



WELCOME, FRIEND

FCS Summer Camp Weekly Newsletter



From the Desk of the Director

"The Mission of Friends Community School is to nurture young people to be lifelong learners..."
Excerpt from the FCS Mission Statement

One of the things I love about working in our school community is that we encourage everyone including children and staff members in our community to be lifelong learners.

Behind the scenes, our summer camp office is always on the move, and whenever there is a learning opportunity, it has become customary to ask others, "Do you want to learn how to do this?"

Our vision for camp to be a fun and engaging experience is not limited to our children. By having engaged staff members willing to learn new things each and every day, we hope to pass on that curiosity and joy to our campers as well.

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ACTIVITY PAGES

Written by Support Staff
Produced by Danielle Probst

New
this
week!



05A1 - Little Explorers: Dino Fun

Led By: Franny Ashcraft

Assisted by: Lindsay Bearden

This week, the Little Explorers travelled all way the back in time to when dinosaurs ruled the earth.

We learned about all sorts of dinosaur fossils, eggs, and even made our own dinosaur puppets. Since there are so many, we focused on specific dinosaurs like Tyrannosaurus Rex, Stegosaurus and Triceratops.

05B1 - Bug Eyed Fun

Led By: Sandra Haw

Assisted by: Alex Andrews

Using our magnifying glasses, we observed loads of insects in nature, photographs, and books to learn about their anatomy and habitats.

Using our newly acquired scientific knowledge and our imaginations we constructed our very own 3-dimensional insects. We painted a big mural with ladybugs, cicadas, and spiders.

We learned how important insects are to our ecosystem, even if sometimes they "bug" us, we are learning to respect them for the part they play in our world.



05B2 - Elephant & Piggie

Led By: Patricia Soumoff

Assisted by: Lauren Hill

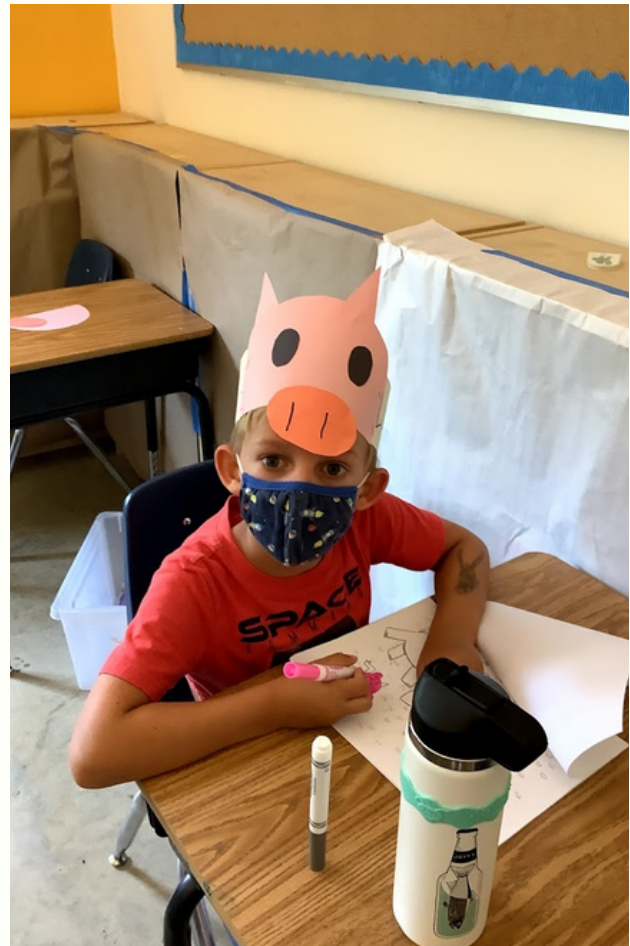
"Hey, Gerald."

"What is it, Piggie?"

"We're in a newsletter!"

Written and illustrated by Mo Willems, campers explored the adventures of Piggie and Gerald through movement, props, and arts and crafts.

We read lots of Elephant & Piggie stories, made puppets, and created our own Piggie headbands.



05C1 - Agility Adventures

Led By: Courtney Hughes

Assisted by: Jessica Anderson

Jumping into action this week, campers utilized obstacles, puzzles, and physical training to overcome one-of-a-kind obstacle courses on our playground.

Making sure we drank lots of water, we sprinted, played games, and tested our skills in the FCS multi-purpose room if it was too hot outdoors.



05C2 - Sewing & Fiber Arts

Led By: Johari Frazier

Assisted by: Taylor Washington

Weaving through the week, we started by learning the basics of hand sewing; how to thread a needle and how to stitch.



With this newfound knowledge, we created our own pillows, bags, and stuffed animals. We got to see some handmade historical clothing, stage costumes designed with texture, and had practice using a real sewing machine to understand the basics of clothing production

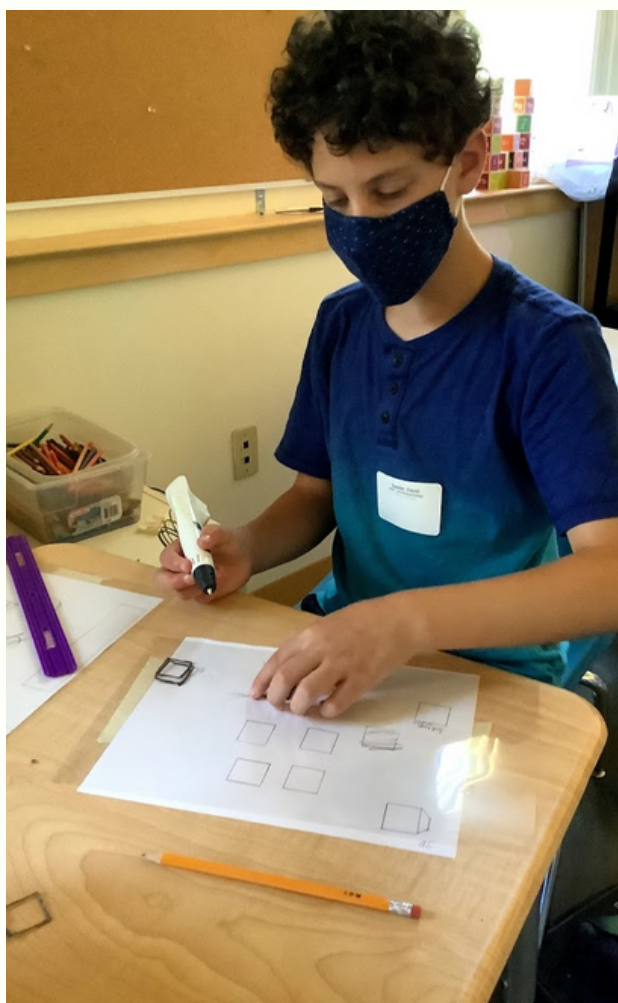
05D2 - 3D Printing & Design

Led By: Jazlyn Olivera

Assisted by: Nicholas Lugo

This week, campers were introduced to 3D printing and the software used to create filament designs.

First we practiced fashioning 3D shapes with pipe cleaners and clay. Then we worked with 3D printing pens to replicate our earlier basic shapes. From there we moved on to more complicated designs using Tinkercad. We got to observe the Makerbot in action while it printed our chosen creations. It even made cool robot sounds while it was printing!

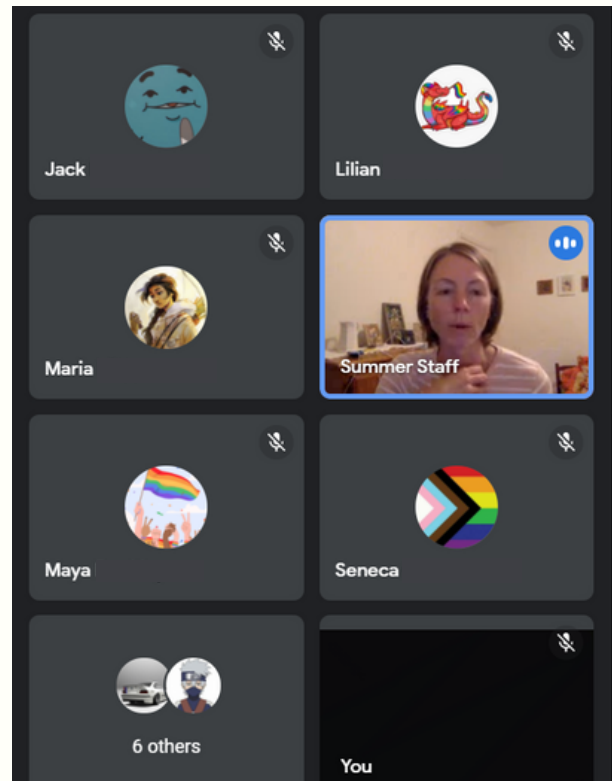


05DV - SSAT Prep: Math I

Led By: Christie Ray

Using a variety of interactive learning websites, like PearDeck and Desmos, students reviewed strategies and SSAT type questions to familiarize themselves with the math exam.

We also learned about the importance of pacing ourselves and optimizing our time to do our best.

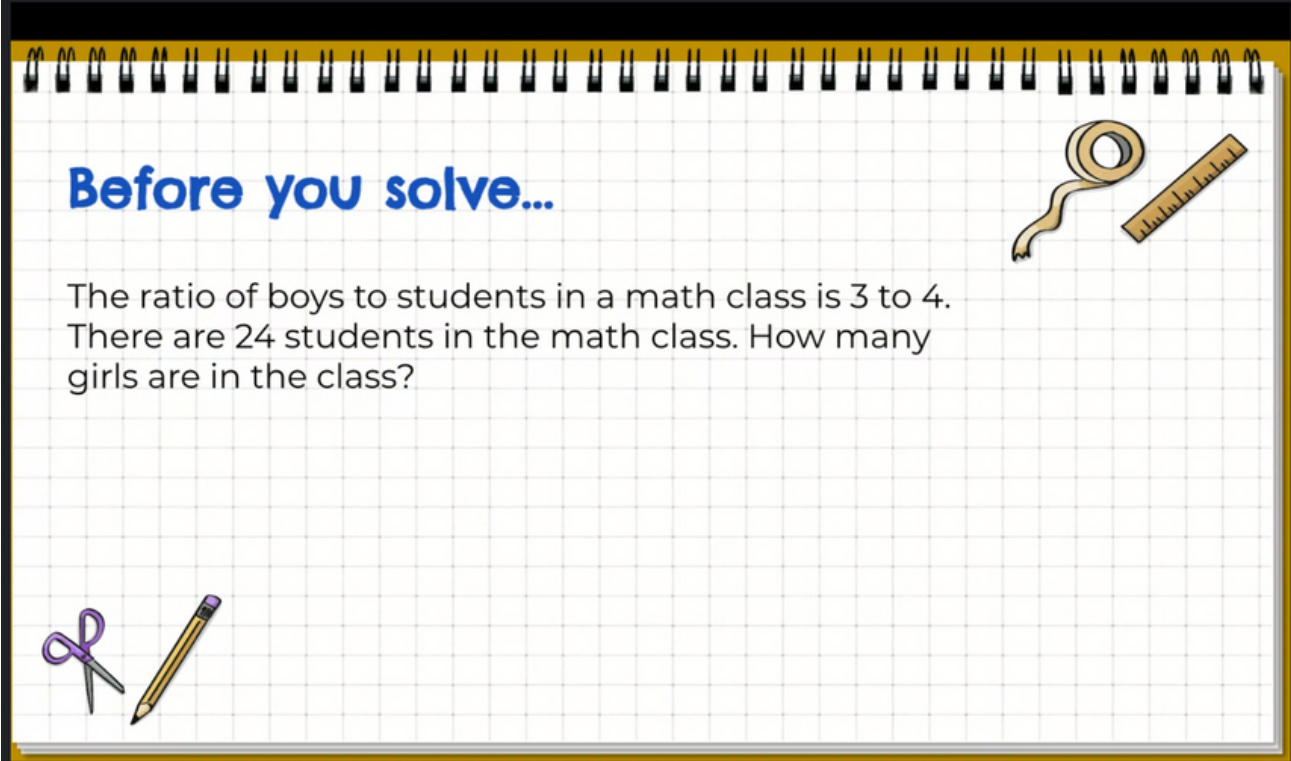


Summer Staff is presenting

Before you solve...

The ratio of boys to students in a math class is 3 to 4.
There are 24 students in the math class. How many girls are in the class?

5 AM | SSAT Prep: Math I



Try this @Home!



Fossil Fun!

This week, the Little Explorers learned all about fossils and how they are made. Using your knowledge of prehistoric bones, you can use materials found outside to create your own fossils!

Press rocks, leaves, or twigs into some clay. After letting the clay dry for at least a week, paint your fossils.

You now have a little piece of Dino camp fun forever!

The Bug Motel

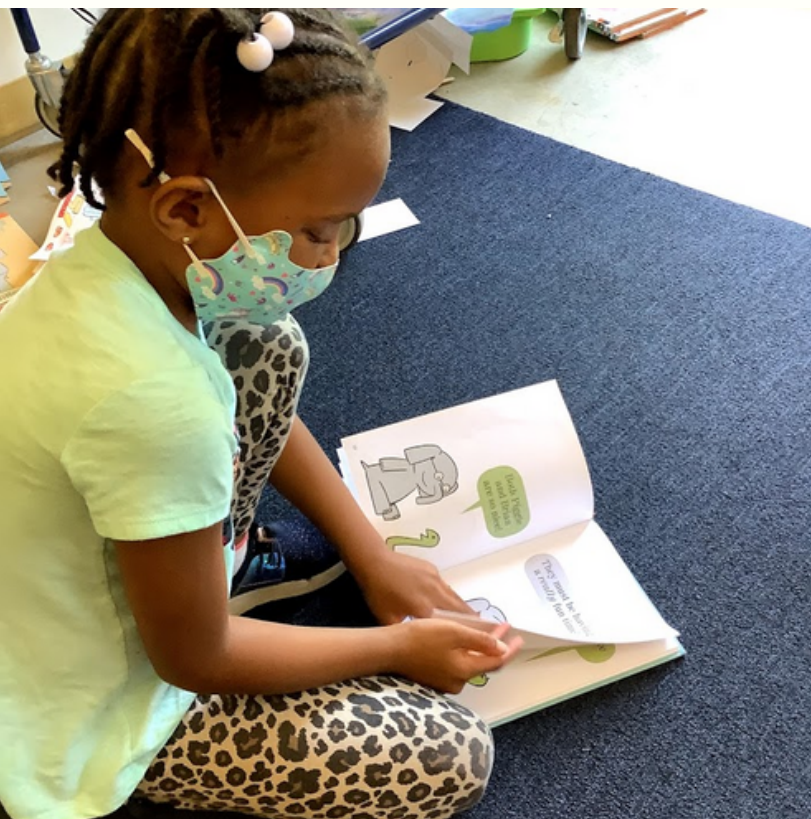
It's great to use things from your local environment as you are looking to attract bugs, beetles, and insects to observe.

All you need are sticks, a large plastic bottle to make two cylinders, twine, pine cones, bark, and anything else you can find. Decide on a location and add the twine to hang it if you'd like. Stuff the cylinders with your sticks and pine cones and make sure it's nice and full so it won't blow away.

Now you have your Bug Motel. Enjoy!



Try this @Home!



Elephant & Piggie Reading

Is your child a beginning reader? Elephant & Piggie books are a great way to get them started.

After your child has the book read to them several times, they can pick a character and read that character's part. It's totally okay if they aren't reading word for word, but are sounding like the character.

Balancing Act

You can practice walking on a balance beam without even leaving your house!

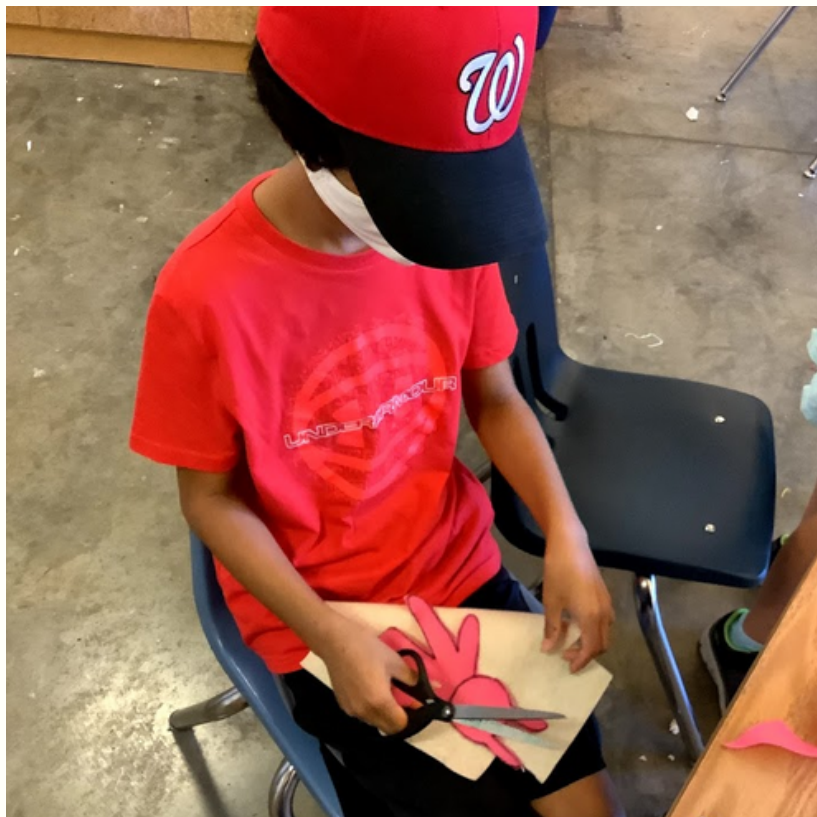
The only materials you need are a sidewalk and some chalk.

Draw yourself a wide rectangle on the sidewalk and try to balance on that line. Once, you've got the hang of it, challenge yourself by drawing a thinner rectangle to balance on.

Try to go as thin as you can and challenge your friends to do the same. Want to make it tougher? Hop instead of walk!



Try this @Home!



Stuffed Buddies

A simple needle and thread can produce so many useful and fun things. Once you learn how to thread a needle and stitch, the possibilities are endless!

Try creating a "stuffed buddy" with your child at home. Draw an outline of an animal or person on two pieces of fabric or felt. Stitch it together, stuff it, and now you have a basic shape. Use markers or leftover fabric to make clothing, eyes, and other attachments to your buddy.

At Home 3D Art

You don't need your own 3D printer at home to create. You can get it mailed to you!

At home, you can make your own 3D models using Tinkercad software designed for beginners and modelers of all ages. You can then go to a local makerspace to print out your design!

You can even showcase your designs with a 3D art gallery!



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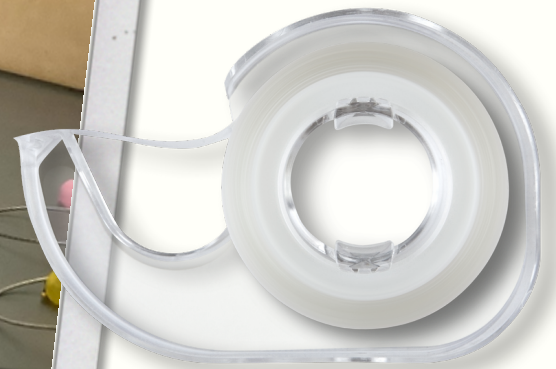
SESSION 05

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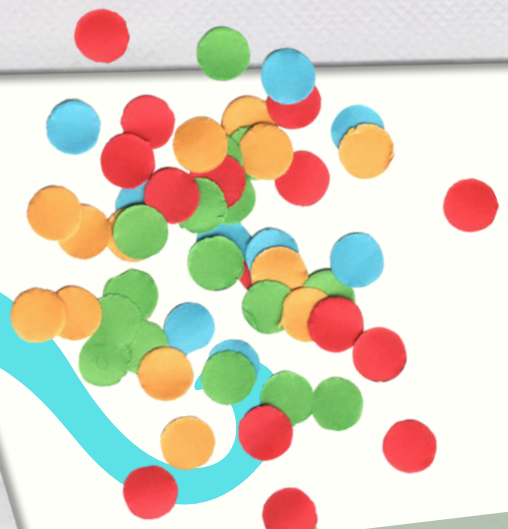
Sheldon helps us with our technology needs!

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SESSION 05



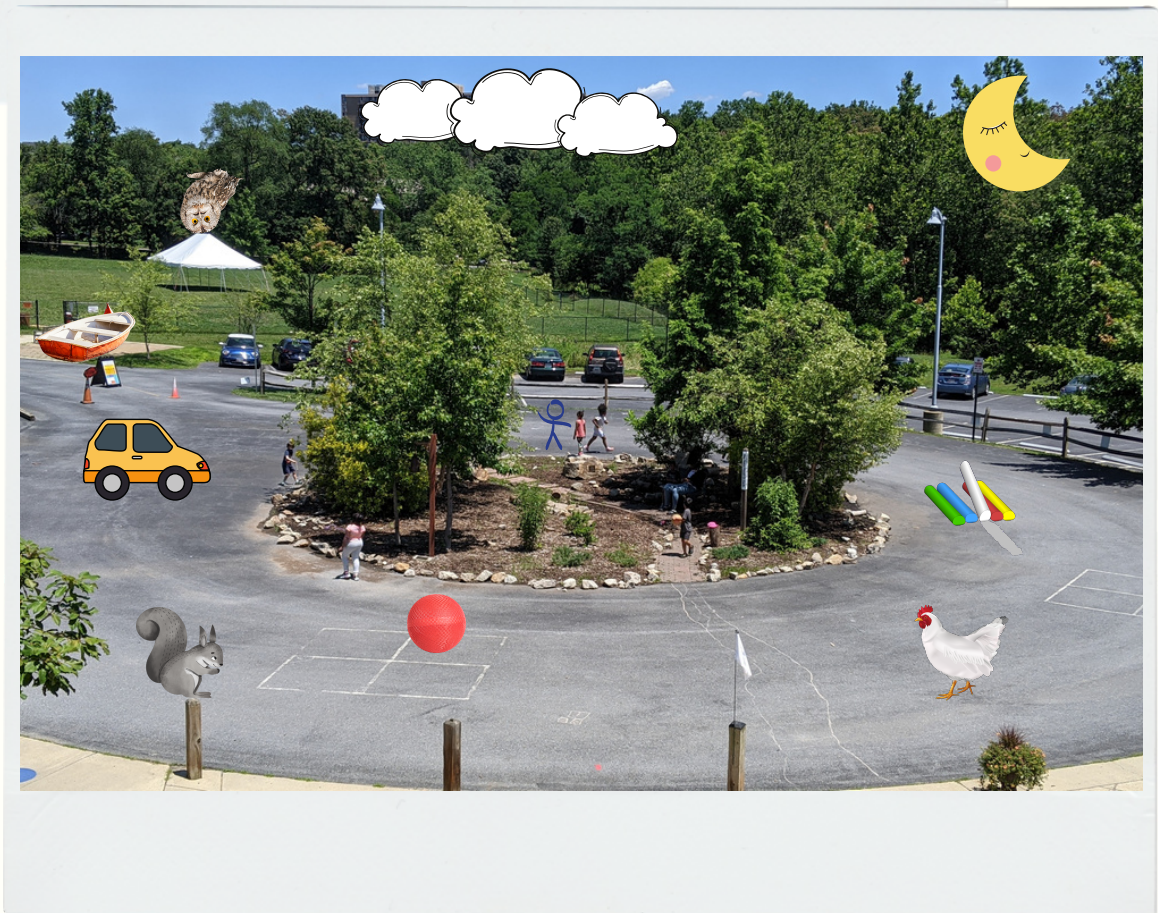
Sneak peep at our new keet (baby guineafowl) friends

Our Support Staff this week:

- Nyila Johnson
- Kim Lugo
- Crystal Robinson
- Camille Samuels



Spot the Difference!



Session 05 Word Search

F	S	C	R	I	B	B	L	E	R	W	G
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N	P	H	I	N	S	E	C	T	M	M	D
B	V	F	O	S	S	I	L	B	U	G	V

Find the following words in the puzzle.
Words are hidden → and ↓ .

AGILITY
BUG
CAMP
DESIGN
DINO
FABRIC

FOSSIL
GERALD
INSECT
MATH
OBSTACLE
PIGGIE

SCRIBBLER
SEWING

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FCS Summer Camp
SESSION 05 VIDEO SLIDESHOW



See you next week!

- 06A1 - Under the Stars
- 06B1 - Nature Explorers
- 06B2 - Food & Art: Baking
- 06C1 - Archery & Wilderness Skills
- 06C2 - Shark Tank
- 06D1 - Theatre Arts Camp
- 06D2 - Robotics
- 06DV - SSAT Prep: Math II