

KidsCamp of Pennsbury

... A unique summertime experience for kids!

Summer of 2024



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KidsCamp will be at either Makefield or Afton Elementary, pending PBSB decision.

KidsCamp is the summer camp of KidsCare **Camp Frequently Asked Questions**

We believe in sunshine, exercise, and outdoor play

1. **What are the dates and hours of camp?** The 2024 camp season is 8 weeks, **June 24 – August 16**. Programs run Monday through Friday. Hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the regular camp with dismissal starting at 3:45 P.M. We also offer before-care starting at 7:00 A.M. and after-care ending at 6:00 P.M.

2. **What is the dress code?** Dress for active outdoor play—shorts, t-shirt, and closed-toe shoes. Swimsuits and sandals on days with water. Water Play days are Tuesdays or Thursdays. Camp groups 1-4 will have water play on Thursdays, and camp groups 5-Camp Plus will have water play on Tuesdays. You will receive notification before camp begins on which group your child has been assigned to.

3. **Do you serve meals?** No, campers should bring a lunch and two snacks daily. However, on Fridays, we do have a free lunch for the children. Our preliminary schedule is that on odd weeks, we will provide a Chick-fil-a sandwich, and on even weeks, we will provide pizza. You should still pack snacks for your child on these days to accompany the free lunch. ***Please note that snacks and lunches need to be peanut-free / tree-nut-free.***

4. **What is the staff like?** We aim for a mix of ages and genders. Many college students and adults who work in child care are on our team. All camp staff members have Pennsylvania-mandated clearances in FBI fingerprints, PA child abuse clearance, and training, PA State Police, etc. Our staff includes licensed school teachers who spend the summer with us.

5. **Should I bring sunscreen?** Students should bring sunscreen, as we are outside throughout the day. Sunscreen is extremely important on swim days, as the pool is outdoors. We highly recommend the spray sunscreen, as it is easier for children to apply. Please note that our staff members are not permitted to apply lotion-type sunscreen to any child. Campers should come to camp with sunscreen applied and will be instructed to re-apply mid-morning, mid-afternoon, and before swimming.

6. **What if my child is sick before or during the camp day?** If your child is not feeling well, please keep them home and call us to report their absence. If your child becomes ill during the camp day, we will take her/him to the camp nurse and she will call you if necessary. If your child has tested positive for COVID, they may not attend camp for five days. This policy is subject to change based on CDC guidance.

7. **Does the camp offer recreational swimming?** This summer, KidsCamp will not be utilizing the community pool for swimming. Instead, we will be offering enhanced water play days. These days will feature multiple water slides, water games, and many other water-based activities. Water Play days are Tuesdays or Thursdays. Camp groups 1-4 will have water play on Thursdays, and camp groups 5-Camp Plus will have water play on Tuesdays.

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8. **Does the camp offer "Off-Site" Special Activities?** Yes!!! KidsCamp offers free field trips to all campers on select Tuesdays and Thursdays. Trips this year include Snipes Farm, Ultrazone, Doylestown Tile Works and Howell Farm. You can find the schedule of free trips further in the packet. You will receive a schedule of these weekly trips in the Camp Newsletter. Please note that some of these trips include a waiver, so be sure to complete them during the registration process.

9. **Does the camp offer Regional Field Trips, Clubs & Special Activities?** We have some great regional field trips this year that are offered with an additional cost. Be sure to register early, as some trips have a limit on how many campers can attend.

10. **Are discounts available?** We offer discounts based on the number of children in the family, number of weeks registered, etc.

- A) Second child discount of 10%
- B) Third child is FREE
- C) Fourth child discount of 50%

11. **What ages may enroll?** The KidsCamp summer day camp program will accept the enrollment of any child who will be enrolled in kindergarten through eighth grade as of September 1st.

12. **KidsCampPlus** - An extremely popular activity in the KidsCamp program, KidsCampPlus is a specially designed optional (extra weekly charge) "camp within a camp" for intermediate boys and girls (entering grades 5 - 8) who are interested in a faster-paced, physically exerting and mentally challenging set of activities. A special activity fee of \$20/ per week will be charged for participation in this program.

13. **Does the camp have "themes"?** The camp program has been divided into 8 one-week theme modules. Each program module has been developed to be a complete day camp experience, yet a continuum of "new" as well as high-interest repeat activities for children who enroll for the summer.

14. **Does the camp offer bus transportation within the Pennsbury School District?** No, we do not provide transportation to/from your house to/from KidsCamp.

15. **What is your "Peanut Allergy" Policy?** KidsCamp understands the seriousness of peanut/tree-nut-related allergies and will strive to maintain, but cannot guarantee or ensure, a peanut/tree-nut-free KidsCamp environment for the safety and welfare of all of its participants.

Parents of children with peanut/tree nut-related allergies should speak to our camp nurse and are advised that KidsCamp will try but cannot guarantee that its environment will be completely free of peanut / tree-nut-related items.

In addition, parents are asked not to include peanut/tree nut-related items in their child's lunch and snacks. Children with peanut/tree nut-related items (i.e., P&B sandwich, peanut/tree-nut butter crackers, etc.) in their lunch will be asked to sit at a separate "Peanut/tree nut" lunch table.

By allowing their child (ren) to participate in KidsCamp, parents acknowledge that they have fully read and understood this "Peanut Allergy" Policy, understand that their acceptance of this policy is a condition of their child's participation in KidsCamp, and further agree and understand that there is no guarantee of a peanut/tree-nut free environment, and they accept all risks inherent therein.

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16. **What is your "Emergency Information" policy?** All children participating in the KidsCamp summer day camp program will be required to have up-to-date parent, emergency, and pick-up information on file at all times. This information must be provided at the time of registration, or the registration will not be accepted. No child will be allowed to start KidsCamp unless all forms are completed and on file in the KidsCamp office.

17. **What is your policy on allergies?** Parents are responsible for ensuring the KidsCamp office is alerted about all allergies and medical conditions at registration.

18. **What is your policy on first aid?** Parents must provide an electronic signature at the time of registration that will allow staff members to provide first aid to their child and permit the summoning of and subsequent treatment and transport by emergency medical personnel.

Parents of participants who require an EpiPen, inhaler, or any other emergency medication will need to have a completed medication form provided by KidsCamp, completed by their family physician, as well as providing the required "measured" dosage of any prescribed medicine in its original container, according to School District and KidsCamp policy.

19. **What is your photo release policy?** Attendance of a child at KidsCamp implies and grants the parents' and/or guardians' permission to KidsCamp and/or KidsCamp officials the right to use, reproduce, and/or distribute photographs of their child participating in KidsCamp activities without compensation or approval rights for use in materials created for purposes of promoting the activities of KidsCamp.

20. **What type of crafts do you have?** No summer camp experience is complete without the usual "hands-on" arts and crafts. The KidsCamp summer day camp program not only provides its participants with the usual drawing, painting, and weaving activities but also will provide a comprehensive selection of unusual, high-interest crafts, including tie-dyeing, cooking, painting, bottle gardens, sand art, ceramics, beading, and many more....

21. **What are some of your sports and other physical activities?** Each child will have the opportunity to participate in instructional and recreational sports and physical activities, including whiffle ball, soccer, archery, basketball, gaga pit, cooperative board games, and water activities. The emphasis in all sports and physical activities will focus on developing skills, sportsmanship, and cooperation between players, rather than completion. Our goal: IF YOU HAVE FUN, YOU WON!

22. **Do you offer any kind of outdoor education and nature activities?** Enjoying the outdoors and nature is a unique feature of KidsCamp. Two of our free trips this year include Snipes and Howell Farms, where the campers will enjoy nature-based activities such as fruit picking, nature walks, fort building in the woods, animal interactions, and more!

23. **Need additional help?**

- **ELRC** for financial assistance with child care 833-229-6928
- **PA ChildLine** (suspected child abuse or neglect): 1-800-932-0313
- **Bucks County Crisis:** 1-800-499-7455
- **Suicide Prevention Lifeline:** 1-800-273-8255
- **Safe2Say Something Tip Line:** 1-844-723-2729 or www.safe2saypa.org/

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FREE KidsCamp Special Activity Electives (No pre-registration required)

Each Monday and Friday afternoon, KidsCamp offers both free and paid special activities. Below, you can find information on some of our great free activities that will be offered this summer.

Art Studio - Campers will do various fun and creative art projects. They will build self-confidence, become creative problem solvers, develop focused attention, and gain a sense of individual style while learning artistic techniques and the principles and elements of art. Campers will experiment with a variety of media, including three-dimensional sculpture, painting, oil pastels, landscapes, and more.

Karaoke Star – Did you ever want to sing like a star? Well... Karaoke will give you the chance to pick your favorite singer and favorite song and shine like a star. Have fun putting on your very first performance.

Creative Cooking - Come and join the fun as campers will be "whipping up" some innovative dishes, including desserts and food from around the world. Campers will create menus, write recipes, prepare and eat their concoctions, and clean up too!

Fuse Beads - This course is a great creative outlet for all boys and girls of all ages. Using colored fuse beads, we will create unique and colorful projects of all sizes and shapes.

Jewelry Making – Have you ever wanted to wear a piece of jewelry that you designed? Campers will learn how to make bracelets, necklaces, rings, and earrings by creating different patterns with beads, gems, string, leather, and rainbow loom loops.

Sports Clinic - Come and join as campers will have fun learning the proper techniques, game strategies, and fundamental skills of various popular and challenging sports and games. The focus will be on sportsmanship, cooperation, leadership in particular sports, and the thrill of playing. But remember, "If you have fun...you won!"

Indoor Games: Campers will play various indoor games, including skeeball, foosball, and basketball. Also included are our favorite board games like bingo, backgammon, checkers, and chess. Enjoy the challenge of playing against another person rather than a computer. This fun elective will review basic moves, theories, and winning strategies!

9 Square in the Air: This is a new take on the original game of 4 Square. In 9 Square, players try to keep the ball up in the air for as long as possible by hitting it out of their assigned square into another player's square.

Gaga: This is a favorite game in camp and our before and after school programs. Players in the Gaga pit hit the ball with their hands to get other players out by hitting them in the legs with the ball.

STEM Club - Young scientists will equip themselves with the inspiration for innovation! Through practical and hands-on experience, campers will discover principles of mechanics, aerodynamics, paleontology, and color optics. Campers will create their fossils, reconstruct dinosaurs, write secret messages, design their cars, and even race them!

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SET DESIGN - Come behind the scenes and enjoy playing your role as a stage crew member. In this class, campers will design and construct scenery, props, and costumes for our theatre production and be recognized for it on July 26th. Activity Weeks- 3,4, and 5

SPECIAL ACTIVITY CLUBS for an additional fee (Pre-registration required)

Campers may select one of the following Special Activity Clubs each week if interested. The electives run on Monday & Friday afternoons unless stated otherwise. To participate in these clubs, please complete the Special Activity registration form. To avoid scheduling conflicts, only select one activity per week.

Archery – Come and join the fun as the campers strive to hit the bulls-eye! A professionally trained archer will conduct the classes and talk about her friend Robin Hood. These beginner classes emphasize safety, form, shot sequence, and focus. (Limited to children in second grade and above and 12 campers each week).

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7 Grades k-2

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8 Grades 3+

Fee: \$35 per week

Hip Hop– Do you enjoy hip-hop dancing and listening to hip-hop music? If so, then this is the class for you. Campers will learn various styles, such as breaking, popping, locking, and freestyle, with a jazz flair. They will practice the current styles that are in music videos. Campers will have a lot of fun while learning techniques in this class!

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8

Fee: \$35 per week

Basketball – This class emphasizes basic game skills, player development, and the offensive and defensive fundamentals of the game. Instruction will be provided in a fun and enthusiastic way!

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7 Grades K-2

2, 4, 6, 8 Grades 3+

Fee: \$35 per week

Karate – This martial arts class, taught by Nate Gordon's Black Belt Academy, teaches campers self-defense and respect, improved concentration, and goal setting. Kids love to learn the physical skills of martial arts, and parents love the positive impact that our life skills program has on their children's attitudes and self-esteem. Each day is full of safe and fun martial arts activities designed to challenge and educate.

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7

Fee: \$35 per week

Pottery –This class taught by Blacksheep Pottery provides a unique and exciting opportunity for campers to learn about the wonderful hobby of pottery while learning about various techniques and glazes to creatively paint their very own piece. Campers will create a different project each week with clay. They will sculpt and design it themselves, and it will be fired in a kiln. They will leave this workshop with colorful items and an appreciation for the ceramic arts. All materials used to make your child's ceramic keepsakes are non-toxic, lead-free, and food-safe, as well as dishwasher and microwave-safe.

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7

Fee: \$55 per week

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STEM: OZOBOT ROBOTS - This course uses the Evo robots to help campers learn to code. Color Codes made with markers and paper help teach basic coding concepts like cause/effect and debugging. It is a visual and untethered way to understand coding and programming. Detailed information is available at www.Ozobot.com.

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7 Grades K-2

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8 Grades 3+

Fee: \$25 per week

Cheerleading – This class is sociable, fun, and a great way to get fit; campers will also use pom-poms! All elements of cheerleading, including cheers, dancing, kicks, and j-pumps, will be covered. Campers will get the chance to be a bit sassy in the pom-pom dance section, with some fantastic pom-pom routines to chart music. It is great fun, and regardless of one's ability, everyone is guaranteed to have a laugh and improve self-esteem and confidence, too!

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8

Fee: \$30 per week

Flag Football-Back by popular demand! Flag Football is a great way to get fit and build hand-eye coordination and teamwork. Campers will learn a contact-free sport of flag football. We also welcome experienced players who hope to "sharpen their skills." Campers will be instructed on skills and drills to play successfully on both sides of the ball, including passing, catching, and de-flagging or defensive positioning. This paid option is open to both girl and boy campers.

Activity Weeks: 1, 3, 5, 7 Grades 3+

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8 Grades K-2

Fee: \$30 per week

Duct Tape Fun - This elective was a huge hit last year! Each week, campers will be creating different projects with duct tape. Some of our past projects have been flags, drawstring bags, shields, shirts, wallets, and so much more!

Activity Weeks 1-8 Grades 2+

Fee: \$35 per week

Musical Theatre- This special elective runs three weeks, cumulating with a show on the final day. Campers will combine acting, dancing, and singing during the three weeks. They will also explore acting techniques, movement, voice, and scene study to help make them an actor and prepare for the final performance of "The Jungle Book" on July 26th! **Campers must attend all three weeks of this unique elective.**

Activity Weeks: 3, 4, 5 Grades 1+

Fee: \$300 for the three-week program

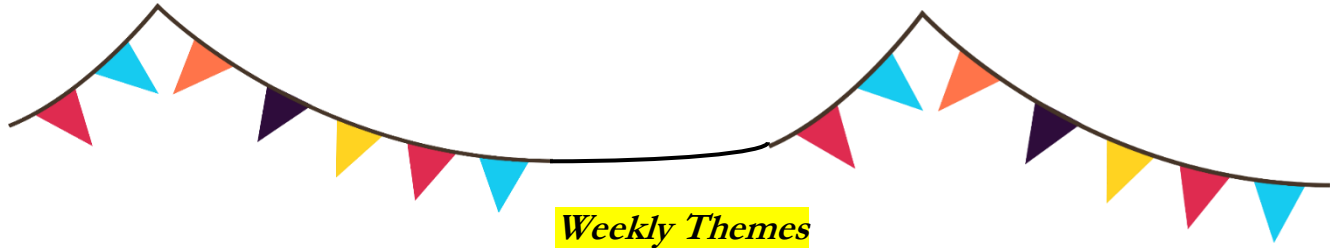
Clay Sculpturing- New this year! Learn about the many ways artists create sculptures. Blacksheep Pottery will teach the campers the basics of sculpting with clay and creating beautiful works of art throughout the summer. Campers leave this workshop with colorful items and an appreciation for the ceramic arts. All materials used to make your child's ceramic keepsakes are non-toxic, lead-free, and food-safe, as well as dishwasher and microwave-safe.

Activity Weeks: 2, 4, 6, 8

Fee: \$55 per week

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Week 1: “Who’s Who at the Zoo: The Wonderful World of Animals”
June 24-28

Week 2: “Calling All Explorers: Space Cadets and Nature Detectives!”
July 1 – July 5

Week 3: “Never Fear, Super Heroes are Here!”
July 8 - 12

Week 4: “Water World: Thrills, Chills, and Watery Thrills!”
July 15 – 19

Week 5: “The Lights are Back on Broadway: Theatre Fun for KidsCamp”
July 22 - 26

Week 6: “KidsCamp Olympics: Let the Games Begin!”
July 29 – August 2

Week 7: “Beach Bash: Fun in the Sun”
August 5 – August 9

Week 8: “Winter Wonderland Retreat: KidsCamp Just Got Cooler!”
August 12 – 16

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Program Registration Guidelines

The following guidelines apply to the KidsCamp summer day camp program:

- Enrollments can be made on a weekly, monthly, or seasonal basis. Please have the name, address, and phone number of your child's doctor, dentist, and one or more emergency contacts before you register.
- Considering the extreme popularity of KidsCamp, KidsCamp reserves the right to change or modify its registration requirements and available enrollment options based on enrollments and to close enrollments as necessary.
- Early registration is strongly recommended to take advantage of our discounts and to guarantee your enrollment option and weeks of attendance.
- A refundable registration deposit of \$200 per child must be included with the initial program registration form. This registration deposit will be credited to program tuition fees.
- All KidsCamp tuition balances are payable in full as follows:
 - June 1, 2024 – 50% of total tuition (less the deposit)
 - July 1, 2024 – 100% of remaining tuition and fees balance
- Participants whose camp fees have not been paid in full by the above deadlines will be prohibited from participating in KidsCamp until the fees have been paid in full, and no refund of registration deposits will be allowed.
- Please visit our website at www.KidsCareofpennsbury.com/summer-camp to register.
- Changes in a child's enrollment status must be made in writing by May 30. No refunds or credits will be allowed without this prior written notification.
- No credit will be allowed for any program days and/or regional trips not attended, regardless of reason. KidsCamp has to purchase tickets in advance to ensure availability.

To Register: go to the "Summer Camp" page on our website at www.KidsCareofpennsbury.com

You will receive an email confirmation as soon as you finish the registration. Please call us at 215-230-3445 if you have any questions about the registration process.

***Enrollments Limited ... Register Early!* Registration Deadline: May 30, 2024**

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Weekly Program Fee Schedule

- A) Second child discount of 10% (applies to 5-day-a-week enrollment only)
- B) Third child is FREE!
- C) Fourth child is 50% off

The following fee schedule includes fees for the many flexible and “easy-to-customize” KidsCamp summer day camp programs, special activities, and enrollment options.

Enrollment 5 days a week

Full-Day (9 AM - 4 PM) — First child \$275 /week; Second child \$247/week

Extended-Day “AM” (7 AM - 9 AM) — First child \$40/week, second \$40, third free!
... parent must “drop off” & “sign in.”

Extended-Day “PM” (4 PM - 6 PM) — First child \$40/week, second \$40, third free!
... parent must “pick-up” & “sign out”

Week of July 3rd

KidsCamp will be closed on Thursday, July 4th. Instead of this closure, the four-day tuition rate for all families will be \$250

Enrollment 4 days a week

Full-Day (9 AM - 4 PM) First and second child \$250/week

Extended-Day “AM” (7 AM - 9 AM) — First child \$40/week, second \$40, third free!
... parent must “drop off” & “sign in”

Extended-Day “PM” (4 PM - 6 PM) — First child \$40/week, second \$40, third free!
... parent must “pick-up” & “sign out”

Additional Enrollment Option

KidsCampPlus —\$20/week
(Grades 5-9 only)

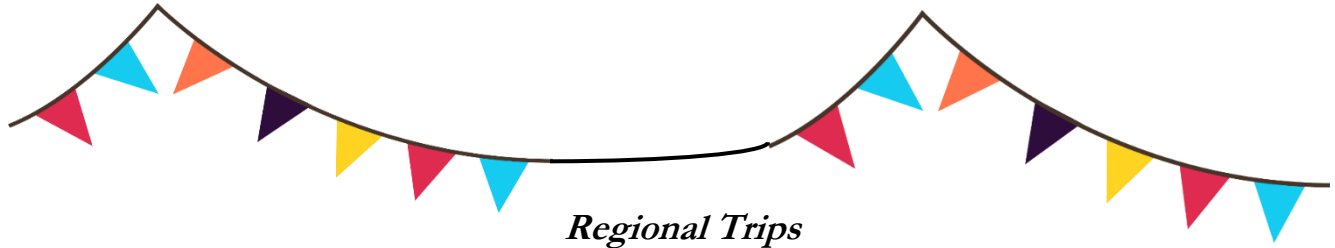
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Regional Trips

Week 1: The Philadelphia Zoo

<https://www.philadelphiazoo.org/>

June 26

Cost: \$38

The estimated return time to camp is 4:30 pm

Week 2: No Regional Trip this Week

KidsCamp CLOSED Thursday, July 4th

Week 3: Tree Trails

<https://treetrails.com/>

July 10

Cost: \$60

***This trip requires a waiver to be completed for your child to attend*

The estimated return time to camp is 4:30 pm

Week 4: Adventure Aquarium

<https://www.adventureaquarium.com/>

July 17

Cost: \$54

Cost includes admission and 3D film

The estimated return time to camp is 4:30 pm

Week 5: Great Adventure (Grades 1+)

<https://www.sixflags.com/greatadventure>

July 24

Cost: \$99

The estimated return time to camp is 4:45 pm

The cost includes lunch and one soft drink

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Week 6: Medieval Times

<https://www.medievaltimes.com/lyndhurst>

July 31

Cost: \$79

OR

Week 6: Philadelphia Phillies vs. NY Yankees

<https://www.mlb.com/phillies>

July 31

Cost: \$79

The estimated return time to camp is 4:30 pm

Week 7: FunPlex (Grades 1+)

<https://thefunplex.com/mount-laurel/>

August 7

Cost: \$82

Cost includes pizza, soft drink, and \$5 in arcade tokens

The estimated return time to camp is 4 pm

Week 8: iPlay

<https://www.iplayamerica.com/>

August 9

Cost: \$87

Cost includes pizza, soft drink, and 20 game tokens

**Socks are mandatory for this trip*

The estimated return time to camp is 4:15 pm

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Local Trip Schedule **Included with no additional charge*

Week 1: Snipes Farm

June 25 Camp Groups 1-2

June 27 Camp Groups 5-6

Week 2: Snipes Farm

July 2 Camp Groups 3-4

July 3 Camp Groups 7-C+

July 4- CLOSED

Week 2: Assembly

Mobile Planetarium Assembly for all campers

Week 3: Ultrazone

**Waiver required to attend the trip. If the waiver is not completed by July 2nd, your child cannot attend.*

July 9 Camp Groups 1-4

July 11 Camp Groups 5-C+

Week 5: Doylestown Tile Works

July 23 Camp Groups 1-4

July 25 Camp Groups 5-C+

Week 6: Assembly

Game Show Assembly for all campers

Week 7: Howell Farm

August 6 Camp Groups 1-2

August 8 Camp Groups 5-6

Week 8: Howell Farm

August 13 Camp Groups 3-4

August 15 Camp Groups 7-C+

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Parent Permission (1 signature required)

1. Child Care / Parent Agreement

1.1 I understand and certify that my child's participation in all KidsCamp activities is voluntary and that I have familiarized myself with the camp's activities and programs.

1.2 I recognize that specific hazards and dangers are inherent in running, swimming, and other sports. I further acknowledge that KidsCamp has taken safety measures to minimize the risk of injury to camp participants and that KidsCamp cannot ensure or guarantee that the participants, equipment, premises, and/or activities will be free of accidents and/or injuries.

1.3 Local field trips are scheduled regularly throughout the entire summer. These field trips may include trips to state parks and special "off-site" activities such as bowling, miniature golf, etc.

Parents are notified about the local field trip(s) in which their child(ren) may participate via the weekly camp newsletter distributed on Monday of each camp week.

Unless otherwise notified in writing, a child's attendance at the KidsCamp programs "signifies the parental permission and consent" for the child to participate in local field trips.

1.4 Should parents choose not to have their child participate in a scheduled KidsCamp day camp program activity, it is the parent's responsibility to contact the camp director at KidsCamp. Otherwise, the child will be allowed to participate in these activities.

1.5 Program Transportation. N/A

1.6 The duration of this agreement starts from the first date of registration and concludes on the last scheduled day of the KidsCamp program year in which the family participates.

2. This Child Care Agreement includes all information, rules, regulations, and policies included in the "KidsCamp Portfolio," as well as in the Registration Form/Child Care Contractual Agreement, Student Emergency Information/Emergency Release/Student "Pick-Up" Authorization Form, and any other program information and forms provided to the user by the provider during the duration of this agreement.

3. The user, by their signature, certifies that they have read and fully understands the information, fees, procedures, guidelines, and regulations contained in the program portfolio as mentioned above and other program literature and agrees to abide by all procedures, policies, and regulations contained therein.

4. Attendance at and participation in any KidsCamp program is a privilege. Therefore, the provider reserves the right to exclude any participant or parent from any or all KidsCamp program(s) for behavior deemed inappropriate by staff members and program officials. Furthermore, the provider reserves the right to immediately remove and exclude a participant from any or all KidsCamp program(s) who, in the opinion of program staff members and program officials, poses a direct threat to the safety and welfare of others in the KidsCamp program. In such cases, all monies paid on a child's KidsCamp account will be completely non-refundable.

5. All KidsCamp tuition fees must be pre-paid 50% by June 1 and paid 100% by July 1.

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6. The user agrees to indemnify and hold the provider harmless if their child does not report to the KidsCamp program on a day for which they are scheduled to attend.
7. by their signature, the user authorizes the provider to make charges, as indicated in the Automatic Charge Card Payment Information section, against the charge card listed.
8. The provider reserves the right to modify, change, or add any rules, regulations, fees, and policies during this agreement, and the user agrees to abide by such modifications, changes, and/or additions.
9. A returned check charge of \$50 per incident will be assessed to any account in which a check is returned.
10. Program “Student Absence” Notification - It will be the responsibility of the parent or legal guardian to notify the KidsCamp office if their child will not be attending KidsCamp due to illness or other reasons.
11. Program Telephone - should it be necessary for a parent or legal guardian to contact the KidsCamp program while it is in session, parents will be able to contact the KidsCamp program directly at 215-321-5277 or our office at 215-230-3445.
12. Admissions, the provisions of services, and referrals of clients shall be made without regard to race, color, religious creed, disability, ancestry, national origin (including limited English proficiency), age or sex.
13. This Child Care Agreement includes all information, rules, regulations, and policies included in the KidsCamp portfolio, as well as in the Registration Form/Child Care Contractual Agreement, Student Emergency Information/Emergency Release/Student “Pick-Up” Authorization Form, “Day-Off” Program Information Registration Form, and any other program information and forms provided to the user by the provider during the duration of this agreement.
14. The user, by virtue of their signature, certifies that he/she has read and fully understands the information, fees, procedures, guidelines, and regulations contained in the program mentioned above portfolio and other program literature and agrees to abide by all procedures, guidelines, and rules contained therein.
15. Attendance at and participation in any KidsCamp program is a privilege. Therefore, the provider reserves the right to exclude any participant from any or all KidsCamp program(s) for behavior deemed inappropriate by staff members and program officials. Furthermore, the provider reserves the right to immediately remove and exclude a participant from any or all KidsCamp program(s) who, in the opinion of program staff members and program officials, poses a direct threat to the safety and welfare of others in the KidsCamp program. In such cases, all monies paid on a child’s KidsCamp account will be completely non-refundable. This also applies to parents and other adults who visit KidsCamp program sites.
16. The provider reserves the right to modify, change, or add any rules, regulations, fees, and policies during this agreement, and the user agrees to abide by such modifications, changes, and/or additions.
17. “Peanut/Tree Nut Allergy” Policy - KidsCamp understands the seriousness of peanut/tree nut-related allergies and will strive to maintain, but cannot guarantee or ensure, a peanut/tree nut-free KidsCamp environment for the safety and welfare of all of its participants.

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Parents of children with peanut/tree nut-related allergies are advised that KidsCamp cannot guarantee that its environment will be completely free of peanut/tree nut-related items.

By allowing their child(ren) to participate in KidsCamp, parents acknowledge that they have fully read and understand this "Peanut/Tree nut Allergy" Policy, understand that their acceptance of this policy is a condition of their child's participation in KidsCamp, and agree and understand that there is no guarantee of a peanut/tree nut free environment, and they accept all risks inherent therein.

18. Program "Emergency Information" Form - All children participating in the KidsCamp program must always have an updated parent, emergency, and pick-up information form on file. No child will be allowed to start KidsCamp unless all forms are completed and on file in the KidsCamp office.

Parents are responsible for ensuring that the KidsCamp office is alerted regarding allergies and medical conditions concerning their child(ren) during registration.

Parents are required to complete and sign all signature areas that will allow staff members to provide first aid to their child and give permission for the summoning of and subsequent treatment and transport by emergency medical personnel.

19. Program "Discipline Exclusion" Policy - Attendance at the KidsCamp program is a privilege. Therefore the KidsCamp program and the School District reserve the right to exclude any participant from the program for any behavior, verbal and/or physical, deemed inappropriate by staff members and program officials. In such cases, parents will forfeit any tuition fees paid for the program week the exclusion occurs. Any other tuition fees paid in advance will be refunded. This also applies to parents and other adults who visit KidsCamp program sites.

20. Photo Release Policy - Attendance of a child at KidsCamp implies and grants the parents' and/or guardians' permission to KidsCamp the right to use, reproduce, and/or distribute photographs of their child participating in KidsCamp activities without compensation or approval rights, for use in materials created for purposes of promoting the activities of KidsCamp.

21. No credits will be allowed for unattended days, regardless of reason. Participants will receive no credit for program days canceled due to inclement weather. No credit will be extended for sick days except for a child requiring hospitalization or a contagious illness. In these cases, a physician's note will be required before approving the sick day credit.

22. Program Fee Payments - All late "pick-up" charges, fees for late payments, and returned check fees are payable in full upon receipt. In addition, the KidsCamp program reserves the right to exclude any child from the program due to "unpaid" or "past due" monthly tuition fees.

Fees may be paid by cash, check, or credit card (VISA, MasterCard, and Discover).

No credits will be allowed for any unattended days, regardless of reason.

23. Program "Child Pick-Up" Policy - Children must be signed out and picked up before the 6 PM closing time. Late pick-up incidents are subject to be billed at \$5 per every 5 minutes. The KidsCamp staff uses the school's cafeteria clock to determine the official time.

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Children will only be released to parents, legal guardians, or designated persons as listed on the *Student Emergency Information/Emergency Release/Student "Pick-Up" Authorization Form* included in the registration packet.

Identification may be required of any person picking up a child other than the parent or legal guardian. If any doubt exists, the child will not be released into the person's custody, and the parent will be called.

24. We support Pennsylvania's Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) policies, practices, and supports regarding inclusion. They, in turn, support the definition of inclusion provided in the joint position statement on early childhood inclusion from the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) and the Council for Exceptional Children's Division for Early Childhood (DEC) as follows: Early childhood inclusion embodies the values, policies, and practices that support the right of every infant and young child and their family, regardless of ability, to participate in a broad range of activities and contexts as full members of families, communities, and society. The desired results of inclusive experiences for children with and without disabilities and their families include a sense of belonging and membership, positive social relationships and friendships, and development and learning to reach their full potential. The defining features of inclusion that can be used to identify high-quality early childhood programs and services are access, participation, and support (2009).

We try our best to accommodate all students and their needs. We make an *individualized assessment* about whether we can meet a child's particular needs without fundamentally altering our program. We talk to the parents or guardians and other professionals (such as educators or health care professionals) working with the child in different contexts.

However, please note that childcare centers accepting new children are not required to accept children who would pose a direct threat or whose presence or necessary care would fundamentally alter the nature of the childcare program.

25. We support Pennsylvania's Office of Child Development and Early Learning (OCDEL) policies, practices, and supports regarding suspension and expulsion. They state that suspension is an action administered because of a child's developmentally inappropriate behavior and requires a child not to be present in the classroom or the program for a specified period. Expulsion is the complete and permanent removal of a child from an early childhood program because of challenging behavior or non-infectious health conditions (Morrison & Skiba, 2001).

We have a lengthy set of Discipline Procedures, which include levels 1 through 5, which provide for working with the child and his parents to search for an appropriate solution to any behavioral problems.

Suspension and expulsion are ineffective discipline strategies (U.S. Department of Education, 2014), and we try to avoid them when possible.

26. We encourage all parents to talk informally with our camp director concerning how their child(ren) interacts with other children. Our camp director will speak to the parents if and when any relevant behavioral, social, and physical needs may need to be discussed. In addition, our Camp Director will be pleased to meet with parents if the parents are interested.

27. We ask our staff to be alert for children needing assistance to better assimilate into our camp. We then communicate that information to parents on a timely basis.

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28. At the time of registration, we ask that all parents communicate whether their student has an IEP, TSS, or other educational considerations. We try our best to accommodate all students and their needs. We make an *individualized assessment* about whether we can meet a child's particular needs without fundamentally altering our program. We ask for a copy of the IEP if there is one in place and talk to the parents or guardians and any other professionals (such as educators or health care professionals) who work with the child in other contexts so we better understand the student's needs.

29. The duration of this agreement starts from the first date of registration and concludes on the last scheduled day of the last KidsCamp program year in which the family participates.

30. The Pennsylvania Department of Human Services licenses Kids Care and complies with all local and state regulations regarding child care centers. We also comply with all local ordinances and requirements.

31. Our program is offered to all school-age children who attend a school in which the program is available. Enrollment is subject to constraints of space and staffing. The normal staff-to-child ratio is 1:12. Modification of the program to accommodate the needs of children with disabilities, including assignment of additional staff, may be made where such modifications are reasonable and necessary, do not fundamentally alter the nature of the program, and do not result in an undue burden on the KidsCamp. Requests for modifications or auxiliary aids should be made as far in advance of the commencement of the program as possible if known in advance. Still, they will be discussed and made available at any time during the program when the need for such arises. KidsCamp strives to make the program one that provides for the safety, well-being, development, and success of each child enrolled. For this reason, we have set forth the following policies that must be followed and supported. Admissions, the provisions of services, and referrals of clients shall be made without regard to race, color, creed, religion, pregnancy, disability, national origin (including limited English proficiency), age, gender, sexual orientation/preference, and/or veteran status of the parents. Program services shall be accessible to eligible persons with disabilities through the most practical and economically feasible methods. These methods include, but are not limited to, equipment redesign and providing aides. Structural modifications shall be considered only as a last resort among available methods.

*Our responsibilities for providing care to children with disabilities are fundamentally different than the obligations of the public school. While we will review and assist any wrap-around programs with the implementation of a child's IEP, we are not required to provide services outlined in any child's IEP as we are not considered an education institution under IDEA laws. We are required to provide reasonable accommodations under ADA laws only. Parents are welcome to discuss the reasonable accommodations that can be made for their special needs child.

Parents are asked to provide IEP information and information regarding any one-on-one or therapeutic services the child receives, etc., to the director at registration of their child's needs. We ask that you supply us with the IEP if you have one. If your child has a one-on-one at school, please let us know. We aim to partner with the school to help your child in any way we can to meet the chosen goals. If you would like a director or supervisor to attend any IEP meetings, we will gladly attend. If needed, the office will authorize time outside of regular work hours for our staff to meet and discuss each IEP.

32. In cases where an enrolled child is the subject of a court order (e.g., Custody Order, Restraining Order, or Protection from Abuse Order), KidsCamp must be provided with a Certified Copy of the most recent order and all amendments.

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Parents must supply a current physical (done within one year and signed by a licensed physician) when entering our program and when their child enters 5th grade. Parents have 30 days to comply with this requirement, or their child will be suspended until we have a current physical.

Parents must contact their child's teacher and let them know their child will attend KidsCamp. Please send a note to the instructor with your child.

Our website has useful information under "Parent Resources," such as CHIP (Pennsylvania's health insurance program for children), tax information, and other valuable resources in Bucks County. If you would like a hard copy of the information, we will gladly provide it. Periodically, additional information will be available at centers concerning health topics, nutrition, social service information, etc.

33. We reserve the right to suspend and/or terminate services for any of the following reasons: • Non-payment of services • Physical attack, threats, violence by children or parents on any staff member, other parent, children, or school personnel • Behavior as defined in the discipline section of the family handbook • Repeated late pick-up of children • Repeatedly not reporting your child's after-school absences. • Violating Parent Code of Conduct as defined in the family handbook 11/2/2018 • Any behavior determined by to be a danger to the child or other children/staff/teachers in the building. • The Directors reserve the right to immediately expel or suspend any child deemed a danger to himself or others.

34. Schedule changes can only be requested once a month and must be made before the month for which the change is to take effect. There will be no reimbursements for changes made after the first of the month. Any days attended but not scheduled will appear on the next month's invoice. All schedule changes must be made in writing to KidsCare77@gmail.com.

35. The KidsCamp program closes at 6:00 PM, and your fees pay for the childcare services up to that time. Staff will use a clock tied to the internet (e.g., an iPhone). Parents whose children remain past 6:00 p.m. **MUST** pay a late fee as follows:

- 1-15 minutes late\$15.00 per child
- Each Additional 15 minutes (or interval)\$15.00 per child

Parents who are continually late picking up their children may be asked to leave the program. Our staff work very hard and have families and obligations they must attend to after 6:00 p.m.

The late fee will be added to your next bill. If the late fee remains unpaid, your child may be denied admission until the balance is paid in full.

36. An emergency information file is kept at the center for all children. In case of an injury or medical emergency, a staff member will: • Contact parent or guardian. • If unable to reach parents, the emergency person listed as the emergency contact in the student's file will be contacted. • If emergency treatment is needed, a staff member will call an ambulance to transport the student to the nearest hospital's emergency room from the site. The supervisor or another staff member will accompany the child. **NOTE:** All staff members are certified in Pediatric First aid, and a fully stocked first aid kit will be at each center at all times.

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37. KidsCamp is committed to providing all students with a safe and civil school environment in which all members of the school community are treated with dignity and respect. Students who are bullied, harassed, intimidated, or fearful of other students may not be able to take full advantage of the opportunities offered by the after-school program. (academic, social, and emotional). Bullying and harassment can also escalate into more serious violence. To that end, we have policies, procedures, and practices designed to reduce and eliminate bullying and harassment, as well as processes and procedures to deal with incidents of bullying and harassment when they occur.

38. Under the Child Protective Services Act, mandated reporters must report any suspicion of abuse or neglect to the appropriate authorities. The employees of KidsCamp are considered mandated reporters under this law. The employees are not required to discuss their suspicions with parents before reporting the matter to the appropriate authorities, nor are they needed to investigate the cause of any suspicious marks, behavior, or condition before making a report. Under the Act, mandated reporters can be held criminally responsible if they fail to report suspected abuse or neglect. We take this responsibility very seriously and will make all warranted reports to the appropriate authorities. The Child Protective Services Act is designed to protect all children's welfare and best interests. As mandated reporters, the staff cannot be held liable for reports made to Child Protective Services, which are determined to be unfounded, provided the report was made in "good faith."

39. The staff of KidsCamp will contact local police and/or the other custodial parent should a parent appear to the staff of KidsCamp to be under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol. The parent's right to immediate access does not permit the agency to deny a custodial parent access to their child, even if the parent is or appears impaired. However, our staff will delay the impaired parent as long as possible while contacting the other parent, the local police, and Child Protective Services. Any other authorized person who attempts to pick up a child and appears to the staff to be under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol will be denied access to the child. The staff will contact the child's parents, local police, and Child Protective Services to notify them of the situation.

40. KidsCamp will provide toys, games, etc. If personal articles, toys, games, electronics, etc., are brought to the center by a child, KidsCamp will not be responsible for the loss or damage of these articles, nor will KidsCamp be accountable for any item of jewelry or money handed to any staff member. Our program does not permit video games, other electronics, and cell phones. They must be kept in book bags if children bring them to school.

41. KidsCamp requires the parents of enrolled children to behave in a manner consistent with decency, courtesy, and respect at all times. One of the goals of KidsCamp is to provide the most appropriate environment in which a child can grow, learn, and develop. Achieving this ideal environment is the responsibility of the employees and every parent or adult who enters the center. Parents are required to behave in a manner that fosters this ideal environment.

No parent or adult is permitted to curse or use other inappropriate language at centers or our office at any time, whether in the presence of a child or not. Such language is considered offensive by many people and will not be tolerated. If a parent or adult feels frustrated or angry, it is more appropriate to verbally express the frustration or anger using non-offensive language. At NO time shall inappropriate language be directed toward members of the staff.

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42. Parents are prohibited from addressing, for the purpose of correction or discipline, a child that is not their own. Of course, no parent or other adult may physically punish another parent's child. Suppose a parent should witness another parent's child behaving inappropriately or is concerned about behavior reported to them by their child. In that case, it is most appropriate for the parent to direct their concern to the classroom teacher and Center Director.

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