

Hopkinton Summer Day Camp Seniors' Specialty Camps June 23 – August 22, 2025

Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8	Week 9
June	June	July	July	July	July	Aug.	Aug	Aug
23-27	30-Jul 3	7- 11	14-18	21-25	28-Aug 1	4-8	11-15	18-22

Advanced Magic Camp

(Week 5)

Building on the skills learned in Beginner Magic, this class explores more complex magic sleights and techniques, some of which require memorization and simple math. Learn how to perform tricks for large audiences, basic stagecraft and working as a team/assistant to make the magic happen. All magic props will be supplied or constructed at each class. Videos of famous magic performances will be shown and discussed as models of techniques and showmanship.

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Advanced Wilderness Skills Camp (Weeks 4 & 7)

Have you taken 2 Wilderness Camps with us? Want to take your skills to the next level? We have a NEW opportunity for you to focus on more advanced skills. Come to the back woods of Hopkinton and learn about fishing handlines, big shelter builds, atlatl spear throwers, and animal tracking.

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Adventure Warriors (Week 5)

Ride off campus into the great wild for our off-site Adventure Warriors program. Featuring day-trip excursions to local hot spots including College Rock for some natural rock-face bouldering and top-roping, and Broad Meadow Brook for some wildlife exploration. This specialty camp features three to four days spent off-site with a day or two on campus to utilize the ropes course and archery range. Perfect for that wandering spirit looking to try new things and travel to new places!

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All-Stars Sports Camp

(Weeks 1-8)

Play hard. Play fair. Everyone wins! Campers will learn the values of teamwork, fair play, respect and hard work while being exposed to a variety of sports. Our YMCA staff will instruct campers in soccer, basketball, street hockey, gaga ball, badminton, disc golf, lacrosse, whiffle ball and new this year: cricket! The focus is on fun, skills, drills and playing time. Participants will also take part in high and low ropes, archery and swimming.

Family Member \$466 | Hopkinton/Youth Member \$522 | Community Member \$629

Animation Flix with IncrediFlix Camp (Week 3)

In collaboration with IncrediFlix, we offer Animation Flix Camp. in this fast-paced class, you'll create up to five new stop-motion movies using a different medium each day! Animate with ducks, with green screen, and new for 2025- film with anime characters! *\$35 production fee included in the price of camp. Note: Flix emailed within a month after program ends. Campers will also participate in daily traditional camp activities such as swimming, archery and nature.

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Beginner Magic Camp

(Week 4 & 5)

Magician Pat Farenga will teach campers close-up magic using sleight of hand, theatrical skills and other techniques. Whether it's a card trick, mind reading, or making something disappear, your camper will learn how to keep everyone entertained! At the end of the week, campers will showcase their magical skills for their fellow campers in a performance. All magic props will be supplied or constructed at each class.

<u>Ceramics & Sculpture Camp</u> (Week 4)

After a morning of traditional camp activities, such as swimming, archery, and nature, campers will travel with their YMCA counselors to the Hopkinton Center for the Arts for an afternoon of art projects. Campers will create pottery and small sculptures from clay using hand building techniques! They will learn about glazing and creating surface detail as they make sculptures, masks, creatures and pottery they can use. Please note that finished work will be available for pickup 4-6 weeks after the program ends.

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Creative Kitchen Camp

(Weeks 5 & 7)

Campers will enjoy a week of imagination, adventure, teamwork, and creativity in our Teaching Kitchen. All Creative Kitchen campers will participate in one traditional camp activity and swim every day. Parents with campers who have allergies are strongly encouraged to contact the Program Director prior to registration, kbesozzi@metrowestymca.org

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<u>Heels Down Horseback Riding and Ranch Camp</u> (Weeks 3-8)

After a morning of traditional camp activities, campers will board the bus to Willow Brook Farm in Holliston to experience riding and ranch life. On M/W/F, campers will learn to ride on one of Willow Brook's 30 horses in small group riding lessons with a trained instructor. Additionally, they'll learn to lead, care for, tack, bathe, groom, and ride bareback. On Tu/Th, campers will learn to handle, feed, and care for goats, sheep, alpacas, donkeys, miniature horses, and more!

Willow Brook will supply a required ASTM riding helmet and riding boots for all campers. Campers must wear long pants/leggings for riding, socks, and closed-toed shoes/sneakers.

Mario Flix with IncrediFlix (Week 6)

"It's-a-me, Mario!" Brand new for 2025 Stop Motion Movie making with your favorite Mario Characters. Create a Mario Movie full of fun to save the day or even be Bowser trying to take over the world! Work in small groups to storyboard, build the world, film, and do voice-overs. *\$35 production fee included in the price of camp. Flix emailed within a month after camp ends.

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Minecraft Movie Flix with IncrediFlix Camp (Week 3)

In collaboration with IncrediFlix, we offer Minecraft Movie Flix Camp. Make a Minecraft stop motion movie with your favorite Minecraft Characters! Working in age-appropriate groups, bring Steve, the creepers, and more to life. Students will write, storyboard, create sets, make their Minecraft blocks, film, animate some cool effects, and do voice-overs! *\$35 production fee included in the price of camp. Note: Movie emailed within a month after program ends. Campers will also participate in daily traditional camp activities such as swimming, archery and nature.

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Wicked Good Theater Camp (Week 6)

After a morning of traditional camp activities, such as swimming, archery, and nature, campers will travel with their YMCA counselors to the Hopkinton Center for the Arts. There's no place like the HCA in the summer to explore all things musical theater! Celebrate your love for the Land of Oz and Broadway with a week of singing, dancing, and crafting. We'll discuss musical storylines, songs, and characters and through games, scene work, and improv. Campers will work on their own small performance for the end of the week!

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Wilderness Skills Camp

(Weeks 3 & 6)

These sessions are designed to set our campers up with basic wilderness survival skills. Campers will learn how to build a shelter, build and start a fire with one match or flint; steel, purify water, basic map & compass techniques, several knots; their proper uses and many other skills. We will partner with Owl Eyes Wilderness Survival School to offer this program which will merge Fort Building and other outdoor education programs into one complete session. **PLEASE NOTE: Week 4 is a 4-day program, and there will be no camp on Monday 7/28/25.**

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