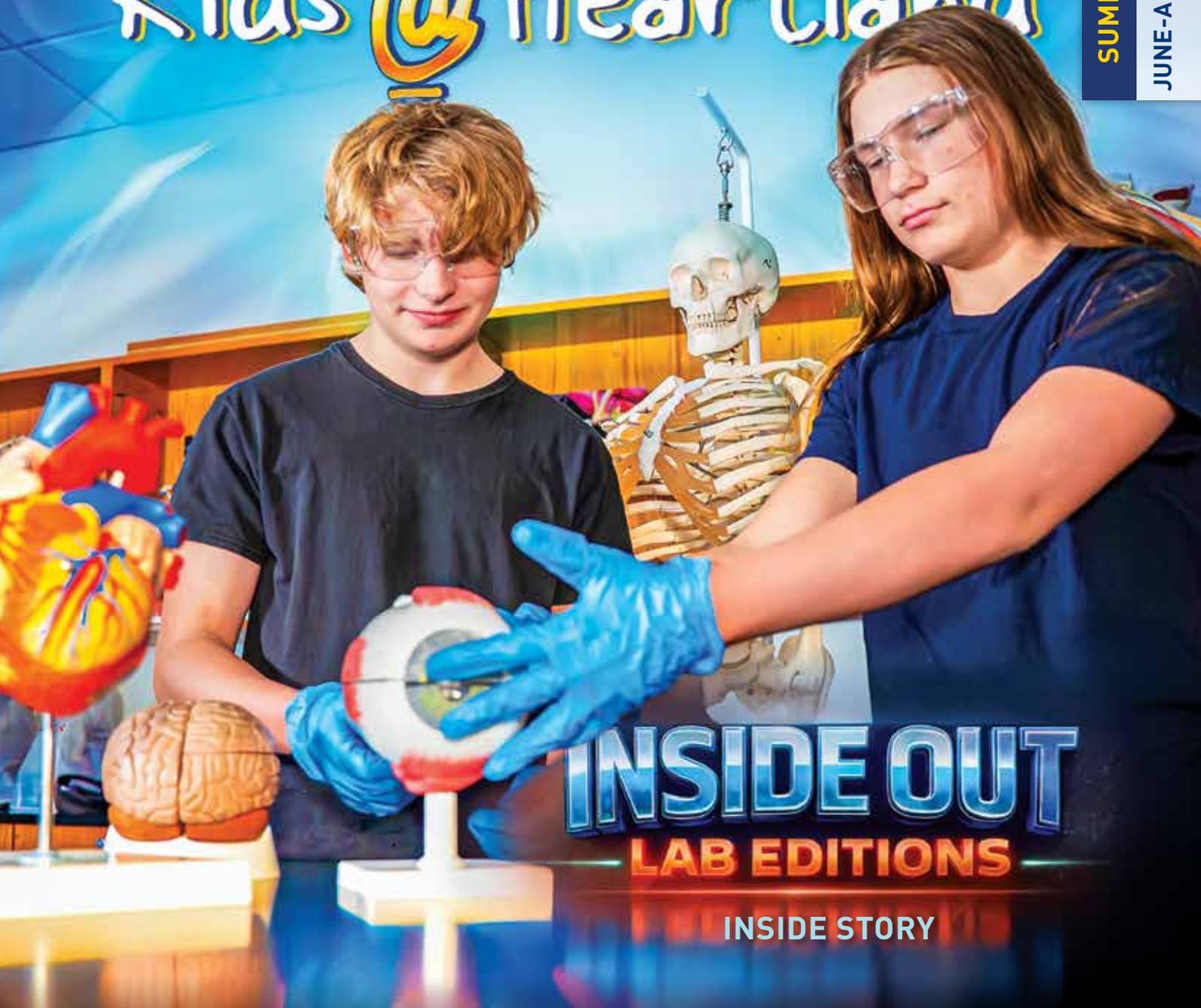


Professionally-led learning adventures

# Kids' @ Heartland

SUMMER

JUNE-AUG. '26



## INSIDE OUT LAB EDITIONS

INSIDE STORY

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**CONTINUING  
EDUCATION**



**HEARTLAND  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE**



**Left to right, Manny, Béla, and Cassidy Troyer have taken a variety of Kids@Heartland classes.**

**For homeschool siblings Manny and Cassidy Troyer of Towanda, joining an anatomy lab with animal dissections felt like an easy choice. They take Kids@Heartland classes during the school year and summer, and they jumped at the chance to learn with other homeschool students.**

The brothers joined about 20 other students to try out new STEM anatomy labs that Kids@Heartland will offer this summer for open enrollment in grades 6–12. The program includes three levels —basic, intermediate, and advanced. Each class gives students hands-on time in a Heartland Community College science lab where they will use professional equipment, handle real specimens, take part in dissections, and explore biological questions. (See pages 23 and 32 for details.)

Manny, 14, and Cassidy, 13, have taken many Kids@Heartland classes. Their courses include *Rock Climbing Basics* (pages 10, 22, and 31), *Learn to Build Your Own PC* (pages 26 and 33), and *So You Want To Be an EMT* (pages 28 and 33).

Their interests reach beyond the classroom.

Cassidy enjoys foraging, working on motors, and studying English arts. He hopes to become a pilot,

either in the Air Force or as a commercial pilot. He especially liked Kids@Heartland's EMT class and enjoyed practicing CPR.

Manny loved the rock-climbing class so much that he joined a competitive climbing team. He enjoys the challenge of tough workouts. On the family's grain and sheep farm, he builds strength and confidence by climbing grain bins and other structures. He is eyeing a career as a firefighter or working with a ski patrol.

The Troyer family's connection to Heartland does not stop there. Their sister, Béla, 16, began with Kids@Heartland classes and currently takes College NOW courses. She moved from youth programs into college-level classes and continues to learn and grow.

Kids@Heartland offers classes for students in grades K–12. Students can start early and keep advancing at the College. Check inside to explore the full list of classes and the week-by-week summer schedule.



## **On the cover:**

**Manny, left, and Cassidy Troyer work in one of Heartland Community College's biology labs as they prep for Kids@Heartland STEM lab anatomy classes coming this summer.**

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## SPECIAL OFFERS

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- **Need-based Scholarships Available:** Contact us at 309-268-8160.

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## Off-Campus Location

We have classes at off-campus sites. Look for this icon to see our off-campus partners.

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## Zoom

Enjoy your favorite live class from the comfort of your home. Look for the Zoom icon!

### Course information

You will receive details about check-in procedures and class specifics closer to the start of your child's course. Kids@Heartland classes are available to ages K-12. Unless otherwise stated, adult classes are designed for those age 18 and over. Visit our website at [Heartland.edu/ContinuingEd](http://Heartland.edu/ContinuingEd).

# Grades K-2



## ARTS & CRAFTS

### **Cat Crazy**

**Grades 1-2**

Jump into a world filled with fluffy paws, pointy ears and twitchy whiskers! Draw, color, paint, and collage your own furry masterpieces. Practice using simple lines, bright colors, and playful shapes to bring your feline friends to life on the page. Create watercolor kitties, silly sticker collages, and bold marker drawings. Finish the class with a coloring book filled with everyone's purr-fect cat creations!

**The Little Art School instructor**

1005 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington

\$199

### **Art Adventure Around the World**

**Grades 1-2**

Put art on the map! Explore art in fun and imaginative ways by painting, drawing, printing, sculpting, while drawing inspiration from artists around the world. Experiment, create, and use your imagination in a supportive space.

**Hannah Johnson**

1039 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/27-7/31, 9AM-12PM

\$175



## LANGUAGE, WRITING & CULTURE

### **Storybuilders**

**Grades 1-2**

Create your own story with interesting characters, an imaginative setting, and an exciting plot. Decide who will be in your story, where it takes place, and what happens. Use drawings and sentences to bring your ideas to life in a storybook you create to take home. Make your story fun, creative, or surprising — it's all up to you!

**Ryan Edel**

1006 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 6/17-6/18, 9AM-12PM

\$79

*Check out our*

**Kids@Heartland**  
**Week by Week schedule,**  
*starting on page 36.*



## STEM

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### Bug Safari

Gear up for a thrilling bug safari! Embark on an adventure on our campus to discover the tiny, buzzing world of bugs. Learn to spot the superhero bugs that help our environment and the sneaky ones that cause a bit of trouble. With your safari hat and magnifying glass, become a bug detective and safely catch some of these fascinating creatures. Examine them up close and learn how to tell the good bugs from the less helpful ones.

**CLC instructor**

1079 Sec. YA

Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 6/15-6/17, 9AM-12PM

\$115

### **NEW!** Royal Adventures!

Campers dress as your favorite princess or prince and learn to think like real scientists in a royalty-themed adventure! Investigate problems, ask questions, and work together on this magical journey. Dress the part each day to investigate in style. Create solutions to protect summer treats from the sun, grow your own royal crystals, and even investigate a mystery. Join us for a royal adventure! Note: There will be lots of movement, outdoor time, and scientific experiments so keep that in mind when dressing for the day. Children should wear sunscreen for both days of camp in addition to royal attire that works for the activities.

**CLC instructor**

1093 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 6/22-6/23, 9AM-12PM

\$95

### Wildlife Adventures

Get ready for an epic adventure to "catch" them all! In this real-world Pokémon-style BioBlitz, kids will use nets, magnifying lenses, and tools to explore meadows, ponds, and farms. Discover amazing creatures, and document them in their EcoDex — a personalized field journal packed with drawings, species names, and fun facts. This class is perfect for young nature enthusiasts ready to collect the wild!

**CLC instructor**

1081 Sec. YA

Wed-Fri (3 sessions), 6/24-6/26, 9AM-12PM

\$115

### Astro Adventures

NASA is on the lookout for their future astronauts! Live, learn, and train like real space explorers in this out-of-this-world camp. Check out a real spacesuit to understand how it works — then design your very own! Try out some of the basic exercises that astronauts do to see how important health and teamwork are to achieving success in space. Once training is complete, get ready to launch on a series of space missions, creative adventures, and experiments before returning to Earth!

**CLC instructor**

1082 Sec. YA

Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 7/6-7/8, 9AM-12PM

\$115



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# Grades K-2



**STEM** cont.  
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## Space Buddy STEM

Take your favorite toy on an out-of-this-world adventure! Bring your doll, action figure, or stuffed animal BFF to the Challenger Learning Center to plan your mission! Discover how to take measurements for a spacesuit to keep them safe then explore building 3D shapes to design each of your living quarters on the space station. Decide which planet you want to visit and prepare for liftoff. Get ready to think big, design creatively, and explore space like never before. Your friend is counting on you to make this mission a success!

**CLC instructor**

1085 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/13-7/14, 9AM-12PM  
\$79



## Clash of the Sciences

Dive into the world of scientific discovery as the sciences go head-to-head to compete for your favor! Put on your lab coat and explore topics within physics, chemistry, and biology. Design and conduct experiments, build machines, observe chemical reactions in a baking soda rocket, and engage in even more fun experiments to see which science subject excites you the most!

**CLC instructor**

1088 Sec. YA

Tue-Thu (3 sessions), 7/21-7/23, 9AM-12PM  
\$115

## My Mini-ville

Create your own extraordinary village! Whether it's a magical fairyland, a dinosaur-filled prehistoric world, or any theme you dream up, you're the master builder. Learn how to construct sturdy structures that can withstand the elements and explore creative solutions for your village's layout and infrastructure. Through hands-on experimentation and problem-solving, you'll bring your Mini-ville to life, combining imaginative design and engineering fun!

**CLC instructor**

1089 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/27-7/28, 9AM-12PM  
\$79

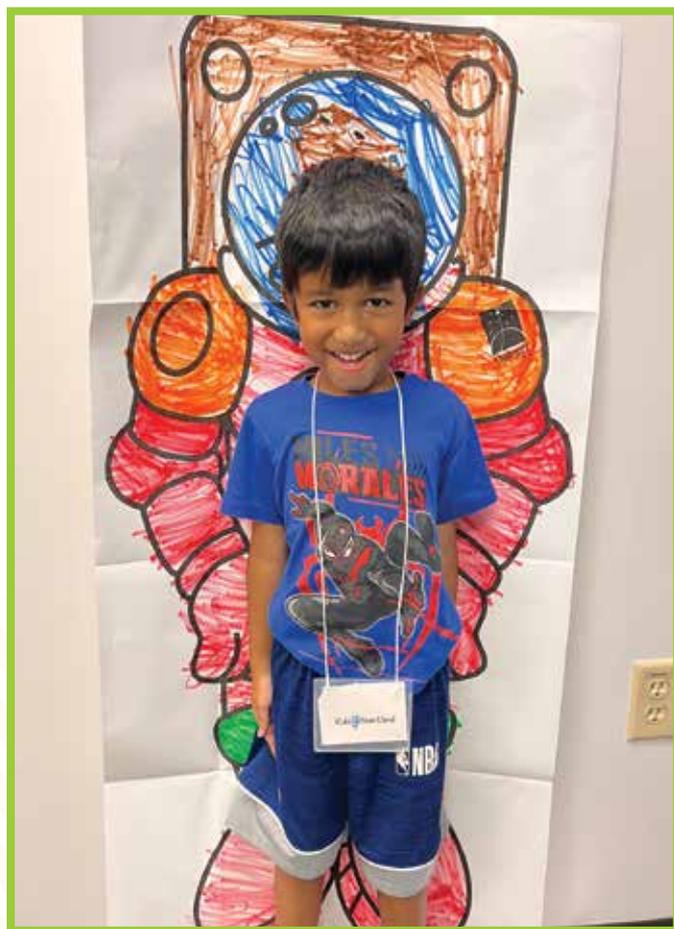
## Space Engineers

Can you hear me now? As a spacecraft engineer you will design a communication device that can send messages across the space station! Experiment with different materials to build and refine your device, testing how sound waves travel through each. Work with your teammates to create the clearest connection for sharing critical messages in space!

**CLC instructor**

1086 Sec. YA

Thursday 7/30, 9AM-12PM  
\$45



# Grades 3-5



## Wonderful World of Clay

Explore the wonderful world of clay! Express yourself with hand-building techniques as you sculpt pots, fantastic underwater-themed wall tiles, cute critters, and fairy houses. Take a spin on the pottery wheel before firing your creative keepsakes in a real kiln. No previous experience required.

**Erin Furimsky**

991 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 1-4PM

**Anna Garner**

992 Sec. YB

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM

\$179

## Cat Crazy

If you can't resist a hilarious cat video, you might be on your way to being cat crazy or maybe you are already there! Explore multiple mediums while making art that celebrates cats in all their glory! Practice creating with line drawing, watercolor, collage, wire sculpture, and modeling clay. Leave with a collaborative coloring book filled with custom line drawings of our feline friends.

**The Little Art School instructor**

999 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/22-6/26, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington

\$199



## ARTS & CRAFTS

### Crazy Clay

Build your own crazy clay creations! Dive into the world of ceramic art and design your own functional and sculptural pieces. Construct slabs and coils of clay and practice throwing on a pottery wheel. Add uniqueness to your artworks by stamping texture, carving, and glazing with bold colors.

**Claire Hedden**

989 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/8-6/11, 9AM-12PM

990 Sec. YB

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/15-6/18, 9AM-12PM

\$179

### Discovering Drawing

Ready, set, draw! In this beginner's camp, explore techniques and concepts central to art like point of view, light, shadow, portraiture, and more. Observe demonstrations on various drawing techniques to help supercharge your drawings! Best of all, you will have the freedom to choose your direction of work for much of the class.

**Lauren Garner**

1056 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/8-6/11, 1-4PM

\$169

## **NEW!** Mini Worlds, Book Nook Building

Design, build, and paint your own one-of-a-kind miniature book nook. Learn how to measure, add color and texture, and create simple 3D decor using miniatures. Use recycled, everyday materials to turn fantastical worlds of your favorite stories into real, decorative spaces small enough to fit on a bookshelf.

**Lauren Garner**

1091 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 1-4PM

\$155



# Grades 3-5



## ARTS & CRAFTS cont.

### Jewelry Making Workshop

Learn several different methods for putting your personal stamp on handmade wearable art! Make your own pendant necklace out of metal washers, weave colorful friendship bracelets, and finish the week with creating your unique polymer clay charms and beads.

**Lauren Garner**

1090 Sec. YA Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/6-7/10, 9AM -12PM  
\$185

### 2D & 3D Art Adventures

Explore art in new ways! Draw, paint, and sculpt with a variety of materials and techniques that spark your interest and curiosity. Create art using observation, imagination, and experimentation. From mixing custom colors to basic construction methods, each day offers adventures in two and three dimensional art making.

**Danell Dvorak**

1041 Sec. YA Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$169

### 📍 Art of Illustration

Join other budding illustrators in this class designed to introduce you to the joy of illustration. Spark your imagination and nurture your natural artistic talents while exploring drawing and coloring techniques. Use graphite, pastels, colored pencils, collage, painting, acrylic paint pens, and more in your creations. This is not just an art class, it is a journey in bringing your heroes, villains, and stories to the page.

**The Little Art School instructor**

1000 Sec. YA Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/13-7/17, 9AM-12PM  
Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington  
\$199



### 📍 Draw Like an Egyptian

**Grades 3-8**

Learn how to spell your name with hieroglyphics and make replicas of mummified animals as you explore the fascinating history of ancient Egypt. Work with real papyrus leaves and ancient Egyptian papermaking processes to create handmade paper for drawing, painting, or collaging together Egyptian-style art. Dazzle your friends with your knowledge about this ancient culture and their art.

**The Little Art School instructor**

1004 Sec. YA Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/20-7/24, 9AM-12PM  
Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington  
\$199



**Summer fun  
for adults, too!**

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## Beginner Pottery Wheel

Learn the basics of using a pottery wheel, including centering clay, shaping bowls and cups, and adding finishing touches. Explore creative techniques while building confidence and having fun. Perfect for aspiring little potters, this hands-on experience will spark your imagination and teach you foundational pottery skills.

**Anna Garner**

1003 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 1-4PM  
\$179

## Drawing Summer to a Close

Explore art in new ways! Draw with a variety of exciting techniques and materials that spark your interest and curiosity. Create art based on observation, imagination, and experimentation as you play with varying paper sizes, weights, and textures. Express yourself through pencils, pens, markers, crayons, and pastels, and leave with a new passion for creating!

**Danell Dvorak**

1040 Sec. YA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/27-7/31, 9AM-12PM  
\$179

## **NEW!** Amazing Amusing Art!

Step into the world of Luna Luna, the world's first art amusement park! Explore the playful, imaginative creations of over 30 artists — including Jean-Michel Basquiat, Keith Haring, and Salvador Dali — who dreamed up rides, games, and attractions filled with art. Create your own works in a variety of mediums as you experiment, imagine, and make.

**Hannah Johnson**

1048 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 1-4PM  
\$169



# SUMMER FUN 2026!



### Kids@Heartland:

- June 8–June 26
- June 29–July 3 week break
- July 6–July 31

### Summer adults:

- May 26–Aug. 4



# Grades 3-5



## PERFORMING ARTS

### Introduction to Theater

Take a starring role as you dip your toes into acting, singing, movement, and character development. Learn how to choose musical and drama pieces, projection, warm-up exercises, and blocking. Discover what directors and musical directors look for in an audition. Leave ready to hit the stage for fun or a future career!

**Scott Myers**

1119 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/15-6/18, 1-4PM  
\$139

### Start Your Magic Journey!

**Grades 3-8**

Join Joel Shoemaker, a magician with over 30 years' experience, in a fun-filled workshop! Learn how to perform a dozen magic tricks using ordinary objects. Discover how to create optical illusions and magic with playing cards, rope, paper, and more. Magic is more than fooling your friends and family — you will also leave with public speaking, stage presence, and storytelling skills. Please bring a sack lunch.

**Joel Shoemaker**

1020 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/23, 9AM-4PM  
\$115



### Ukulele for Beginners

Bring joy wherever you go with tunes from the ukulele! Master the basics of the instrument, starting with its structure and parts. Learn how to tune the ukulele, then practice reading and playing introductory chords and notes. Gain confidence in your skills and strum away from class ready to keep improving and make beautiful music. Please bring a soprano ukulele.

**Angie Funfar**

1043 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/13-7/17, 9AM -12PM  
\$159

## Share your talents

Use your knowledge, skills, and passion to earn extra income as a Continuing Education instructor! Join our team in professional development or personal enrichment classes. Whether it be in new or existing classes, we'd like to work with you! Call Laurie Mueller 309-268-8179 or email [laurie.mueller@heartland.edu](mailto:laurie.mueller@heartland.edu).





## LANGUAGE, WRITING & CULTURE

### Destination Spanish

Mucho gusto! That means nice to meet you in Spanish and it's just one of the easy phrases you will learn as you explore the language. Practice basic vocabulary and grammar through music, conversation, games, and more. Leave class ready to communicate with your friends (amigos) in another language!

**Tiffany Bernardini**

1042 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/8-6/11, 1-4PM

\$139

### Journal Writing Adventure

Take all those thoughts crowding your head and heart and get them out on paper. This journaling workshop is designed to create an atmosphere of peace and mindfulness, allowing young writers to unwind and relax through their pens. Get writing prompts and other ideas to spark your creativity and create a calm literary oasis!

**Ryan Edel**

1002 Sec. YA

Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 6/15-6/17, 1-4PM

\$115

### Adventures in Storytelling

Author your own adventure story! Unleash your imagination and discover how to move ideas out of your mind and into a book. Learn how to outline plots and edit your drafts, then practice arranging text and images on the page. Some young writers will have the option to write chapter books.

**Ryan Edel**

1001 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/22-6/26, 9AM -12PM

\$159



### The Magician's Workshop

Learn magic you can perform for friends and family from professional magician Greg Joyce. Practice entertaining effects from classic close-up magic using common objects, playing cards, money, rope, mind-reading techniques, and special magic props you create in class. Build skills, confidence, and showmanship as you prepare to put on a great magical performance. All supplies and a class instruction handbook are provided.

**Greg Joyce**

1057 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 1-4PM

\$149

### The Magician's Experience

#### Grades 5-8

Learn a wide variety of magic from professional magician Greg Joyce. Work with playing cards, money, coins, rope, sponge balls, cups and balls, mind-reading effects, special props, and sleight-of-hand techniques. Explore material created especially for this class and enjoy a brief introduction to stage magic props. Build your skills and confidence as you prepare to put on a great magical performance. All supplies and a class instruction handbook are provided.

**Greg Joyce**

1059 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 1-4PM

\$149

# Grades 3-5



## FOOD & KITCHEN

### Desserts Around the World

Fill your culinary passport as you travel through your taste buds to Italy, Japan, Brazil, and France. Learn to make a treasured dish from each country and level up your food skills along the way. From making ganache from France to cheesecake from Japan and more, this course will turn you into a global culinary artist.

**Megan Mercado**

1021 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/8-6/11, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189

### Foods With Science Baked In

Think of baking as a science experiment that produces yummy flavors! Find out how important the exact measurements, temperatures, and careful mixing is to creating foods like pizza, cookies, cupcakes, and more! Leave this camp with your sweet (and science) tooth satisfied!

**Megan Mercado**

1022 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/15-6/18, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189



## RECREATION

### Rock Climbing Basics

Conquer the climbing wall in a fun, inclusive environment! Get introduced to the basics of rock climbing as you explore grip types, grades, safety procedures, and climbing etiquette. Then put your rock climbing skills to the test under the guidance of expert instructors. Register on your own or with a friend! Class fee includes a full membership at Upper Limits for the duration of the class and the following week.

**Upper Limits Climbing Gym instructor**

1016 Sec. YA

Mon/Wed/Fri (3 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 12-2PM

Off campus, Upper Limits Climbing Gym,  
Bloomington  
\$149

### Bird Song Explorers

Tune in to the sounds of nature! Learn how to recognize birds by their songs, calls, chirps, and chatter, and discover why birds vocalize and which ones live around us. Then head outside for a guided listening walk around Birky Pond to use your "bird ears" and try fun sound-matching activities. Return to the classroom to make a simple bird feeder and learn easy ways to make your backyard bird friendly.

**Miranda Hamilton**

1066 Sec. YA

Friday 6/12, 9AM-12PM

\$49

### Beginning Pickleball

#### Grades 3-8

Learn to play one of the fastest growing (and best named) sports in America — pickleball! Build a solid foundation for this popular game as you learn the fundamental rules, techniques, and strategies through hands-on practice. No prior experience is necessary. Paddles and other equipment will be provided.

**Evergreen Racquet Club instructor**

994 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/22-6/26, 9-10AM

Off campus, Evergreen Racquet Club, Bloomington  
\$119



Register by phone: 309-268-8160



## **Beginning & Intermediate Tennis** **Grades 3-8**

Grab your equipment and hit the tennis court! In this introductory camp, learn how to properly hold a racket, hit the ball, and move around the court. Then practice scoring a game so you can enjoy playing at home with friends or family. Work hard and have fun, and you'll be confident on the court in no time! No prior experience or formal training necessary. Please bring a tennis racket.

**Evergreen Racquet Club instructor**

993 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/6-7/10, 9-10AM

Off campus, Evergreen Racquet Club, Bloomington  
\$119

## **Kid's Yoga Extravaganza**

Discover the fun of yoga with three special theme days. Day one will focus on animal movement; day two will spotlight black lights/glow bracelets glow-ga; and day three will feature parachute play, individual/partner/group skills, choreography, and dice. Classes are age-appropriate with a mix of fine and gross motor skill movement. This includes poses, breathing, music, games, dance, stories, relaxation, visualization, meditation, and more. Learn the lifelong benefits of this ancient practice.

**Danielle Burge**

1061 Sec. YA

Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 7/6-7/8, 11AM-12PM

\$49



**STEM**

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## **Bug Detectives**

The Lunar Spacecraft is in chaos, and escaped insects are wreaking havoc on the ship's systems! Gather evidence by observing 6-legged suspects in action at Birky Pond, track pheromone trails, and study insect behaviors to determine which bug is behind the mischief. Investigate clues using catch-and-release methods, pitfall traps, and nets. Then analyze findings and solve this thrilling space mystery.

**CLC instructor**

1054 Sec. YA

Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 6/15-6/17, 9AM-12PM

\$115

## **NEW! Galactic Gadgeteers**

In this hands-on space adventure, young engineers will experiment with circuits, movement, and basic robotics as they complete missions across the galaxy. Whether charting courses on distant planets or engineering gadgets for life among the stars, campers will problem-solve, invent, and collaborate through a series of hands-on challenges. The countdown has begun — are you ready for your next great mission?

**Tammy Dietrich**

1092 Sec. YA

Thursday 6/18, 9AM-12PM

\$69

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# Grades 3-5



**STEM cont.**  
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## Engineering for Mars

Embark on an interstellar adventure this summer with our Mars Lander Design Challenge! Collaborate with fellow engineers to transform your ideas into reality as you sketch, build, and test a Mars lander prototype. The mission? To masterfully navigate the prototype and safely deliver a precious water balloon cargo to the Martian surface unscathed. Gear up for an unforgettable journey to Mars, where creativity meets the excitement of space exploration!

**CLC instructor**

1080 Sec. YA

Tue-Wed (2 sessions), 6/23-6/24, 1-4PM  
\$79

## Lunar Quest

**Grades 5-8**

Blast off to train like a real NASA astronaut! Build critical teamwork, problem-solving, and STEM skills through hands-on astronaut-inspired challenges. Then put your training to the test in our spacecraft simulator, where teams will collaborate to deploy a rover to the Moon's surface. Investigate a lava tube as a potential underground base for human habitation. See if you have what it takes to reach a NASA-inspired mission success!

**CLC instructor**

1083 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/6-7/7, 1-4PM  
\$79

## Expedition Mars

**Grades 5-8**

The year is 2076, and your astronaut training is about to be put to the test! Begin by exploring how to power a Mars research base, designing circuits with real solar panels and testing wind turbines to find the most efficient energy source. Then take part in a thrilling simulation in our space station, where your team will build a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) to explore Mars for evidence of life. Get ready to train like a future space explorer!

**CLC instructor**

1087 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/8-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$79



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on your course fee!

## Space Science Academy

Gear up for an exciting journey into space science! Become NASA scientists as you design and test space suit materials through hands-on experiments inspired by the challenges astronauts face. Dive into astrobiology by investigating "alien" microbes, testing for life-supporting gases, and uncovering the secrets of planets beyond Earth. Launch into this class perfect for budding astronauts ready to experiment and discover!

**CLC instructor**

1084 Sec. YA      Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/15-7/16, 9AM-12PM  
\$79

## **NEW!** Rube Goldberg Space Challenge

Houston, we have a problem! Come aboard our spacecraft and put engineering design skills to the test. Design a Rube Goldberg machine inside of our spacecraft and solve a problem for our astronauts. Use your imagination in creating multi-step, chain-reaction solutions to a problem. The more creative and fun, the better! Practice problem-solving, critical thinking, and teamwork for an out-of-this-world experience!

**CLC instructor**

1094 Sec. YA      Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/22-7/23, 9AM-12PM  
\$69



## AI Adventures, Intro to Machine Learning

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**Doug McGraw**

1103 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 9AM-12PM  
\$215



## YouTube Content Creators

Find your voice and leave your mark! Develop your on-camera presence, channel branding, and editing skills, and gain tips for practicing good digital citizenship. Take home a plan to launch your own channel with the content you create in class. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password-protected website.

**Chris Garner**

1104 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$215

## ROBLOX® Coders

Discover how to code in the Lua language while playing and designing worlds in ROBLOX, an online universe where you can create anything you dream. This class combines game design concepts, coding, and fun! Learn to use ROBLOX's Studio software to reimagine the popular game categories with your own custom code. Student-created games will be available on a password-protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family. Students will work in pairs or teams for most of the program.

**Ryan Edel**

1099 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 9AM-12PM  
\$215

# Grades 3-5



## Pokémon® Masters, Designers & 3D Makers Unite!

Bring your ideas to life when you create your own custom digital Pokémon-style card game. Then practice designing action figures, jewelry, and toys with professional-level modeling software. Learn how to prepare a model for 3D printing and build a design portfolio to showcase your work! Leave class as the PokéMaster of your own imagination. No prior experience is necessary. Your 3D designs will be available on a password-protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family.

**Austin Mink**

1030 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 1-4PM

\$215

## Virtual Reality, The Future is Now

Embark on an epic adventure in virtual reality! In this cutting-edge class, you will learn the foundations of VR design by creating your own virtual worlds, exploring simulated environments, and crafting memorable 3D experiences. Take home your first cardboard VR headset to show friends and family the new worlds you created. VR projects can be viewed on a website or a mobile device. You will need access to an Android or Apple mobile device to use the VR headset at home. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password protected website.

**Ryan Edel**

1098 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 9AM-12PM

\$215



TECHNOLOGY cont.

## ROBLOX® Makers

Unlock the power of ROBLOX Studio, the world creation tool used by real-world ROBLOX developers! Learn how to build 3D models and create an adventure in your ROBLOX world. Bring characters to life with unique animations you design. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password-protected website.

**Doug McGraw**

1102 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 9AM-12PM

\$215

## Code Breakers

Calling all future coders, programmers, and designers! Learn the basics of coding languages like HTML, JavaScript, and CSS through a series of web projects and design challenges, and be on your way to becoming the next tech star! This course has the essentials you need to begin your digital journey. Projects will be available on a Black Rocket website to share with friends and family. Returning students can create more advanced projects that build on previous years.

**Black Rocket instructor**

1101 Sec. OYA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/13-7/17, 12-2:30PM

\$199



## Video Game Animation

Take your game design skills to the next level by creating and animating your own character sprites, objects, and backgrounds. Start with a name, develop the character's personality, signature moves, special powers, and a storyline. Finish with a fully animated character to be used in your very own game. Students do not need any prior experience in game design, animation, or sketching. Student-created games will be available on a password-protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family.

**Black Rocket instructor**

1100 Sec. OYA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/20-7/24, 3:30-6PM  
\$199

## Make Your First 3D Video Game

Go well beyond the limitations of the traditional 2D game design classes and create an immersive 3D world. Learn the physics behind 3D games, explore beginner event scripting, level design, controlling the flow of gameplay, and storytelling. Student-created games will be available on a password protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family. Projects are only compatible with Windows devices. Students will work in pairs or teams for most of the program.

**Austin Mink**

1029 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 9AM-12PM  
\$215

## Minecraft® Modders

Use your favorite game to learn the basics of modding and foundations of programming. Learn scripting and logic statements as you create your first mods. Introductory coding will also be taught through a simulated environment inspired by Minecraft. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password-protected website. To enjoy this class, you must own a Java version of Minecraft. Tablet, phone, and game console versions of Minecraft are not compatible.

**Bob Scornavacco**

1078 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 1-4PM  
\$215

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**Kids@Heartland**  
Week by Week schedule,  
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## LIFE SKILLS & ENRICHMENT

### Safety & Self-Defense

Find out how to identify and avoid risky situations, set boundaries, and assert yourself in this class for youth led by a trained self-defense expert. Then practice physical techniques geared toward your size and strength. Leave class with the knowledge and confidence to stay safe and defend yourself when necessary. Wear comfortable clothes for exercise.

**Angelique Racki**

1052 Sec. YA      Monday 6/15, 10:30AM-12PM  
\$35

### Kids Rule as Entrepreneurs

Get ready for an exciting day of "playing store." Unleash your creativity as you come up with cool products — then bring them to life. Tell people all about your store with a captivating advertising campaign. Dig into the financials, including determining prices, and learning what profit is. Leave class with a better understanding of how businesses run.

**Lynn Tackett**

1060 Sec. YA      Tuesday 7/7, 9AM-12PM  
\$45



# Grades 6-8



## ARTS & CRAFTS

### Introduction to Darkroom Photography

Grab a film camera and level up your photo game! Learn the basics of darkroom photography — from getting those great shots to developing film and printing your own photos. Use Heartland's 35mm cameras or bring your own. Get ready for hands-on fun and awesome vintage vibes!

**Lindsey Basham**

1013 Sec. YA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 9AM-12PM  
\$195

### Clay Fantasy

Bring your imagination to life and let the magical creatures you dream up burst out through clay! Get hands-on guidance as you create a sculptural teapot using slab building, coil building, texture making, and glazing techniques. Then spend a day throwing on a pottery wheel! Leave class with confidence in your new abilities. No previous experience required.

**Claire Hedden**

1012 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/8-6/11, 1-4PM  
\$179

### Wheel-Thrown & Handcrafted Ceramics

Encounter a new creative outlet and fill your space with one-of-a-kind pottery! Begin with the basics of handbuilding and wheel-thrown pottery before practicing trimming and finishing techniques. Apply those skills to your own handcrafted ceramic projects.

**Erin Furimsky**

1007 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 9AM-12PM

**Anna Garner**

1008 Sec. YB      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 9AM-12PM  
\$179

### Art of Illustration

Discover how to illustrate in the style of your favorite manga, cartoon, children's book, or scientific graphic. Use visual references as you practice drawing representationally from your imagination and by observing the world around you. Develop your artistic expression using graphite, pastels, colored pencils, collage, painting, and acrylic paint pens. Leave ready to tell stories with illustrations that are uniquely yours.

**The Little Art School instructor**

1011 Sec. YA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/6-7/10, 9AM-12PM  
Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington  
\$199

## It's Clay Time!

Express yourself through fun clay artworks! Practice hand-building techniques as you build pinch pots, sculpt animals, and create a fairy house. Then build your own cup by throwing clay on a pottery wheel. Finish your custom pieces with stamping, carving, and glazing to make them uniquely yours. No previous experience required.

**Anna Garner**

1009 Sec. YA Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 9AM-12PM

1010 Sec. YB Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 9AM-12PM  
\$179

## 📍 Draw Like an Egyptian

**Grades 3-8**

Learn how to spell your name with hieroglyphics and make replicas of mummified animals as you explore the fascinating history of ancient Egypt. Work with real papyrus leaves and ancient Egyptian papermaking processes to create handmade paper for drawing, painting, or collaging together Egyptian-style art. Dazzle your friends with your knowledge about this ancient culture and their art.

**The Little Art School instructor**

1004 Sec. YA Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/20-7/24, 9AM-12PM  
Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington  
\$199

## Learn to Crochet

Get hooked! Crochet is a fast and fun way to be creative. Learn and practice the single crochet, half double crochet, and double crochet. Discover how to change yarn colors, and read patterns. Then try your hand at some simple projects like a bookmark or scarf.

**Lauren Pruter**

1044 Sec. YA Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 9AM-12PM  
\$159

## NEW! Ceramics Open Studio

**Grades 6-12**

Take charge of your own clay creations and bring your previous ceramics experience to work independently while an instructor stays nearby to guide, demonstrate, and inspire when needed. Explore new techniques in hand-building, wheel work, glazing, or surface decoration this week. Enjoy the time, materials, and expert help to make your ceramic vision come to life.

**Anna Garner**

1051 Sec. YA Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 1-4PM  
\$179

## NEW! 📍 Cat Crazy

Explore the expressive world of cats through a range of artistic techniques and materials. Experiment with line work, layered coloring, watercolor washes, mixed-media collage, and bold marker or ink rendering. Study feline shapes, movement, and personality as you develop stronger drawing skills and your own artistic style. Create detailed cat illustrations, stylized portraits, and dynamic compositions using advanced tools and approaches. Leave the class with a portfolio of varied cat-themed artworks that showcase your growing skills.

**The Little Art School instructor**

1049 Sec. YA Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/27-7/31, 9AM-12PM  
Off campus, The Little Art School, Bloomington  
\$199

## NEW! Amigurumi Crochet Creatures

Learn the Japanese crochet art of amigurumi and make your first three-dimensional yarn objects. Create a jellyfish as your first project. Practice and refine the magic ring, single crochet, increasing and decreasing, and finishing off in the round. Everyone will complete a jellyfish for their first project, and then start a second creature from a choice of several. Prerequisite: Learn to Crochet: Grades 6-8 or basic crochet skills.

**Lauren Pruter**

1050 Sec. YA Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 1-4PM  
\$159



# Grades 6-8



## PERFORMING ARTS

### Start Your Magic Journey!

#### Grades 3-8

Join Joel Shoemaker, a magician with over 30 years' experience, in a fun-filled workshop! Learn how to perform a dozen magic tricks using ordinary objects. Discover how to create optical illusions and magic with playing cards, rope, paper, and more. Magic is more than fooling your friends and family — you will also leave with public speaking, stage presence, and storytelling skills. Please bring a sack lunch.

**Joel Shoemaker**

1020 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/23, 9AM-4PM

\$115



### The Magician's Experience

#### Grades 5-8

Learn a wide variety of magic from professional magician Greg Joyce. Work with playing cards, money, coins, rope, sponge balls, cups and balls, mind-reading effects, special props, and sleight-of-hand techniques. Explore material created especially for this class and enjoy a brief introduction to stage magic props. Build your skills and confidence as you prepare to put on a great magical performance. All supplies and a class instruction handbook are provided.

**Greg Joyce**

1059 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 1-4PM

\$149



## LANGUAGE, WRITING & CULTURE

### Destination Spanish

Explore the diversity of the Spanish-speaking world and ignite a love for this language that's spoken by nearly 600 million people around the globe. Discover different cultures and learn the language through music, conversations, games, and more. Master the basics of Spanish vocabulary and grammar and expand your understanding of the world while you're at it!

**Tiffany Bernardini**

1045 Sec. YA

Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 9AM-12PM

\$159





## Baseball Sports Announcing

Join Braden Fogerson, broadcast analyst for Illinois State University sports on ESPN's The Valley to explore the exciting world of baseball announcing! Learn to call the action, use dynamic language, and energize every play. Build confidence, sharpen public speaking skills, and develop a strong voice through engaging activities and practice. Perfect for aspiring commentators or sports fans ready to share their love for the game. Familiarity with American baseball rules is highly encouraged. Class includes CornBelters youth ticket and tour of the press box.

**Braden Fogerson**

1018 Sec. YA      Mon-Wed (3 sessions), 6/15-6/17, 1-4PM  
\$135

## Young Writer's Workshop

Bring your story to life! Immerse your readers into an exciting new world by crafting a vivid backdrop to your narrative. Level up your writing skills and discover how your setting affects the plot and tone of your story. Leave class ready to take your readers on an unforgettable journey through your imagination!

**Zeke Jarvis**

1046 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$139

## **NEW!** Design Your Choose-Your-Own-Adventure Book

Learn how to build branching plots, craft engaging characters, and design story paths that let readers decide what happens next as you craft a Choose-Your-Own-Adventure book. Experiment with choices that lead to exciting twists, surprising changes and a variety of endings. Use worksheets and story maps to stay organized as your tale grows. Create a finished mini-adventure book to share with classmates, friends, and family, and gain confidence in your writing imagination and storytelling skills.

**Ryan Edel**

1064 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 1-4PM  
\$149

## The Mythology of Percy Jackson

Meet the "real" Greek mythological figures who inspired the Percy Jackson book and film universe! Learn fascinating facts about Undersea God Poseidon (Percy's dad), Menacing Minotaurs (who kidnapped Percy's mom), Earth-rooted Satyrs (like Percy's best friend, Grover), Lofty Athena (mother of Annabeth Chase), Hades, and more. Then create your own modern-day god, goddess, or monster to add to the Percy Jackson universe!

**Tom McCulley**

1047 Sec. YA      Tuesday 7/14, 1-4PM  
\$35

## **NEW!** Write a D&D Quest!

Conjure enchanted realms, dream up fantastical towns, and invent characters bursting with personality as you write your Dungeons & Dragons adventure. Learn to design challenges, puzzles, and encounters that surprise and test adventurers. Use story sheets and mystical mapping tools to keep your ideas organized. Finish the class with a playable quest worthy of a Dungeon Master.

**Ryan Edel**

1065 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 1-4PM  
\$149



# Grades 6-8



## FOOD & KITCHEN

### Let's Make Boba Tea!

**Grades 6-12**

Ready to shake things up? Join this fun class where you'll learn to make your own bubble tea from scratch! Get hands-on instruction making the chewy boba pearls, blending yummy teas, and adding flavors to create the ultimate drink. From classic milk tea to fruity creations, this is your chance to mix it up and sip your own boba masterpiece! Grab your friends and get ready to boba-fy your day!

**Corey Meredith**

1027 Sec. YA

Monday 6/8, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$55

### Fiesta in the Kitchen

Get ready to turn up the flavor! Learn how to prepare a full Mexican-inspired menu, including savory tacos with customizable fillings, bright and zesty cilantro-lime rice, and fresh homemade salsa. Come hungry and leave ready to host your own fiesta!

**Corey Meredith**

1071 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/9, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$65

### Junior Pizza Makers

Learn how to make pizza from scratch starting with homemade dough in this hands-on class. Walk through the basics of mixing, kneading, and shaping dough before moving on to crafting two delicious custom creations: a classic savory pizza; and a fun, dessert-style sweet pizza. Craft your perfect pizza in this class for beginners and budding foodies alike!

**Corey Meredith**

1072 Sec. YA

Monday 6/15, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$65

### Cooking up Italy!

Get ready to roll up your sleeves and dive into the vibrant flavors of Italy in this hands-on cooking class! Master crispy, cheesy Chicken Parmesan, prepare fresh homemade pasta, and finish the experience with a delicious, authentic Italian cookie that's sure to impress. Come hungry, leave inspired, and bring home recipes you'll want to make again and again!

**Corey Meredith**

1070 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/16, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$65

### Baking Made Easy

If you have a sweet tooth and a love for food, you have what it takes to become a great baker! Now, all you need are some techniques, recipes, and practice. Join other aspiring bakers in this kitchen adventure where you'll explore foolproof recipes for cookies, brownies, cakes, muffins, and more. Leave with need-to-know knowledge and be well on your way to developing your own signature bakes.

**Corey Meredith**

1024 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189

**Cook up something**

**delicious!**

All cooking classes will be held off campus at Normal Community High School.



Register online at [Heartland.edu/Kids](http://Heartland.edu/Kids)



### **📍 Culinary Arts for the Young Chef**

Follow your passion for food with professional culinary training! Roll up your sleeves to craft four full meals from scratch! Make lasagna roll-ups with garlic breadsticks; brinner (breakfast for dinner) sandwiches; cheeseburger sliders with hand-cut French fries; and an Asia-inspired sesame chicken with vegetable fried rice!

**Corey Meredith**

1025 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189

### **📍 Desserts Around the World**

Fill your culinary passport as you travel through your taste buds to England, Italy, Poland, and France and more. Learn to make a treasured dish from each country and level up your food skills along the way. From making crepes from France to cookies from Poland, Italy and more, this course will turn you into a global culinary artist.

**Corey Meredith**

1023 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 9AM-12PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189

## SUMMER FUN 2026!



### **Kids@Heartland:**

- June 8–June 26
- June 29–July 3 week break
- July 6–July 31

### **Summer adults:**

- May 26–Aug. 4



# Grades 6-8



## RECREATION

### **Rock Climbing Basics**

**Grades 6-12**

Conquer the climbing wall in a fun, inclusive environment! Get introduced to the basics of rock climbing as you explore grip types, grades, safety procedures, and climbing etiquette. Then put your rock climbing skills to the test under the guidance of expert instructors. Register on your own or with a friend! Class fee includes a full membership at Upper Limits for the duration of the class and the following week.

**Upper Limits Climbing Gym instructor**

1017 Sec. YA      Mon/Wed/Fri (3 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 3-5PM  
Off campus, Upper Limits Climbing Gym,  
Bloomington  
\$149

### **Beginning Pickleball**

**Grades 3-8**

Learn to play one of the fastest growing (and best named) sports in America — pickleball! Build a solid foundation for this popular game as you learn the fundamental rules, techniques, and strategies through hands-on practice. No prior experience is necessary. Paddles and other equipment will be provided.

**Evergreen Racquet Club instructor**

994 Sec. YA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 6/22-6/26, 9-10AM  
Off campus, Evergreen Racquet Club, Bloomington  
\$119

### **NEW!** **Learn to Fish**

Grab your gear and get ready to cast! Learn essential fishing techniques, gear basics, and the science behind local fish and ecosystems. Then take what you've learned straight to Birky Pond and practice your skills in action. Perfect for beginners or anyone ready to connect with nature through angling. Participants will receive a supply list before the start of class.

**Austin Mink**

1067 Sec. YA      Wednesday 6/24, 9AM-12PM  
\$49 (plus supplies)

### **Intro to Dungeons & Dragons**

Have you ever wanted to play Dungeons & Dragons, but were overwhelmed by the rules? A local Dungeon master will guide you every step of the way, making the rules easy to understand and preparing you for your first adventure. Discover the game's history, learn how it works, create your first character, and find out what happens in a D&D campaign. Get ready to roll the dice and start playing!

**Lauren Garner**

1037 Sec. YA      Friday 6/26, 9AM-12PM  
\$49

### **Beginning & Intermediate Tennis**

**Grades 3-8**

Grab your equipment and hit the tennis court! In this introductory camp, learn how to properly hold a racket, hit the ball, and move around the court. Then practice scoring a game so you can enjoy playing at home with friends or family. Work hard and have fun, and you'll be confident on the court in no time! No prior experience or formal training necessary. Please bring a tennis racket.

**Evergreen Racquet Club instructor**

993 Sec. YA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/6-7/10, 9-10AM  
Off campus, Evergreen Racquet Club, Bloomington  
\$119



**Summer fun  
for adults, too!**

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## STEM

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### **NEW!** STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

**Grades 6-12**

Go inside a real college biology lab — use professional equipment, handle real specimens, and take part in hands-on dissection, experiences normally reserved for college classrooms. Investigate real biological questions and use your observations and data to make sense of what you see. Every participant receives a printed lab manual and dissection guides to support the experience and extend learning at home.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1114 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/10, 9AM-12PM

\$85

### **NEW!** Lunar Rescue

A critical piece of equipment has failed during a mission to the Moon and Mission Control needs you. As part of the ground team, you'll work to build, test, and repair systems needed to keep astronauts safe and the mission on track. Teams will design solutions, run real-world tests, and adapt as new problems arise. Every challenge brings the mission closer to success. Can your team fix the problem in time and save the mission?

**CLC instructor**

1120 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/16, 9AM-12PM

\$69

### **NEW!** Intermediate STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

**Grades 6-12**

Take on a hands-on lab experience featuring two very different aquatic organisms — a squid and a fish. Using professional lab tools, students will work with real specimens to explore internal and external features and discover how these organisms are designed to move and function in water. Compare structures, spot key differences, and uncover details that can only be seen through close scientific examination. This workshop is designed for students ready to take the next step beyond introductory labs and dive deeper into real-world biology.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1096 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/17, 9AM-12PM

\$89

### **NEW!** Advanced STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

**Grades 6-12**

Take on an advanced dissection lab focused on some of the most complex and fascinating organs — the heart, brain, and eye. Working in a real college biology lab, students will use professional tools to carefully dissect preserved sheep organs and uncover details you can't see in textbooks or videos. Trace pathways, identify key structures, and make direct connections between what they observe and how each organ works. This lab is for students ready to step up, work carefully, and take on a more challenging hands-on exploration of anatomy.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1097 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/24, 9AM-12PM

\$89

### **Lunar Quest**

**Grades 5-8**

Blast off to train like a real NASA astronaut! Build critical teamwork, problem-solving, and STEM skills through hands-on astronaut-inspired challenges. Then put your training to the test in our spacecraft simulator, where teams will collaborate to deploy a rover to the Moon's surface. Investigate a lava tube as a potential underground base for human habitation. See if you have what it takes to reach a NASA-inspired mission success!

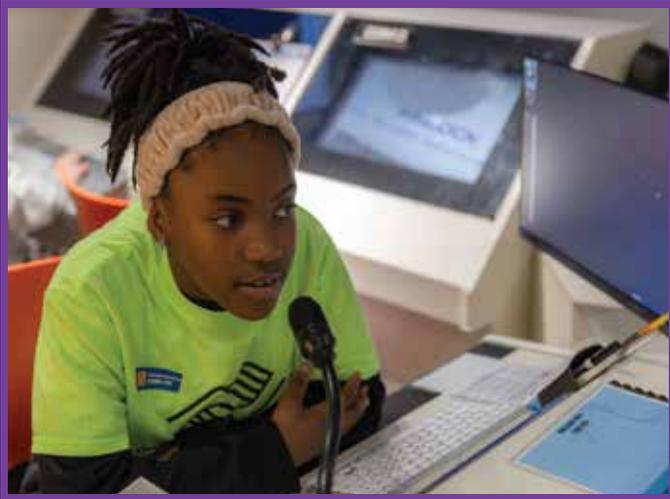
**CLC instructor**

1083 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/6-7/7, 1-4PM

\$79

# Grades 6-8



## TECHNOLOGY

### Photography Tour Around Town

Gear up for a digital photography excursion around town! Get coaching on setting up your shots to capture picturesque moments while visiting popular photo locations around town. Explore your camera's settings and practice several artistic techniques to enhance your photos. Please bring a DSLR camera with a fully charged battery, lens, memory card, and user manual. Bring any lenses you would like to use. A list of locations will be provided prior to class.

**Sara Gardner**

1028 Sec. YA

Tue-Thu (3 sessions), 6/16-6/18, 9AM-12PM

\$105

### YouTube Content Creators

Find your voice and leave your mark! Develop your on-camera presence, channel branding, and editing skills, and gain tips for practicing good digital citizenship. Take home a plan to launch your own channel with the content you create in class. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password-protected website.

**Chris Garner**

1112 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 9AM-12PM

\$215



**STEM cont.**

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### Expedition Mars

**Grades 5-8**

The year is 2076, and your astronaut training is about to be put to the test! Begin by exploring how to power a Mars research base, designing circuits with real solar panels and testing wind turbines to find the most efficient energy source. Then take part in a thrilling simulation in our space station, where your team will build a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) to explore Mars for evidence of life. Get ready to train like a future space explorer!

**CLC instructor**

1087 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/8-7/9, 1-4PM

\$79

### **NEW!** Roller Coaster Fest 2026

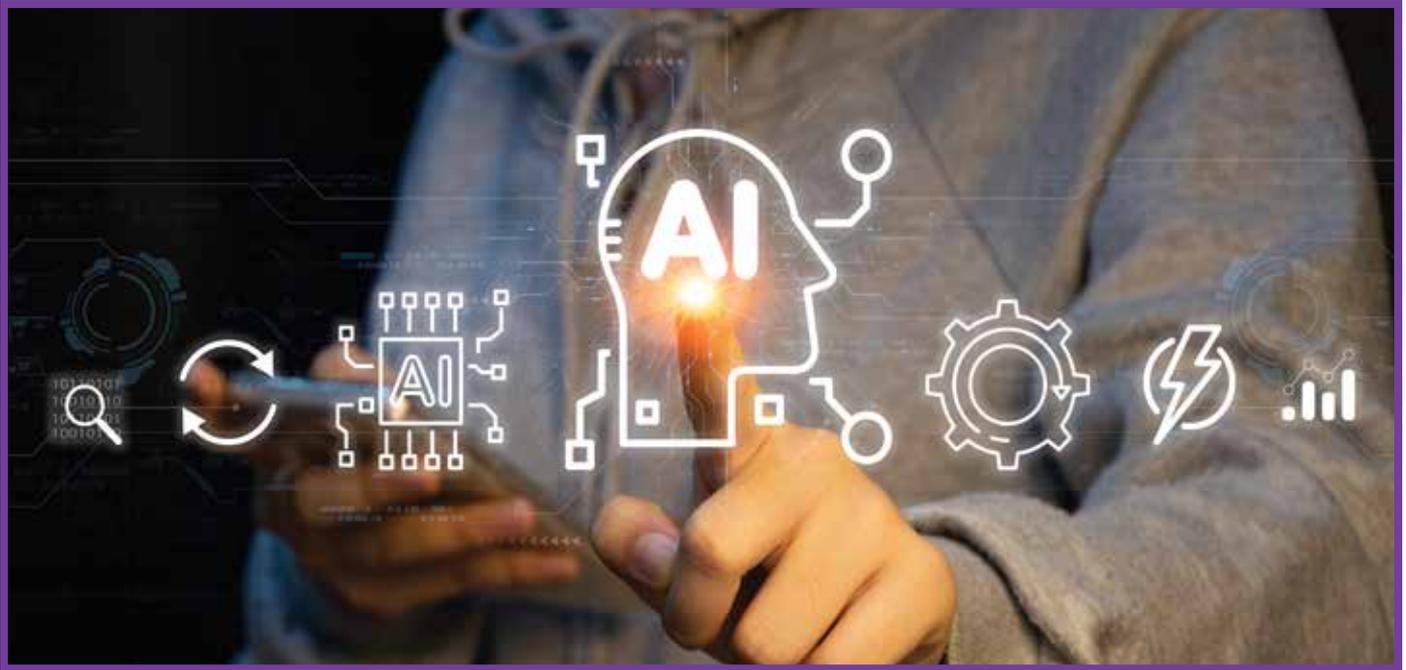
Come catch the ride of your life at Roller Coaster Fest 2026! This hands-on camp encourages students to become engineers, designers, and thrill-seekers all in one. Throughout the program, campers explore the science and creativity behind roller coasters by designing, building, and testing their own original models. This camp emphasizes collaboration, critical thinking, and problem-solving. The more twists, turns, and loops, the better! Will your design win Roller Coaster Fest 2026?

**CLC instructor**

1095 Sec. YA

Tue-Wed (2 sessions), 7/28-7/29, 9AM-12PM

\$69



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**Doug McGraw**

1113 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 1-4PM  
\$215

## WordPress Wizardry, Create Your Own Website

Build a dream website with WordPress! Start fresh or level up skills as you design, customize, and optimize like a pro. Explore plugins, templates, and search engine optimization (SEO) to make your site stand out. Please bring your email, username, and password. WordPress is free, fun, and full of possibilities!

**Holly Johnson**

997 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 9AM-12PM  
\$139

## Python Programmers

Discover the world's fastest growing programming language favored by Google, NASA, YouTube, and the CIA. Learn how to code with Python to create engaging apps and games. Challenge friends with fun content you create from start to finish. Returning students can build on previous years and create more advanced projects. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password protected website.

**Ryan Edel**

1108 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$215

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**Ryan Edel**

1107 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 9AM-12PM  
\$215

# Grades 6-8



**TECHNOLOGY** cont.

## Learn How to Build Your Own PC

Anyone can buy a computer, but what about building one? Learn about various computer parts and their functions, assemble working computers from base components, discover how to install an operating system, and gain valuable troubleshooting skills along the way. Take your new skills and confidence home to build your own PC.

**Stephen Szabo**

1031 Sec. YA      Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/13-7/14, 9AM-12PM  
\$79

## ROBLOX® Makers

Unlock the power of ROBLOX Studio, the world creation tool used by real-world ROBLOX developers! Learn how to build 3D models and create an adventure in your ROBLOX world. Bring characters to life with unique animations you design. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password-protected website.

**Doug McGraw**

1111 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 1-4PM  
\$215

## Code Breakers

Calling all future coders, programmers, and designers! Learn the basics of coding languages like HTML, JavaScript, and CSS through a series of web projects and design challenges, and be on your way to becoming the next tech star! This course has the essentials you need to begin your digital journey. Projects will be available on a Black Rocket website to share with friends and family. Returning students can create more advanced projects that build on previous years.

**Black Rocket instructor**

1110 Sec. OYA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/13-7/17, 3:30-6PM  
\$199

## Pokémon® Masters, Designers & 3D Makers Unite!

Bring your ideas to life when you create your own custom digital Pokémon-style card game. Then practice designing action figures, jewelry, and toys with professional-level modeling software. Learn how to prepare a model for 3D printing and build a design portfolio to showcase your work! Leave class as the PokéMaster of your own imagination. No prior experience is necessary. Your 3D designs will be available on a password-protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family.

**Austin Mink**

1033 Sec. YA      Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 9AM-12PM  
\$215

## Video Game Animation

Take your game design skills to the next level by creating and animating your own character sprites, objects, and backgrounds. Start with a name, develop the character's personality, signature moves, special powers, and a storyline. Finish with a fully animated character to be used in your very own game. Students do not need any prior experience in game design, animation, or sketching. Student-created games will be available on a password protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family.

**Black Rocket instructor**

1109 Sec. OYA      Mon-Fri (5 sessions), 7/20-7/24, 12-2:30PM  
\$199

## Create Stunning Portraits

### Grades 6-12

Capture stunning portraits of people in any setting. Discover the art of lighting and framing faces — whether you're shooting indoors or outdoors. Learn how to find the perfect pockets of light and turn surrounding structures into dynamic backdrops by positioning the best shot. Soon you'll be the go-to photographer for those memory-making photos. Please bring a DSLR camera with a fully charged battery, lens, memory card, and user manual. Include any additional lenses you would like to use.

**Sara Gardner**

1035 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/22-7/23, 1-4PM  
\$69

## Minecraft® Modders

Use your favorite game to learn the basics of modding and foundations of programming. Learn scripting and logic statements as you create your first mods. Introductory coding will also be taught through a simulated environment inspired by Minecraft. You will be able to access your projects at home on a password protected website. To enjoy this class, you must own a Java version of Minecraft. Tablet, phone, and game console versions of Minecraft are not compatible.

**Bob Scornavacco**

1106 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 9AM-12PM  
\$215

## Make Your First 3D Video Game

Go well beyond the limitations of the traditional 2D game design classes and create an immersive 3D world. Learn the physics behind 3D games, explore beginner event scripting, level design, controlling the flow of gameplay, and storytelling. Student-created games will be available on a password protected Black Rocket website to share with friends and family. Projects are only compatible with Windows devices. Students will work in pairs or teams for most of the program.

**Austin Mink**

1032 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/27-7/30, 1-4PM  
\$215

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## LIFE SKILLS & ENRICHMENT

### Junior Nurse Academy

Embark on an exciting journey into the world of nursing under the direction of a Heartland instructor! Discover what a typical day is in the healthcare field. Get hands-on activities that will introduce you to CPR, how to check blood pressure, and become a superhero at spotting important signs in patients' health. Find out how nurses make a difference in people's lives every day!

**Dameron Beverly**

995 Sec. YA

Mon/Wed (2 sessions), 6/8-6/10, 9AM-12PM  
\$129

### Babysitter Training

Get the training you need to launch your babysitting business! Learn life-saving skills such as how to rescue someone who's choking, what to do during severe weather, and how to perform basic first-aid care. Gain a better understanding of child behavioral patterns according to their development stage. Leave with a CPR certification from the American Heart Association and a Safe Sitter® completion card, along with methods to grow your babysitting business. Please bring a sack lunch. Registration deadline is May 24.

**Brandy Myers**

1075 Sec. YA

1076 Sec. YB

1077 Sec. YC

Monday 6/8, 9AM-4PM

Wednesday 6/10, 9AM-4PM

Monday 6/15, 9AM-4PM

\$155 (includes textbooks and certification card)

# Grades 6-8



## Safety & Self-Defense

Find out how to identify and avoid risky situations, set boundaries, and assert yourself in this class for youth led by a trained self-defense expert. Then practice physical techniques geared toward your size and strength. Leave class with the knowledge and confidence to stay safe and defend yourself when necessary. Wear comfortable clothes for exercise.

**Angelique Racki**

1053 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/16, 10:30AM-12PM

\$35

## Money Skills for Life

Gain tips for saving toward your next purchase and managing your money for the future. Learn how to set realistic financial goals and understand the pros and cons of credit and debit cards. Play fun games as you practice establishing "needs" versus "wants" to curb impulse buying. Leave with a game plan for your cash and a healthy mentality on saving and spending.

**Lynn Tackett**

1062 Sec. YA

Tuesday 6/16, 1-4PM

\$45

## So You Want To Be an EMT

### Grades 6-12

Help people during times of crisis as an emergency medical technician. Explore the profession and find out what certifications you need to become one. See how EMTs administer treatments to patients with various injuries. Gain experience through hands-on activities, and explore CPR training and an ambulance. Leave with insight into this health services career.

**Dawn Wilson**

1019 Sec. YA

Thursday 7/9, 1-4PM

\$49



## LIFE SKILLS & ENRICHMENT cont.

### **NEW!** Intro to Carpentry Skills

#### Grades 7-12

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**John McKee**

1074 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 6/15-6/16, 1-4PM

Off campus, Mid Central Community Action,  
Bloomington

**\$129 (plus \$5 supply fee, cash only,  
paid to instructor)**



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**Grades 7-12**

Ready to get hands-on with real automotive skills? In this fun 4-day class, spend the first two days on car basics — checking tire pressure, tire rotation, inspecting and replacing brake components, and general maintenance inspections. Then get basic training in diesel equipment and how it works. Leave with the confidence to understand important maintenance tasks, and feel empowered to care for your vehicles.

**Vincent Hobart**

1073 Sec. YA

**Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/13-7/16, 9AM -12PM**  
**\$139 (plus \$5 supply fee, cash only, paid to instructor)**

**NEW!** **Time Management & Productive Habits**

Take control of your time and build habits that support success in school and beyond. Set clear, meaningful goals, prioritize tasks, and create schedules using both paper and digital tools. Practice strategies to beat procrastination, manage stress, and balance academics, activities, and personal time. Through self-assessment, reflection, and hands-on activities, develop practical skills to work more efficiently and plan with purpose for future academic and career goals.

**Ben Schellenberg**

1068 Sec. YA

**Monday 7/13, 1-4PM**  
**\$35**

**CPR & Lifesaving Skills**

Develop the skills that could save someone's life! Learn about cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), how to provide breaths with a barrier device, and how to relieve an airway obstruction if someone is choking. Get to know basic first aid and find out how to properly use an AED (automated external defibrillator). Leave class ready to help others in need. A CPR/AED/First Aid certification card will be emailed after successful completion of the hands-on first aid skills and manikin practice. Certification is valid for two years.

**Dawn Wilson**

996 Sec. YA

**Thursday 7/16, 9AM-12PM**

**\$75 (includes materials and certification card)**

**Study Smarter**

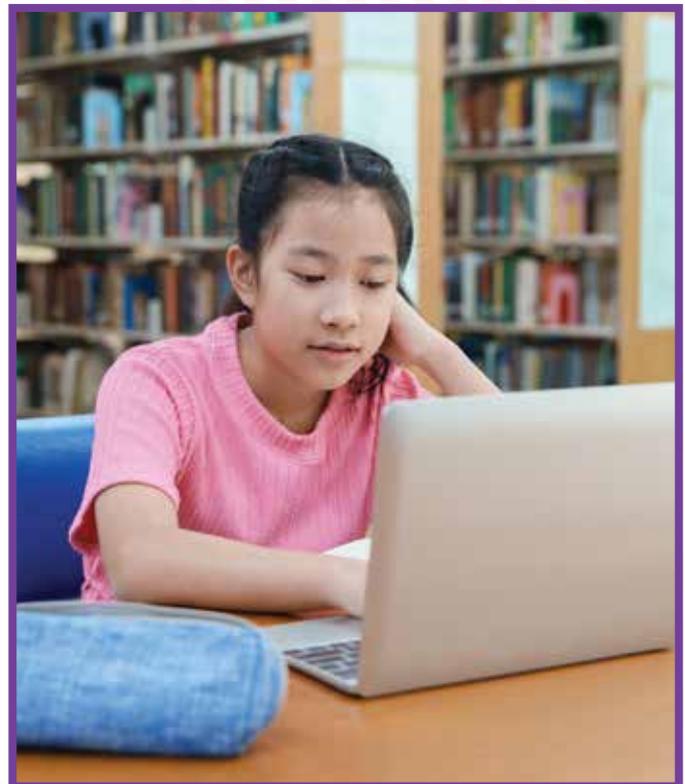
Rediscover your love of learning while enhancing your individual study skills. Explore fun and specific-to-you strategies for taking notes and reviewing new facts and concepts. Collect tools for optimizing your learning in different subjects. Leave class ready to build time in your day for fun activities while still meeting your study goals.

**Lynn Tackett**

1036 Sec. YA

**Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/27-7/28, 1-4PM**

**\$79**



# Grades 9-12



## **NEW!** Ceramics Open Studio

### **Grades 6-12**

Take charge of your own clay creations and bring your previous ceramics experience to work independently while an instructor stays nearby to guide, demonstrate, and inspire when needed. Explore new techniques in hand-building, wheel work, glazing, or surface decoration this week. Enjoy the time, materials, and expert help to make your ceramic vision come to life.

**Anna Garner**

1051 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/20-7/23, 1-4PM

\$179



## ARTS & CRAFTS

### **Wheel-Thrown & Handcrafted Ceramics**

Encounter a new creative outlet that will fill your space with one-of-a-kind pottery! Begin with the basics of handbuilding and wheel thrown pottery, and practice trimming and finishing techniques. Apply those skills to your own hand-crafted ceramic projects.

**Claire Hedden**

1015 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/15-6/18, 1-4PM

\$179

### **Introduction to Darkroom Photography**

Put your digital camera aside and pick up a film camera to add new flair to your photo-taking fun. Unpack and practice the fundamentals of darkroom photography, from basic camera operation and shooting to developing film and printing your own darkroom photos. Students will be able to use Heartland's 35mm film camera but may also bring their own.

**Lindsey Basham**

1014 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 6/22-6/25, 1-4PM

\$179



## FOOD & KITCHEN

### **Let's Make Boba Tea!**

#### **Grades 6-12**

Ready to shake things up? Join this fun class where you'll learn to make your own bubble tea from scratch! Get hands-on instruction making the chewy boba pearls, blending yummy teas, and adding flavors to create the ultimate drink. From classic milk tea to fruity creations, this is your chance to mix it up and sip your own boba masterpiece! Grab your friends and get ready to boba-fy your day!

**Corey Meredith**

1027 Sec. YA

Monday 6/8, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School

\$55





## Desserts Around the World

Pack your bags—your taste buds are about to go on a world tour! Get ready to explore the flavors of England, Italy, and France, learning to make iconic dishes from each spot. Imagine whipping up French macarons, scones from England with a zesty lemon curd and mastering more international favorites. This class is your ticket to leveling up your food game and becoming a true global culinary artist!

**Corey Meredith**

1026 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM

Off campus, Normal Community High School  
\$189



## RECREATION

## Rock Climbing Basics

**Grades 6-12**

Conquer the climbing wall in a fun, inclusive environment! Get introduced to the basics of rock climbing as you explore grip types, grades, safety procedures, and climbing etiquette. Then put your rock climbing skills to the test under the guidance of expert instructors. Register on your own or with a friend! Class fee includes a full membership at Upper Limits for the duration of the class and the following week.

**Upper Limits Climbing Gym instructor**

1017 Sec. YA

Mon/Wed/Fri (3 sessions), 6/8-6/12, 3-5PM

Off campus, Upper Limits Climbing Gym,  
Bloomington  
\$149



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**Lynn Tackett**

1038 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/29-7/30, 1-4PM

\$79

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**Ben Schellenberg**

1069 Sec. YA

Wednesday 7/15, 1-4PM

\$35



## STEM

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### NEW! Intermediate STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

#### Grades 6-12

Take on a hands-on lab experience featuring two very different aquatic organisms — a squid and a fish. Using professional lab tools, students will work with real specimens to explore internal and external features and discover how these organisms are designed to move and function in water. Compare structures, spot key differences, and uncover details that can only be seen through close scientific examination. This workshop is designed for students ready to take the next step beyond introductory labs and dive deeper into real-world biology.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1096 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/17, 9AM-12PM

\$89

### NEW! Advanced STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

#### Grades 6-12

Take on an advanced dissection lab focused on some of the most complex and fascinating organs — the heart, brain, and eye. Working in a real college biology lab, students will use professional tools to carefully dissect preserved sheep organs and uncover details you can't see in textbooks or videos. Trace pathways, identify key structures, and make direct connections between what they observe and how each organ works. This lab is for students ready to step up, work carefully, and take on a more challenging hands-on exploration of anatomy.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1097 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/24, 9AM-12PM

\$89



### NEW! STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop

#### Grades 6-12

Go inside a real college biology lab — use professional equipment, handle real specimens, and take part in hands-on dissection, experiences normally reserved for college classrooms. Investigate real biological questions and use your observations and data to make sense of what you see. Every participant receives a printed lab manual and dissection guides to support the experience and extend learning at home.

**Jacinda Shoot**

1114 Sec. YA

Wednesday 6/10, 9AM-12PM

\$85



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**Sara Gardner**  
1035 Sec. YA

Wed-Thu (2 sessions), 7/22-7/23, 1-4PM  
\$69



## TECHNOLOGY

### WordPress Wizardry, Create Your Own Website

Build a dream website with WordPress! Start fresh or level up skills as you design, customize, and optimize like a pro. Explore plugins, templates, and search engine optimization (SEO) to make your site stand out. Please bring your email, username, and password. WordPress is free, fun, and full of possibilities!

**Holly Johnson**

998 Sec. YA

Mon-Thu (4 sessions), 7/6-7/9, 1-4PM  
\$139

### Learn How to Build Your Own PC

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**Stephen Szabo**

1034 Sec. YA

Mon-Tue (2 sessions), 7/13-7/14, 1-4PM  
\$79

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## CAREER EXPLORATION

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**Dawn Wilson**

1019 Sec. YA

Thursday 7/9, 1-4PM  
\$49



# Adults Summer Classes



## Creative Arts

### Sculpting Ceramics by Hand & Pottery Wheel

Create functional and one-of-a-kind ceramics! Fine-tune techniques such as pinching, coiling, and building with clay. Then move to the pottery wheel, where you'll learn to throw cylinders and bowls. Observe and understand the ceramic process, from wet clay to fired pottery to finishing with glazing. Bring your ideas and inspiration to make original pieces in a cooperative and creative environment. No prior experience required.

**Claire Hedden**

970 Sec. A

Thursday (7 sessions), 6/11-7/23, 6-8:30PM  
\$225

## History

### Radium Girls: The Dark Story of America's "Shining Women"

Unpack the tragic story of America's "Radium Girls." In 1898 in Paris, France, Marie and Pierre Curie discover the element radium. Marie calls it "my beautiful radium" and asks what could it not do, implying almost a kind of sorcery and supernatural power. Revisit the discovery and the use of radium in making watch and clock dials. Find out the terrible effects it had on the "Radium Girls," first in New York City, and later in Ottawa, Illinois, and what became of the company. Applaud how doctors played a vital role in discovering radium's deadly effect and moved to treat the workers.

**Jeff Paisley**

988 Sec. A

Thursday 6/11, 6-8PM  
\$25

## Professional Development

### Food Protection Manager Certification

Illinois regulations require food establishments to have at least one certified food protection manager (CFPM) on staff. This course uses the National Registry of Food Safety Professionals examination, which is approved by the American National Standards Institute. Learn about basic food safety, personal hygiene, cross-contamination and allergens, time and temperature, and cleaning and sanitation. Certification is required every five years. Please call 309-268-8160 to request an exam in another language.

**U of I Extension instructor**

985 Sec. A

Tuesday 6/9, 9AM-3PM and

Wednesday 6/10, 9AM-2PM

\$139 (includes exam)

## Health & Recreation

### Fitness & Recreation Center Community Access

Experience the ample health and wellness opportunities of Heartland's Fitness and Recreation Center. Enrollment in this program provides everything you need to improve your fitness level including treadmills, ellipticals, weights, and weight machines. Gain access to the walking track, dance studio, and locker room. Towel service is included. Ages 16 and up only.

981 Sec. A

Mon-Sat (closed on Sundays and 6/19, 7/3,

and 7/4), 6/1-8/29 Mon-Fri 6AM-8PM,

Saturdays 8AM-4PM

\$55



## Yoga I

Leave stress behind and re-energize your body and mind. Work on basic postures, proper breathing, mindfulness, and deep relaxation. Learn to move safely within your personal ability to increase strength, flexibility, and balance. Prior yoga experience is not necessary. Please bring a yoga mat and water bottle.

### Nancy Norkiewicz

987 Sec. A Tuesday (10 sessions), 5/26-7/28, 6-7PM  
1063 Sec. A Tuesday (10 sessions), 8/4-10/6, 6-7PM  
\$129

## Heartsaver CPR/AED/First Aid

Gain an understanding of basic CPR and first-aid skills. Learn cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR), how to provide breaths with a barrier device, how to relieve an airway obstruction, and how to use an AED (automated external defibrillator). A CPR/AED/First Aid certification card will be emailed after successful completion of the hands-on first aid skills and manikin practice. Certification is valid for two years. Certification is approved by DCFS for day care providers. This class is not intended for healthcare professionals.

### Dawn Wilson

984 Sec. A Saturday 6/13, 8:30-11:45AM  
\$65 (includes materials and certification card)

## Barre Body

If you want a full-body workout that combines stretching, strengthening, light aerobics, and core work, look no further than the barre. A professional ballerina will guide you through warming up, doing barre work, and cooling down while toning your muscles. Practice in a setting adaptable to your abilities, and leave class feeling fully conditioned. No prior ballet experience required.

### Michelle Masi

982 Sec. A Wednesday (5 sessions), 6/17-7/15, 6-7PM  
\$49



## In the Kitchen

### Create a Fresh Fruit Tart

Indulge in a touch of French elegance in our hands-on fresh fruit tart class. Begin by preparing a rich pâte sucrée (sweet tart dough), bake it to perfection, and fill it with luscious pastry cream. Then design your tart with a vibrant assortment of local fruits — strawberries, peaches, raspberries, and blueberries — and top it with a glaze to make it shine. Plus, you'll get to take your sweet tart masterpiece home to enjoy.

### Erin Ensenberger

974 Sec. A Tuesday 6/23, 6-8:30PM  
\$59



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# Kids@Heartland Week by Week



## June 8-12

### Morning

- 2 Cat Crazy: Grades 1-2
- 5 Crazy Clay: Grades 3-5
- 10 Desserts Around the World: Grades 3-5
- 10 Bird Song Explorers: Grades 3-5
- 16 Introduction to Darkroom Photography: Grades 6-8
- 18 Destination Spanish: Grades 6-8
- 23, 32 STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop: Grades 6-12
- 27 Junior Nurse Academy: Grades 6-8
- 27 Babysitter Training: Grades 6-8 **(ALL DAY)**

### Afternoon

- 5 Discovering Drawing: Grades 3-5
- 9 Destination Spanish: Grades 3-5
- 10 Rock Climbing Basics: Grades 3-5
- 16 Clay Fantasy: Grades 6-8
- 20, 30 Let's Make Boba Tea: Grades 6-12
- 20 Fiesta in the Kitchen: Grades 6-8
- 22, 31 Rock Climbing Basics: Grades 6-12

## June 15-20

### Morning

- 2 Storybuilders: Grades 1-2
- 3 Bug Safari: Grade K-2
- 5 Crazy Clay: Grades 3-5
- 10 Foods With Science Baked In: Grades 3-5
- 11 Bug Detectives: Grades 3-5
- 11 Galactic Gadeteers: Grades 3-5
- 15 Safety & Self-Defense: Grades 3-5
- 23, 32 Intermediate STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop: Grades 6-12

## June 15-20 cont.

### Morning

- 23 Lunar Rescue: Grades 6-8
- 24 Photography Tour Around Town: Grades 6-8
- 27 Babysitter Training: Grades 6-8 **(ALL DAY)**
- 28 Safety & Self-Defense: Grades 6-8

### Afternoon

- 8 Introduction to Theater: Grades 3-5
- 9 Journal Writing Adventure: Grades 3-5
- 19 Baseball Sports Announcing: Grades 6-8
- 20 Junior Pizza Makers: Grades 6-8
- 20 Cooking up Italy!: Grades 6-8
- 28, 31 Intro to Carpentry Skills: Grades 7-12
- 28 Money Skills for Life: Grades 6-8
- 30 Wheel-Thrown & Handcrafted Ceramics: Grades 9-12

## June 22-27

### Morning

- 3 Royal Adventures!: Grades K-2
- 3 Wildlife Adventures: Grades K-2
- 5 Cat Crazy: Grades 3-5
- 8, 18 Start Your Magic Journey!: Grades 3-8 **(ALL DAY)**
- 9 Adventures in Storytelling: Grades 3-5
- 10, 22 Beginning Pickleball: Grades 3-8
- 13 AI Adventures, Intro to Machine Learning: Grades 3-5
- 16 Wheel-Thrown & Handcrafted Ceramics: Grades 6-8
- 20 Baking Made Easy: Grades 6-8
- 22 Learn to Fish: Grades 6-8
- 22 Intro to Dungeons & Dragons: Grades 6-8
- 23, 32 Advanced STEM Lab Anatomy Workshop: Grades 6-12
- 24 YouTube Content Creators: Grades 6-8



## June 22-27 cont.

### Afternoon

- 5 Wonderful World of Clay: Grades 3-5
- 5 Mini Worlds, Book Nook Building: Grades 3-5
- 12 Engineering for Mars: Grades 3-5
- 21 Culinary Arts for the Young Chef: Grades 6-8
- 25 AI Adventures, Intro to Machine Learning: Grades 6-8
- 30 Introduction to Darkroom Photography: Grades 9-12

## June 29-July 4

### No classes this week

## July 6-11

### Morning

- 3 Astro Adventures: Grades K-2
- 6 Jewelry Making Workshop: Grades 3-5
- 11, 22 Beginning & Intermediate Tennis: Grades 3-8
- 11 Kid's Yoga Extravaganza: Grades 3-5
- 13 ROBLOX® Coders: Grades 3-5
- 15 Kids Rule as Entrepreneurs: Grades 3-5
- 16 Wheel-Thrown & Handcrafted Ceramics: Grades 6-8
- 16 Art of Illustration: Grades 6-8
- 21 Desserts Around the World: Grades 6-8
- 25 WordPress Wizardry, Create Your Own Website: Grades 6-8

## July 6-11 cont.

### Afternoon

- 5 Wonderful World of Clay: Grades 3-5
- 6 2D & 3D Art Adventures: Grades 3-5
- 12, 23 Lunar Quest: Grades 5-8
- 12, 24 Expedition Mars: Grades 5-8
- 13 YouTube Content Creators: Grades 3-5
- 19 Young Writer's Workshop: Grades 6-8
- 25 Python Programmers: Grades 6-8
- 28, 33 So You Want To Be an EMT: Grades 6-12
- 31 Desserts Around the World: Grades 9-12
- 33 WordPress Wizardry, Create Your Own Website: Grades 9-12

## July 13-18

### Morning

- 4 Space Buddy STEM: Grades K-2
- 6 Art of Illustration: Grades 3-5
- 8 Ukulele for Beginners: Grades 3-5
- 13 Space Science Academy: Grades 3-5
- 14 ROBLOX® Makers: Grades 3-5
- 17 It's Clay Time!: Grades 6-8
- 18 Guitar Bootcamp: Grades 6-8
- 25 Virtual Reality, the Future is Now: Grades 6-8
- 26 Learn How to Build Your Own PC: Grades 6-8
- 29, 31 Intro to Car Repair: Grades 7-12
- 29 CPR & Lifesaving Skills: Grades 6-8

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## July 13-18 cont.

### Afternoon

- 7 Beginner Pottery Wheel: Grades 3-5
- 9 The Magician's Workshop: Grades 3-5
- 14 Code Breakers: Grades 3-5
- 19 Design Your Choose-Your-Own-Adventure Book: Grades 6-8
- 19 The Mythology of Percy Jackson: Grades 6-8
- 26 ROBLOX® Makers: Grades 6-8
- 26 Code Breakers: Grades 6-8
- 29 Time Management and Productive Habits: Grades 6-8
- 32 Time Management and Productive Habits: Grades 9-12
- 33 Learn How to Build Your Own PC: Grades 9-12

## July 20-24

### Morning

- 4 Clash of the Sciences: Grades K-2
- 6, 17 Draw Like an Egyptian: Grades 3-8
- 13 Rube Goldberg Space Challenge: Grades 3-5
- 14 Virtual Reality, The Future is Now: Grades 3-5
- 17 It's Clay Time!: Grades 6-8
- 17 Learn to Crochet: Grades 6-8
- 26 Pokémon® Masters, Designers & 3D Makers Unite!: Grades 6-8

## July 20-24 cont.

### Afternoon

- 9, 18 The Magician's Experience: Grades 5-8
- 14 Pokémon® Masters, Designers & 3D Makers Unite!: Grades 3-5
- 15 Video Game Animation: Grades 3-5
- 17, 30 Ceramics Open Studio: Grades 6-12
- 26 Video Game Animation: Grades 6-8
- 27, 33 Create Stunning Portraits: Grades 6-12

## July 27-31

### Morning

- 2 Art Adventure Around the World: Grades 1-2
- 4 My Mini-ville: Grades K-2
- 4 Space Engineers: Grades K-2
- 7 Drawing Summer to a Close: Grades 3-5
- 15 Make Your First 3D Video Game: Grades 3-5
- 17 Cat Crazy: Grades 6-8
- 24 Roller Coaster Fest 2026: Grades 6-8
- 27 Minecraft® Modders: Grades 6-8

### Afternoon

- 7 Amazing Amusing Art!: Grades 3-5
- 15 Minecraft® Modders: Grades 3-5
- 17 Amigurumi Crochet Creatures: Grades 6-8
- 19 Write a D&D Quest!: Grades 6-8
- 27 Make Your First 3D Video Game: Grades 6-8
- 29 Study Smarter: Grades 6-8
- 32 Study Smarter: Grades 9-12



Rooms will be assigned at a later date.

# Information

**Accommodations:** In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Amendments, Continuing Education at Heartland Community College makes every effort to provide reasonable accommodations to qualifying students with disabilities. Participants in need of reasonable accommodations may identify so on the registration form and will be communicated with regarding the request process. **In order to provide adequate time to obtain documentation and arrange for reasonable accommodations, it is highly recommended that requests are submitted 3 weeks prior to the class start date.** Requests submitted after this point will still be accepted and given full consideration, but may not be in place during the limited duration of the enrichment program.

Students enrolled in a Kids@Heartland class should demonstrate independence, motivation, and the ability to handle changes in routine. Personal services such as restroom assistance, support with mobility around campus, eating, or direct one-to-one supervision are not provided as part of the program. If your child needs any of these supports, please reach out to the Kids@Heartland program as soon as possible to discuss options. Accommodations are not considered reasonable if they pose a serious health or safety risk, or significantly alter the intent of the enrichment program.

**Eligibility:** Ages and dates for each Kids@Heartland class vary. Select classes based on the grade the student will enter in fall 2026. Unless otherwise noted, adult classes are designed for those age 18 and over.

**Emergency Information:** Please make sure to complete all emergency information requested for your child so we are able to admit them in Kids@Heartland programs. Instructors will have emergency contact information for the duration of the class. You will receive a confirmation letter via email after your child has been enrolled.

**Financial Assistance:** Continuing Education offers a limited number of need-based scholarships for Kids@Heartland students. For more information or an application, please visit [Heartland.edu/ContinuingEd](https://www.heartland.edu/continuinged) or contact us at 309-268-8160.

**Full or Canceled Classes:** Continuing Education reserves the right to limit the enrollments or cancel any classes due to insufficient enrollments. For this reason, please register early to reserve your place in the class of your choice. Every effort will be made to notify you that a class has been filled or canceled. You may choose alternative courses or receive full refunds.

**Location:** Classes are held on the Heartland Community College campus and at many partner sites in the area. Please have your student report to the drop-off location listed in the confirmation email. A map will be included for your convenience.

**Refund Policy:** Unless otherwise stated in the class description, **if you wish to drop a Kids@Heartland class you must do so no later than five (5) business days before the first class session to receive a full refund. For adults classes only you must drop a class no later than three (3) business days before the first class session to receive a full refund.** Unfortunately, we are unable to issue refunds or credits due to missed classes. No refunds will be given after the class has started. Payments for course materials, supplies or textbooks are non-refundable. To drop a class, please call 309-268-8160.

**Zoom Classes:** To ensure a complete and valuable experience in your Zoom classroom, we recommend you use a device equipped with a functioning webcam such as a PC or laptop. Tablets and smartphones are permitted, but may not provide as meaningful an experience. Once you register for a course and provide a valid email address, you will be sent your Zoom link.

## 3 WAYS TO REGISTER



### Online:

<https://www.Heartland.edu/Kids>

Payment must be made by credit/debit card.



### Phone:

Call 309-268-8160

The TDD number is 309-268-8030.

Office hours are 8AM-4:30PM, Monday-Friday.

Payment must be made by credit/debit card.



### In Person:

#### ★ OUR OFFICES ARE MOVING:

Come with a list of classes and we'll sign you up while you wait. Bring the list and payment to:

Continuing Education  
Instructional Commons Building (ICB), Suite 2100  
Heartland Community College  
1500 W. Raab Road, Normal, IL  
Office hours are:  
8AM-4:30PM, Monday-Friday

### Questions or suggestions?

Email: [continuing.education@heartland.edu](mailto:continuing.education@heartland.edu)

# Find Your Class

**NOTE:** The Continuing Ed offices are moving from Building 8 (WDC) to Building 4 (ICB) on the west end, Suite 2100. Parking Lot D is the closest to the new offices. A star shows the approximate location of the new offices.



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| ② COMMUNITY COMMONS BUILDING (CCB)     | ⑦ INSTRUCTIONAL COMMONS NORTH (ICN)     | ⑫ FITNESS AND RECREATION CENTER (FRC)                   |
| ③ STUDENT COMMONS BUILDING (SCB)       | ⑧ WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT CENTER (WDC)    | ⑬ ASTROTH COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTER (ACEC)             |
| ④ INSTRUCTIONAL COMMONS BUILDING (ICB) | ⑨ PHYSICAL PLANT BUILDING (PPB)         | ⑭ NORMAL READINESS CENTER ILLINOIS NATIONAL (NRC) GUARD |
| ⑤ ADVANCED MANUFACTURING CENTER (AMC)  | ⑩ RECEIVING AND STORAGE BUILDING (RSB)  | ⑮ CORN CRIB   |

## OFF CAMPUS

### Evergreen Racquet Club

3203 E. Washington St.  
Bloomington, IL 61704

### Normal Community High School

3900 E. Raab Road  
Normal, IL 61761

### Upper Limits Climbing Gym

1304 W. Washington St.  
Bloomington, IL 61701

### Mid Central Community Action

1301 W. Washington St.  
Bloomington, IL 61701

### The Little Art School

417 N. Main St.  
Bloomington, IL 61701



# DISCOVER MORE.

**Credit Class  
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**Summer 2026:** March 3 - June 1  
**Fall 2026:** April 7 - August 17

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