



The Montessori *Summer Camp*

Camps for 2 to 14 Year Olds.



Session 1 - June 21-25

Session 2 - June 28-July 2

Session 3 - July 12-16

Session 4 - July 19-23

GREENSBORO MONTESSORI SCHOOL

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Toddler

Music, Movement and More Ages: 2-3.5 Week: June 21
8:30 – 3:00

In this lively camp children will enjoy a variety of movement, singing games, instrument exploration, listening experiences, rhythm and tonal echo patterning games, finger plays, and exposure to classic folk music. There will be time for quiet work in a prepared, nurturing environment. Musikgarten materials will be used, as they are a vital part of this program.

Musikgarten was created by internationally renowned, early childhood music educator, Lorna Lutz Heyge, PhD and Audrey Silick, Montessori pioneer, to provide the highest quality music education programs for children and their families.

Musikgarten materials fee: \$19.80 (includes a CD, parent book and a simple music tool)

Teacher: Denise Waller, a certified Kindermusik and Musikgarten teacher and Toddler teacher at GMS.

Taking a Giant Step Age: 3 Week: June 21, July 19
8:30 – 11:30

This camp has proven very beneficial for supporting toddlers and new students in transitioning to the Primary classroom environment. Children have the opportunity to adjust to a larger room with more activities and a different routine. Taught by a toddler and a primary teacher, this works to make this camp a valuable transition experience for the child.

Teachers: Tracy Carr, a primary teacher at GMS, Linda Baggish and Camille Garrett, toddler teachers at GMS

No Child Left Inside! Ages: 2-3 Weeks: June 28, July 12, July 19
8:30 – 3:00

Children will be spending lots of time in the woods and gardens at GMS. Long, slow nature walks, nature exploration, harvesting fruits and vegetables from the gardens for their daily snacks, making art and music in the woods, and water play will fill their mornings. Children will nap inside after lunch and play in the shaded sandbox after napping. In addition, the children will be exposed to three languages, English, Spanish, and German with songs and stories.

Teachers: Camille Garrett and Zahra Lohr, toddler teachers at GMS



Primary and Lower El

Around the World by Abrakadoodle Ages: 3-5 class Week: June 21

8:30 - 1:00 6-9 class

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Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

Mix, Mold, & Matisse by Abrakadoodle Ages: 3-5 Week: June 21

8:30 – 1:00

The letter M rules in this camp. Campers will Mix colors, explore pearl-like Mediums, and design special effects to create fun and shimmering art. They'll Mold Modeling compounds, and Make butterflies and other insects. They'll Make their own cutouts as Matisse did. They'll learn the Mechanics of the art of Marbleizing and More. This Marvelous camp includes Music, Mind boggling games, and Maximum fun.

Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

A Week in the Woods Ages: 4-9 Weeks : June 21, June 28

8:30 – 3:00

This popular camp is back! Each day campers will be in the woods exploring, learning about nature, sewing, painting, drumming, and just being kids in the woods in the summer. This camp makes connections with the Early Man studies from the Montessori elementary curriculum.

Teachers: Shelley Reynolds, GMS primary teacher and Jennifer Jenette, former GMS primary and lower elementary teacher. Jennifer is also a yoga instructor in the GMS Enrichment Programs.

Rhythm & Drumming Ages: 4-6 Week: June 21

8:30 – 12:00

Learn African hand drum rhythms and songs through listening, singing and plenty of playing on the djembe. Create rhythms through improvisation games and have fun playing as a team while improving music skills and coordination.

Teacher: Betsy Bevan: Recorded musician, visual artist, creativity coach, and substitute at GMS. Betsy has lead camps at GMS for the last 4 summers.



**Latin American Arts**

Ages: 5-9

Week: June 21

8:30-3:00

Campers will be immersed in Latin American culture through language, art history, and culinary arts. Vocabulary will be enriched with songs and games. Campers will study Latin American artists and use their techniques. A variety of culinary dishes will be prepared by the campers in our gym kitchen. All in all, a fun way to learn more about the culture.

Teacher: Monica Giffuni, a Columbian native and teacher in the GMS Spanish Immersion primary class.

Earth's Wonders

Ages: 6-9

Week: June 21

8:30-3:00

Wade in a creek. Crawl through a field. Look under a microscope. Get up close and personal with different elements of nature as well as visiting science museums in Durham and Raleigh, and the GMS land lab site, Agape Retreat Center. Rocks, minerals, water habitats, erosion and root systems are some of the earth science topics that will lead to activities and discussions.

Teachers: Kaki Sowinski and Mary Jacobson, GMS lower elementary teachers

Travel to Chili and Peru!

Ages: 6-10

Week: June 21

8:30-3:00

Discover the mysteries of Easter Island and the culture of the Inca civilization while learning conversational Spanish. Campers will study and create art and music from these 2 civilizations as well as learn about their incredible histories.

Teacher: Sandra Lee, native Chilean and GMS Spanish teacher for lower elementary and part of upper elementary.

Spanish Immersion

Ages: 4-6

Weeks: June 28, July 12, July 19

8:30-3:00

Experience an extension of our primary Spanish Immersion classroom, integrating the Montessori curriculum, Spanish language, and cultural activities. Campers will participate in Latin American culinary arts, crafts, geography studies, songs, and games, as well as working with the Montessori materials in both English and Spanish.

Teacher: Carmen Romero, a Venezuelan native and GMS primary Spanish Immersion class teacher.

Once Upon a Time by Abrakadoodle

Ages: 3-5

Week: June 28

8:30-1:00

Calling all princes and princesses! Enter the enchanted kingdom of Abrakadoodle Land filled with castles, dragons, fairies, and stories of magic and surprise! We'll create our own royalty gear, design our own castles and sprinkle fairy dust to create colorful and whimsical art. We'll learn about medieval life through the Book of Hours by the Limbourg Brothers and create a magical forest, owls, horses & MORE! We'll even make a royal Faberge Egg! You'll get the regal treatment in a camp filled with music, games, wonder, and enchantment!

Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

**Eco-Explorers**

Ages: 6-9

Week: June 28

8:30-3:00

Campers will visit a variety of outdoor environments to explore flora and fauna: the Greensboro Arboretum, the Bog Garden, the Piedmont Environmental Center, our favorite organic blueberry farm, Dixie Caverns, and the creek, field, and woods of the Agape Retreat Center (the GMS land lab site). Information gathered will be studied with experiments, graphs, art illustrations, creative writing, and a final research presentation.

Teachers: Mary Jacobson and Kaki Sowinski, GMS lower elementary teachers.

Did You Say Clay? by Abrakadoodle

Ages: 6-9

Week: June 28

8:30-1:00

Hooray for clay! Roll, pinch, pat, press, paint, and sculpt your way through this creative series that features projects with Crayola Air-Dry clay, Model Magic, and Modeling Clay. We learn about the cultures of Italy, China, Turkey, and Africa's Zulu tribe by making beads, chops, tiles and masks. Sculptors Jean Dubuffet and Lucien den Arend inspire us to sculpt with colorful shapes and designs, and the fun continues with leapin' lizards, monsters, and more!

Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

Yummy Art by AbrakadoodleAges: 3-5 class
6-9 class

Week: July 12

8:30-1:00

Get your spoon, paintbrush and chocolate syrup ready - we're about to create Art! From cupcake design to mosaics with food, to chocolate syrup painting - it's all about the wonderful and wacky world of food art! We'll build spaghetti sculptures, learn about food artists such as Vic Muniz, and play "foodie" games. We'll even make our own incredible edibles! (No peanuts or peanut oils will be used). Campers will learn different artistic techniques while learning about contemporary and master artists.

Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

Eco-Trash, Beads and Wire

Ages: 5 - 7

Weeks: July 12, July 19

8:30-12:00

Campers will learn a variety of techniques to make jewelry, animals, ornaments, and other objects from beads, wire, and recycled materials. Work to save the planet as you make beautiful and useful items.

Teacher: Yukiko Saeki Mir, a very talented primary teacher and artist at GMS





Montessori Market
8:30-3:00

Ages: 7 & up

Weeks: July 12, July 19

Each summer some of the School's campers create art, crafts, and food items, along with picking produce from the School's gardens to sell in an outdoor market. Each year the campers decide how the profits from this market are used to support children outside of the school in some way. In years past the money has been donated to buy school supplies for school children in Guilford Co. or given to the Children's Homes Society. The market is held the last 2 weeks of camp. This summer, we will be selling our goods at the Farmer's Market on Sandy Ridge Rd. A great way for a child to learn to give back!

Teachers: Mary Jacobson and Kaki Sowinski, GMS Lower Elementary teachers who have offered this popular camp for the last several years.

Beach Party by Abrakadoodle
8:30-1:00

Ages: 3-5

Week: July 19

Design your own sun visor, move to the party music and create some incredible underwater art! Learn about the world famous sidewalk chalk artist Julian Beevers while we create unique sidewalk designs. There will be an Obsta-Cool course, spray bottle painting, sand and shell designs, beach party day, and more fun on the run.. Campers will learn different artistic techniques while learning about contemporary and master artists.

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Upper El and Middle School

TRAILBLAZERS

Ages: 10-14

Weeks: June 21, July 19

8:30-5:30

"In every walk with nature one receives far more than one seeks." John Muir

A very popular camp for those who love being outdoors and exploring nature. The focus of this camp is to have fun hiking through our state parks and national forests. In addition to the hikes, hikers will swim, practice good hiking etiquette, and learn basic wilderness survival skills. The experience will promote an appreciation and understanding of our state's resources and of nature itself. The final week of camp (only) there will be one overnight camp out.

Teachers: Morgan Kratovil and John Archambault teachers in the Middle School and Upper Elementary at GMS.

Can You Dig It?

Ages: 9-14

Weeks: June 21, June 28

8:30-3:00

A hands on science and history based field school for future archeologists at GMS. Students will use the scientific method on the Agape Retreat Center (the GMS land lab site) to explore local native culture and history. Students may make projectile points, baskets, clay pots, in addition to site surveys and actual digs. One summer students uncovered a fire pit from former indigenous peoples.

Teachers: Jenn Phillips, GMS middle school science teacher, with a BS in anthropology and Deirdre Kearney, GMS Middle School language arts teacher.

Who's That Character? by Abrakadoodle

Ages: 10-12

Week of: June 21

8:30-1:00

Campers will draw fairies, superheros, cuddly animals & more! Some of the creators include J.M. Barrie (Tinker Bell from his book "Peter Pan"), Bob Kane (Batman), Charles M Schulz (Snoopy) and George Lerner (Mr. Potato Head). Other popular characters come from around the world including Japan, Belgium, France, & Canada. Campers will learn about creative processes related to cartooning, animation, writing and designing.

Teacher: A teacher from the Abrakadoodle Art Education Company will teach this class.

The Swordbird Society

Ages: 9-14

Week: June 28, July 12

8:30-3:00

Utilizing techniques from successful writers (Ernest Hemmingway, Stephen King, Anne Lamont), teachers (Natalie Goldberg, Brenda Ueland, Julia Cameron), and screenwriters (Syd Fields, Rick Reichman), campers will begin to discover and uncover their own authentic voices. Campers will practice discipline, nurture their creativity, and quiet the inner critic. They will learn skills such as how to write any place and any time, capture dialogue, build an idea file, and mine stories from their own lives and from history. Emphasis will be on story and character arc, and depending on each student's interest, may be applied to prose, poetry, and scripts. A writer's workshop model will be used.

Teachers: Morgan Kratovil, GMS middle school social studies teacher and Pete Turner, GMS media specialist.



**Around the World by Abrakadoodle**

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Literature for Ladies

Ages: 11-14

Weeks: June 28, July 12

8:30-12:00

Girls only dialogue as girls participate in a women's studies curriculum. Girls will read current young adult literature and compare it with classics such as "Pride and Prejudice." Activities in art, creative writing, role plays, and debates will provide creative outlets for expression of ideas.

Teacher: Tracy Carr, GMS primary teacher, middle school advisor and graduate of UNC women's studies program.

Spanish-Latin American Culture

Ages: 11-14

Weeks: July 12, July 19

8:30-12:00

Be immersed in the Spanish language while cooking, writing, dancing, performing karaoke, making presentations, and acting. A fun way to increase and review your Spanish language skills and spend time with friends, while being immersed in cultural aspects as well.

Teacher: Ericka Estrada, a native of Mexico, GMS toddler and primary Spanish teacher, and professional dancer.

Beach Party II by Abrakadoodle

Ages: 10-12

Week: July 19

8:30-1:00

We will sculpt ocean creatures inspired by Morteza Sohi (Iran), create sand art influenced by Kseniya Simonova (Ukraine), develop a collage in the style of Tandi Venter (South Africa) and try our hand at industrial design modeled by Gauri Sharma (India). We will create a watercolor piece while learning about Oswaldo Guayasamin (Ecuador), try fashion design in the style of Agatha Ruiz de la Prada (Spain), construct a mixed media/collage influenced by Claudine Hellmuth, & MORE! Campers will learn different artistic techniques while learning about contemporary and master artists.

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