







Mind Movers is a summer camp that is centered around games! It encourages social interaction, problem-solving, and physical activity! This camp will rotate between different types of games each day:

**Board Game Day:** Board games like Tapple, Ticket to Ride, Battleship or Blokus develop critical thinking, strategy, turn-taking, and friendly competition.

**Digital Game Day:** iPad games that focus on math, reading, or logic puzzles, like Crayon Physics, Contraption Maker or Minecraft Education combine entertainment with educational benefits.

**Physical Game Day:** Active games, such as obstacle courses, relay races, or freeze dances give kids a chance to burn off energy and improve coordination.

Game Design Days: Kids can create new games in any of the focused areas: board, digital or physical

## Playing games can be incredibly beneficial for children's development, teaching them various skills and lessons like:

**Critical Thinking and Strategy**: Many games require players to think ahead, make decisions based on potential outcomes, and develop strategies to win. This encourages logical reasoning and problemsolving skills.

**Social Skills**: Playing games involves interaction with others, helping children develop important social skills like communication, cooperation, and empathy. They learn how to take turns, follow rules, and handle wins or losses gracefully.

**Math Skills:** Games that involve counting, measuring, or probability can enhance children's math skills. For example, games that require scoring points or managing resources help with basic arithmetic and understanding numerical concepts.

**Reading and Vocabulary:** Games with written instructions, cards, or storylines can improve reading comprehension and vocabulary. Children learn to follow instructions and understand new words in context.

**Patience and Resilience:** Waiting for their turn or dealing with setbacks in a game teaches children patience and how to cope with disappointment, fostering resilience.

**Teamwork:** Many games require players to work together to achieve a common goal, promoting teamwork and collaboration skills.

**Creativity:** Games that involve storytelling, building, or imaginative play encourage creativity and allow children to express themselves in unique ways.

**Focus and Concentration:** Playing games often requires attention to detail and concentration, helping children improve their ability to focus on a task for an extended period of time.

**Decision-Making:** Games often involve making choices and weighing options and possible outcomes, helping children develop decision-making skills that are useful in everyday life.

Who? Rising 3rd-6th grade students
When? Monday, July 14th - Friday, July 18th (1:00pm-2:30pm)
Where? Innovation Lab
Cost? \$150 assessed through FACTS



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