

Summer fun

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First Tee Summer Camps — First Tee of Greater El Paso hosts its five-day summer programs 9 a.m. to noon Mondays through Fridays **June 18-Aug. 3**, at Ascarate Golf Course, 6900 Delta, and other courses. Financial aid, military discounts, and sibling discounts offered. STEM Links Camp is **Aug. 6-10**; details to be announced. Cost: \$100 per child per week. Information: thefirstteegreaterelpaso.org.

Wee Ones sessions for ages 3 1/2 to 5 are 9 to 10 a.m. are **June 2-30** and **July 14-Aug. 11**. Space is limited. Cost: \$50.

"All In" Class Sessions for those who can't participate during the week are **June 2-30** and **July 14-Aug. 11** for all ages. Fee: \$50.

Black Range Horsemanship Camp — The camp is **July 8-21** in Winston, N.M., in the Cuchillo Mountains. The camp, led by Greg Evans and now in its 28th year, is open to boys and girls ages 8 to 16 of all riding skill levels. Campers may bring their own horses.

Cost: \$900; \$100 deposit required. Half sessions are **July 8-14** or **July 15-21**. Cost: \$500. Information: (575) 743-1602, (575)740-1778 or on Facebook.

Summer Horse Camp — Rancho Escondido Therapeutic Riding and Equine Assisted Therapy, Inc. hosts its 2nd annual horse camp 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **July 16-20**, in Santa Teresa for ages 6 to 16. Day Camp is limited to 20 people. Cost: \$250 (includes lunch). Information: 443-5927 or riding-treat.org. The non-profit Therapeutic Horseback Riding Facility's summer camp is open to riders of all abilities, including those with special needs.

Gus & Goldie Learn to Swim — The 2018 summer swim lessons during the summer months at all indoor swimming pools. Summer sessions are Monday through Thursday for two weeks. Weekend sessions also offered on first come first served basis. Space is limited. Call for schedule, cost. Information: 212-0092 or online at elpasotexas.gov/parks.

Theater

UTEP Theatre Summer Camps — Information: 747-5146 or utep.edu/liberalarts/theatre-dance.

- Acting Camp is 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Friday, **June 4-22**, with beginning camp for ages 7-12, and Advanced camp for ages 13-1818. Cost: \$250.
- Technical Theatre Camp is **June 25-July 1** for ages 14-17. Cost: \$125.
- Dance Camp is **July 9-20** for ages 3-11. Cost: \$190.

Kids-N-Co. — Theater camps are at First Presbyterian Church, 1340 Murchison. All camps conclude with public performances or film screenings. Tuition: \$300 per camp; \$200 Kindergarten Camps. Information: 274-8797 or on Facebook. Register 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

• Production Camps for age 8-15 are 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. **June 11-July 6** (performance July 6-8), and **July 9-Aug. 3** (performances Aug. 3-4). Taught by Vanessa Keyser, camp teaches students all aspects of theater.

• Musical Theater Camp for age 8-15 is 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **June 18-July 13** (performances are July 13-15). Ages 12-15 taught by Anthony Michael Stokes; ages 8-11 taught by Rachel Robins. All aspects of musical theater. Younger kids may be considered; interview/audition required.

• Kinder Camps for age 5-7 are 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. **June 18-29, July 9-20** and **July 23-Aug. 3**. Productions on last day of each camp.

Theatre Youth Camp — El Paso Playhouse, 2501 Montana, hosts a summer camp **June 13-29**, with immersive instruction in acting, stage work and more. Camp hours are 4-6:30 p.m., with a final performance at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 30. Cost is \$50 by June 1, \$75 June 1-12, \$100 walk-up. Information: 532-1317 or theelpasoplayhouse@gmail.com

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Friends & Family Night Vacation Bible School — Ascension Lutheran Church, 6520 Loma de Cristo (West Side), hosts its Vacation Bible School 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, **June 4-8**, with this year's theme "Shipwrecked." Information: ALConnect.faith.org or 833-1009.

Summer Chocolate Camp at Chocolat' — Four-day camps are offered during the summer for kids 6-16 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursday, **June 4-July 30**, at Chocolat, 5860 N. Mesa, Suite 132 in the Shoppes on Mesa. Cost: \$125 per week. Information: 581-7290 or on Facebook at Chocolat'-El Paso.

Children's College — El Paso Community College presents its summer classes and camps children and teens age 5-17 at the various EPCC campuses. Walk-in registration available at any EPCC campus **through June 6**. Classes begin June 9. Tuition varies, depending on class. Children's classes have age requirements. Information: 831-2089 or epcc.edu/ce.

P3 Kidz on Campus One-Day Camps — UTEP's Office of Professional and Public Programs (P3) offers weekend camps 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays, **June 9-Aug. 11**, and cover a wide range of subjects and interests for entering ages 6-12. Cost per camp: \$65. Information: 747-5142; registration at ppp.utep.edu.

Weekly half and full-day Summer Youth Camps for kids entering kindergarten through 12th grades are also offered. Extended day care and supervised lunch services available for an additional fee. All camps are held on the UTEP campus.

UTEP 'The Talk of Texas' Debate camp — UTEP Forensics Program hosts a summer Speech and Debate Camp for Middle and High School Students is 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, **June 25-29**, on the UTEP campus, with five groups taught by experienced educators and former speech champions. All camp proceeds go to the Witherspoon Forensics Gift Fund for scholarships and more. Early enrollment encouraged. Cost: \$100. Information, registration: TheTalkofTexas@gmail.com.

Groups include Speech and Debate, Public Speaking and Oral Interpretation for Spanish speaking High School Students, Lincoln-Douglas Debate G and Student Congress.

Candlelighters Camp volunteers — Candlelighters of West Texas/Southern New Mexico seeks volunteer counselors for week-long summer camps for kids. Camps are held near Cloudcroft, N.M. No experience needed. Camp dates are **June 26-July 2** for Camp Bravo (siblings of a brother or sister with cancer) and **July 7-13** for Camp Courageous (cancer patients). Information: 544-2222 or candlelighterselp.org.

UTEP STEM Camps — Students ages 14-21 with mental or physical disabilities are

encouraged to learn about careers in the STEM fields during two free week-long summer camps 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the weeks of **July 9** and **Aug. 6** on the UTEP campus. Up to 25 students may enroll in each camp that focuses on science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Information: Neelam Agarwal, 747-7462 or cass@utep.edu.

Southern New Mexico

Sacramento Summer Camps — Sacramento Methodist Assembly, 30 miles southeast of Cloudcroft, N.M., offers summer camps for children and teens. Early registration encouraged; space is limited. Information, cost: 1-800-667-3414. Registration forms available at sacramentoassembly.org.

- **June 8-10**: King's Kids Camp for grades 2-4. Cost: \$155.
- **June 11-15**: Junior Horse Camp for girls grades 4-6. Cost: #85.
- **June 18-22**: Sacramento Youth Camp for grades 7-12. Cost: \$290.
- **July 2-6**: Family Camp for kids and parents: Cost: \$223-\$303 based on lodging.
- **July 8-13**: Music on the Mountain, for grade 7-12. Cost: \$445.
- **July 9-13**: Promise Seekers Camp for grades 4-6. Cost: \$290.
- **July 23-27**: Youth Horse Camp for grades 7-12. Cost: \$385.
- **July 30-Aug. 3**: Camp Sunshine for ages 16 and older with disabilities. Cost: \$285.

Museum of Nature & Science camps — Las Cruces Museum of Nature & Science, 411 N. Main in the Las Cruces Downtown Mall, hosts camps for youths 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, **June 4-July 20**. Registration due by 4 p.m. the Saturday prior to each session. Information: (575) 532-3120.

- **June 4-8**: "Master of the Catwalk" exploring engineering concepts for grades 6-8. Cost: \$90.
- **June 11-15**: "Crash Test Cars" car making and safety for grades 3-5. Cost: \$70.
- **June 18-22**: "Mad Science Lab" creative chemistry and physics for grades 1-2. Cost: \$60.

• **July 9-13**: "Paper Roller Coasters" design and physics of roller coaster for grades 3-5. Cost: \$70.

• **July 16-20**: "Put A Spark in It" exploring electrical engineering for grades 1-2. Cost: \$60. Free week-long "GSK Science of Space" camps are 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. for grades 2 and 3, and 3 to 4 p.m. for grades 4-6 Tuesdays through Fridays **June 5-Aug. 10**, with activities exploring the sun, moon, rocketry and astronauts. Registration due by 4 p.m. on the Saturday before each session. Registration: (575) 532-3372.

Project in Motion 'Circus Camp' — The Las Cruces-based aerial dance performance company host the camp 7 to 8 p.m. for age 8-15. Adult camps are 8 to 9 p.m. for adults Monday through Friday, **June 4-8**. Each class will feature a warm up, strength and stretch and a different circus skill. Classes include Climbing, cyr wheel, rings, diabolo, unicycle, and other "circusy" things. Registration per week: \$40. Information: (575) 208-4413, or projectinmotion.com.

Farm & Ranch Summer Camps — The Farm and Ranch Heritage Museum, 4100 Dripping Springs, Las Cruces, hosts its summer camps and classes for kids **June 5-July 26**. Classes are Tuesday through Thursday. Cost per camp is Cost: \$40 (\$35 members), unless listed otherwise. Campers should bring their own lunch. Information: (575) 522-4100 or friendsnmfarmandranchmuseum.com.

Registration deadline is 5 days before camp.

- **June 5-7**: Farm Animal Friends is 10 a.m. to noon for ages 5-8. Cost: \$30 (\$25 members).
- **June 12-14**: "Gardening Fun" is 10 a.m. to noon for ages 5-8.
- **June 19-21**: Green Thumb Greenhouse is 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 9-12.
- **June 26-28**: "Can You Dig It?" 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 9-12.
- **July 17-19**: "Learning about Nature" is 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 8-12. Cost: \$35 (\$30 members).
- **July 24-26**: Wool Creations is 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. for ages 8-12.



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