

The Science Connection organizes Aviation Camp in conjunction with Fly Iowa 2005

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Area students in kindergarten through eighth grade will have the opportunity to explore the wonders of flight during an Aviation Camp in Clarinda on Saturday, Aug. 27. The Aviation Camp will be held at the Clarinda Municipal Airport and is being organized by The Science Connection.

“We are doing this as part of the Fly Iowa project and we hope to encourage the students to attend events during the Fly Iowa weekend with their families,” Rozann Seela explained.

The Aviation Camp will feature a morning session for students in kindergarten through third grade from 9 a.m. until 11:30 a.m.

Then, an afternoon session will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. for students in fourth through eighth grades.

“The purpose of the camp is to give area kids an understanding of how flight takes place,” Seela said.

By utilizing activity packets developed by The Science Connection dealing with flight, the participants will explore the mysteries of air pressure, Bernoulli’s Principle, make their own circular wing, create the world’s greatest helicopter, launch their own photo tube satellite and develop a unique finger rocket along with other fun, creative ways to discover flight.

In addition, Fly Iowa Air Show Coordinator Steve Mowery will have his airplane on display during the camp and will be presenting an up-close tour of the aircraft.

Seela said she was pleased to be asked to participate in an educational program like the Aviation Camp in conjunction with the Fly Iowa activities that will be held in Clarinda on Sept. 10-11.

“Any time we can get kids to learn and be excited about the world around them, we’re all for it,” Seela explained.

Students wishing to participate in the Aviation Camp must register with the Clarinda Chamber of Commerce, located at 115 E. Main St. in Clarinda (712-542-2166), prior to the event. The cost of the Aviation Camp is \$10.

“It sounds like fun and the bottom line is it’s going to be a fun, fun day. I’m looking forward to it,” Seela concluded.