SUMMER 2023

CAMPER PACKAGE
Welcome to Science Venture’s 32nd summer season of camps, held at the University of Victoria on the traditional territories of the Songhees, Esquimalt and W̱SÁNEĆ peoples. We look forward to another exciting summer inspiring youth and investigating all things Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Mathematics. Our instructor team have been busily creating brand new activities and are looking forward to sharing their passions with the youth! New to this year are our Half-Day camps (STEM-U Junior Scientists) and new Specialty Camps (Digital Media & Mini Med). We hope the information in this camper information package will help guide and answer questions you may have about our programs. If not, please feel free to contact the office (contact info below).

Camp Hours & Location

We are located at the University of Victoria, with a sign-in/out area located on the west university Quad, by the Maclaurin building (see attached maps).

Our Half-Day (STEM-U Junior Scientists) camps run from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm and 1:00 pm to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday.

Our Full-Day camps run from 9:00 am to 4:00pm, Monday through Friday. Camp groups will leave the sign-in area and head to their classrooms at 9:10 am (and 1:10 pm). Late arrivals can sign-in at the Science Venture Administrative Office (Maclaurin D017a, see maps for directions).

Camps will not run on the following civic holidays: Monday July 3rd, 2023 and Monday August 7th, 2023.

Camp Theme Days

Every Thursday campers are encouraged to dress up for our weekly theme day. No elaborate costumes are needed (use what you have!)

- July 6th (Week 1): Favourite Colour
- July 13th (Week 2): Under the Sea
- July 20th (Week 3): Fancy Formal
- July 27th (Week 4): Plants & Rocks
- August 3rd (Week 5): Favourite Animal
- August 10th (Week 6): Robots & Aliens
- August 17th (Week 7): Comics & Cartoons
- August 24th (Week 8): Favourite Decade

Office Contact Information

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Camp Gear

Please clearly mark campers’ name on all items:

- Two snacks, lunch and plenty of water
- Appropriate clothing for weather conditions. We will be outside for lunch and other activities, so please pack water, sunscreen, and a hat.
- Toe-covered shoes are required for all campers as foot protection while in various labs and navigating the terrain. No Crocs, fliplops, or sandals are allowed in UVic lab spaces.

What not to bring:

- Electronic devices (cell phones, iPads, gaming systems, etc.)
- Toys (balls, trading cards, etc.)
- Food to share
- Money
CAMP SIGN-IN/OUT PROCEDURES

All youth must be signed-in at the start of each camp day and signed-out before going home. We will only release youth to the authorized people listed on the camper's registration.

**Government-issued photo ID will be required at sign-out, each day, to pick up your camper.**

Campers (minimum age 10) who have received parent/guardian permission to leave on their own may sign themselves out. This permission is given and recorded during the online registration process and may be updated at any time by editing your account online. Youth who are 12 and older may sign out a younger sibling provided they are recorded on the registration list of authorized people. Youth can only sign themselves out at the end of regular programming, exceptions will be given if prior special request for early departure is received by the Office Team from their parent/guardian.

**If your camper leaves without being signed out, we will be contacting you and the police immediately to report a lost child.**

**DROP OFF & PICK UP TIMES**

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CAMPER HEALTH & SAFETY

**NUTS AT CAMP**

Please note that Science Venture is a **nut aware** camp. We ask that parents send food options to camp that do not include nuts. However, we cannot guarantee that nuts will not be sent to camp. Please remind your child to not share food at camp for this reason.

**ANAPHYLAXIS PREVENTION STRATEGY**

Any camper with a risk of anaphylaxis must have an **Anaphylaxis Action Form** completed and provided to the Camp Coordinator on the first day of camp. This form will be emailed to parents a week prior to the start of camp. Camper bags containing Epi-Pens will be flagged with flagging tape.

**HEALTHY CAMPER & STAFF POLICY**

Campers and Staff cannot attend camp if they are sick. Our Staff follow the University of Victoria’s Health and Safety Guidelines: [https://www.uvic.ca/covid19/health-safety/index.php](https://www.uvic.ca/covid19/health-safety/index.php)

**EMERGENCIES & FIRST AID**

All Science Venture staff are trained in (at minimum) Emergency First Aid & CPR-C. In the event of minor injury to your child, Science Venture staff will assess the situation and if necessary administer basic first aid. Parents will be notified at the end of the day.

For moderate injuries, UVic First Aid Services (Campus Security) will be called, and parents/guardians will be contacted immediately. In the unlikely event of a serious injury to your child, emergency services will be called immediately to respond to the situation. You will be contacted immediately with information regarding the incident. If an ambulance is required to transport your child to the hospital, a member of our staff will accompany your child (parents/guardians will be responsible for any associated costs).
CAMPER SUPPORT
This year, UVic Vikes Athletics & Science Venture have teamed up to provide a unified inclusion program on campus for youth with extra support needs. If your child has extra support needs, please contact the UVCP Inclusion Coordinator, Adelle, at inclusiononcampus@uvic.ca, as soon as possible to discuss options for ensuring a successful camp experience for your child. Adelle would love to meet with you and your child prior to camp to discuss routines, adaptations to programming and provide you with a tour of our facilities.

MAP

Legend/Key:
- Entry to Science Venture Admin Office
- Parking Lot for Drop-off/Pick-up
- Sign-in area
- Outdoor Admin Tent

UVIC PARKING PASS
A parking pass is included in this camper package (see next page) and is valid for 15 minutes for drop-off and pick-up of campers from Parking Lot E. Campus security strictly enforces the proper use of this parking pass. Misuse will result in a parking citation. This parking pass is not valid for Metered Parking spots. This strictly enforced!! If you need more time, pay for parking at designated pay stations.

Only park in “Reserved Parking” or “General Parking” when dropping off your child. The parking pass is not valid in other parking lots on campus.
Science Venture Parking Pass

Parking Lot E only
(No Metered Parking Permitted)

Valid for 15 minutes of parking between:
7:45 AM - 9:15 AM
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM
12:45 PM - 1:15 PM
3:45 PM - 5:15 PM

To be used for dropping off and picking up your child for Science Venture summer programs. Campus Security strictly enforces the proper use of this pass; infractions will result in a parking citation at the expense of the vehicle owner.