

# **NIHERST Vacation Camps**

## **IN-PERSON Vacation Camps – Easter 2024**

### **FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS**

#### **1. What are the camps about? What are the topics/themes for each camp?**

**Ultim8 STEM! 1-Day** camps use hands-on activities to inspire and educate about phenomena in the natural and physical world. All activities are designed to stimulate campers' curiosity in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and to build critical 21<sup>st</sup> century skills.

The following camp themes will be available during this camp cycle:

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b><i>Rockets Away!</i></b>	Prepare for liftoff as we launch into an astronomical adventure using hands-on rocketry and explore the cosmos through the lens of a rocket. 3..2..1..Blast off!
<b><i>Molecular Gastronomy</i></b>	Grab your aprons, mittens and curiosity as you mix, measure and munch your way through a gastronomical adventure where science meets the art of delicious discovery.
<b><i>CHEM-magination</i></b>	Embark on a thrilling adventure of colours, explosions and fizzing concoctions. Join us where chemistry meets curiosity, and every experiment is a chance to discover the extraordinary.
<b><i>Camp Rock</i></b>	Unfold the Earth's story beneath your fingertips and uncover its stony science secrets. Gems, crystals and many other hidden treasures await in this wild geology ride where every discovery rocks!

**Table 1: Camp Themes**

#### **2. What are the camp times?**

Camps run from **9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**Your child can be dropped off as early as 8:30 a.m. and must be collected no later than 3:00 p.m.**

#### **3. What are the camp venues and dates?**

Four 1-day camps will be conducted at the [Arima Community Centre](#) from **Monday 25th March - Thursday 28th March**; followed by four 1-day camps conducted at the [Barataria Community Centre](#) from **Tuesday 2nd April - Friday 5th April 2024**.

Refer to the table below for 1-day camp themes respective to date and location:

**Table 2**

ARIMA COMMUNITY CENTRE	
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> March	<i>Rockets Away!</i>
Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> March	<i>Molecular Gastronomy</i>
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup> March	<i>CHEM-magination</i>
Thurs 28 <sup>th</sup> March	<i>Camp Rock</i>
BARATARIA COMMUNITY CENTRE	
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<i>Rockets Away!</i>
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	<i>Molecular Gastronomy</i>
Thurs 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>CHEM-magination</i>
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Camp Rock</i>

**Table 2: Camp Venue and Dates**

#### **4. How can I register?**

The registration process is done entirely online.

You can register using the Registration Link [HERE \(click\)](#) or on our website and social media platforms ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [Twitter](#)). Once the registration form is submitted, you will receive instructions for payment. ***Please note that your child's spot is not guaranteed until you make your payment.***

Once we confirm your payment on our end, you will be notified of your confirmed registration status.

#### **5. Is there a registration fee?**

Yes. The registration fee per camp is TTD\$100.00.

**Materials and supplies are included.**

**Price for each 1-day camp: \$100.00**

#### **6. How can I pay the registration fee?**

Upon submission of your completed online registration form(s), you will receive an email with instructions on how to make payment. At present, we will be accepting direct deposits (over-the-counter bank transactions, fast deposits, online banking transfers).

***Please note you are required to retain a screenshot or photo of your proof of payment to submit to us via email ([campadmin@niherst.gov.tt](mailto:campadmin@niherst.gov.tt)) as this is what will be used to confirm your spot in the camp once space is available.***

#### **7. Can I register outside of the age range?**

Registrations outside of the age ranges will not be permitted.

#### **8. Can I register for more than one location?**

Yes. You can register for camps at both locations (for different themes).

**9. Can I register for multiple themes?**

Each differently theme camp will cover different content. You can register for multiple themes.

**10. Can I register on the same day as the camp?**

Registration on the same day of the camp will not be facilitated. Registration for each camp will be closed at noon two (2) business days before each camp's date, or earlier as necessary if the camp becomes full.

**11. Is my spot confirmed once I submit my registration form?**

No. Submission of the registration form creates a "Pending Registration" status for your child/children. Your spot is only confirmed after proof of payment is sent.

**12. Are lunch and snacks provided?**

Lunch and snacks are not provided.

**13. What should my child/children walk with to camp?**

Campers can walk with lunch as well as sufficient snacks and water as necessary. Campers should bring a jacket as the camp venues are air-conditioned. All items must be labeled with the camper's name.

**14. Will there be any field trips?**

No field trips have been scheduled for this camp cycle. Campers and facilitators will remain at each location for the entire day.

**15. Are parents allowed to attend field trips?**

There are no field trips.

**16. Are parents allowed to remain on the camp site?**

No. Parents are kindly asked to leave campers in the care of the camp facilitators once dropped off at the camp venue.

**17. How many campers do you take in for each camp?**

The number of campers depends on the venue and the specific camp. It ranges from 10-20 campers per age group.

**18. What is the ratio of facilitators to campers?**

1 counsellor : 10 campers.

**19. Are background checks conducted on facilitators?**

Facilitators for these camps are experienced, trained NIHERST staff. Any additional facilitators are interviewed and based on their performance are hired accordingly.

**20. Can I get the facilitators' contact information?**

No. Contact information for NIHERST is publicly available. You can contact the Camp Coordinator at 758-3723.

**21. Can I get a refund?**

Please refer to the Refund Policy for Cancellations outlined on the Registration Form.