

CPS Strike Camps/Classes compiled by [Raise Your Hand for Illinois Public Education](#).

**NOTE 10.27.19:** *As the strike rolls into a new week, some of these links may not work. We did go through and try to find new links for added days of camps but, in some cases, these links are not available yet- and we're not sure if camps will be available at all of these locations for next week. You may need to reach out directly to check if they are adding more days.*

**Also note that there are limited capacities at each of the below, some are more costly than others, some offer scholarships, there are a variety of times available, and they serve certain ages.**

- [Freedom School Outside of Kenwood Academy](#) Free! Every weekday during the strike, please have your 7-12th graders come to the Freedom School outside Kenwood from 9-10:30am. The School will focus on Social Justice in Ed. & Black Empowerment. \*\*\*NOTE: No Freedom School on Tues, Oct 29. Students will be marching in [Rally for Revenue](#).

- **Beverly Arts Center** is offering [If CPS Strikes, We have you BACK Strike Camp](#). 2407 W 111th St.; 8:30am-4pm; \$42 per day for non-member; \$38 per day for members. Pre-Camp from 7:30-8:30am, \$6 per day; After Care from 4-6pm, \$12 per day; Scholarships available.

- **JCC Chicago** (Loop, Hyde Park, Rogers Park, Lincoln Park) is offering full-day childcare services through [JCC's Chicago's Schools Out program](#). \$80/day + option for late pick-up.

- [The Wishcraft Workshop](#), is offering a camp. 3907 N. Damen Avenue; Message below:

We're hosting camp and anyone who wants a guaranteed and discounted spot can reserve it [here](#).

Space will be limited as first option is offered to our Crafter-School students, but anyone with the pack above is guaranteed a spot and any unused dates are then converted to day camp for any time during the year, including summer. We also have an additional discount for teachers and other team striking— they just need to contact us for a code that will further discount the pack linked above or discount the daily rate. Finally, we've also set up a process for the public to donate camp (or money toward) via our gift certificate system [here](#).

- [Music House](#) (West Rogers Park and Humboldt Park). Registrations currently being accepted. \$85/day + options for early/late.

- **Shedd Aquarium** is offering [Camp Shedd: CPS October](#). Camp Activities: 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Aftercare included: 3 to 5 p.m.; \$100 (\$90 for members)

- **Kids Science Labs** is offering [CPS Strike Camp](#) at 3 locations: KSL- Lincoln Park, 1500 N. Kingsbury; KSL- South Loop, 1801 S. Indiana, 3rd floor; and KSL- Roscoe Village, 3342 North Western Avenue. 9am - 5pm; See web page for the cost.

- **Children's Theater** is offering a day-by-day Drama Day Camp for Grades K–5 until CPS resumes classes; 100 S. Racine; 9:30am-4pm. Tuition is \$75 per day, and before and aftercare is included. Financial aid is also available. Before care is available starting at 8 am, and aftercare is from 4 pm – 6 pm. To register for camp, please contact our Marketing and Guest Services Department at 312.374.8835 between 9 am and 1 pm on Monday – Friday. A limited number of scholarships will be available for \$50. Please contact Dexter Ellis, Director of Education and Community Programs at [dexter@chicagochildrenstheatre.org](mailto:dexter@chicagochildrenstheatre.org), for details.

- **Swedish American Museum** will offer Adventures in Sweden Camp. Best suited for grades K - 5 but they will welcome older students; 5211 N. Clark St; 9am - 2pm; \$50 per day. \*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see camps for the coming week listed.

- **Hyde Park Neighborhood Club** is offering Your Solution for CPS Strike Days - HPNC Care Camp. K - 8; 8am - 4pm; after care available until 6:30pm. Extremely limited Space! Pre-Registration required. First come, first serve. [Register here](#).

- **CircEsteem** is offering [Safe Space Circus Camp](#). 4730 N. Sheridan Road; ages 6 - 16; 9am - 3pm; \$66 a day; Financial assistance available- please contact (773) 732-4564. [More details in a Facebook post here](#).

- **Lillstreet Art Center** is offering [School's Out Camp](#). Montrose and Ravenswood; \$50 members/\$55 non members; 9am to 3:30pm. Currently registering for October 17th, but will add dates as needed. Fee will be refunded if strike is averted. \*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see camps listed for next week.

- **Green Explorers Club** is offering [CPS Strike Camp](#). 2150 W Armitage, Bucktown. Full day: \$85, 9am - 3pm; Half day: \$65, 9am - 1:30pm; before (8:15am - 9am; \$10) and after care (3pm - 5pm; \$30) add-on extensions; We help kids explore sustainability through hands-on activities that demonstrate the importance of taking care of our planet. Each day of camp is tailored to provide students with a growing curiosity about the environment so that they grow into future engineers, artists, doctors, farmers, clothing designers, presidents, or whatever they want to be, they will have the basic tools they need to incorporate sustainability practices into their initiatives. We will be offering a discount to all CPS teachers and staff. To reserve a spot and for teacher discount code, please email [kelly@greenexplorersclub.com](mailto:kelly@greenexplorersclub.com).

- **Dream Big Performing Arts Workshop** (Andersonville) is offering "Broadway Bound" strike camp. Your child will sing, dance, and move to songs from popular shows! They will also expand their imaginations and learn to collaborate with others while playing theatre games and creating their own improvised scenes! Space is limited so Pre-Register now to reserve your

spot! We quickly reached capacity in 2016. *You will not be charged unless the camp runs.* Cost is \$85 per day. Register [here](#). **\*\*\*NOTE: We do not see camps listed for next week.**

- **Chicago Fire Soccer In The Community** is offering [Holiday Camps](#) at CIBC Fire Pitch, 3626 N. Talman. The registration link is currently inactive and labeled "Pending." At the bottom of the [Holiday Camp](#) page: **\*\*\*We aim to operate Holiday Camps during all CPS holidays (including snow & strike days), contingent on field availability\*\*\***

- **Jewish Council for Youth Services (JCYS)** Iris and Steven Podolsky Family Center (2112 W. Lawrence Ave) is offering [School's Out Camp](#) for children in grades K-5. Camp runs from 8 am-5:30 pm and is \$90/day.

- **The Paintbrush** is offering [CPS Strike Camp](#). 2646 N. Halsted; K - 6th; 9:00am - 3:00pm; \$60/day (additional siblings \$55 each.) *Call or email to register (773.636.1968; thepaintbrush@thepaintbrush.net.) Space is limited.*

- **Midtown Center** 1819 N. Wood St. (St. Mary of the Angels campus) Students PreK and older. Childcare programming during a strike will be co-ed (their normal programming is not co-ed.) Parents need to register with Antonio Brito at [abrito@midtown-metro.org](mailto:abrito@midtown-metro.org)

- **Marwen** 833 N. Orleans In solidarity with Chicago young people and their families, Marwen is opening its doors from 8:30 am to 5 pm each day of the strike to young people (primarily in our neighborhood as well as to Marwen students and their siblings) in grades 2-12. Marwen will welcome up to 100 young people per day during the strike. We will facilitate arts programs and provide food each day. **\*\*No fees or pre-registration required, students welcome until we reach capacity\*\*** [More information here](#).

- **Dovetail Studios** 2853 W. Montrose Ave; K-3rd grade; Thursday and Friday (11/17 & 11/18); 8:30-3:00pm. Dance, crafts, park time, movies, games. \$91.00/ day. [Register here](#). **\*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see classes listed for next week.**

- **Studio Us** (Andersonville/Uptown) will be hosting strike workshops on Thursday, October 17 and Friday, October 18. Halloween crafts on Thursday, and Dia de Los Muertos crafts on Friday. Each workshop will run from 10am to 3pm, and will cost \$50 per day. These workshops are suitable for students age 5 to 12. To reserve a spot, please contact StudioUs at [studiouschicago@gmail.com](mailto:studiouschicago@gmail.com), or call/text (872) 222-7828. We also have room in all of our 3:15-4:15 pm drawing classes should parents need additional after-school programming for their students. If CPS classes are not interrupted, workshops will not take place. There is no charge to make reservations, and class fees will be billed at drop-off on the morning of the workshop. **\*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see workshops listed for next week.**

- **Emerald City Theatre** [One Day Workshops for CPS Students](#), Musical Theatre 101. Ages 6-10; Cost: \$50/day; 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM; Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport. Any

questions? Reach out to Rebecca Singer, Education Manager, at [RSinger@EmeraldCityTheatre.com](mailto:RSinger@EmeraldCityTheatre.com).

- [Windy City Sports Academy](#) (2367 W. Logan Blvd) will run a supervised open gym from 9:00am - 3:30pm (half day option also available) for the duration of the strike on regularly scheduled school days (not on holidays, weekends, or other pre-scheduled no school days). Coaches will be on site to supervise the kids. [Registration is now open online](#) for October 17 and 18 and WCSA will continue to add days as needed. Walk-ins will also be accepted. Boys and Girls (Ages 5-12). Call 773-486-7423 for more information and to get registered. (We can't find the price.)

- [Codeverse Lincoln Park](#) will offer day camps; 9am - 3pm; \$100 (normally \$150). Half-day camps are available. Use code "CPS-50" at checkout.

- [Kids Clay Room](#) will be offering [CPS Strike Camp](#). 1/2 day; 9 am to 12 pm; clay handbuilding camps. Registration and payment is required to secure your spot. For ages 5 and up. \$40/child.

- [Chicago Mosaic School](#) (Edgewater), 1127 Granville, will provide a strike camp for CPS students (ages 6+). On Thursday and Friday of this week (10/17 and 10/18) from 1pm-4pm, they will host our 3-hour Mosaic Basics Workshop. In this workshop, participants begin with a brief tour of The Chicago Mosaic School and the Gallery of Contemporary Mosaics. Students are shown a variety of examples of both ancient and contemporary mosaics, as well as receive an introduction to mosaic tools, techniques, and materials. Students will create their own personalized 4" x 4" mosaic to take home. This workshop is \$10/person, with a minimum of 10 students to run. Call the school (773-856-6777) to reserve a spot and/or make a payment.

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- [Power Up Tech Academy](#) (2867 N. Clybourne) will offer 2019 Technology Strike Camp. 9am - 1pm; \$59 + \$15 admin fee. *\*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see classes listed for next week.*

- [XS Tennis](#) will be hosting a Strike Camp. 6-18 years of age; 8:00am - 4:00pm; Fee: \$40. Please call the XS Tennis Desk at (773) 548-7529 to reserve your spot. Please send your child with the following: **1.** Labeled Sack Lunch & Drink (no peanut products) **2.** A pen/pencil **3.** A notebook **4.** Tennis clothes **5.** Reading material *\*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We originally received this camp info via a forwarded email. We do not see camps listed for next week.*

- [Old Town School of Folk Music](#) (Lincoln Square, 4544 N. Lincoln Ave.) is offering a [Day Off Camp](#) with music, art & dance. Pre-camp begins at 8am, Camp runs 9am-3pm. \$90/day with [registration](#) ahead of time or at drop-off available.

- [Fearless Cooking](#) (4410 N. Milwaukee) \$50 [Kids Cooking Class](#) (Drop Off); 10am - 2pm; Ages 6 - 12. *\*\*\*NOTE 10.27.19: We do not see classes listed for next week.*

- **[Chicago Futsal Academy](#)** (Edgewater). Thank you for choosing Chicago Futsal Academy Strike Day Camp to be able to grow your athlete's love of all things soccer! Ages: 6-14. General Rules: No cleats, Bring your own ball (BYOB), Shin Guards & Bring a lunch. Full Day: \$75 (8am-4pm). Half Day: \$45 (8am-12pm). Full Day w/ After Care: \$100 (8am-6pm). [Online registration.](#)

- **[Ultimate Ninjas, Chicago](#)**: 2915 W. Montrose; Full & half day camps available (9am - 12pm; 12:30 - 3:30pm); all ages and abilities; \$25/hour.

- **[For CPS HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: UChicago College Advising Corps advisers](#)** will be available on the University of Chicago campus, as well as at Chicago Public Library locations noted [here](#), Tuesday (and Wed if needed.) During these "drop-in" hours, advisers will be able to help students with college application-related work, including but not limited to essays, scholarship applications, and FAFSA/FSA IDs.