



Youth on the Air (YOTA) Americas Camp Information 2026

About the camp: Our goal is to enrich the amateur radio experience of our campers. They will refine their skills, participate in unique experiences with radio related technologies (such as Kit builds, Contesting, Satellite Operations, Special Event Station, etc.), meet other young hams through workshops and social events. **The 2026 camp is a special edition of the camp that is all space themed.**

Who can participate: Any amateur radio operator between the ages of 15-25 (under 26) that resides in North, Central, or South America. Space is limited to 50 campers.

When: June 14-19, 2026

Where: Huntsville, Alabama, USA (Alabama School of Cyber Technology and Engineering)

Cost: \$100 USD per camper (plus transportation to/from Huntsville, AL)
Includes: Meals, lodging, admission fees, camp T-Shirt, and local transportation for camp activities

Transportation: Campers are responsible for their own transportation to and from Huntsville. (Airport code: HSV). Ground transportation to/from the airport will be provided on a pre-arranged schedule.

Local ground transportation to all camp activities will be provided.

If you need assistance with travel, contact our travel coordinator at travel@youthontheair.org.

Language: The camp activities will be performed in English. Translators may be available. Ask us for details.

Lodging Details: Housing will be on the ASCTE campus in the [dormitory](#).

- Standard Suite-Style Room: Shared by four students, with two students per room. Suites feature a shared bathroom with a shower, toilet, and two vanities with sinks

- **Double Room:** Shared by two students with a private bathroom that includes a shower, toilet, and vanity with a sink for an additional fee
- **Single Room:** Single occupancy room with a private bathroom that includes a shower, toilet, and vanity with a sink for an additional fee

Every camper is provided with a bed (twin XL), desk, and wardrobe. Campers will need to bring sheets, pillow(s), and towel(s).

Meals: All meals from Sunday evening through Friday lunch will be provided. Participants with dietary restrictions or allergies must alert the staff in advance so that proper provisions can be made.

Required Forms: Emergency medical authorization, waiver of liability, photo/video consent, and transportation consent. **Campers 18 or over, Staff, and Volunteers:** background check authorization and Safeguarding Youth Training.

Other expenses: Souvenirs or any other purchases will be the responsibility of the camper.

Alcohol: Alcohol is not allowed during camp.

Special Event Station: The special event station will be on the air between sessions and during dedicated time slots.

Major Sponsors: Youth on the Air Camp 2026 will be operated by Electronic Applications Radio Service, Inc (W9EAR). The camp is hosted by Huntsville Amateur Radio Club. This event is possible thanks to the generous support of our sponsors, which you can find on our camp web page.

For more information: Visit our website at <https://youthontheair.org> and our social media sites.

Questions? Contact Neil Rapp, WB9VPG at director@youthontheair.org.