

Jones County Summer Science Discovery Day Camps 2026 Grades K - 3



Barnyard Buddies - Tuesday, June 9 **Youth Development Center, Monticello**



Join us for a day of barnyard fun and farm-fresh learning! Little farmers will discover friendly farm animals and where food really comes from. Campers will experience the magic of farm life through hands-on activities, creative games, and cooking delicious food together using fresh ingredients from the farm.

Oop! Amazing Inventions - Monday, June 15 **Youth Development Center, Monticello**



Join us for a day of creating, experimenting, and inventing! Young engineers will discover how mistakes led to amazing inventions like Play-Doh, popsicles, and silly putty, then become inventors themselves. Campers will learn the engineering design process, test their own creative ideas, and build something totally new. Get ready to ask questions, celebrate happy accidents, and share your very own invention!

Sprout & Grow - Tuesday, June 23 **Calkins Barn, Wyoming**



Join us for a day of digging, planting, and growing! Young gardeners will get their hands dirty in the soil, learn how plants grow from seed to harvest, and discover the joy of growing their own food. Through nature exploration, garden projects, and preparing garden-fresh snacks together, campers will experience the wonder of watching things grow.

Each camp runs from 9:00am-3:00pm.

Campers bring their own lunch.

Cost of each camp is \$30.

Registration will open April 1 at:

<https://www.extension.iastate.edu/jones/youth-programs>.

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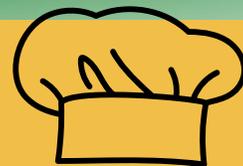
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Kids in the Kitchen - Tuesday, June 30

Cascade Public Library

Get creative in the kitchen! Youth will learn the importance of healthy eating and physical activity while making and eating healthy, child-friendly recipes. Lesson topics include: food safety, basic kitchen safety, the five food groups, and the importance of physical activity.



Little Coders - Monday, July 13

Lawrence Community Center, Anamosa

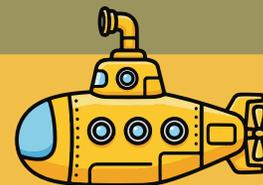
Join us for a day of coding, creating, and robot adventures! Aspiring computer scientists will explore basic coding concepts through fun games, hands-on robots, and block-based programming. Interactive challenges, teamwork activities, and building their own robot creations will help campers develop problem-solving and creativity skills while having a blast with technology.



Junior Ocean Explorers - Friday, July 31

Lawrence Community Center, Anamosa

Campers will dive into hands on building as they create ocean habitats, sea creatures, and exploration vehicles, mixed with movement breaks, storytelling, and teamwork fun. The exciting finale is an Ocean Rescue Mission, where kids design LEGO solutions to clean up pollution and protect marine life. We wrap up with a celebration and show-and-tell, sending every child home feeling proud to be a Junior Ocean Explorer and inspired to care for our oceans while thinking like young engineers and scientists!



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