

Explorers Arts & Sciences Program

Challenging the mind, while experiencing the joy of camp!



What is the Explorers Program?

Gate Hill Day Camp's Explorers Program (formerly STARS) combines the fun of summer camp with the excitement of an arts & sciences enrichment experience. Our goal is to deliver uniquely designed workshops that capture the interest of today's child, in an environment that encourages play, develops skills and builds self-esteem.

What program areas make Explorers unique?

The program is based on five core workshop categories; Science & Technology, Creative & Digital Arts, Strategic Games, Music & Theater, and History & Social Science. All workshops are designed with the same main objective – *To create a learning experience that is fun, hands-on, relevant, and engaging.* Gate Hill has a core group of workshop leaders on staff whose primary responsibility is to implement and create the engaging Explorer workshops. To complement the program design, guest instructors, related field trips and Explorer special events are included as an ongoing aspect of the program.



How do Explorer campers experience ALL of Gate Hill?



Workshop Mornings: Explorer campers experience their Arts & Sciences core workshops every morning. Each camper has a choice of workshops in which can participate. The chosen workshop runs over the course of a week, with each day building upon the previous day's work, projects and concepts. These tailored workshops are created exclusively for campers in the Explorer program, taking into account their age, skill level, and interests.

Gate Hill Afternoons: An Explorer's afternoon is filled with activity choices from our traditional camp program, of Sports, Aquatics, & Arts. Explorers have instructional and recreational swim daily plus lunch, snack and any camp wide special event. Just like all GHDC campers, Explorers are part of the camp community – making friends, connecting with their counselors, participating in camp wide traditions, and having fun while embodying the Gate Hill spirit everyday!

Who should sign up for Explorers?

The Explorers Program is offered to campers entering 3rd grade thru entering 9th grade. Campers who are looking for an enriching twist on their summer experience, but still want to enjoy the fun & excitement of day camp, should consider becoming an Explorer.

