

Summer Day Camp FAQ

I only need care on Mondays and Tuesdays, is there any way to sign up for those two days? Or I only need care for the first week of the three week session, can I sign up for just that one week?

Unfortunately, in order to maximize on the number of children we are licensed for, sessions stand as published.

Does my child need to stay the entire day? Except for field trips, when we are away from the site, you may drop your child off and pick them up at whatever time you would like. Some youth participate in other activities or tutoring during the summer and we try to be flexible to accommodate those needs. We start our programmed activities at 8:45am and end programmed activities at 4:00pm. Most campers appreciate arriving before the camp meeting at 8:45am to be prepared for the day. Check the highlight calendar to see where we are and what we are doing to see if there are any potential issues. We do appreciate advance notice if your child will be late. There is no proration for missed time at camp.

My child has attended full-day preschool. Do you ever make an exception to your K-5th grade rule? So sorry, no, we do not make any exceptions to the grade requirement. All youth must have attended K –5th the school year prior to camp. We hope you will consider our camp for the following summer.

How quickly does your camp fill?

Historically, immediately.

Where is camp based? The turf gym at the Louisville Recreation & Senior Center is camps “home base”. We also utilize other areas of the center for our activities. Make drop off easy by parking by the outdoor playground on the south side of the facility and following the sidewalk to the east to the turf gym entrance.

Do you break the kids up by ages during camp? Yes, traditionally, half the day is spent in smaller groups usually separated by age or grade. Generally, campers are in small groups for field trips, arts & crafts and the sports & game portion of the day. The rest of the day (free play, snack, lunch), up to 60 campers are together as one large group.

Where do you go on field trips? We travel along the front range (up to an hour bus ride). Past favorites include: Loveland Laser Tag, Denver Zoo, DMNS, Brighton Oasis, Broomfield Bay, Longmont Reservoir, Warrior Challenge, Denver Firefighters Museum, Great Outdoors Waterpark, bowling, to name a few.

How do you supervise your field trips? We increase ratios on field trips days. Smaller groups also allow the youth opportunities to explore the areas they would like at the rate they would like for a more enjoyable field trip experience. All camp staff are equipped with a first aid pack, an emergency phone list and a staff/group phone list for the day.

For more information please contact Mandy Perera
303.335.4902 • MandyP@louisvilleCO.gov



Summer Day Camp FAQ

My child has an epi pen. The safety of our campers is extremely important. Our lead staff attend a training called Medication Administration and are then delegated to by our nurse consultant. We take allergies very seriously and take precautions to decrease the opportunities for any allergic reactions. However, if a situation does arise, our staff has the training to act quickly and effectively. Please be sure to read more in our Camp Handbook about Medications at Camp and call if you have any other questions.

My child is not a real strong swimmer– how do you handle your swim days?

In addition to life guards, staff are stationed around the pool to both play and supervise campers. Campers wear a colored swim band which notes what areas of the pool they may access. This is decided by the campers height and ability to touch the bottom of the pool. Campers may also complete a swim test for a less restrictive swim band. Lastly, all campers and staff wear a LRC camp swim shirt (spf 50 tech shirt) for quick identification and sun protection.

Tell me about your staff. Historically, camp staff is a diverse staff, college students and high school students. Some summers, we are fortunate to have teachers and other seasoned school district staff among the team. Staff have varying levels of experience and all have a desire to work with youth. Our campers will tell you that they have the best counselors! All staff complete an extensive background test, are certified in 1st Aid and CPR and receive 20+ hour of training . You may also see CIT's (Counselors In Training) who are younger volunteers who have an interest in working with children. CIT's are never alone with campers and do not handle discipline issues.

Do you charge a fee to be on the waitlist and how will I know if there is an opening for my child? We do not charge fees for the waitlist. If we receive a cancellation, we work our way through the waitlist using the primary e-mail on the household account. If you receive a message for an opening, we give a minimum of 24 hours to contact us to accept and pay. If you decide you are no longer interested in being on certain waitlists, please contact us to remove your child from the waitlist so we have a more accurate list and can accommodate families quicker.

For more information please contact Mandy Perera
303.335.4902 • MandyP@louisvilleCO.gov

