

https://roundupriverranch.org/FREE_ACTIVITIES

Kids Bowl Free at The Summit Thornton

580 E 144 Ave Thornton, CO 80023

Phone: 303-254-8888

Description: Registered kids receive 2 FREE GAMES of bowling every day of the Kids Bowl Free Program-- all summer long.

Registration: https://www.kidsbowlfree.com/center.php?alley_id=6802



Adams County Fair

The Riverdale Regional Park is located at 9755 Henderson Rd., Brighton
No admission cost

Schedule: August 2-6, 2023

Friday August 5 they will hold a free event for children called kidchella



Kids Expo + Summer Camps Fair 2023

When: Sat, March 11 10am-2pm

Description: discover fun summer camps, activities and classes throughout Boulder County & Northern Colorado

Where: Boulder Jcc, 6007 Oreg Ave. (Corner Of Cherryvale Road And Arapahoe Avenue)

Website: RaisedInTheRockies.com

El Día del Niño - FREE DAY

When: April 30

Description: El Día del Niño—the Day of the Child—is one of the year’s most exciting and vibrant events at the beautiful History Colorado Center, downtown Denver’s only Smithsonian Affiliate museum.

Admission to the entire museum and all of its exhibits is provided free of charge throughout the day.

The celebration will include performances by local and international artists.

The museum is in the heart of the Golden Triangle Creative District, just steps from additional free offerings at our Center for Colorado Women’s History, Clyfford Still Museum, Denver Art Museum, and Denver Public Library.

Where: History Colorado Center

1200 North Broadway Denver, CO

Cost: Free

Nights at the Museums

When: November 4, 5:00pm-10:00pm

Description: Join the History Colorado Center for Night at the Museums on Saturday, November 4th,

from 5pm to 10pm. This late-night cultural extravaganza offers free admission to our museum and many others in the Mile High City. Explore and experience 16 different exhibitions at the History Colorado Center that take you on a time-traveling adventure into Colorado's past, present, and future. All you need is an advance ticket. Night at the Museums is part of Denver Arts Week and is in collaboration with Visit Denver.

Where: History Colorado Center
1200 North Broadway Denver, CO

Cost: Free but most book ticket at <https://tickets.historycolorado.org/event/night-at-the-museum-2023/tickets>

FREE CAMPS

Erie Police Youth Academy

Description: Are you interested in seeing how the Erie Police Department operates? Get a sneak peek inside your local law enforcement agency during this fun-filled, two-day academy for youth! This free event has a limited number of participants.

Topics include Crime Scene Investigations, Physical Agility Testing, Self-defense, K9 Demonstrations, and Patrol Procedures

Schedule: Fri. July 21 & Sat. July 22, 2023

Website: <https://www.erieco.gov/1545/Youth-Academy>

Roundup River Ranch

Location: 8333 Colorado River Rd. Gypsum, CO 81637

Description: a camp that allows kids with chronic and life-threatening illnesses to focus on fun, not their conditions. Campers can choose from a wide range of activities including a challenge course, music and theater, arts and crafts, campfires and more.

Website: <https://roundupriverranch.org/>

Registration/Cost: Enrollment is now open!

All camps are free for campers and their families through camp donations

VIRTUAL CAMPS:

Virtual: 4-H Camp

Description: Explore fun learning activities in arts and crafts, STEM, and food and nutrition, as well as additional camp resources and gear to help your kid continue growing and learning. This online programming is brought to you by Utah State University Extension and Microsoft.

Website: <https://4-h.org/clover/about/>

Camp Themes

Arts & Crafts (Grades: 3-12)

Food, Nutrition, & Cooking (Grades: PreK-2)

STEM (Grades: 3-12)

Virtual: Camp Khan Kids

Description: Camp Khan Kids is a fun, free, 4-week virtual summer camp for children ages 2-8 in July. The self-paced camp guides parents and children on a playful educational journey using the Khan Academy Kids app as a



launchpad into hands-on learning. Families work through a weekly calendar of online and offline activities that spark imagination, play, and learning. Activities cover reading, writing, math, logic, creative play, and social-emotional development.

Website: <https://khankids.zendesk.com/hc/en-us/sections/360009296952-Camp-Khan-Kids>

Virtual - Girls Who Code Summer Programs:

Description: Girls Who Code offers summer programs where participants get exposure to tech jobs, meet leaders in tech careers, and find community in our supportive sisterhood; all while investing in their future selves.

The Virtual Summer Immersion Program (SIP) is a live, virtual, 2-week introductory computer science course for currently eligible 9th, 10th, and 11th grade US students and international students ages 14-18. Through a new curriculum focused on Game Design, SIP participants will learn beginner to

intermediate computer science concepts, UX design basics, and more – all while getting an inside look into the tech industry through incredible company partners. In addition to a completely free program, GWC offers grants up to \$300 and tech support for qualifying students.

The Self-Paced Program is a 6-week flexible computer science course for currently eligible 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th grade US students and international students ages 14-18 who prefer not to adhere to a set schedule. Self-Paced Program participants can choose to earn beginner-level badges in HTML, CSS, and JavaScript for web development or an intermediate-level badge in Python for cybersecurity or our new data science track. Students will also have the opportunity to build community through live advisory events and other Girls Who Code engagements.

Eligibility: All high school students who identify as girls or non-binary can apply, and no prior computer science experience is required.

Website: <https://girlswhocode.com/programs/summer-immersion-program>



CAMPS FOR CHILDREN WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

Adam's Camp

Intensive therapy and recreation for children and adults with a variety of special needs

Location: *Various Denver-Metro locations, Colorado Springs, and Granby*

Description: The Early Start Therapy Program, for ages six months through four years, offers half-day intensive play-therapy sessions throughout the year. Overnight Adventure Camps for ages nine and up include weekend getaways in the Metro area, four-day road trips, and weeklong camps at Snow Mountain Ranch in Granby where campers go ziplining, sailing, horseback riding, and swimming. Programs are designed and delivered by trained therapists.

Website: <https://adamscamp.org/>

Registration: Camps fill up fast but waiting lists are available. Contact Lesley at 303-563-8290, Lesley@adamscamp.org

A.R.I.S.E (Adaptive Reaction and Inclusion Services for Everyone)

Recreation opportunities and programs to expand social, cognitive, and physical abilities

Location: Aurora

Description: A.R.I.S.E. day camps are held Monday through Thursday, for age 13 and up. Camp experiences include cooking classes, swimming, museum visits, behind-the-scenes tours, and attending plays, water parks, and farms. There are two overnight weekend camps for age 18 and up.

Website:

https://www.auroragov.org/things_to_do/recreation___sports_programs/therapeutic_recreation

Registration: Begins on April 10. Register online, in person at any Aurora recreation center, or by phone at 303-326-8650. Waiting lists are also available.

Ascendigo Summer Adventures Camp

Camp for kids age seven and up on the autism spectrum, offering opportunities to get outdoors

Location: Roaring Fork Valley

Description: Incorporating a Naturalistic Developmental Behavioral Intervention approach—the use of natural settings to teach developmental skills—the staff at Ascendigo creates individualized lesson plans to help provide unique experiences for campers. Activities include sports, horseback riding, wakeboarding, rafting, and climbing.

Website: <https://www.ascendigo.org/adventures-camps/>

Registration: Registration and scholarship applications are available online. If a particular week or sport is full, a waiting list will be started.

Breckenridge Outdoor Education Center (BOEC) Summer Wilderness Programs

Outdoor adventure camps for a variety of ages, disabilities, and special needs

Location: Breckenridge, Arkansas River, and Buena Vista

Description: Overnight camps provide experiences with camping, rafting, rock climbing, fully accessible high ropes course, canoeing, and kayaking depending on the type of camp. Kids live, work, and play with supervision by BOEC staff and, in some camps, specialized therapists from Children's Hospital Colorado, Brain Injury Alliance of Colorado (BIAC), and other specialty organizations

Website: <https://boec.org/>

Registration: Begin the registration process on the BOEC website to learn more about specific camps.

Camp Paha

Sports and leisure day camp for people ages six to 25 with various cognitive or developmental disabilities and diagnoses

Location: Lakewood

Description: Staff trained to assist in Activities of Daily Living (ADLs), including grooming, feeding, and other daily tasks. Campers are divided into small groups with one staffer for every four kids for activities that include swimming and other sports, arts and crafts, hiking, drama, and music.

Website: <https://www.lakewood.org/Government/Departments/Community-Resources/Programs-and-Activities/Therapeutic-Recreation/Camp-Paha>

Registration: A preregistration process must be completed before signing up for classes. Campers will be automatically placed on a waiting list when they select their desired sessions, until their profile is complete and verified.

CFCE Summer Camp

Twelve-week day camps for children age two and up with motor disabilities

Location: Arvada, Aurora, and Loveland

Description: Children at CFCE summer camp work on gross and fine motor skills, increase their flexibility and strength, and practice life skills, such as dressing, transferring, and eating in groups of similarly-abled peers. Campers also spend time outside, make arts and crafts, bake, and play games.

Website: <https://www.conductiveed.com/summer-camp>

Registration: Set up a free assessment by emailing admin@conductiveed.com before registering. Download the registration form to get dates and fees online.

Challenge Aspen

Day camp for kids of all ages with various special needs, but especially designed for those with cognitive or developmental disabilities

Location: Glenwood Springs and Basalt

Description: iCan Bike day camp, through the iCan Shine program, helps kids age eight and up with disabilities learn to ride a conventional two-wheel bicycle using adapted bike equipment. A second camp, The Magic of Music and Dance, is a weeklong (Monday through Friday) day camp for all ages to practice dance, movement, singing, and acting while creating and performing a production. Activities also include swimming, rafting, and a family barbecue.

Website: <https://challengeaspen.org/>

Registration: Register online at challengeaspen.org/summer-camps. If camps are full, call 970-923-0578.

Colorado Lions Camp

Provides summer programs for people with special needs, ages eight to adult

Location: Pike National Forest, 30 mins west of Colorado Springs

Description: These weeklong (Sunday through Friday) summer camps are geared toward people with a variety of special needs, including blind and vision impaired, deaf and hearing impaired, Down syndrome, Asperger's syndrome, sensory processing disorders, and mental disabilities. Working in a 1:4 staff to camper ratio, activities include archery, arts and crafts, a ropes course, talent show, sports, and nature activities.

Website: <https://www.coloradolionscamp.org/>

Registration: Register online. Names will be placed on a waiting list if camps are full.

Extreme Sports Camp

Location: Overnight camp is located in Glenwood Springs and the day camps are located along the Roaring Creek Valley/Colorado River

Description: offers camp for all kids on the autism spectrum through community-based learning opportunities. Their goal is to enhance health, abilities, personal growth, and social engagement. Activities include lake and water activities, swimming, yoga, hiking and so much more.

Website: <https://lohikan.com/extreme.php>

Registration: Enrollment is not yet open for Summer 2014, contact the camp at 970-927-3143 for more information.

Prices determined when enrollment is open, scholarships are available

Hopkins Summer Program

Children ages six to 13, with academic challenges and developmental disabilities, gain socialization while exploring Denver metro communities

Location:

Description: This camp starts in a classroom setting, where campers work on targeted IEP goals or individual skills at their level. Afternoons are spent on daily field trips around the metro area related to the theme of the week, in supported, small ratios.

Website: <https://www.hopkinseducationservices.com/>

Registration: Complete the online application. Discounts are available for multiple weeks. A meet-and-greet will be scheduled prior to camp to aid in the transition and personalize the experience.

HRCA Therapeutic Recreation Camps

Sports and science camps for kids with a variety of needs

Location: Highlands Ranch

Description: A variety of programs are run by Therapeutic Recreation staff and assisted by volunteers. Camps include teaching balance and coordination; skills to play a variety of sports, emphasizing teamwork; a STEM challenge with engineering with Legos; and training for a kids triathlon in August.

Website: <https://hrcaonline.org/classes-camps-activities/therapeutic-recreation/classes-events>

Registration: Register online, by phone at 303-471-7043, or email Summer Aden at summer.aden@hrcaonline.org. Waiting lists are available. Contact Summer for availability of classes of interest.

Megan's Place

Respite care and summer camp for children with disabilities, ages three to 18

Location: Wheat Ridge and YMCA of the Rockies: Snow Mountain Ranch

Description: In addition to activities and field trips at their Wheat Ridge location, a select number of children attend the sleepaway YMCA camp which includes archery, paddling, fishing, swimming, and summer tubing. Many of the staff are trained on seizures, g-tubes, catheters, injections, and medication administration. All staff are CPR/first-aid certified.

Website: <https://megansplacellc.org/>

Registration: Begins on April 1. Call Kristin at 720-427-1979 to set up a tour and meet with staff to make sure camp will be a good fit. Paperwork is available online.

National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD) Therapeutic Horseback Riding Camp

Adaptive lessons for athletes with any physical, emotional, behavioral, or cognitive diagnosis

Location: Snow Mountain Ranch, Granby

Description: Four-day overnight camps for individuals age 10 and up include cookouts and tent camping. Campers learn how to tend to and ride horses, practicing skills in the arena and on daily trail rides. Campers who are not independent in self-care require a personal care provider.

Website: <https://nscd.org/>

Registration: Registration and waiting lists are available online. If the minimum number of campers is not met 7 days prior to the camp, it will be canceled. Contact Diane at 303-807-5722.

Rocky Mountain Village, Easter Seals Colorado

Sleepaway camp in the mountains for people, ages six and up, with any kind of physical and/or developmental disabilities

Location: Empire

Description: Campers at Rocky Mountain Village enjoy horseback riding, zip lining, climbing, swimming, arts and crafts, music, drama, and fishing while gaining outdoor living skills. Counseling staff works in low ratios with campers, often providing one-on-one care. Two nurses are on-site all summer.

Website: <https://www.coloradolionscamp.org/>

Registration: Register online and create a profile. If a camp session fills up, the camper will automatically be put on the waiting list. Contact campinfo@eastersealscolorado.org or call 303-569-2333 for more information.

STAR Institute Summer Camps

Half-day camps for kids ages three to 17 with sensory processing challenges and other diagnosed disorders.

Location: Centennial/DTC

Description: Camps through STAR Institute include School Readiness Boot Camp, Superhero in Training Summer Camp, and Bike Camp. Social skills, language, and engagement are developed through games, sports, crafts, and cooking with guidance from occupational therapists trained to assist with sensory processing and integrated skills.

Website: <https://sensoryhealth.org/>

Registration: Visit the website to select the desired camp and complete the intake registration form. Once received, parents will be contacted with next steps to either pay a deposit or be placed on the waiting list.

Sunflower Farm – Summer Camp & Sprout House Program

Location: Longmont

Description: Sunflower Farm based Camps are designed to give kids a sense for rural farm-life. Activities include hands on animal care, harvesting and gardening, zip-line zooming, hay-bale jumping, recycled art station, sprinkler play, games and good old-fashioned farm play! We love offering camps to children with special needs and accommodate guardians, para's or therapists coming with children who require more assistance. A short conversation with our director about each child's special needs is requested before enrolling.

Website: <https://www.sunflowerfarminfo.com/>

Registration:

T.A.C.T (Teaching the Autism Community Trades) Summer Camps

Students with autism spectrum disorder are exposed to hands-on activities that are enjoyable but also

lead to skilled trades

Location: Denver

Description: Camp classes are geared toward specific age groups and include guidance in hands-on activities such as learning how to make musical instruments, sewing, furniture-making, and an introduction into the trades that includes carpentry, electronics, fiber arts, and auto mechanics.

Website: <https://www.buildwithtact.org/workshops>

Registration: Visit the website to register. Camps fill up fast due to their small size. Contact Becky at becky@buildwithtact.org for questions.