

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for choosing the Museum of Life and Science Summer Camp Program.

Camp Hours

- Camp hours are from 9 am – 3 pm
- AM Care takes place from 8 – 9 am
- PM Care takes place from 3 – 5:30 pm

Mask Policy

All camp summer staff and campers will wear masks while indoors. Younger campers and campers with documented sensory sensitivities can be permitted indoor mask breaks when physically distanced from other campers.

Mask use guidelines may differ from current Museum programs and are subject to change based on government and health professionals recommendations.

For more information about our camps, check out our [Summer Camp Caretaker Handbook](#)

AM Care*: 8 - 9 am *Requires Pre-Registration

AM Care will take place predominately outdoors or in well-ventilated classrooms around the Montessori Community School basketball court.

To drop off your camper for AM care, please park your car and walk your camper to the path to the right of the main building. A member of our Summer Camp Staff will greet you to check your camper in.

You may walk your camper down the path to drop them off with their group, or leave them with our staff, who will escort them to their group.

Morning Drop-Off: 9 am

Daily check-in will make use of a car line in the main parking lot. Please follow the signs in the parking lot until you reach a staff member.

While waiting to drop off your camper, camp staff will walk to your car to go through our daily symptom screening questions.

You will be directed to your designated drop-off zone where a staff member will greet your camper and assist them in exiting the vehicle.

Please have your camper and their things ready to exit out of the passenger side of the vehicle

Please remain in your car during this process

Drop-Off / Pick-Up During Camp Day: 9:30 am - 2:30 pm

To drop-off or pick-up outside of the regularly scheduled times, please call **919.695.3727** 15 minutes before you arrive.

Camp Admin will answer and direct you to the appropriate location for pickup.

Please schedule your early pickup in advance, by texting **919.695.3727** or emailing summercamp@lifeandscience.org.

We cannot accommodate early pickup after 2:30pm.

Afternoon Pick-Up: 3 pm

Afternoon pick-up will work much the same as drop-off. Please follow the signage through the car line

Campers will only be released to authorized adults with a pickup pass (this will be sent in a follow up email), or photo ID.

If you have a pickup pass, please display it on your dashboard or have it pulled up on your phone.

If you do not have a pickup pass, please have your ID ready. If you would like extra time to load your camper into the car, please inform the staff member while you are signing out in the car line, and they can direct you to our extended loading spaces.

To expedite camper pickup, please remain in your car during this interaction with staff.

PM Care: 3 - 5:30 pm *Requires Pre-Registration

PM Care pickup takes place predominately outside or in well-ventilated classroom spaces around the MCS basketball court. On especially hot, or rainy days, we will also use the MCS gym.

To pick up your camper, park in the parking lot and walk to the PM Care check-out area to the right of the main building. A Camp Administrator will greet you and check your ID or pickup pass to check your camper out.

Campers will only be released to authorized adults with a pickup pass (this will be sent in a follow up email), or photo ID.

Our Camp staff will radio for your camper, and a member of our PM Care team will bring your camper out to you.

What to Bring

- Two clean masks
- **A water bottle** labeled with your camper's name
- Lunch and necessary utensils (Unless you have purchased a lunch)
- Morning and afternoon snack (We do not provide snack)
- Weather-appropriate clothing
- closed-toe shoes
- Change of clothes – campers may get wet or messy in some of our outdoor exhibits!
- Did we mention a water bottle?

Please apply sunscreen and insect repellent at home before coming to camp. Camp staff can only re-applying aerosol sunscreen and insect repellent.

Please label ALL items and consider sending a backpack to help contain camper belongings

Epi-Pen Forms

If your camper has an Epi-Pen to bring to camp, please print and fill out [this Epi-Pen form](#) and bring the completed form with you to camp.

Please place the completed form either in a bag with your camper's Epi-Pen, or wrapped around the Epi-Pen and secured with a rubber band.

We will collect forms and Epi-Pens during drop-off and will give them to your camper's educator.

Getting to Know Your Camper

The Museum is committed to full and equal opportunity for children to enjoy the camp experience, and reasonable modifications will be considered.

Please fill out the form linked below to tell us more about your camper's needs. **This information will be shared only with camp admin and your child's educators.**

[Getting to Know your Camper](#)

If your child has any behavioral, physical or psychological considerations, please discuss camper readiness with museum staff by emailing summercamp@lifeandscience.org

If, for the Midsummer Blast! session, you would like your student to be placed in a camp with a friend or a sibling, please email summercamp@lifeandscience.org no later than noon on Friday, July 1.

Camp Release

General Release:

I/We the parent(s) or guardian(s) of the minor child, hereby grant permission for my/our child to participate in all activities in and around the Museum of Life and Science and/or

its satellite locations as part of the purchased programs. In addition, I/we hereby grant permission for my/our child to participate in all field trips which may include travel, walking through wooded areas, wading and other activities, including, but not limited to those activities in the program description. Further, I/we agree to assume all risks and liabilities associated with my/our child's participation in said program(s) and to hold the Museum of Life and Science and any of its agents or employees harmless from all claims which may arise as a result of such participation.

In case of emergency, the Museum of Life and Science has permission to take my child to the nearest hospital.

Scientific evidence indicates that an inherent risk of exposure to COVID-19 exists in any public place where people are present. By attending summer camp, you and any guests including minors in your care voluntarily accept all risks related to exposure to COVID-19 and agree not to hold the Museum of Life and Science or any of their directors, officers, employees, or volunteers liable for any injury or illness.

I certify that my child's medical information is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I give permission for a Museum staff member to seek emergency care for my child in the case of my absence.

Photo Release:

I understand the Museum may photograph my child during camp. Registration grants permission to use photographs in Museum publications and approved media sources unless I request otherwise in writing.

Camper Expectations:

The Museum reserves the right to decline the application of any child, or send home any child who, according to the Director's discretion, is disrupting the experience for other campers. If a camper is dismissed due to behavioral/social issues, tuition is not refundable.

Proof of age may be required. The Museum reserves the right to dismiss a child not registered for the correct grade level, without refund.

The Museum does not allow the use of tobacco, alcohol, illegal drugs, or weapons on its campus or its satellite locations. By applying, you and your child understand and accept these responsibilities. Violators will be dismissed without refund.

We look forward to seeing you next week!

-The Camp Curiosity Team