

Unleash your imagination and create masterpieces every day! Campers will experiment with painting, sculpture, and mixed media to bring their ideas to life. It's a week full of color, creativity, and artistic fun!



Space Explorers! | June 15-19

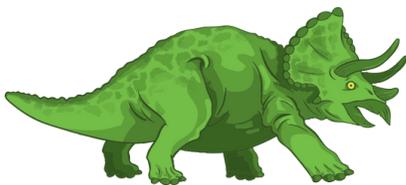
Get ready to launch into an out-of-this-world adventure! Campers will explore planets, stars, and galaxies through hands-on experiments and creative activities. Build rockets, learn about astronauts, and discover the mysteries of space!

Earth Heroes Adventures! | June 22-26

Become a protector of our amazing planet! Kids will dive into exciting activities about nature, recycling, and sustainability while exploring the wonders of Earth. From eco-friendly crafts to outdoor adventures, campers will learn how to make a difference!



Members \$340 | Non-Members \$380



Jurassic Explorers! | July 6-10

Travel back in time to the age of dinosaurs! Campers will dig for fossils, learn about prehistoric creatures, and create jurassic-themed crafts and more!

Bug Safari: Tiny World Adventures! | July 13-17

Grab your magnifying glass and discover the incredible world of bugs! Campers will learn about bugs through nature walks, fun science experiments, and creative bug-themed crafts. Explore how these tiny creatures play a big role in our environment!

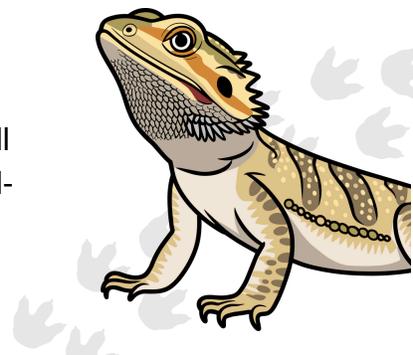


Ocean Quest: Deep Sea Discoveries! | July 20-24

Dive into the deep blue and uncover ocean secrets! Campers will learn about marine life, coral reefs, and ocean conservation through interactive games and experiments. Make ocean-inspired art and meet fascinating sea creatures along the way!

Go Wild: Animal Adventures! | July 27- 31

Embark on a journey to explore the animal kingdom! Campers will discover amazing wildlife, learn about habitats, and create animal-inspired art. From lions to lemurs, it's a wild week of fun and discovery!



Summer Camp Policies

Cancellation and Refunds

If you cancel your registration at least two weeks prior to the start of your selected camp, you will receive a refund, minus a \$30 processing fee. If you cancel within two weeks of your selected camp, you will not receive a refund, and your payment will be designated as a tax-deductible contribution to the museum. Hands On! reserves the right to cancel a camp if the minimum enrollment of 7 participants is not met, with a decision made one week prior to the start date. In the event of such a cancellation, a full refund will be issued.

Drop-Off and Pick-Up

All camps start promptly at 9:00am and conclude at 4:00pm. Campers are to be dropped off no earlier than 8:45am and picked up no later than 4:15pm. You must come in with your camper to sign them in before camp and sign them out after camp. The person who picks up your child **MUST** be on the approved sign-out list, otherwise your child will not be released until we make contact with you for clarification.

Extended Care and Late Pick-Up

Extended care is available for an 8:00am – 9:00am morning session and 4:00pm – 5:00pm for the afternoon session for \$75 per week, per session. Summer Camp ends at 4:00pm daily. Late pickups after 4:30pm will be charged \$50 per day for extended care services.

Food

Campers are required to bring a non-perishable lunch to camp every day. Lunches are available for purchase from Black Bear Coffee at an additional cost of \$50 for the entire week, payable at the time of registration. Snacks and drinks are provided in all camps, and campers are welcome to bring water bottles if they would like. All water bottles must be labeled and secured in a lunch bag.

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!

We're seeking energetic and dedicated volunteers ages 14+ to help us create exciting, memorable experiences for young learners!

To join our volunteer team, you must attend a required training session, and commit to a minimum of 20 service hours.

READY TO APPLY?

Visit handsonwnc.org/volunteer to submit an application no later than May 15, 2026.

