

Make Summer Camp Extraordinary!  
Resources for a Phenomenal Summer Season in Afterschool  
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As the 2011 school year comes to a close, many afterschool programs transition into full-day summer camps. Planning, scheduling, budgeting, and providing interesting activities that engage the students may become a challenging issue. According to the NC Division of Child Development, the students must be an active part of the lesson planning process. This can be easily accomplished through brief brainstorming sessions, creating charts of their interests, suggestion boxes for ideas, and planning according to the most popular topics.

The last thing you want to hear are students claiming to be bored with nothing to do, plan in advance and by their interests and students and staff are sure to have a successful summer!

Some resources for planning and activities are:

[www.ultimatesummercampresource.com/](http://www.ultimatesummercampresource.com/)  
[www.enasco.com/page/summercamp/](http://www.enasco.com/page/summercamp/)  
[www.wilderdom.com/games/IdeasSummerCampActivities.html](http://www.wilderdom.com/games/IdeasSummerCampActivities.html)  
[www.familyfun.go.com/summer/summercrafts](http://www.familyfun.go.com/summer/summercrafts)  
[www.kaboose.com/features/summerguide/crafts.html](http://www.kaboose.com/features/summerguide/crafts.html)  
[www.kinderart.com/camp/](http://www.kinderart.com/camp/)  
[www.mysummercamps.com/resources/](http://www.mysummercamps.com/resources/)  
[www.youthwork-practice.com/](http://www.youthwork-practice.com/)

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