



2020 SOMERVILLE SUMMER GUIDE

Summer Programs
Local Activities
Teen Jobs
Afterschool Programs
& Activities



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This 2020 Somerville Summer Guide to Camps and Activities, Out of School Time and Teen Jobs is designed by the SomerPromise Department of the City of Somerville to highlight local programs that offer affordable and accessible options to all Somerville families.

As well as the programs listed here, Somerville is home to various organizations offering specialized instruction in sports, visual and performing arts, and STEM.

If you are one these organizations, offer financial aid/sliding scale payment options, and would like be included in next year's directory, and/or be listed on the Somerville Hub, please contact Ruth Santos; rsantos@somervillema.gov

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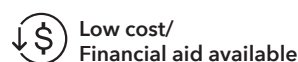
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Low cost/
Financial aid available



Transportation
available

FULL DAY ALL SUMMER PROGRAMS

ARLINGTON BOYS & GIRLS CLUB SUMMER CAMP

www.abgclub.org



Ages: 2–17 years

Location: 60 Pond Lane, Arlington

Contact: Jennifer Goodwin
jgoodwin@abgclub.org

About: Wide variety of full day and half day options. Crafts, games, STEM, swimming, boating, outdoor adventures, field trips and more! A safe environment where kids can have fun and be themselves. Interesting, constructive activities that channel youthful energy into challenging pursuits. The Club is located on Spy Pond in Arlington.

ARTS ALL DAY SUMMER ARTS PROGRAM

www.artsallday.org



Ages: 5–12 years (must be entering Grade 1)

Location: 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge

Contact: 978-471-9584
director@artsallday.org

About: Integrated Arts Camp. Offers music dance drama and visual arts. Program culminates in an original musical drama.

ACERA SCHOOL SUMMER STEAM CAMP THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL OF SCIENCE, CREATIVITY AND LEADERSHIP.

www.aceraschool.org / www.acerasteamlab.org
www.facebook.com/AceraSchoolMA/@aceraschool

Ages: 4–17 years

Location: 5 Lowell Ave, Winchester

Contact: Faith Blake, Enrichment Programs
Manager, 781-729-3489
summercamp@aceraschool.org

About: Challenging, fun STEAM learning, from Bio-Electronics to making long-bows or skateboards in woodshop. Half-day and full-day programs available.



BROOKLYN BOULDERS CAMP

www.brooklynboulders.com/somerville

Ages: 5–12 years

Location: 12A Tyler St, Somerville

Contact: somerville@brooklynboulders.com

About: BKB summer adventure program runs every day 9am– 3:30pm with extended day available. Rock-climbing, bouldering, team building, arts and crafts, and partnerships with local organizations such as ESH Circus Performing Arts and Parkour Generations.

EMPOW STUDIOS TECH & DESIGN AND MINE-CRAFT CAMPS

www.empow.me

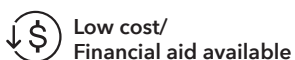


Ages: 7–14 years, or Grades 2–8

Location: Acton, Arlington, Beverly, Boston/
Back Bay and Jamaica Plain, Brookline,
Cambridge, Franklin, Lexington, Milton,
Natick, Needham, Newton, North Andover,
Reading, Shrewsbury, and Somerville

Contact: 617-395-7527, info@empow.me

About: Kids learn to design, build, and code. Camp runs 9am–4pm with both half-day morning and afternoon available. Early drop off and extended day until 5:30pm available.



GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS

www.hercamp.org



Ages: K–12th grade

Location: Camp Cedar Hill, Waltham. Bus transportation from 2 stops in Somerville

Contact: Michelle Schofield
mschofield@gsema.org

About: Fun indoor and outdoor activities.

ELIZABETH PEABODY HOUSE CAMP

www.everwooddaycamp.org



Ages: 5–13 years

Location: Everwood Day Camp

Contact: India Drinkard
idrinkard@teph.org

About: Summer day camp, 7:30am– 5:30pm. Transportation provided from Elizabeth Peabody House to and from camp located in Sharon, MA daily. With over 60 different activities in categories such as Adventure, Nature, and Science, Creative and Performing Arts, Sports, and Aquatics, every day at Everwood Day Camp is different and sure to keep your child engaged and growing.

MYSTIC LEARNING CENTER SUMMER PROGRAM

www.mysticlearningcenter.org



Ages: 5–13 years

Location: 530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: Tracey Stearns
traceymaja@yahoo.com

About: A full day, summer long program including day trips to parks, beaches and local attractions, picnics, literacy, talent shows, club activities and much more. Includes breakfast, lunch and snack.



PARTS AND CRAFTS CAMP

www.partsandcrafts.org



Ages: 7–13 years

Location: 577 Somerville Ave, Somerville

Contact: Dina@partsandcrafts.org
617-207-8016

About: Themed weeks of invention and creation. 9am–3pm, Mon to Fri with extended day available. Sliding scale fees available and encouraged!

PASSPORT SUMMER CAMP

www.cambridgemontessori.org



Ages: 2–13 years

Location: 161 Garden St, Cambridge

Contact: passport@cambridgemontessori.org
617-206-4662 ext 2

About: Full day and half day options. Crafts, games, nature, swimming, specialized programs and more.

SOMERTIME DAY PROGRAM

www.somervillerec.com



Ages: 5–13 years

Location: West Somerville Neighborhood School

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: All day camp with arts and crafts, sports, swimming, field trips and special events.

SOMERVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS: ADVENTURE SUMMER PROGRAM

www.somerville.k12.ma.us/afterschool



Ages: Entering K–entering 6th grade; LIT program for those entering 7–9th grade

Location: East Somerville Community School
50 Cross St, Somerville, MA

Contact: Rosanna Paribello/Adriana Guereque
617-625-6600 ext 6970

About: Mon–Fri, 8am–5:30pm Structured activities include outdoor play, visual and performing arts, wellness and cooking, world cultures, STEAM, technology and physical education based on weekly themes. Local and out-of-town field trips two days per week. Hot Breakfast, lunch and snack provided by Somerville Food Service Program.



SOMERVILLE MEDIA CENTER SUMMER PROGRAMS

www.somervillemedia.org/youth-media



Ages: 8–13 years

Location: 90 Union Square, Somerville

Contact: Heather McCormack
hmack@somervillemedia.org

About: 6 weeks of varied media production camps, including TV Production, Teen Film-making, Stop Motion Animation and more. Camp runs 1- or 2-week sessions from 9am–3pm, low-income and new campers encouraged to register. All camps involve youth learning how to produce media in a hands-on, collaborative way and culminates with a parent and community showcase where youth display their original media productions! Full and partial scholarships available upon request.

SOMERVILLE YMCA: STEAMing AHEAD @ THE Y!

www.somervilleymca.org



Ages: Entering grade 1–8th grade

Location: 101 Highland Avenue, Somerville

Contact: Lan Nguyen
lnguyen@somervilleymca.org

About: A Summer Program filled with Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math Programming. Join us this summer for an adventure into the world of STEAM Programming. Field trips are scheduled for 2-3 days per week depending on the age of the child.

Morning drop off is located at the Founders Rink on Somerville Ave. Depending on their daily field trip schedule, children will be picked up either at the Rink or at the Y.

SACC Summer Program hours are from 8am-4pm with extended day programming available from 4-6pm at the Y for an additional cost. Transportation from the Prospect Hill Academy Summer School Program will also be available for the month of July at noontime.

Financial assistance is available on a first come first served basis through an application process beginning in April 2020. Vouchers and contracts accepted, Somerville Housing Authority Discounts available through SHA.



STEVE AND KATE'S CAMP

www.steveandkatescamp.com



Ages: 4–12 years

Mentorship available for ages 13–17

Location: Cambridge Friends School

Contact: Yeja Dunn, 617-245-0410,
northcambridge@steveandkate.com

About: At Steve & Kate's, our camp philosophy is pretty simple: when you trust kids to take charge of their own learning, they will learn and grow in ways we can't imagine. A wide range of activities from The Media Lab, Sewing Salon, Blocktopolis, Bakery, Crochet Corner, Library, Arcade, sports, water play, and Gaga to Weekly Specials such as giant inflatables, and more. Lunch and snacks are included in camp fees.

TUFTS CENTER FOR ENGINEERING EDUCATION AND OUTREACH SUMMER PROGRAMS

<http://outreach.tuftsceeo.org>



Location: Tufts University, Medford, MA

Ages: K–12th grade

Contact: ceeo@tufts.edu

About: These week-long sessions will challenge students to solve problems using the engineering design process. Each week of workshops has a specific theme that explores different types of engineering, science, or programming skills in hands-on, open-ended program.

FULL DAY PART SUMMER PROGRAMS

ARTS AT THE ARMORY SUMMER PROGRAMS

www.artsatthearmory.org



Ages: 5–10, 8–12, 11–19 for programs
Drop in for all ages

Location: Center for Arts at the Armory
191 Highland Ave, Somerville

Contact: education@artsatthearmory.org
617-718-2191

About: Various weeklong camps and drop-in sessions in a variety of disciplines throughout the summer. Hosted in the Center for Arts at the Armory.

ART IN THE GARDEN AT THE GROWING CENTER



www.somervilleartscouncil.org/artinthegarden

Ages: 6–11 years

Location: Community Growing Center
22 Vinal Ave, Somerville

Contact: 617-625-6600 ext 2985
youthsomerville@gmail.com

About: Art, gardening, nature activities and a weekly field trip. Mon–Thurs, 9am–3pm



BREAKTHROUGH GREATER BOSTON SOMERVILLE CAMPUS

www.breakthroughgreaterboston.org



Ages: SPS students apply for Breakthrough in 6th grade and start with us the summer before 7th grade.

Location: Albert F. Argenziano School
290 Washington St, Somerville, MA

Contact: Jennie McDonald-Brown
jmcdonaldbrown@btgbmail.org
617-625-6600 x6582

About: Breakthrough Greater Boston (BTGB) is a year-round, tuition-free program that offers six years of academically intensive summer and after school programming to highly motivated, traditionally underserved middle and high school students in the Somerville Public Schools. BTGB's summer program is 6 weeks long (June 29th – August 7th) and the after school program meets once a week from October to May.

ESH CIRCUS ARTS

www.eshcircusarts.com

Ages: 5–16 years

Location: 44 Park Street, Somerville

Contact: info@eshcircusarts.com

About: Summer programs at Esh Circus Arts offer kids and teens an opportunity to explore many aspects of the circus arts, including ground acrobatics, aerial acrobatics, tumbling, juggling, wire-walking, hula hooping and much, much more!

EAST END HOUSE: SUMMER FUN PROGRAM

www.eastendhouse.org

Ages: 5–11 years

Location: East Cambridge

Contact: sean@eastendhouse.org
617-876-4444

About: Campers participate in daily activities such as art, music, science, and sports; academic enrichment, weekly field trips, swimming, and 3 healthy meals daily. 10 week program runs from 7:30 am – 5:30 pm.



EPIIC INNOVATIONS SUMMER INSTITUTE

www.epiicsolutions.org

Ages: entering grade 9–12
Location: Boston University's Build Lab,
730 Commonwealth Ave
Contact: Blake Sims
blake@epiicsolutions.org

About: Do you have cool ideas but not sure how to bring them to life? Join Epiic Innovations Summer Institute to learn the tools and strategies innovators, entrepreneurs and designers at BU and beyond leverage to transform ideas into impact while having lots of fun with friends. During the two week programs, students work in small teams to investigate challenges that matter to them and develop innovative solution ideas. Mornings include hands-on workshops, afternoons are spent across campus and Boston, and programs culminate with a Pitch Festival!

HILL HOUSE DAY CAMP

www.hillhouseboston.org



Ages: Kiddie Kamp: Ages 3–5
Day Camp: Ages 5–12
LIT Program: Ages 13–15

Contact: Chelsea Evered
cevered@hillhouseboston.org

About: On June 15, Hill House's team of administrators and fun-loving summer staff will kick-off our 21st summer of camp for ages 3–12, along with our popular LIT program for 13–15 year olds. Weekly themes, a balance between structure and play, field trips, and age-appropriate daily activities promise a well-rounded experience. Our goal is simple – to provide each family with a high-quality, safety-conscious summer OUTDOORS in downtown Boston, while instilling confidence and encouraging friendships.

MOE FENCING SUMMER CAMP

www.moefencingclub.com



Ages: 6 years and up
Location: 290 Broadway, Somerville
Contact: Elif.soyer@gmail.com
617-666-1412

About: Last week of August. Age appropriate games and exercises. All equipment and uniforms provided. Teaches skills such as focus, leadership, teamwork and a healthy concept of competition. Further weeklong camps can be provided with interested groups of 6 or more.

SUMMER EXPLORE KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION PROGRAM

Ages: 4–5 years, entering Kindergarten
Location: Capuano Early Childhood Center
Contact: Lisa Kuh
lkuh@k12.somerville.ma.us
617-625-6600 x3656

About: The Summer Explore Kindergarten Transition Program is a 4-week, tuition-free program that offers part and full day options for children entering Somerville Public School Kindergarten in the fall of 2020. This program serves children who benefit from an extended year to ensure kindergarten readiness. The program runs from July 6-31 from either 8-1 or 8-5 and includes early literacy and math activities, water play, music and art, thematic projects, and social emotional learning opportunities. Free breakfast and lunch.



SOMERVILLE ARTS COUNCIL MUSICAL THEATER PROGRAM

www.somervilleartscouncil.org/musical



Ages: 8–13 years
Location: Center for Arts at the Armory
191 Highland Ave, Somerville
Contact: 617-625-6600 ext 2985
youthsomerville@gmail.com

About: Full day, summer program focused on musical theater. Held at the Armory from June 30–July 24, 9:00a.m.–4:30 p.m. Drop off begins at 8:30; pick up no later than 5:00p.m. This program will have four staff and a maximum of 40 youth.

SOMERVILLE JUNIOR POLICE ACADEMY

www.somervillerec.com



Ages: 11–14 years

Location: East Somerville Community School

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: The Junior Police Academy is hosted by the Somerville Parks & Recreation Department in partnership with the Somerville Police Department. The program will feature a variety of training situations in which all cadets will be required to participate in. The program will include, but not limited to classroom training, hands on police tactics, physical training, travel days to special events and more.

SOMERVILLE MEDIA CENTER FILM-MAKING CAMP

www.somervillemedia.org



Ages: 13–17 years

Location: 90 Union Square, Somerville

Contact: Heather McCormack
hmack@somervillemedia.org

About: Two week film-making camp. See website for more details



TUFTS LITERACY CORPS: LITERACY AND THE ARTS

sites.tufts.edu/tufts-literacy-corps



Ages: Completed grades 1–4

Location: Tufts University Department of Child Dev., 105 College Ave, Medford

Contact: cynthia.krug@tufts.edu, 617-627-5235

About: Summer writing program that combines one-on-one tutoring with fun, full day childcare. Every

morning, children work with their tutors on individualized writing projects. During the first two weeks, everyone focuses on the science project of their choice, and writing revolves around science. The last three weeks are devoted to creative writing, which is often tied to art and drama. Children work with tutors to write poems, stories, plays, graphic novels or whatever engages them most. Includes a wide range of activities, such as drama, art, arts & crafts, informal sports, and building with recycled materials and LEGOS. Activities are designed to inspire writing, introduce children to new topics – or to simply have fun.

TUFTS UNIVERSITY

<https://ase.tufts.edu/faculty/worklife/childcare/summerprograms>

Ages: Varies by program

Location: Tufts–Medford/Somerville Campus

Contact: See individual programs

About: Offers a variety of programs for all ages including music, drama, literacy and engineering as well as high school/precollege programs.

THE WELCOME PROJECT

www.welcomeproject.org



Ages: 7–13 years

Location: 530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: Kenia Alfaro
kenia@welcomeproject.org

About: July 13–24. Monday-Friday, 10am-3pm. No cost for program. Our summer programs bring together youth from immigrant families to explore their cultural backgrounds through art projects, field trips, storytelling and photography

YOUTH PUBLIC SAFETY ACADEMY MIDDLESEX SHERIFF'S OFFICE

www.middlesexsheriff.org/ypsa



Ages: 9–11 years

Location: Middlesex Training Academy in Chelmsford (transportation provided)

Contact: 978-495-7408

About: YPSA is a camp designed to expose our youngest citizens to role models in public safety – namely sheriff's officers, and their local police, fire, emergency medical services (EMS) personnel, as well as to teach them valuable life and safety lessons. One week programs runs 6 times each summer.



HALF DAY SUMMER PROGRAMS

THE BEAUTIFUL STUFF PROJECT

www.thebeautifulstuffproject.org

Ages: Entering K–Grade5

Contact: sminicucci@thebeautifulstuffproject.org

About: Join us for mornings of open ended art and STEAM activities at The Beautiful Stuff Project storefront. Marble mazes, tinkering, wizarding, fine arts, and fashion are all included in our offerings. Program is available on select days over the summer including those last few days of August that are often hard to find an open program.

DAVIS SQUARE MARTIAL ARTS

www.davissquaremartialarts.com

Ages: 7–13 years

Location: 408 Highland Avenue, Somerville

Contact: jendsma@gmail.com

About: Beginner to black belt. One week kung fu programs that emphasize paying attention, doing your best, treating everyone with respect, and having fun. We work to create a positive environment where students can safely learn martial arts as well as improve their mental and physical well being

FRIENDS OF THE MIDDLESEX FELLS

www.friendsofthefells.org



Ages: 4–12 years

Location: Botume House
4 Woodland Rd, Stoneham

Forest Adventurers (ages 8–12): begin from DCR Flynn Rink Parking Lot, 300 Elm Street, Medford.

Contact: forestcamp@fells.org, 781-662-2340

About: Half-day: 2.5 hour programs for 3 different age groups run all summer both in the morning and the afternoon. Full-day camp options now available for our 2 older aged cohorts (Forest Explorers, ages 5–7, and Forest Adventurers, ages 8–12). Full day runs from 9am–4pm. Programs with highly trained instructors provide nature-based learning opportunities for children to engage in a self-guided exploration of the forest, helping develop their curiosity, critical thinking, and sense of connection with nature. Year round programs for families and under 3's also available – see website.

PARKOUR GENERATIONS BOSTON

www.pkgenboston.com



Parkour Summer Clinics

Ages: 6–13 years

Location: The Parkour Park at Lincoln Park

Contact: 617-302-7542
boston.info@parkourgenerations.com

About: Half-day Parkour program. The perfect physical outlet for your child to learn to safely explore their environment while they build strength, improve coordination, and gain confidence!



Low cost/
Financial aid available



Transportation
available



HONK IN SOMERVILLE SOMERVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

www.somerville.k12.ma.us



Ages: entering grade 4 and up

Location: Kennedy School
5 Cherry St, Somerville

Contact: Kevin Leppman
schoolofhonk@gmail.com

About: (Formerly Camp Honk) Program for band instruments and percussion: trumpet, trombone, flute, clarinet, saxophone, euphonium, tuba and percussion. July 20-31, 9am-12:15pm; Concert: Friday 7/31; Breakfast and Lunch provided.

KIDSTOP

www.somervillerec.com



Ages: 3-5 years

Location: Powder House Park

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: Starts July 6, 2020. Summer fun for younger kids, themed weeks with arts and crafts, daily activities and more! 9 am to 12pm. Register through the Somerville Parks and Recreation department.

SING! IN SOMERVILLE SOMERVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

<https://www.kodalymusicinstitute.org/sing-somerville/>



Ages: entering grade 2-5

Location: West Somerville Neighborhood School
117 Powder House Blvd, Somerville

Contact: singsomerville@gmail.com

About: Two-week half-day program with daily chorus and musicianship classes. This program is play-based with an emphasis on joyful music making that will result in a gala concert. Program runs from July 6-17 from 9:00 a.m. until noon (No class on July 4th). Snacks provided. Scholarship is available.

SOMERVILLE STRINGFEST STRINGS SUMMER PROGRAM

www.somerville.k12.ma.us



Ages: 7 years and up. Adults welcome!

Location: Kennedy School, 5 Cherry St, Somerville

Contact: Joanne Sadler
jsadler@k12.somerville.ma.us

About: Two-week string orchestra summer program. Classes include chamber music, improv, chorus, fiddle, technique, music theory, and orchestra rehearsals for violin, viola, cello, and acoustic bass. Beginners of all ages welcome.

July 20-31 9am-12:30pm
Concert: Friday 7/31, 10am.
Breakfast and Lunch provided.

OVERNIGHT SLEEP-AWAY CAMPS

CAMP HAWKEYE

www.camphawkeye.com



Ages: 7–17 years

Location: New Hampshire
(Transportation Available)

Contact: Jessica, 781-315-1297
jess@camphawkeye.com

About: Camp Hawkeye is the un-traditional sleep-away camp for ALL HUMANS ages 7 - 17 with a commitment to creating a diverse community. 70 campers and 35 staff make Hawkeye perfect for first time campers of any age. Hawkeye includes campers and staff from a variety of social, ethnic, economic, religious, and geographic backgrounds as well as across the gender spectrum.

Hawkeye is different; with the feel of family and the healthy experience of the outdoors, Camp Hawkeye uses the joy and fun of camp to break down social and cultural prejudices, misconceptions and barriers.

GIRL SCOUTS OF EASTERN MASSACHUSETTS

www.hercamp.org



Ages: K–12th grade

Location: Various locations in MA and NH

Contact: Michelle Schofield mschofield@gsema.org

About: A wide variety of fun overnight and family camps offering indoor and outdoor activities.



CAMP KESEM

www.campkesem.org/find-a-camp/camp-kesem-at-mit



Ages: 6–18 years

Location: MIT to Camp Danbee

Contact: mit.outreach@campkesem.org

About: We serve children who have lost a parent to cancer, have a parent undergoing cancer treatment, or whose parent is a cancer survivor. We offer two separate weeks of fun, action-packed and 100% free-of-charge camp at Camp Danbee every summer as well as year-round support. Pickup and drop-off is at MIT's campus; transportation is provided from MIT to Camp Danbee. Our campers experience a warm and loving environment with other children who have similar life experiences and counselors who support them.

WILDWOOD - MASS AUDUBON

www.massaudubon.org/wildwood



Ages: 7–17 years

Location: Rindge, NH

Contact: wildwood@massaudubon.org, 603-899-5589 or 866-627-2267 (toll free)

About: Wildwood is a special place where campers come together to discover and explore the natural world. Our campers roast s'mores over open fires, sleep under the stars, sing silly songs, paddle around Hubbard Pond, and fall in love with nature each day. Campers have fun as they explore the outdoors, make friends, and develop self-confidence and leadership skills that last a lifetime. Located in southern New Hampshire, Wildwood is a one-of-a-kind camp for youth. 1- and 2-week overnight sessions, Teen Adventure trips, Family Camp

YMCA CAMP LAWRENCE (BOYS)

CAMP NOKOMI (GIRLS)

www.camp.mvymca.org



Ages: 8–16 years

Location: Bear Island, Lake Winnepesaukee, NH

Contact: campinfo@mvymca.org

About: Two week sessions on beautiful Bear Island. Campers create their own schedule from a wide range of athletic, creative and instructional activities. Program areas include two natural beaches, multi-purpose playing fields, tennis courts, a craft shop, archery and riflery ranges, a primitive outpost, high and low element ropes courses, and a recreational lodge.

ACTIVITIES

LOCAL SPORTS & FUN

INTRODUCTION TO CANOE ON THE MYSTIC

www.somervillerec.com



Ages: 5–14 years

Location: Blessing of the Bay Boathouse

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: Children learn the basic techniques of rowing and water safety.

COMMUNITY BOATING INC.

www.communityboating.org



Ages: 10–17 years (who can swim)

Location: Boston Esplanade near MGH/footbridge

Contact: frontoffice@community-boating.org

About: Offers sailing, paddling, and windsurf lessons, STEM programs, games, and other activities to Greater Boston's youth. What better way to spend a summer than learning to sail and making new friends in the heart of the city? Need-based sliding fee as low as one dollar!

MOE FENCING CLUB YOUTH CLASSES

www.moefencingclub.com



Ages: 6 years and up

Location: 290 Broadway

Contact: elif.soyer@gmail.com

About: Age appropriate games and exercises. All equipment provided, on Tuesday and Fridays throughout the summer with extended practice available for enthusiastic participants.



THE GROWING CENTER

www.thegrowingcenter.org



Location: 22 Vinal Ave, Somerville

About: 1/4 acre community green space overseen by volunteers and located at 22 Vinal Ave (behind Nunziato Field). Check out our online calendar for free events like open garden time, drop-in playgroups, Pajama Storytime, Kids Nature Fest and more. Kids, teens, individuals, and families are all welcome! Todos son bienvenidos!

MYSTIC LEARNING CENTER BASKETBALL LEAGUE

www.mysticlearningcenter.org



Ages: 8–18 years

Location: 530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: Tracey Stearns, traceymaja@yahoo.com

About: A six week summer program from mid-June through early August on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6pm–8pm.

OPENAIR CIRCUS

www.openaircircus.org



Ages: 3 years and up (most classes for age 6+)

Location: Nunziato, Foss, & Powder House Parks

Contact: Peter Jehlen, 617-947-1191

About: Learn a wide variety of circus related (and unrelated) skills for 1 hour late afternoon/early evening classes for children 3 years–adulthood. \$30/child enrollment fee covers the entire 6 week program of up to 9 classes per week. Season ends with a performance under the big-top where students show off what they've learned. Program runs from the end of June through the beginning of August.



PARKOUR CLASSES

www.pkgenboston.com

Ages: 6–13 years

Location: Somerville Armory, outdoor parks

Contact: boston.info@parkourgenerations.com
617-302-7542

About: Join our weekly evening and weekend classes throughout Somerville for kids (and adults) to stay active all summer long. For all abilities and fitness levels, drop-in, full-season, and monthly membership sign up options available!

SCIENCE CLUB FOR GIRLS

www.scienceclubforgirls.org/programs

Ages: rising 6th–rising 9th grade

Location: Cambridge/ Somerville

Contact: Cristina Ullmann
scfprograms@scienceclubforgirls.org

About: Our programs are designed as “clubs” to reinforce collaboration and teamwork, as these methods have been shown to greatly enhance girls’ learning. To help build both skills and confidence, curriculum and club structures are designed to be inquiry-driven — activities are hands on, rather than demonstration style — with opportunities to experiment, to fail in safe and supportive settings, and to be resourceful and persistent. Science Club for Girls programs are organized by age/grade level.

SOMERVILLE PARKS PROGRAM

www.somervillema.gov



Ages: 5–18 years

Location: parks throughout Somerville

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: Free parks/playground program, includes a variety of recreational games and sports, arts and craft projects, board games, and a special event program on Fridays. 9 am to 1pm.

SOMERVILLE BABE RUTH LEAGUE

www.somervillebaberuth.com



Ages: 13-15 years

Location: locations around Somerville and neighboring municipalities

Contact: See website for information and/or registration. For specific questions, Bob Schofield, Director: bmscho@gmail.com

About: Available to all young adults who want to play baseball. Preseason: Practices (indoor and outdoor) are located in Somerville with a variable schedule. Season: There are typically 2 practices and 3 games per week with games being played in Somerville and other municipalities. The season consists of between 18 and 22 games.

LITTLE LEAGUE OF SOMERVILLE

www.somervillelittleleague.org



Ages: 4–12 years

Location: locations around Somerville

Contact: See website for info/registration. For specific questions, Alejandro Oliver, alejandro.oliver@gmail.com

Available to all children who want to play baseball.

- **Tee Ball (ages 4–6):** Meets Saturday mornings (9:00 to 10:30 a.m.) from late April to early/mid-June. Sessions consist of teaching the basics to beginning players and those new to baseball.
- **Farm League (ages 6–8):** Emphasizes teaching the fundamentals—running, hitting, catching, throwing and—fun! Teams practice 1-2 times per week with games on Sat. mornings/afternoons. Season runs from late April to early/mid-June.
- **Minor League (ages 8–10):** Typically, 1-2 practices per week; games on Tuesdays/Thursdays nights and Saturday afternoons. Season runs from mid/late April to end of public school year.
- **Major League (ages 10–12):** Typically, 1-2 practices per week; games on Mondays/Wednesdays nights and Saturday afternoons. Season runs from mid/late April to end of public school year.

SOMERVILLE GIRLS YOUTH SOFTBALL

www.somervillesoftball.org



Ages: Girls 7–18 years

Location: Somerville and surrounding towns

Contact: Lea Bowler Hardy
theyellowdiamonds@comcast.net

About: Recreational season and competitive summer program. SGYS is a program of friendly competition with the goal of educating players about sportsmanship, teamwork, fellowship, courtesy and discipline.



Low cost/
Financial aid available



Transportation
available



SOMERVILLE YOUTH SOCCER

www.somervillesoccer.org



Ages: Toddler to 18 years

Location: locations throughout Somerville (and surrounding towns for travel teams)

Contact: See website for age coordinators

About: A recreational and developmental soccer league for kids age 2 to 18. In-town and travel leagues offered. Non-profit and volunteer run youth sports organization

SOMERVILLENS POP WARNER AND CHEER

www.facebook.com/somervillepopwarner



Ages: 5–15 years

Location: varies by program

Contact: Roger Desrochers
617-838-2145, rogspw@aol.com

About: Football/cheerleading non-profit. Certified coaches work with all kids to learn the sport as well as important life lessons. Practice 2.5 hrs, 3 to 4 nights/week. Games on Sundays.

SOMERVILLE YOUTH HOCKEY

www.somervilleyouthhockey.org



Ages: under 8–under 18

Location: Veterans Memorial Rink and others

Contact: dzraket@somervilleyouthhockey.org

About: Learn to skate through competitive programs offered weeknights and weekends.

TEEN JOBS

YOUTH INTERNSHIPS & PAID JOBS

MAYORS SUMMER JOBS PROGRAM

www.somervillema.gov

Ages: 15 years and up

Location: Citywide

Contact: Danielle Palazzo
DPalazzo@somervillema.gov
617-625-6600 x 2980

About: The annual job program which pairs young job seekers with opportunities within City departments such as at City Hall and with the Somerville Recreation Department. Paid work, average 20 hours per week.

SOMERVILLE MEDIA CENTER INTERNSHIPS

www.somervillemedia.org

Ages: 13–17 years

Location: 90 Union Square, Somerville

Contact: Heather McCormack
hmack@somervillemedia.org

About: Teen Production Assistants internship at Somerville Media Center. Are you a high school student who wants to learn the ropes of community media production in a hands-on, fast-paced environment? Apply to be a teen P.A. at Somerville Media Center this summer! Learn how to use our state-of-the-art facilities and equipment to film, edit, and produce high quality videos for community organizations in Somerville. Youth work 15-20 hours a week for 3 weeks during the summer, and leave with a professional portfolio/film reel featuring their original work as well as a one-year membership to SMC.





MYSTIC MURAL PROJECT

www.somervilleartscouncil.org/mysticmural

Ages: 14–19 years

Location: Mystic Activity Center
530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: 617-625-6600 ext 2985,
gjenkins@somervillema.gov

About: Every year a diverse group of Somerville Youth come together to design and paint panels to add to the famous Mystic Mural Project. Part time approx. 20 hours per week for 6 weeks, paid.

PARKOUR & CLIMBING COACH-IN-TRAINING

www.pkgenboston.com

Ages: 14–18 years

Location: Brooklyn Boulders Somerville

Contact: boston.info@parkourgenerations.com
617-302-7542

About: Learn how to share parkour with younger generations, and pick up valuable professional skills in the process. An intensive week of on-site training and preparation followed by a flexible summer schedule assisting at our various programs in the area and participating in professional development activities with our team of experienced coaches and mentors.

TEEN EMPOWERMENT

www.teenempowerment.org

Ages: High School Age

Location: Throughout Somerville

Contact: Danny McLaughlin
danny@teenempowerment.org

Various programs, Hiring youth throughout the year:

• **Youth Organizers (Y.O.):**

Year round, Meet 4-5 times a week, \$12.75/hr
Prioritize issues in the community and work to plan and implement initiatives

• **Teen Empowerment Library Leaders (T.E.L.L.)**

Year round, Meet once a week, \$100/month
Identify “hot topic” issues in Somerville and plan and implement events and initiatives at the Somerville Public Library.

• **Youth Matters Media (Y.M.M..)**

Year round, Meet once a week, \$100/month
Program in partnership with Somerville Media Center and City TV, create media content around important community topics.

• **Mental Wellness Ambassadors (M.W.A.)**

Year round, Meet once a week, \$100/month
Work to destigmatize Mental Health in Somerville by creating a series of community campaigns, dialogues, and workshops.

• **Youth Police Dialogues (Y.P.D.)**

Summer only, Meet once a week, \$100/month
A series of Walking dialogues in which youth, police, and interested community members walk around all wards of Somerville and survey residents on how they feel about the community

SOMERVILLE YMCA

www.somervilleymca.org

Ages: 13–15 years and 16 years up

Location: 101 Highland Avenue, Somerville

Contact: Jackie Rivera , 617-625-5050

About: The Y employs youth ages 13–15 as part of its CIT/LIT program as well as older teens to work in its summers camps. Contact the Y directly for more info.

As well as the programs listed here, many programs look for extra help as summer approaches. Somerville is also home to many businesses and restaurants who are glad to hire local teens. Keep a look out for “Help Wanted” signs, - and don’t be afraid to walk in and ask if a place is hiring.

AFTERSCHOOL SCHOOL-YEAR PROGRAMS

ARTS AT THE AMORY

www.artsatthearmory.org



Ages: Varies by program

Location: Center for Arts at the Armory
191 Highland Ave, Somerville

Contact: operations@artsatthearmory.org

About: Various afterschool and evening programs throughout the school year.

CITIZEN SCHOOLS

www.citizenschools.org



Contact:

Winter Hill - Grades 5th-8th

Angela Dipesa

angeladipesa@citizenschools.org

Argenziano - Grades 5th-6th

Janae Dixon

janaedixon@citizenschools.org

East Somerville - Grades 5th-8th

Ani Yanachkova

aniyanachkova@citizenschools.org

About: From 2:30–5pm. Learn through hands-on activities (apprenticeships with local professionals or clubs led by Citizen School Teaching Fellows). Different options from sports to tech to arts to finance. Show off your semester long projects at our fun WOW! Event.

ENROOT

www.enrooteducation.org



Ages: Somerville High School
English Language Learners

Location: Somerville High School

Contact: Teresa Martinez, Program Director
tmartinez@enrooteducation.org
617-383-1164

About: Enroot is an after-school program for English Learners. It's a way to meet new people, improve your

English and academic skills, get professional experience, and plan for your future. In Enroot, you can (1) participate in a professional internship, (2) attend leadership seminars, (3) meet with a mentor, and (4) meet with a tutor

ELIZABETH PEABODY HOUSE

www.teph.org



Ages: 5–13 years

Location: 275–277 Broadway, Somerville

Contact: India Drinkard
idrinkard@teph.org
(617) 623-5510 x105

About: Our aim is to develop strong interpersonal skills between students while bolstering self-confidence and an awareness of the world around them. We provide transportation from all Somerville Public Schools, Prospect Hill Academy, and St. Catherine's of Genoa School to our Program Building

EL SISTEMA

<https://somerville.k12.ma.us/district-departments/music-theatre-arts/el-sistema>

Ages: 3rd grade–8th grade



Location: East Somerville Community School

Contact: Evan Perry
eperry@k12.somerville.ma.us

About: Over 60 students who receive music instruction on strings, winds or brass instruments and also have dedicated times for homework study and tutoring, recess, and afternoon snack everyday between 2:35–5:30PM. Music instruction includes string and full orchestra rehearsals, wind ensemble, sectionals, chamber music, musicianship classes.



KESHER AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

www.kesherschool.org



Ages: K–8th Grade

Location: 136 Magazine St, Cambridge

Contact: Bryna Chlamer, bryna@kesherschool.org

About: We are home to a diverse and welcoming community of families and teachers. In a variety of Kesher programs, during the school year, from Pre-school through 8th Grade, children learn Jewish culture and Hebrew language as an organic part of each day's explorations, in a spirited, joy-filled environment. 2:30pm–5:30pm, Mon–Thurs.

MYSTIC LEARNING CENTER AFTERSCHOOL

www.mysticlearningcenter.org



Ages: 5–13 years (5–16 for special needs)

Location: 530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: Tracey Stearns
traceymaja@yahoo.com

About: The program is designed to enhance the educational, emotional, and social development of children. Young people ages 5–13 enroll in a structured program designed to expand their interests and horizons, and to develop positive attitudes toward others. Runs every day and on half days. Walking pick-up from Healey School

PARTS AND CRAFTS

www.partsandcrafts.org



Ages: 7–13 years

Location: 577 Somerville Ave, Somerville

Contact: Dina@partsandcrafts.org

About: In our makerspace programs we encourage kids to play, think, make, and learn through the exploration of the arts, science, computer programming, and engineering – a cluster of disciplines we refer to as “the creative application of technical skills.” Afterschool, half day, school alternative and weekend programming.



PARKOUR AFTERSCHOOL & CLASSES

www.pkgenboston.com

Ages: 6–13 years, 14–70+ years

Location: Somerville Armory, Brooklyn Boulders, and outdoor parks

Contact: boston.info@parkourgenerations.com
617-302-7542

About: Join our weekly afterschool, evening and weekend classes throughout Somerville for kids (and adults) to stay active all year round. For all abilities and fitness levels, drop-in, full-season, and monthly membership sign up options available!

SOMERVILLE BOXING CLUB



Ages: 10 years and over
unless accompanied by an adult

Location: 11 Otis St, Somerville

Contact: 617-629-5659

About: Free drop in every day after school from 3pm–8pm and 10am–2pm on Saturdays. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. No sparring and boxing – instead kids learn and practice technique (equipment, hows and whys of speed bags and heavy bags, skipping rope, road work, flipping tires) and training (proper stance, proper punching technique, foot and head movement, hitting the Mitts with a trainer). After being shown technique and training kids are expected to come and train alone as well as hit mitts with a trainer.

SOMERVILLE COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

www.somerville.k12.ma.us



Ages: entering K–8th grade

Location: All SPS Schools

Contact: Adriana Guerque M.Ed./
Rosanna Paribello 617-625-6600 x6975

About: Mon–Fri after school–5:30pm, includes early release days and vacation weeks. Various clubs and tutoring programs are offered as part of the program.

SOMERVILLE MEDIA CENTER AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

www.somervillemedia.org



Ages: 3rd grade and up

Location: 90 Union Square, Somerville

Contact: Heather McCormack
hmack@somervillemedia.org

About: A variety of afterschool programs and classes throughout the school year. See website for more info.

SOMERVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS INTRAMURAL SPORTS

www.somerville.k12.ma.us



Ages: 7th and 8th grade

Location: varies by program

Contact: Heather Paonessa
Assistant Athletic Director
Somerville High School
hpaonessa@k12.somerville.ma.us

About: Intramural sports for SPS Middle Grade students. Sports vary by season—please see website for more details.

SOMERVILLE YMCA

www.somervilleymca.org



Ages: 5–13 years

Location: 101 Highland Avenue, Somerville,

Contact: Jackie Rivera , 617-625-5050

About: Afterschool and early release program includes sports and games, computer lab and homework club, healthy snack, arts and crafts, swimming lessons, free YMCA membership, school vacations, and early release. Includes transportation to and from the Y to 3 locations in Somerville.



TEEN EMPOWERMENT

www.teenempowerment.org



Ages: High School

Location: Throughout Somerville

Contact: Danny McLaughlin
danny@teenempowerment.org

About: Various programs, hiring throughout the year: Programs include Youth Organizers, Teen Empowerment Library Leaders, Youth Media Matters, Mental Wellness ambassadors and Youth Police Dialogues. Positions are all stipended.

THE WELCOME PROJECT: LIPS PROJECT AND MYSTIC WIZARDS

www.welcomeproject.org



Ages: varies by program

Location: 530 Mystic Ave, Somerville

Contact: Kenia Alfaro
kenia@welcomeproject.org

About: LIPS trains bilingual teens to use their second language for translation and interpretation throughout the community. Mystic Wizards is a twice weekly homework help program on Mondays and Wednesdays.



SUMMER RESOURCES & ACTIVITIES

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN OF ALL AGES

EVENTS/GROUPS

THE GROWING CENTER

The Growing Center has a variety of activities and events for all ages including: Playgroups, Story-Time, nature play, music, gardening and more.
www.thegrowingcenter.org

SOMERVILLE ARTS COUNCIL

Local community events such as Artbeat, SomerStreets, PorchFest and more!
www.somervilleartscouncil.org

SOMERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Check out the library for: Summer Reading and other events including: sing-alongs, book groups for kids, and museum passes.
www.somervillepubliclibrary.org

SOMERVILLE PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Visit the Somerville Parks & Recreation Department's website for a variety of summer programs
www.somervillerec.com/info/activities/

POOLS

KENNEDY SCHOOL POOL

Classes and family swim from 6 months up.

DILBOY MEMORIAL SWIMMING & WADING POOL

Alewife Brook Parkway, (617) 625-6600 x2980
 (Managed by the City of Somerville, fee charged)

FOSS PARK: DCR LATTI BROTHERS MEMORIAL SWIMMING & WADING POOL

235 Broadway, Somerville, (617) 666-9236

PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS

WATER PLAY FEATURES, SPRINKLERS & POOLS

Cool off in Somerville at one of the 14 City parks that have water play features:
<http://archive.somervillema.gov/waterpark>

FIND A SOMERVILLE PARK NEAR YOU

www.somervillehub.org





SUMMER RESOURCES & ACTIVITIES

FOR FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN OF ALL AGES



FARMERS MARKETS / OTHER FOOD RESOURCES

- **Davis Square Farmers Market**
Wednesdays: 12:00PM to 6:00PM
May to November, HIP available
www.massfarmersmarkets.org/davis-square-1
- **Union Square Farmers Market**
Saturdays 9:00AM to 1:00PM
May to November, HIP and SNAP match available
www.unionsquaremain.org/2020-season
- **Somerville Mobile Farmers Market**
stops at SCALE, ESCS, North Street Housing, and Mystic Housing, HIP, SNAP match, and other food assistance (can take out if no space) discounts available www.somervillemobilefarmersmarket.wordpress.com
- **Cambridge Farmers Markets** www.cambridge-ma.gov/CDD/parks/farmersmarkets
- **Find information** about daily community meals, food pantries and other great local resources at: www.somervillefoodsecurity.org

FAMILY OUTINGS

FREE FRIDAYS

- Every Friday, June–August, a number of attractions/museums are free to the public - Offered by Highland Street Foundation.
For more info: www.highlandstreet.org

ZOOS

- **Franklin Park Zoo** – Boston
www.zoonewengland.org
- **Stone Zoo** – Stoneham
www.zoonewengland.org

BEACHES/ BIKE PATHS/ EVENTS/ FARMS /WALKS

- **Boston Harbor Walk:** www.faneuilhallboston.com/bostonharborwalk/
- **Boston Public Garden** – swan boats:
www.cityofboston.gov/parks/emerald/public_garden.asp
- **County and State Fairs:**
www.countyfairgrounds.net/massachusetts/massachusetts.php
- **DCR** (Department of Conservation and Recreation) Events: www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/dcr/massparks/programs-and-events/
- **Drumlin Farm** – Lincoln, MA: www.massaudubon.org/Nature_Connection/Sanctuaries/Drumlin_Farm/index.php
- **Institute of Contemporary Art** has free family events the last Saturday of each month:
www.icaboston.org/calendar
- **Massachusetts Beaches:**
www.visit-massachusetts.com/beaches
- **Minuteman Bikeway:** www.traillink.com/trail/minuteman-bikeway.aspx
- **Museum of Fine Arts:** www.mfa.org
- **Walk Boston** – download maps here:
www.walkboston.org/resources/maps.htm
- **Middlesex Fells Reservation:**
www.friendsofthefells.org



For more info: www.somervillehub.org

