

GAMING WEEK

AUGUST 4 - 8, 2014

9 AM - 4 PM. LOCATED AT
WILLIAMSTOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, WILLIAMSTOWN, MA

[HTTP://GAMINGWEEK.INFO/](http://gamingweek.info/)

This fun-filled week will feature the popular networked computer game Minecraft®. We will include quick lessons on how to play Minecraft®, as well as team building/co-operative projects and daily challenges.

All participants will be encouraged to lead presentations to show off their knowledge and creations.

We will also have some non-'screen-time' activities including popular multiplayer board & card games and outdoor group games and playground time.



Minecraft® (<http://minecraft.net/>) is an amazing computer game that encourages open-endedness and exploration. In the same way that Legos encourage kids to make their own toys, Minecraft® encourages the player to make their own virtual world.



While the primary game of the week will be Minecraft we will also be teaching and encouraging participants to play some popular multi-player board & card games including;

- Castle Panic (a favorite last year)
- Settlers of Catan
- Five Crowns
- Apples to Apples
- RoboRally
- Ticket to Ride
- Forbidden Island
- Munchkin
- and many more



Participants who have a particular game they like will be encouraged to bring it in and share it with us.

Outdoor Games & Play

Each day has several breaks for outdoor group games and playground time to help keep kids active. Balls, frisbees, and hula hoops included.



Minecraft Lesson topics may include;

Minecraft Basics - Learn how to craft basic items, build your house, mine for gold & diamonds and survive in a world filled with zombies, creepers and giant spiders.

Creative Mode - Fly into space, dive to the bottom of the ocean, build a roller coaster or a skyscraper or anything else you can think of.

Advanced Crafting - Advanced Crafting including potions & enchantments

Redstone Engineering - Learn the basics of digital logic while building moving doors, traps and anything else you can think of.

WorldEdit - Build anything you want using common geometric shapes. Giant pyramids, spheres of Lava, walls of ice can be created with simple commands.

“Modding” Minecraft - How to get ‘under the hood’ of your Minecraft® installation and install mods that add on to the game.

Making a Minecraft Video - Learn how to record a video of you playing Minecraft and how to share it with friends or on YouTube.

Other Topics - Participants may ask for other topics related to Minecraft, games computers and we’ll do our best adjust plans to meet their needs.

“Student Led” Presentations - All participants will be encouraged to lead presentations to show off their knowledge and creations.

Pre-requisites

* Must be able to read.

* **Ages 7 - 13** (this isn’t a hard limit. Ask us)

* Minecraft® account (\$26) recommended (we have a few we can share if necessary).

* No prior Minecraft® experience required.



Computers

We have computers available for everyone but participants who wish to bring their own laptop (mac or pc) are welcome to do so.

Location

We are once again located in an air-conditioned computer lab at Williamstown Elementary School. Note - Williamstown Elementary School is NOT a sponsor or co-sponsor of Gaming Week.

Lunch

Participants will need to bring their own lunches that do not require refrigeration.

Costs

\$275 per participant. \$100 deposit.
Discounts available by request.

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