

2026 Summer Day Camps

Camp registration opens April 1st at 8:00 am

Camps for kids going into 4th - 8th grade.

Invent STEM

Wednesday, June 17 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

INVENT STEM invites youth to dive into hands-on innovation as they design, test, and problem-solve through exciting STEM challenges. From building solar cars to crafting paper circuits, mathematics of Art to Rube Goldberg machines, participants explore real-world science in creative, engaging ways. Perfect for curious minds ready to engineer, experiment, and imagine what's possible!

Ocean Explorers Engineering & Coding Camp

Wednesday, June 24 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

Thursday, June 25 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

Dive deeper into STEM in this full-day adventure into engineering, robotics, and ocean science, campers work in small teams to design and build LEGO submersibles, then bring them to life using LEGO motors and block-based coding. Along the way, they explore ocean layers, underwater technology, and the engineering design process by sketching out ideas and testing prototypes. No experience needed, just bring your curiosity and creativity! This high-energy camp is packed with hands-on problem-solving, collaboration, and fun!

Pen to Pasture Livestock Learning

Wednesday, July 8 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

Pen to Pasture Livestock Learning Workshop introduces and teaches youth about livestock by-products, animal anatomy, livestock breeds, structural differences, medication labels, cuts of meat, and animal handling and management all through hands on learning activities covering the beef, sheep, goats, and swine! Youth will discuss and explore opportunities in meat judging, livestock judging, quiz bowl, and skillathon, along with careers in the livestock industry.

Grow & Know: Dig into Science, Nature & Discovery

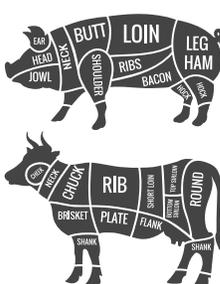
Thursday, July 9 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

Ready to get your hands dirty and your curiosity growing? This camp blends science, creativity, and outdoor adventure. Campers will explore the secrets of soil, dissect flowers, build pollinator habitats, and experiment with planting techniques—all while learning how plants grow and why they matter. Whether you're into biology, design, or just love being outside, this camp offers a chance to investigate the natural world through hands-on horticulture activities that spark curiosity.

Power Up Energy

Thursday, July 16 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

Youth will become real-world scientists and engineers as they explore electricity, renewable energy, circuits, and the power of nature. Through comic-inspired storytelling, hands-on investigations, and outdoor discovery, campers connect STEM learning to the world around them in creative and meaningful ways.



Day Camps are from 9 am - 3 pm Campers need to bring a sack lunch and a drink. Cost: \$35 per camp.



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Babysitting Basics

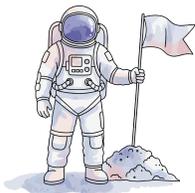
Wednesday, July 22 @ Epworth United Methodist Church

Thursday, July 23 @ Cascade Public Library

Be the sitter every parent wants to call! Learn all the responsibilities that go along with babysitting, what families expect, how to care for children of different ages, games and play ideas, basic first aid, safety, and how to handle emergencies.

Week Long Camp

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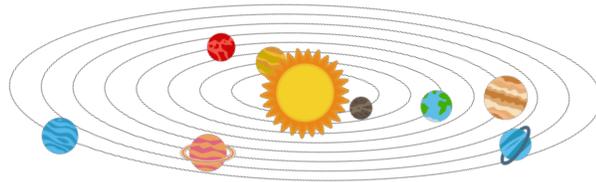
Space Lab Explorers

Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10 @ Dubuque County Extension Office

This camp meets daily Monday, July 6 - Friday, July 10 from 9 am - Noon

Explore the mysteries of space with us as we take spacewalks in virtual reality, build working robots, plan a lunar colony, launch rockets, explore the surface of Mars, make out-of-this-world astronaut ice cream, and collaborate as a crew to complete challenging space missions.

Cost: \$50 for the whole week



Registration Information:

Camp registration opens April 1st at 8:00 am. Payment is due at registration. Use the QR Code below to register or visit: <https://bit.ly/dbqcamp>

Cancellation Policy: Camps cancelled prior to May 15th will be charged a \$5 processing fee (per camp and per camper). No refunds after May 15th. The fees for Camp will be used to offset direct expenses and to support the 4-H Youth Development County Extension Program.

One Day Camps are from 9 am—3 pm. Campers need to bring a sack lunch and a drink. Cost: \$35 per camp.

Space Lab Explorers Camp is from 9 am - Noon daily. Cost: \$50 for the whole week

Scholarships are available to help cover camp costs. Contact our office to apply for a scholarship.



Camp Locations:

Dubuque Location:

Dubuque County Extension Office
14858 West Ridge Lane
Dubuque, Iowa 52003

Epworth Location:

Epworth United Methodist Church
102 E Main St
Epworth, Iowa 52045

Cascade Location:

Cascade Public Library
108 2nd Ave SW
Cascade, Iowa 52033

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