



SCORE 2025 FAQ

What is SCORE?

“SCORE” is an acronym for the Southeastern Center of Robotics Education at Auburn University. We provide resources for K-12 robotics education throughout Alabama. SCORE offers activities focused on coding and robotics, teacher professional development, and programs throughout the year for the public and K-12 students and teachers.

What are SCORE Summer Camps?

SCORE Summer Camps are STEM summer enrichment programs for varying age groups. The program allows participants to explore the world of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math through multiple robotics platforms, 3D printers, Raspberry Pi's and more! During this action-packed program, kids can design and build robots, create their own 3D model, and develop life-long skills.

Who should attend?

Does your child like working with robots? Is she always trying to figure out how they program computers or video games? Does he love solving problems? Do they excel at math or science? Is your kid endlessly curious? If you found yourself answering yes to any of these questions or your child shows high interest or aptitude in science, math, or technology-related subjects, you should send your child to **SCORE Summer Camps** at Auburn University! They'll have a blast, and you'll feel great about positively contributing to your child's education during summer break.

My child is an advanced rising second grader who would like to attend the camp for rising 3rd/4th graders. May my child be grouped with older students?

This program has been created around a set of educational and social expectations that go beyond what a child would learn in the average classroom. To ensure the integrity of our summer programs we respect other participants by not placing younger children in their classroom.

Who will be supervising my child?

All **SCORE Camp** instructors, counselors, and staff go through a rigorous application and screening process following Auburn University camp personnel policies. All personnel have extensive experience working with K-12 children and have undergone a federal background check.

When will registration open?

Online Registration will open at 6:00pm, on Monday, February 17 at www.scoreau.org . All SCORE camps will open for registration at the same time.

What makes this program different than other science programs?

At **SCORE Summer Camps**, children are taught by university science outreach staff and exceptional teachers that have significant experience with K-12 students and robotics. We offer students the opportunity to explore STEM in a great environment (AU's main campus). Furthermore, class sizes are kept small enough to receive personal attention from the instructors. The staff to student ratio is approximately 1:7. **SCORE Summer Camps** allow kids the opportunity to explore STEM in their own unique way yet still maintain a structured environment.

This sounds like a great program. How much does it cost?

We have worked hard to maintain the integrity of the program yet still offer it at an affordable price. The price is \$335 per week/child for day camps to cover all the instruction, equipment and materials being used during camp. There is also a \$15 non-refundable registration fee per child.

Payment Options:

A minimum deposit of one week's tuition for each child attending should be paid at the time of registration. Payment in full (for all camps) is due by April 7, 2025.

Parents who are registering for **two or more weeks** may consider the following payment option:

- 1.) Parents may make as many payments as needed.
- 2.) All tuition must be paid in full prior to April 7, 2025, for all registered programs.
- 3.) Registrants will not be billed; however, email reminders will be sent to all registered parents about deadlines.
- 4.) Unpaid sessions will be forfeited to the next registrant on the waitlist. Payments are applied to sessions in chronological order.

Are scholarships available?

There are a limited number of scholarships available for children from underrepresented populations who can demonstrate financial need. Please contact our office for more details. In addition, you may consider contacting your community civics organizations to see if they will sponsor your child.

Note also that participation in the program qualifies as 'childcare service'. Talk to your tax agent about receiving a tax break for childcare services. Auburn University employees on the Flexible Spending tax-exempt program may be able to use their Flex account to pay their child's tuition.

What is included in the program fees?

- All materials and supplies
- Experienced instructors and counselors
- Morning and afternoon snacks
- **SCORE Summer 2025** T-shirt
- Exploratory Activities

What happens if I register for a class that is already full?

We offer a waiting list for applicants interested in attending a class that is already full. You will be informed if your child is placed on the waitlist, and we will let you know if/when a spot becomes available.

Do you have residential options available?

We do not have any residential camp options for summer 2025.

When are SCORE Summer Camps offered?

SCORE Summer Camps 2025 will be offered during four weeks throughout the summer. Each week features a different theme and/or age group. Your child can delight in as many weeks as they like! Below is a list of the weeks when the program is in session:

Week	Camp	Grade
June 9-13	Once Upon a Robot: A Fairytale Robotics Journey	Entering 2 nd -3 rd graders
June 9-13	Shut the Door! Simple Machines and Robots	Entering 4 th -5 th graders
June 9-13	Intermediate 3D Printing	Entering 6 th - 8 th graders
June 16-20	Blast Off with VEX GO	Entering 3 rd - 4 th graders
June 16-20	VEX IQ Competition Camp	Entering 5 th -6 th graders
June 16-20	IQ Olympics- <u>Beginners</u>	Entering 6 th -7 th graders
June 23-27	Fablebots: Legendary Stories through Robotics	Entering 3 rd -4 th graders
June 23-27	Beginning 3D Printing	Entering 5 th - 7 th graders
June 23-27	VEX IQ Competition Camp	Entering 7 th -9 th graders

** All Camps run 7:45 am – 3:45 pm on the Auburn University campus. NO overnight lodging is provided.*

Daily Schedule

7:45am – 8:00am	Drop-off students (Duncan Drive near parking deck- except day 1)
8:00am – 8:30am	Thematic Activity (Cross-Curricular Activities)
8:30am – 11:30am	STEM Instruction
11:45am – 1:00pm	Lunch and Outdoor Play
1:00pm – 3:30pm	STEM Instruction
3:45pm	Pick-up students (Duncan Drive- just before stadium parking deck)

What is your refund policy?

- **Non-refundable registration fee of \$15.**
- A full refund will be issued, minus \$15 administrative fee, per registration if the cancellation request is received prior to April 7, 2025.
- A refund of 50% will be issued, if the cancellation request is received on April 7, 2025, but at least two weeks prior to the camp session start date.
- No refunds issued within two weeks prior to the camp session start date.

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Session Dates	Due date to receive a 100% refund	Due date to receive a 50% refund	No refund available
June 9-13	Sunday, April 6, 2025	Sunday, May 25, 2025	Monday, May 26, 2025
June 10 - 14	Sunday, April 6, 2025	Sunday, June 1, 2025	Monday, June 2, 2025
June 24 - 28	Sunday, April 6, 2025	Sunday, June 8, 2025	Monday, June 9, 2025

[I still have questions!](#)

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