



Summer 2020 Brochure

Rye Country Day School's *Wildcat Mini-Camp* are going virtual this summer! RCDS teachers and coaches are ready to help you get the summer started with fun, interactive camps. Each camp consists of four 45-minute virtual sessions, starting on Monday, June 8th and ending on Thursday, June 11th. Sign up for one camp or two!

Please review the General Information at the end of the brochure for information regarding enrollment and payment. Online registration is the only way to register for *Wildcat Mini-Camp*. Registration must be complete and submitted prior to **Tuesday, June 2nd**. Payment will be billed directly to your RCDS account.

For additional questions please contact Nicole Leath by email wildcatminicamp@ryecountryday.org.

Young at Art

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Laura Festo

Are you ready to express yourself using art mediums such as markers, paint, paper, glue, and chalk? Do you want to see what you can create when you combine them with paper, cardboard, yarn, and other materials? Then join Ms. Festo and have fun making a new piece of art each day. *Supplies needed: markers, crayons, paint, construction paper, glue, chalk, yarn or string, recyclables such as paper towel rolls, toilet paper rolls, and egg cartons.*

Wildcat Soccer Skills

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Amanda Popoli

Would you like to learn the game of soccer and just have fun? Then Wildcat Soccer Skills is the camp for you! Qualified and experienced RCDS Coach Popoli will be your instructor. This is a virtual soccer program designed to help children develop a love for the game of soccer and work on fundamental skills. Campers will participate soccer specific drills and play a few fun games at the end. *Supplies needed: soccer ball (cones if possible)*

Yoga and Origami

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructors: Fran Davia and Kristin Kassay

Start off the morning by stretching your muscles and learning different yoga poses! You will then tap into your creative side by folding, coloring, and then sharing your own origami creations! *Supplies needed: yoga mat or towel, origami paper, colored pencils, crayons, markers*

Tiny Songbirds

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Jessica Zamek

Join Ms. Zamek, RCDS Private Music Instructor, for a week of music making! Tiny Songbirds will sing, dance, and make music together! Campers will learn how to use their voices to create stories and communicate with one another! *Supplies needed: paper towel tube, tape, drum "sticks" (two pencils, chopsticks, wooden spoons) and a "drum" (pot/pan, box, floor)*

Read It! Paint It!

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructors: Monique Caterina and Heather Lentini

Do you love to paint? We do! Do you love to read? We do! In Read It...Paint It, we will listen to a new story each day and paint a picture or create an exciting project based on the illustrator's technique and medium. Let's experience the joy of painting together. *Supplies needed: thick white paper, white construction paper, watercolor paper is optional, watercolors, crayons, markers, and sharpies*

Spy Academy

Campers entering grades K-2

9:00-9:45

Instructors: Samanta English and Sydney Berkman

Shhhh! You are invited to be a part of a TOP SECRET Spy Academy. You will undergo spy training, use spy tech equipment, and create your own secret code name. Should you choose to accept it, your mission will be to investigate top-secret mysteries at school. You will be fingerprinted, disguised, and... well, you'll have to show us your super spy badge to find out the rest! *Supplies needed: paper, pencils, colored pencils, markers, crayons, glue, and scissors*

Digital Design

Campers entering grades K-2

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Whitney Turner

This week we will explore online tools to create a Scratch Video Game, build using the SketchUp 3d Architecture tool, share a Minecraft: Education Edition world, & create a Comic Book Design. *Supplies needed: access to a camera (iPhone or iPad is okay)*

Basketball@home

Campers entering grades K-2

11:00-11:45

Instructor: John Calandros

Join Coach Calandros for a week of virtual basketball! In this camp, we will build basketball skills from home through fun training drills and challenge games. No basket required! *Supplies needed: one or two basketballs*

Crafty Kids

Campers entering grades K-2

11:00-11:45

Instructors: Monique Caterina and Kristin Kassay

If you LOVE to do arts and crafts projects, you will have a blast in Crafty Kids! We will use art supplies and materials that you already have in your home to create exciting projects! Children will be inspired to create until their heart is content. Let's have a great week together! *Supplies needed: white paper, construction paper, crayons, markers, colored pencils, glue, scissors, tape, recycled materials to build with, old magazines, and watercolors*

Around the World in 45 Minutes

Campers entering grades K-2

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Fran Davia

Learn all about different countries from the comfort of your own home! Explore different cultures each day through reading, crafts, and recipes. *Supplies needed: paper, pencils, colored pencils, markers, crayons, glue, and scissors*

Dogs, Dogs, Dogs!

Campers entering grades 3-5

9:00-9:45 or 11:00-11:45

Instructor: Sandy Castagna

Are you a dog owner or a lover of dogs? In this camp, students will celebrate man's best friend! Students will discuss tips & tricks, make a dog treat, and be inspired by dogs for various other activities and of course get to show off their own dog! *Supplies needed: access to a dog, camera, art and writing supplies, some basic food items*

Basketball Zoom!

Campers entering grades 3-5

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Brendan Barile

Join Coach Barile for a week of virtual basketball! In this camp, we will build basketball skills from home through fun training drills and challenge games. No basket required! *Supplies needed: one or two basketballs and a tennis ball*

Rockin' Robotics @Home

Campers entering grades 3-5

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Don Fitz-Roy

For this minicamp, we will be using a virtual robot in a 3D world to learn about robotics navigation, coding, and sensing in a "real world" environment! The robot has motors, sensors, the ability to draw, and even a powered arm attachment! Each student will learn step by step how to control and program their own robot with a series of innovative challenges and guidance from Mr. Fitz-Roy.

Stop Motion Animation Workshop

Campers entering grades 3-5

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Lauren Behar

Do you love to make up stories? Are you interested in digital storytelling, set design, and direction? Do you like arts and crafts? Then this is the camp for you! In this camp, we will learn about the process of stop motion animation and make our own short films, using items found at home. Students will explore storytelling, building miniature sets and problem solving how to communicate through this medium. *Supplies needed: iPhone or iPad, the app: Stop Motion Studio Pro, a cardboard box (shoe box or a bit bigger), and basic art supplies*

Digital Design

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9:00-9:45

Instructor: Whitney Turner

This week we will explore online tools to create a Scratch Video Game, build using the SketchUp 3D Architecture tool, share a Minecraft: Education Edition world, and create a comic book design. *Supplies needed: access to a camera (iPhone or iPad is okay).*

Frozen KIDS

Campers entering grades 3-5

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Jessica Zamek

Calling all Frozen fans! Join Ms. Zamek, RCDS Private Music Instructor, for a Frozen musical adventure! In this camp we will journey to Arendelle. Students will learn songs, make instruments, and escape to a magical, snowy world! *Supplies needed: white paper, scissors, sparkles, glue, and cotton balls*

Intro to 3D Printing and Design

Campers entering grades 3-5

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Don Fitz-Roy

This minicamp offers a one-of-a-kind opportunity for children to learn about 3D design and 3D printing using the kid-friendly software, TinkerCad. Campers will receive a gentle introduction to computer aided design principles and experiment with creating their own 3D objects. One design from each camper will be 3D printed and made available for pickup when the RCDS campus re-opens.

Wildcat Soccer

Campers entering grades 3-5

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Alin Andrei

Would you like to learn the game of soccer and just have fun? Then Wildcat Soccer Skills is the camp for you! Qualified and experienced RCDS Coach Andrei will be your instructor. This is a virtual soccer program to help children develop a love for the game of soccer and work on fundamental skills such as agility and coordination. *Supplies needed: soccer ball and 4-5 cones if possible*

Wizarding World on Zoom

Campers entering grades 3-5

11:00-11:45

Instructors: Samanta English and Sydney Berkman

Calling all muggles! Gather with fellow Harry Potter lovers to explore the magical series through fun activities and crafts. Immerse yourself in the fantastical world of Harry Potter each day! *Supplies needed: access to a camera and basic art supplies*

Draw and Build Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8

9:00-9:45 and 11:00-11:45

Instructor: Stephen Tofano

Do you like to build things in 3D? Do you like Fantasy, Science Fiction, History, or Mythology? Learn how to draw and build items based on your interests. Wizard's Towers, Pirate outpost, Ancient Historical ruins, World War II fortifications and vehicles, Space outposts and star ships...and more! You decide. All you need is an open mind, a willingness to explore, a creative imagination, and some easy attained supplies. *Supplies needed: several recycled "clean" cardboard such as breakfast cereal boxes or brown shipping boxes, facial tissues, paper napkins or paper towels, large index cards, ruler, liquid glue, scissors, masking tape, one spool of heavy sewing thread (any color), pencils, and markers/coloring supplies*

Create, Gather, and Explore

Campers entering grades 6-8

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Sue Keown

Join us for an exciting creative exploration of what our mind and hearts can visualize! This camp gives you the opportunity to discover your artistic self while spending some active time discovering your ideas and quiet time exploring your creative process. *Supplies needed: things to create on (assorted paper, cereal box, or tissue box (soft cardboard), an old deck of cards, paper to cut up (magazines, junk mail, food packages, store catalogs), glue, tape, markers, pens, paints, colored pencils, and anything else you have that you love to work with!*

Strength and Speed Camp

Campers entering grades 6-8

9:00-9:45

Instructor: Ray McGhee

Strength and Speed Camp is an elite training program designed to educate athletes on effective training techniques while improving athletic performance and overall fitness. Develop strength, speed, conditioning, and flexibility with total-body workouts. No equipment required!

Artists Book Making

Campers entering grades 6-8

11:00-11:45

Instructor: Sue Keown

Join us to learn how to make different types of artist books every day! I love to draw and write in my homemade books, I even have a squash book that I only zentangle in, and I have a book with pockets where I save things I find, like feathers, and bits of poetry. You will be able to draw in your books, write poetry, journal, make a scrap book or photo book... what can you dream up? *Supplies needed: different types of paper (blank paper, colored paper, newspaper, old artwork, magazines, old maps, junk mail), a cereal box or two, glue, glue stick, and/or tape, scissors, pens, pencils, and/or markers*

Basketball Zoom!

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General Information

Online Registration: Online registration for camp is available on the RCDS website, as well as an attachment to e-notes. **Registration closes on Tuesday, June 2nd.** Registration should be submitted prior to this day. Shortly after registering, you will receive an email confirming that your registration has been received. Campers who previously registered for the on-campus camp program will be given priority. Specific camps do have maximum numbers. If a camp cannot be offered because of insufficient enrollment, you will be notified as soon as possible, and your account will not be charged.

Payment: Please do not send payments by check, as all camp fees will be charged to your school account. The fee is \$50.00 per camp.

Virtual Participation: All camp instruction will take place on the video-conferencing platform, Zoom. Several days prior to the start of camp, you will receive a Zoom link and password to access your child's camp. Campers are expected to adhere to the general [Zoom Guidelines](#) set by RCDS@home.

Supplies: Campers will need a PC, iPad, or tablet. Some camps require supplies or apps. Please gather the supplies listed in the program description before the first day of camp. Supplies are not provided by RCDS Wildcat Mini-Camp.

Withdrawal: If a camper withdraws from a registered mini-camp **after Tuesday, June 2nd, no refund will be made.**

Absence: If your child is unable to attend camp due to illness or scheduled absence, please notify the Camp Coordinator, Nicole Leath at email wildcatminicamp@ryecountryday.org

Behavior: The RCDS Student Handbooks still apply during *Virtual Wildcat Mini-Camp*. In consultation with a parent, *Wildcat Mini-Camp* may require the withdrawal of any camper whose behavior, in the opinion of the staff of a specific camp, is considered to be detrimental to the general welfare of the group.

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