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Takuma Goto finds a caramel apple to his liking during McAllister Center's Fall Festival Camp on Friday. About 30 children attended the camp, which also takes place today.

Kids enjoy fall break camp

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Dodge ball is a favorite activity among fall break campers at McAllister Recreation Center.

Alex Goto, 7, likes it "when you throw the ball to people."

Jack Sorenson, 6, enjoys "hitting people with the ball."

The McAllister Fall Festival offers a lot more to do, said recreation coordinator Kevin Noe.

"We do a hundred different things, and it always come back to dodge ball," he said.

The camp offers structured, supervised activities for schoolchildren on fall break, he said. Activities include crafts, bowling, games and a movie.

"It beats the alternative of sitting in front of the TV or sitting around the house," Noe said.

Students have the day off, but their parents often do not.

"Most parents have to work," he said. "It's tough for parents to take off."

The camp was held Friday when Lafayette School Corp. and Tippecanoe School Corp. students were off. Another session is scheduled for today, when TSC's break continues.

If you go

McAllister Recreation Center's Fall Festival continues today.

The camp is for ages 6-to-12. It will be held from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., with before and after care available from 7:30 to 9 a.m. and from 4 to 5:30 p.m. Registration fee is $15 per child per day; before and after care is an additional $15 per family.

For more information, call McAllister at (765) 807-1360.