

SUMMER CAMP 2025

ANIMAL PLANET

CAMP DATES
JUNE 23–AUGUST 15



 **HUDSON COUNTRY**
MONTESSORI SUMMER CAMP

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ABOUT OUR SUMMER CAMP



Hudson Country Montessori School has been offering a fun and safe summer camp experience for over 50 years. Our unique summer program is developed in an environment geared for learning. It is spirited and skill-oriented but non-competitive and social. Our spacious outdoor and indoor facilities are great for physical, emotional and intellectual growth in a secure, loving environment. The quality and success of our summer program is defined by our amazing team of experienced counselors, most of whom are professional educators who work in our school year program. We know our campers enjoy the best that summer has to offer. At Hudson, they learn new skills, explore new adventures, and make friends while having fun.





CAMP HOURS

- FULL DAY 9 AM - 4 PM
- HALF DAY (AM) 9AM-12PM

*Half-Day camp is available for Toddlers and Pre-School campers only

OUR PROGRAMS

- TODDLERS CAMPERS (FROM 18 MO)
- PRE-SCHOOL CAMPERS (AGES 3-5)
- JUNIOR CAMPERS (AGES 6-8)
- SENIOR CAMPERS (AGES 9-12)
- COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (AGES 13-15)



ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS

- EARLY SESSION FROM 7:30 AM*
- LATE SESSION UNTIL 6:00 PM*
- **SPACES ARE LIMITED*
- CATERED LUNCH AVAILABLE

Meet Our **CAMP DIRECTOR**

MS. VANESSA
MORALES



I am excited to be the Camp Director for Hudson County Montessori Summer Camp for a sixth year. I have been working with children for over 10 years and have been part of the Hudson faculty for 8 years. At Hudson, we strive to deliver a fun, safe and educational experience for all of our campers. I look forward to extending a warm welcome to you and your children this summer.

We have an exciting summer planned with our theme, *Animal Planet*. Through our eight-week program, campers will have the opportunity to learn about the animals around the world while having fun and making new friends.

Come join us for an unforgettable summer. You can email us at the following address if you have questions about our summer camp: info@hudsoncountry.org. We look forward to meeting your children.

OUR PROGRAMS



TODDLER CAMP (FROM 18 MONTHS)

AVAILABLE HALF / FULL DAY (2-5 days/week)

Our toddler summer program follows the same schedule as the school year Montessori program. Our young campers can experience water play and additional time outdoors while maintaining their daily routines, which are essential to their development. We have rolling admissions for our toddler program.



PRE-SCHOOL CAMPERS (AGES 3-5)

AVAILABLE HALF / FULL DAY (2-5 days/week)

Our preschool campers enjoy working on Montessori lessons, swimming lessons, pool time, sports, hands-on science, cooking, music and movement, and arts and crafts weekly. Our on-site 'field trips' include petting zoos, museum programs, sports instruction, and more.



JUNIOR CAMPERS (AGES 6-8)

AVAILABLE FIVE (5) FULL DAYS

Our junior campers enjoy weekly swim instruction, sports, cooking, and performing arts. They work with experienced staff on innovative projects, hands-on experiments, and guided discovery of the natural and technological world. They participate in fun, educational and recreational off-site field trips planned throughout the summer.



SENIOR CAMPERS (AGES 9-12)

AVAILABLE FIVE (5) FULL DAYS

Our senior campers work with experienced staff on innovative projects, hands-on experiments, and group and individual projects related to the components of the natural and technological world. They participate in fun, educational and recreational off-site field trips planned throughout the summer.



COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING (AGES 13-15)

Our counselor-in-training program (CIT) is designed to challenge teens to grow as leaders within their camp community. CITs participate in activities that build their unique leadership skills (team building, positive role modeling, and problem-solving). CITs will be coached through different skills while having the opportunity to earn valuable volunteer hours. Candidates apply and participate in an interview process. Applications are available at the main office. A minimum of 2 weeks of registration is required.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

WEEK 1: INVERTEBRATES

We are kicking off summer by learning about animals without backbones, or invertebrates. They account for 97% of animals on the planet and are the oldest class of animals. There are six main groups of invertebrates: arthropods (insects, spiders and crustaceans); segmented worms (earthworms and leeches); cnidarians (jellyfish, corals and sea anemones); sponges and echinoderms (starfish, sea cucumbers and sea urchins); and mollusks (snails, slugs, squids and octopuses). Let's **shell-abrate** this enormous group of species!



WEEK 2: FISH

We will be diving into this week's adventure by exploring the oldest vertebrates on Earth- fish! We will explore the bustling upper zones of the ocean where fish live and the bottom of the ocean where mysterious and unusual-looking fish lurk. The vast oceans and lakes will provide campers with **in-fin-ite** opportunities for adventure!



WEEK 3: AMPHIBIANS

Campers will learn about some **toad-ally** awesome animals! Amphibians are the second oldest animal class on Earth and the first vertebrates to walk on land. The word "amphibian" comes from the Greek word meaning "double life." That's right, these animals are double agents! We will learn about how they earned that status and dispel some common myths of frog princes and warts along the way.



WEEK 4: REPTILES

This week campers will learn about the descendants of dinosaurs, reptiles! Having a long **hiss-tory** on Earth, we will learn about what makes reptiles so adaptable and tough like the komodo dragon, king cobra and some other favorites. These cold-blooded animals will warm campers' hearts!



WEEK 5: BIRDS

Birds fit the **bill** for arguably being the coolest vertebrate class! Fact 1: They evolved from dinosaurs. Fact 2: They are distantly related to crocodiles. Fact 3: They can be found on every continent. That's pretty hard to beat! Campers will learn about the wide variety of birds throughout the world, but also learn some tips about identifying birds in their backyards.



WEEK 6: MAMMALS

This week of exploration is bound to be a roaring success, we're not **lion**! Mammals are the youngest vertebrates to evolve on the planet. Campers will be surprised to learn that they share traits with all sorts of surprising animals of this class. We'll learn about the largest, tiniest, fastest, slowest, loudest and quietest mammals, too!



WEEK 7: ENDANGERED ANIMALS

Campers will learn about what endangerment means and how it occurs. Currently, 4 out of 5 vertebrate classes have animals at risk of extinction. Losing or saving any species leads to a strong ecological ripple effect. We'll investigate the innovative ways individuals and groups are working to balance out our ecosystems and what kids can do too.



WEEK 8: CARNIVAL & GOOD-BYES

To conclude our summer we will host a carnival week with lots of fun games and activities planned for the campers to enjoy with their friends.



SOME SUMMER FUN ACTIVITIES

EXERCISE

- Swimming Instruction (on-premise pool)
- Sports (Tennis, soccer, games...)
- Yoga
- Gymnastics

CREATIVITY

Arts and Crafts, Music
Gardening, Cooking

FUN STUFF

Hands-on Science, Slip and Slide, Summertime Treats, Water Play, Field-Trips*

*Off-site field trips for Junior and Senior Campers only. Activities and weekly program subject to change.



CAMP FEES INCLUDE

- SUMMER CAMP T-SHIRT
- BACKPACK
- SNACKS
- ART SUPPLIES
- SWIMMING LESSONS*
- FIELD TRIPS**

*Ages 3 and up

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CONSIDERATIONS

Deposit of \$220.00 with application. Summer Camp balance due June 2, 2025. After due date, please submit entire summer camp fee.

A family discount of 5% applies for families with more than one child registered and attending at the same time. Active Police and Fire department personnel, Military, and the National Guard receive a 10% discount. Deposits and fees are non-refundable. Tuition payments that have not been received 30 days prior to child's attendance may result in exclusion. If payments are not received by due date, a \$50.00 late charge fee will be applied.

There is a two weeks minimum for summer camp enrollment.

July 4th- Camp Closed

