



**Peoria Christian Middle School**  
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**Peoria Heights, IL 61616**  
**309-681-0500**



Welcome to Sum-Fun 2013

We are excited to reveal our summer courses that will be both fun and enriching to students of all ages!

Enclosed you will find the course descriptions along with a registration sheet, medical/emergency waiver, and photo release. We will need all forms filled out and turned in along with payment (check or cash) in order to hold your spot in each camp. Most of our camps have a maximum capacity, so once a class has reached the maximum number of students then the camp will be closed. Based on our survey, we expect them to fill up very quickly.

Please note the grade level requirements for each class. These grade levels represent the incoming grade for each student or the grade they will be in for the 2013-2014 school year.

Each camp will run from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. except for the May 28<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> camp, “Money Matters”. This camp will run from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. The cost for all materials is included in the \$110.00 course fee. There will be refunds available up until 1 week before the class is scheduled to start.

If you have any questions about the camp offerings, please contact me at [tschlich@peoriachristian.org](mailto:tschlich@peoriachristian.org) or 309-681-0500. If you have any questions about registration or fees, please contact Justin Bahorik at [jbahorik@peoriachristian.org](mailto:jbahorik@peoriachristian.org) or 309-686-4500 ext. 16.

We encourage you to invite friends to our SumFun 2013 program! This is a great way to introduce others to Peoria Christian School.

Let's get ready for a SUM-mer full of FUN and learning!

In Christ,

Tom Schlich  
Peoria Christian Middle School

# Peoria Christian Middle School Summer Camp Descriptions

## **Origami Fun!**

Taught by: Patti Mintus

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 20

Origami is an activity that requires both hands and activates the whole brain. Sequencing, mathematics/spatial relationship and reading are just some of the predominate benefits of studying Origami. Other skills that are involved are listening skills, sequential memory, concentration, eye-hand coordination, fine motor skills, visual memory, visual-spatial motor skills, verbal and visual memory, logical reasoning, and problem solving. Origami is a fun way to reinforce many of the skills needed in order to succeed in school today! During the week students will learn about the origins of origami, and make multiple origami projects. I would also like to show a movie, called "Between the Folds" that shows some AMAZING and extreme origami sculptures. This movie would be shown while students are working on individual projects.

## **Nanotechnology**

Taught by: Dr. Dean Campbell (PCS Parent)

Grades: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> (must have earned an "A" or "B" in their science course previous to this summer course; class size limit 10)

Come study the science of the really, really small in our camp on nanotechnology. Nanotechnology has the potential to impact a number of areas in science and engineering. We will have lots of fun learning science and doing experiments to better understand what is going on in the cutting-edge field of nanotechnology. Laboratory safety is very important and we will observe all safety requirements.

## **SOAR Study Skills**

Taught by: Barb Claxton

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>

Grades: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

Uncover your individual "intelligences", learning styles and preferences! The SOAR Study Skills program will help all students become more efficient and effective with their schoolwork and study habits. SOAR Study Skills is the best-selling study skills book in the world, used by over 1000 schools world-wide. We will cover topics like establishing priorities, identifying goals, scheduling time, organizing papers and space, reading text books, taking notes, studying, and taking tests. Regardless of academic skill level, all students will benefit from skills learned in this camp and be able to apply them in and outside of the classroom. Additional fee for class textbook: \$20.00

## **Geocaching**

Taught by: Adam Strenz

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 14

Join us as we dive into the fun filled world of Geocaching. Day one of camp will be Geocaching basics like how to read a map, use a GPS, and basic problem solving as well as finding our first simple cache. Every other day we will take a trip (rain or shine) to find Geocaches in the Peoria area. This class will include hiking, problem-solving, and critical thinking skills. Join us for the fun!

### **Lego Robotics**

Taught by: Gene Schneider

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>

Our Lego Robotics Camp is designed to get children excited about science and technology as well as teach them valuable employment and life skills. Children will learn basic to complex programming techniques using Lego Mindstorms software. Each child will work on a team (2 to 3 children) to design and build robots as well as create programs to allow them to operate autonomously on a game board.

### **Movement in Ministry**

Taught by : Barb Claxton

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 20

A scriptural study of worship expressions throughout the Bible will lay the foundation for an awareness of ways students can minister through movement. We will explore many expressions of worship such as the use of dance, mime, tambourine, flags, streamers, and banners, with plenty of opportunity for class participation. Students will learn several Hebrew folk dances, basic mime characterizations, and elementary principles of choreography as well as simple tambourine, streamer, and flag routines. These and other expressions will be explored as ways to minister to God and to other people. Participants will receive guidance as they actually develop some presentational pieces in dance, mime, flags, or “human videos.” This will culminate in at least one concert of movement as they minister in a local setting such as a church or retirement home. Prior experience or training in movement is appreciated but not at all necessary. Instruction will be given at the beginning and/or intermediate levels, depending on the desire of the students. Spiritual growth and fun are guaranteed to all!

### **Getting to Know Me**

Taught by: Barb Claxton

Grades: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>

Do you like to take quizzes about yourself on Facebook? How about those Internet IQ tests? Most people like to learn about themselves. God’s word says that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Wouldn’t it be fun to find out how God uniquely designed you? Did you know that you have a particular style in which you learn best? Do you know the inborn motivations that affect what you like to do? In this class we will use valid assessments (not the Facebook variety) and fun activities to discover how you are “wired.” We’ll add strengths, values, and experiences to the mix and learn how to set goals that are in keeping with God’s plan to use you to fill the spot He designed you to fill. Additional fee for class textbook: \$20.00

### **Money Matters**

Taught by: Adam Strenz

Grades: 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 25

This camp is designed to lead students to a better understanding of God, themselves, their money, and how it all works together. Students will be equipped with biblical principles to BE who God created them to be, DO more with their money, and GO out into the world ready to write their story.

**Camp P.I. (Performance Incorporated!)**

Taught by: Lidia Bosma (PCS Graduate)

Grades 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 15

Too many kids find out too late in life that music is what they love and is an area in which they have talent. They are shy to use their voices in a way that would glorify God. The aim of this summer camp is to overcome that shyness and teach students the basics of learning a song and performing it in front of an audience. They will be taught in a non-threatening and supportive environment. If you are interested in singing, or any other kind of public performance, the principles learned in this camp could be applied in any performance situation. At the end of each week, students will put everything they learned to the test as they perform a mini recital.

**My Brain and Me**

Taught by: Loraine Schenck

Grades: 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 14

Using a combination of materials from Sean Covey (*7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens*) and Dr. Daniel Amen (*Change Your Brain Change Your Life* and *Healing ADD*), students will explore the relationship between the brain and ADD and learning disabilities. Students will explore strategies to improve their executive functioning through nutrition and exercise, coping strategies, and spiritual disciplines.

**Photos That Tell a Story**

Taught by: Angie Eastman

Grades 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 14

Pictures really are worth a thousand words, and we'll prove it! During this week, we will use photography to tell a story. Through various excursions throughout the Peoria area, we will capture pictures that tell a story. But wait! You're not off the hook! We're going to use pictures in spurring creative ideas and adding details to our writing. Non-stop fun will be had as we explore God's creation and tell about it through writing and photography.

**Photos That Tell a Story**

Taught by: Loraine Schenck

Grades 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Class Limit - 14

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**May 28-31**

- "Getting to Know Me" (7th - 8th)
- "Origami Fun!" (5th - 8th)
- "Money Matters" (7th-8th)

Child's Name and Grade			

**June 3-7**

- "Movement in Ministry" (5th - 8th)
- "Geocaching" (5th - 8th)
- "Camp P.I." (5th - 8th)

Child's Name and Grade			

**June 10-14**

- "My Brain and Me" (5th - 8th)
- "Origami Fun!" (5th - 8th)
- "Photos That Tell a Story" (7th - 8th)
- "Lego Robotics" (5th - 8th )


**July 8-12**

- "Lego Robotics" (5th - 8th )
- "Geocaching (5th - 8th)
- "Origami Fun!" (5th - 8th)


**July 15-19**

- "Movement in Ministry" (5th - 8th)
- "Photos That Tell a Story" (7th - 8th)
- "Photos That Tell a Story" (5th - 6th)
- "Camp P.I." (5th - 8th)
- "Nanotechnology" (7th - 8th)


**August 5-9**

- "SOAR Study Skills" (5th - 8th)

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Total number of classes \_\_\_\_\_  
X \$110.00

**Total Cost \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to PCS



## PERMISSION/MEDICAL EMERGENCY

**Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

- ❖ I/we give permission for my/our child to attend planned school field trips and activities.
- ❖ I/we give permission for the Peoria Christian School to authorize emergency medical treatment if it should become necessary.
- ❖ I/we realize that any bills incurred by accident or injury are to be billed to me/us, but Peoria Christian School is not released from its legal liability and responsibility for my/our child.

Signatures: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Mother/Guardian) (Father/Guardian)

Phone numbers: (Home) \_\_\_\_\_ (Father/Guardian Work) \_\_\_\_\_

(Mother Work) \_\_\_\_\_ (Father/Guardian Cell or Pager) \_\_\_\_\_

(Mother Cell or Pager) \_\_\_\_\_ Students Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Physician: \_\_\_\_\_ Physician's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Health Insurance Co. \_\_\_\_\_ Group or Policy Number \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies \_\_\_\_\_ Current Medication \_\_\_\_\_

Any Medical Alerts: \_\_\_\_\_ Medication Used For: \_\_\_\_\_

Person to call in emergency if parent cannot be reached:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_



## Photograph Release

I release Peoria Christian School to photograph and/or videotape my child, \_\_\_\_\_,  
In grade \_\_\_\_\_ while participating in daily activities and/or special activities, and to use the  
photographs and/or videos in photograph displays, web pages, and/or other publications showing these daily  
activities and/or special activities.

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_