Allerton Day Camp 2022

Monday-Friday
9AM-3PM
Extended Day 7AM-9AM and/or 3PM-5:30PM

ALLERTON ACORNS (AGES 5-7)

June 6-10 Allerton Artists
The art and nature found at Allerton is inspiring for artists of any age. Projects this week will include watercolor, jewelry-making, paper crafts, photography and more!

June 13-17 Habitat Hero
Learn how important habitat is for wildlife and what you can do to help creatures find food, water and shelter. Campers will make insect hotels and toad houses to take home in order to invite wildlife into their own backyards!

June 20-24 Fort Week
Summer camp wouldn’t be complete without Fort Week! A camper favorite, we jump right into imaginative building and kid-created communities. They will spend the week using natural materials to make small-group forts, then enjoy them when they’re done!

June 27-July 1 Priceless pollinators
Buzzzzz…. into this week of discovery! We will explore the gardens at Allerton in search of pollinators big and small (here’s a hint: a Camper can be a pollinator!). Campers will ask and answer questions about the connection between pollination and our daily lives, play games, and bring home some ideas to encourage pollinators in their own backyard.

NO CAMP JULY 4-8

July 11-15 Treasure Hunt
Rumor has it that a wealthy friend once dropped her precious jewels while visiting Robert Allerton. They were never found, which means our campers have some searching to do. We will both follow and create maps and hunts that will lead us to a variety of “treasure”. Pirates are welcome – as long as they can be civil!

July 18-22 Green Thumbs
We get our hands in the dirt this week to discover just how complex growing plants can be. Soil, pollinators, compost... there is so much to discover! We will watch a bean plant attempt a maze, create a wormery, and of course, campers will come home with their own planted seeds, ready to germinate!

July 25-29 Water!
There are so many different ways to experience water at Allerton – the Sangamon River, the Reflecting Pond... water balloons! We will be playing games, making boats, and tracking down every sprinkler we can find!
ALLERTON ADVENTURERS (AGES 8-12)

June 6-10 Outdoor Skills
Whether campers come with a lot of knowledge or a little, they will take their outdoor skills to a new level this week! We will learn how to choose a camp site and put up a tent, fire building and safety, cooking outdoors, and staying safe in the elements. In addition, learning and practicing minimal outdoor impact will be a big part of camp this week.

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