



Brookside and Brookside Tots Day Camp!



Camp Staff!

Daily Items & Reminders

Water Bottle
Bathing Suit
Towel
Sunscreen
Closed-toe shoes

**Please label
your child's
items!**

Dear Parents,

Thank you for entrusting us with your children this summer! We're thrilled to welcome everyone as we open our camp doors once again, ready for a season full of fun, learning, and unforgettable memories. Each day begins with a cheerful morning welcome and a quick safety talk emphasizing kindness and respect. From there, campers dive into a variety of engaging morning activities. After a lively start, we gather for a delicious family-style lunch. The afternoon is packed with even more excitement — whether its water fun for the tots, pool time at Brookside, or team games designed to foster communication and teamwork. We also make sure to include plenty of breaks for snacks, hydration, bathroom stops, and some well-deserved rest. As the day ends, campers pack up and head home, while our dedicated staff prepares for another fantastic day ahead. We can't wait to see your children and create an unforgettable summer together! If you have any questions, feel free to reach out anytime.

- Brookside and Tots Camp Directors

Weekly Themes

Week 1 - Rainbow Week

Week 2 - Wacky Tacky Week

Week 3 - Patriotic Week

Week 4 - Science Week

Week 5 - Sports/Pajamas Week

Week 6 - Hawaiian Week

Week 7 - Superhero Week

Week 8 - Disney Week

CONTACT

INFORMATION

We are happy to answer any and all questions, comments, or concerns you may have 248-645-3674 Option 1 or BrooksideDayCamp@cranbrook.edu



Ms. Macy

Hi! I am one of the assistant directors and am currently the assistant teacher in the Multi-Age Classroom at Brookside as well as a certified personal trainer. I am looking forward to all of the fun activities, adventures and friendships to be made this summer! I graduated from Grand Valley State University with my bachelors in psychology, I have two cats named Hank and Otis, and I love going on long hikes outside!



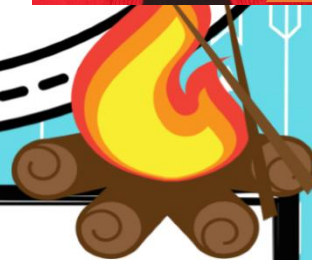
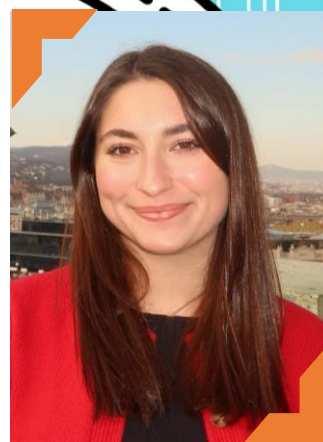
Ms. Megan

Hi! I am the Director for Brookside and Brookside Tots Day Camp, and this is my 11th summer working with the camp. I have my Master's in Elementary Education and Bachelor's in Early Childhood. I work as a Pre-School teacher during the school year. A fun fact about me is I became a mom in February. I am looking forward to another summer full of fun, laughter and memories!



Ms. Izzy

Hi! I'm soon to be a senior at Boston College and am studying in their Lynch School of Education. Outside of camp, I enjoy spending my summers reading, figure skating, and enjoying quality time with my family and dog Maizie. I always look forward to the camp season and am excited to meet each new camper and to see returning campers.



Ms. Grace

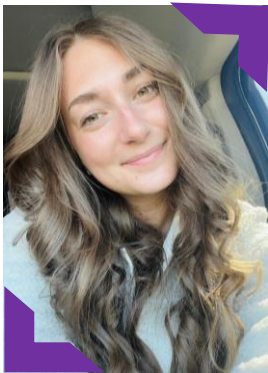


This will be my fourth summer working at a summer camp, I am super excited for this summer! This summer, I am looking forward to making camp a fun and educational place that the campers will love, as well as getting to enjoy the outdoors and all the activities that we have planned! In the fall, I will be a senior at Michigan State University, studying elementary education. In my free time, I love to craft, hike, rock climb, camping, and walking my dog, Duke! I can't wait to meet you and your camper!



Ms. Courtney

Hi! I am the Office Administrator for Brookside and Brookside Tots Day Camp. This is my 2nd year as an office administrator and 6th summer working with the camp. I have a Bachelor's degree in Music Education and work as a high school choir director during the school year. I am so excited to meet all the campers!



Ms. Cassandra

Hi! I graduated from Fenton High School and am a current nursing student at Purdue University in Indiana. I love staying active—whether it is playing volleyball, pickleball, or spending time outdoors hiking and exploring. This summer, I'm especially excited to help campers dive into hands-on activities, spark their curiosity, and make this summer both fun and full of discovery! I can't wait to meet everyone and be apart of all the adventures ahead!

Tots STEM Instructor



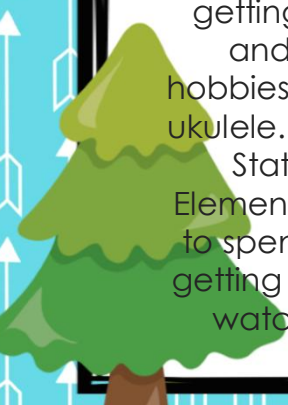
Mr. Peyton

Hi! I recently graduated high school. I am going to college in the fall to study accounting and pursue soccer. I enjoy being active and going to the gym as well as singing and learning instruments. I'm excited to make connections with your kids and give them a joyous summer.

Tots Sports Instructor



Ms. Erin



I am beyond excited to be a part of the Cranbrook community and Brookside Camp experience. I love spending time outdoors, getting creative with crafts and activities, and have recently begun some new hobbies, such as crocheting and playing the ukulele. I am currently a student at Michigan State University pursuing a degree in Elementary Education. I am looking forward to spending quality time with our campers, getting to know them for who they are, and watching our campers learn and grow throughout the summer.





Ms. Julia L.

Hi! This is my second year as a Brookside counselor. I was born in Spain, but I have been living in Michigan for almost nine years, and I am on my way to my third year at Michigan State University studying Behavioral Neuroscience with a minor in cognitive science and working as an RA! On my free time I love to draw, read and skateboard. Sadly, I am not able to do any cool tricks with it but someday I will. I had so much fun last year, and I can't wait to start another amazing summer with new friends and returning friends!



Ms. Marisa

Hi! I recently graduated from Waterford Kettering High School and, during my time there, I was involved in Choir and Orchestra (all four years) and was the Senior Representative for our Drama Club. This fall, I will be attending the University of Michigan Ann Arbor to pursue a dual BFA in Soprano Voice Performance & Choral Music Education. I am so excited to be teaching at the Brookside Tots Camp this summer and look forward to getting to know all the amazing campers.

Tots Drama Instructor



Ms. Summer

Hi! I will be going into my junior year of college at Michigan State University studying integrative biology. I like to play soccer, be outside and travel. What I'm most excited about for this year is mostly to be back but also to see everyone again!



Ms. Lexi

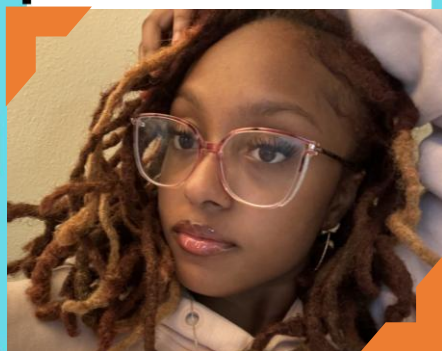
My name is Alexcia but I go by Lexi. I recently graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Elementary Education. I love leadership activities, babysitting, making people laugh & smile, singing and dancing. I look forward to being a Tots counselor for now, my 4th year. I can't wait to get to know your children and for them to have an amazing time at camp! Your children will be in great hands. Thank you for sending your kid(s) to camp, I can't wait to meet them!





Ms. Nevaeh

Hi! I will be a sophomore studying biomedical engineering at the University of Michigan in the fall. I love to draw, paint, put together jigsaw puzzles, and listen to music. I look forward to making many fun memories at camp this year!



Ms. Charlotte

Hi! Some of my hobbies include photography, hiking, and crafts! I just finished my freshman year at Alma College located in mid-Michigan where I am double majoring in Elementary and Special Education. I am really looking forward to meeting a whole new group of campers and making connections with them!



Ms. Ariel

Hi! I am a kindergarten teacher. I attended Western Michigan University where I received a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood & Elementary Education. I am a Virgo and am looking forward to building meaningful relationships with the campers!



Ms. Leah

Hi! I attend Elizabethtown College where I am an Occupational Therapy major and also play collegiate volleyball. In my free time, I like to hang out with my friends and family, and I love the outdoors. I am super excited to see all the smiling faces and make so many new memories this summer!





Ms. Liz

Ms. Liz is incredibly excited to return to Brookside this summer to teach music! When she is not making music at camp, Liz enjoys baking, coloring and writing. This fall, she is beginning her studies in Music Education at Central Michigan University. In the future, she hopes to become an elementary music teacher or a high school choir director. She can't wait to get to know your camper(s)!



Brookside Music Instructor

Ms. Clare

Hi! I have a BFA in art history, and in my free time, I enjoy a wide variety of artistic hobbies. This is my third summer working at Brookside, and I am so excited to create a bunch of fun and beautiful art projects with all of our campers this summer!

Tots Art Instructor



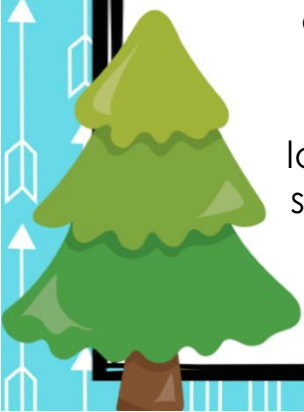
Ms. Frankie

Hi! I'm a rising junior at Loyola University Chicago studying Criminal Justice and Criminology. In my free time I enjoy hanging out with friends, trying new coffee shops, and reading. I'm so excited to be back at camp this summer and I'm looking forward to museum visits!



Ms. Julia S.

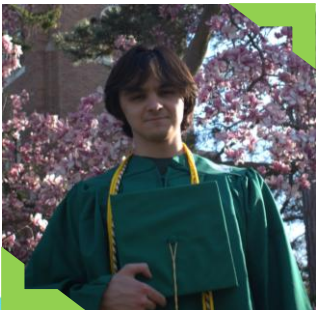
Hi! I'm a returning counselor at camp this year! I'm a junior at Michigan State University and studying Advertising. I'm looking forward to having a fun summer at camp and meeting everyone!





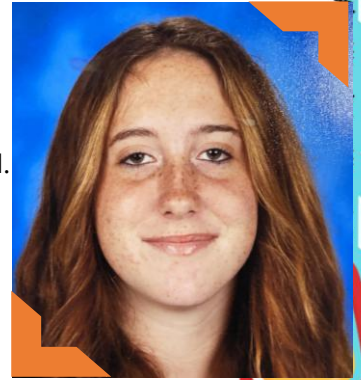
Mr. Adam

Hi! I am a Brookside counselor returning for my third year! I just graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Social Studies Education, looking to be a history teacher at a middle/high school. In addition to history and education, music is one of my passions, as I have been playing guitar for almost 9 years. This includes playing in different bands, making music clubs in high school/college, and writing music myself. This year at Brookside I'm most looking forward to bringing back my signature cannonball at the pool



Ms. Kyra

Hi! I am so excited to be at camp this summer. I have just graduated from Waterford Kettering and will be attending John Carroll in the fall. I am a really active person and love to play volleyball and soccer as well as wrestle for my school. In my spare time I like to sing, color and do my nails. I am excited to spend the summer trying to things and having a good time at camp!



Ms. Audrey K.

Hi! I just graduated from MSU this spring with a degree in Elementary Education and Special Education. I enjoy reading and baking. I look forward to working with elementary students as it will help with my future career, and I think it will be a really fun Summer!



Ms. Gabby

My name is Gabriella, but I also go by Gabby. This will be my fourth summer at Brookside Day Camp, and I'm so excited to meet new campers and see returning campers! One of my favorite parts of camp is the Talent Shows. The campers get so creative and work together to put on a wonderful show- I can't wait to see what acts the 2025 campers perform! I graduated this spring from Wayne State University, earning my Masters of Anthropology and Museum Practice Graduate Certificate. In my personal time, I enjoy reading, gardening, crafting, and spending time with family and friends.





Ms. Cassidy

Hello! This is my first summer working for Cranbrook and I am so excited to join the team. I am currently getting a degree in nursing. Some hobbies of mine are painting, playing tennis, and playing with my dogs. I am looking forward to meeting everyone and spending the summer bringing creativity into everyday!



Brookside Sports Instructor

Ms. Miracle

Hi! I recently graduated from Vanderbilt University with a degree in biochemistry. This fall, I'll be starting as a chemistry master's student at Oakland University. I enjoy reading, listening to music, hiking, and photography. I'm most excited for getting to know everyone and to explore science in fun ways!

Brookside Science Instructor



Ms. Amber

Hi! I am a sophomore at Central Michigan university!

I love making music, reading books, and being in nature. I am looking forward to all the laughs and giggles this summer!



Ms. Noelle

I am genuinely so excited to return to work at Cranbrook this summer! I will be a junior at Penn State University this fall, studying Early Childhood and Elementary Education with a minor in English. I love painting, baking, and doing anything with my friends and family! I am looking forward to all the fun activities the camp offers, especially themed days, and I truly cannot wait to meet and get to know all of the campers. Summer camp had such a positive impact on my life growing up, and I can't wait to share that experience with my campers this summer!





Ms. Audrey J.

Hi! I just graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy with my bachelor's in criminal justice. This will be my 4th summer with Cranbrook, and I am so excited to come back and meet all the new campers this summer!



Ms. Anna

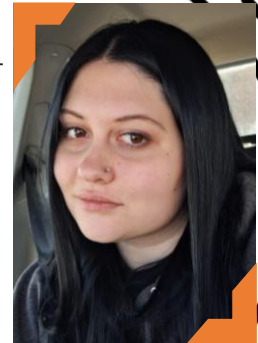
Hi! I am so thrilled to begin my fourth year at Brookside Day Camp. I just recently graduated from Michigan State University with a degree in Elementary Education and will begin my first year of teaching this coming fall. I love reading, painting, and anything to do with the arts. I am so excited to meet all the new and returning campers!

Brookside STEM Instructor



Ms. Alex K.

Hi! I'm a Senior 2D Animation major at Savannah College of Art and Design. I love all things art, music, and baking. This summer will be my 3rd year working at Brookside and I am looking forward to spending time outside and making memories with new and returning campers.



Ms. Abigail

Brookside Drama Instructor

Abby is thrilled to return as the Brookside Drama instructor this summer! She is currently studying theater tech and design with a concentration in stage management at Wayne State University. In her spare time, she loves to sew, read, and play with her cat, Gus. Abby is most looking forward to getting to know the campers this summer!





Mr. Dean

Hi! I am currently a student at Michigan State University where I am double majoring in International Relations and Criminal Justice. Outside the classroom, I spend most of my time rowing. When I am not training or studying, I love being outdoors, hanging out with my family, and spending time with my three awesome pets: two dogs named Milo and Comet, and a cat named Popcorn. I cannot wait to be back sharing the wonders of science with your kids.



*Brookside Tots
Science Instructor*

Ms. Maddie

Hello! I'm a Sophomore at the University of Michigan. I love to read, camp, and hike. I'm super excited to get to know all of the campers and work to ensure they have the best summer possible! I look forward to meeting you all!



Mr. Caleb

Hi! This is my second year at Brookside! I am a sophomore at Central Michigan University majoring in Marketing and Logistics. My hobbies include theatre, music, biking, traveling, and hanging out with my friends. I am most looking forward to going to the pool at camp this year. I can't wait for a great summer!



Mrs. RaeAnne

Brookside Tots Music Instructor

RaeAnne is the music instructor for Brookside Tots, the music teacher at Erie Elementary, and adores her work! She is very excited to work with these young campers and lead them in having fun experiences during music time. RaeAnne has a Bachelor's in Music Education from Taylor University and is currently working towards a Master's in Music Education. In her free time, RaeAnne loves to play Mario Party with her husband and play with her puppy, Bowser. She can't wait to meet each camper and have so much fun this summer!





Ms. Autumn

Some of my hobbies include painting, drawing, pottery, and sports related activities. I am a Michigan State University student, double majoring in Sociology and political science. This summer I am really looking forward to making new connections/friends. I am also looking forward to meeting the wonderful children that I will be counseling. Kids are very impressionable at this age, so it is important that they have as many positive images to look up to as possible. I want to be someone that is a good influence on them and use the opportunity to show them that they can grow up to do anything they put their minds to.



Mr. Sam

Hi! I'm an upcoming Senior at Grand Valley State University, studying Finance and IT. I love to run, swim, read, ski, and do anything active. I have 5 pets; 3 dogs and 2 cats. I'm looking forward to meeting all the campers and water fun!



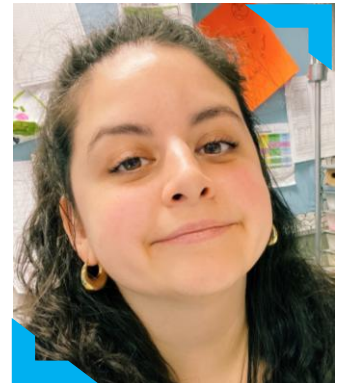
Ms. Jayla

Hi! My hobbies are painting, thrifting, and doing hair. I am currently a junior studying exercise and sports science at Wayne State University. I am looking forward to being active and enjoying the sun this summer at camp!



Ms. Sam

Hi! I graduated from Oakland University with BA in Art Education and am currently pursuing my M.Ed in Early Childhood Education. Some of my hobbies include making art, hiking, spending time with family, reading, gardening, photography, and walking my dogs Duke and Luna. I'm looking forward to making creative art and having a fun-filled summer with campers and colleagues! Some campers may know me from previous years at Cranbrook both as a teacher and from summer camp.



Brookside Art Instructor





Ms. Chloe

Hello! I'm a senior at Michigan State University, where I am studying kinesiology. In addition, I am a student-athlete and member of the Cross Country and Track and Field Team. When I'm not at school I enjoy running, bicycling and baking. What I am looking forward to the most about being a camp counselor is creating a fun and enjoyable camp experience and making long-lasting memories.



Ms. Alex K.

Hi! I'm currently an incoming junior at Wayne State University studying Urban Development and Psychology. On my free time, I love to go on nature walks, swimming, arts and crafts, and trips to the movie theater. I'm looking forward to being outdoors this summer and getting the opportunity to enjoy it at camp!



Ms. Sarah

Hi! I enjoy hiking, traveling, and pickleball. I am a recent graduate at Elon University. I am most looking forward to getting to know all of the campers and having a fun summer!



Mr. Bennett

Hi! I'm a student at Columbia College Chicago. I'm majoring in Film and Television. It'll come as no surprise that I'm a huge film buff. I've loved movies for as long as I can remember. Besides seeing as many movies as I can, I also love to attend concerts and travel in my free time. My favorite musical artist is Post Malone and my favorite movie is La La Land. I can't wait to be a camp counselor this summer! I'm really looking forward to getting to know your kids and helping them make some of their best summer memories

