SUMMER PROGRAMS 2026
REGISTRATION PACKET

Welcome! DOD STARBASE is a Department of Defense (DOD) youth outreach program. We provide an exciting and inspiring hands-on curriculum that emphasizes the application of Science, Technology, Engineering/Art Design, and Mathematics (STEAM) at no cost to you.

Please CAREFULLY read all information provided in this packet.

STARBASE PETERSON offers a variety of extension and outreach programs throughout the year including 5-day STEAM Academies, 4-day Summer Camps, and other community events. The hours for our Academies and Camps are from 9:00a.m. to 2:00p.m. for either 4 or 5 days. Times for other events and programs may vary.

Parents or guardians must have base access and provide transportation to and from Peterson Space Force Base for all summer programming. Please plan to arrive promptly at, but not before, 9:00 a.m. and pick up your students on time at 2:00 p.m. Students may not be left outside the building unattended at any time. There is NO before or after care for any of our programs. For families residing in base housing, contact us for information regarding walkers or bike riders. *Families without base access may register their students on a case-by-case/space-available basis. Call us for more information if you would like to register and require access to Peterson SFB.

Students must bring their own sack lunches, snacks, and beverages. Please be aware there is no microwave or refrigerator available for student use. No candy, beverages, food, or snacks are allowed during class time. Breaks will be scheduled throughout the day for snacks and lunch. *Students may keep a fully sealable bottle of plain, unflavored water with them during the day. Large Stanley-type travel mugs or bottles that do not fully seal are not allowed during class time as they are a safety hazard.

Each student must submit a completed registration form and a demographic form. Please ensure the Emergency Contact Information is completed with a second adult in case of emergencies. This is essential for safety during summer programs. Incomplete forms will be rejected and registration will not be confirmed until all documents are completed. Email completed forms to officemanager@starbasepeterson.com.

STARBASE PETERSON is planning activities throughout the Summer of 2026 for a variety of ages. Registration details will be posted on our website www.starbasepeterson.com. We hope to see you this summer at one of the following STEAM events.

Summer Space Camp, rising 4th to rising 8th graders

Students will explore space at STARBASE Peterson's summer space camp. Explore the daytime sky using telescopes, create your vision of an exoplanet using art and modeling, protect astronauts by designing a heat shield for their reentry capsule, use CAD to design a moon base or Mars colony, and more.

STARBASE Summer Space Camp is open to youth who will enter 4th to 8th grades in the '26-'27 school year. Dependents of personnel assigned to PSFB have priority for summer camps. This camp is 4 days only, 9:00-2:00.

- 8-11 June (Monday-Thursday)

Summer Creative Design Camp, rising 6th to rising 8th graders

Combine art and technology at STARBASE Peterson's creative design summer camp. Sketching, drawing, modeling, and designing in both 2D and 3D formats will be combined during 4 days of creative fun. This camp includes a basic introduction to various CAD programs. Learn to translate a solid object to a 3D sketch then to a CAD program.

Note: Summer Creative Design Camp is the same camp we offered during Spring Break '26. Students who attended the Spring Break CAD Camp in March will be placed on the waiting list to allow new students to attend this program.

STARBASE Creative Design Camps are open to youth who will enter 6th to 8th grades in the '26-'27 school year. Dependents of personnel assigned to PSFB have priority for summer camps. This camp is 4 days only, 9:00-2:00. There are two camp sessions to choose from:

- 7-10 July (Tuesday-Friday)
- 21-24 July (Tuesday-Friday)

Children's STEAM Exploration Day, 15 July, ages 2+

New this year—STARBASE Peterson is partnering with the Peterson SFB Library for fun, exciting, hands-on STEAM exploration for young children ages 2 and up. Multiple activities will be available complimenting the Summer Reading Program's "Plant a Seed, Read!" theme including simple coding, art, chemistry, and more. *A parent or guardian aged 18 or over MUST accompany the child at all times and participate in all activities with the child.*

This program is restricted to families with access to Peterson Space Force Base. Pre-registration with STARBASE Peterson is not required. Please contact the Peterson SFB Library directly for more details on the summer reading program at 719-556-7462.

- 15 July (Wednesday), 10:30 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

STARBASE Peterson Homeschool Academy, 3-7 August, rising 5th and rising 6th graders

The STARBASE Basic Academy is our primary mission, conducted throughout the school year for 5th graders from area schools. This 5-day camp is offered to students who are homeschooled, who missed participating with their schools, or whose schools do not participate in the STARBASE Academy program. Contact us if you are unsure if your school is scheduled to attend.

Weather Issues and Delays

In case of weather-related problems, STARBASE Peterson will cancel classes/camp for the day. Please be aware of our weather policies:

- Please check local weather stations for closure announcements; contact the STARBASE staff via email if you are unsure about weather status.
- If **Peterson is on a TWO-HOUR DELAY or CLOSED**, then STARBASE is cancelled.
- We will do our best to reschedule your class/camp if we have open dates available.
    - Rescheduling a class/camp is not guaranteed.

STARBASE CODE OF CONDUCT

Please discuss with your students the following code of conduct prior to their participation in STARBASE Academy. Students are expected to follow the STARBASE Peterson Code of Conduct at all times:

- No gum is allowed at STARBASE.
- Only fully sealable bottles with WATER are allowed at desks during class time.
- STARBASE students are not authorized to leave the STARBASE facility or STARBASE tour sites for any reason without a STARBASE staff member or parent/guardian.
- Students will be respectful of STARBASE staff and equipment. Disruptive behavior, swearing, damage to STARBASE equipment, physical threats to students or staff, and other behaviors that would be inappropriate at school are unacceptable at STARBASE Peterson.
- Repeated negative actions or behaviors will result in following the Code of Conduct Action Plan as outlined below.
- For any negative action which is severe, creates a risk to other students/staff, or threatens extreme physical harm, STARBASE Peterson maintains the right to immediately remove the student from all activities and not invite the student back to STARBASE without proceeding through the Code of Conduct action plan.

Code of Conduct Action Plan: Summer Programs/Camps

First negative action	Verbal warning is given to the student by STARBASE staff.
Second negative action	Student is removed from the activity and a private discussion between the STARBASE staff member and student occurs before the student returns to STARBASE camp activities.
Third negative action	Student is removed from the activity and a final private discussion with the student, STARBASE Director, and parent/guardian (by phone or in person) occurs before the student returns to STARBASE camp activities.
Fourth negative action	Student is removed from activities; parent/guardian is called to immediately pick up the student; the student may not return for the remaining day(s) of the STARBASE Summer Camp.

STARBASE PETERSON Youth Permission Form
Summer 2026

School Attended SY25-26:_____Grade completed:_____Age:_____

Summer Program (circle one): June 8-11 (Monday—Thursday)

July 7-10 (Tuesday—Friday) July 21-24 (Tuesday—Friday)

Student & Parent/Guardian Information (please print)

Student's Name:_____

Parent/Guardian Name:_____Relationship to Student:_____

Address:_____City:_____State:_____Zip:_____

Home/Cell phone:_____Secondary Phone:_____

Youth's sponsor must have access to PSFB. *Families without base access may be accepted on a space available basis; contact us for more information. Parent/Guardian is (circle one):

U.S. Active Duty (base:_____) Retired U.S. Military Civilian Other civ/mil:_____

Emergency Contact Name (**required**):_____Relationship to Student:_____

Home/Cell phone:_____Secondary Phone:_____

Please list any medical or health concerns of which a chaperone should be aware:

Student Release of Liability, Acknowledgement of Responsibility, and Waiver of Claims

This release of liability made by the undersigned, a parent or guardian of a potential participant in the STARBASE Program (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Applicant"), for the purpose of releasing the Peterson SFB, State of CO, the United States Department of Defense, the STARBASE Peterson Academy and any other federal or state governmental entities or corporate sponsors from any and all liabilities in exchange for participation does hereby state: WHEREAS, the said student desires the use of services, grounds, facilities and/or equipment of Peterson SFB and STARBASE Peterson for participation in the STARBASE Program does hereby state that: In consideration of the mutual, advantages, benefits and purpose to be achieved thereby; the use of said grounds, facility or equipment for the purpose and activities described is hereby approved, conditioned upon the applicant releasing Peterson SFB and its agents, servants, employees, soldiers and airmen of and from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of action whatsoever, arising out of or related to any loss, damage or injury, including death, that may be sustained by any person or property arising out of the described activity or any other activities relating thereto conducted by Applicant or enroute to or from these activities. The applicant individually and on behalf of the minor child hereby expressly and voluntarily assumes all risks and hazards of injury to the minor child and his or her property resulting from participation in the program to the full extent allowable under federal and state law. In the event of accident, injury, or other medical emergency, Peterson SFB is authorized to make emergency medical decisions on behalf of Applicant and to release Peterson SFB and the STARBASE Peterson Academy from liability for same. I understand that my liability for property damage and personal injuries caused by my child is the same as I am subject to during normal school hours and activities at my child's school. Applicant understands the above terms and conditions and acknowledges that it has carefully read the above statement and willingly complies with the terms and conditions thereof, understanding that it voluntarily assumes all risks and hazards of injury to applicant resulting from participation in the described activities and hereby grants permission for the student to participate in the program.

Photographic Release: I hereby authorize Peterson SFB, State of CO, the United States Department of Defense, the STARBASE Program and other federal and state governmental entities and corporations working in conjunction therewith to utilize photographs of my child for promotional purposes. I hereby waive any monetary or other rights that I might have to inspect and/or approve the finished product of the advertising, promotional, or news copy and consent to its use in whatever way Peterson SFB and the STARBASE program deems appropriate. I hereby consent to the release of said photographs to broadcast and print media such as non-governmental newspapers and publications, television, cable, or radio stations. I understand that all rights and title to the released information shall remain with Peterson SFB or the STARBASE Program and the recipient.

Parent/Guardian Signature is Required for Participation at STARBASE Peterson:

Parent/Guardian Name (print):_____

Signature:_____Date:_____

☐ _____Check here and initial only if you **do NOT** want your child photographed at STARBASE Peterson

Youth Participant
Demographic Information
Summer 2026

Do not write student's name on this page.

DOD STARBASE requires STARBASE programs to collect demographic data on all youth participants. A demographics form is required for each person attending a STARBASE Peterson academy or camp.

The data is reported in aggregate form only to compile participant statistics for annual DOD STARBASE Report to Congress. *Demographic data is stored separately from registration forms. This information will not be used to identify any individual participant.*

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Ethnicity: Hispanic _____ Non-Hispanic _____

IF **Non-Hispanic**, please select only one of the following:

Native American/Alaskan Native _____
Asian _____
Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander _____
White/Caucasian _____
African American _____
More than one race/other _____

Exceptionalities (check any that apply):

ESL/ELL _____
Title I Eligible _____
IEP/504/Gifted _____

Is student a military dependent? YES NO

**For demographic purposes military dependents include children of Active Duty, Guard, Reserve, and Retired members of the United States armed services only. Allied Forces should circle NO.*

Has the student participated in any other STARBASE programs? YES NO

If yes, please identify program, location, and date (ex: STARBASE Academy, Peterson SFB, Spring '25; STARBASE Summer Camp, Patrick SFB, July '23)

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