# **Summer Camp Programs**

Dates and camp locations are subject to change. Weeks cannot be split between sessions.

## Full Summer Camp Dates: June 30th through August 15th

**Two-Week Session Dates:** 

Session A – June 30 – July 11 (no camp on Fri. July 4th)

Session B – July 14 – July 25

Session C – July 28 – Aug 8 Session D – Aug 11 – Aug 15 (One-week)

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### Registration Information - Traditional Summer Camps - Starts February 3rd!

# Registration For Participants From the 2013 Summer Camp – Starts Feb 3rd!

2014 Summer Camp registration for campers who participated in the 2013 City of Fairfax Summer Camp will begin on Monday, February 3 at 8:30am. Registration will be held at the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center, City Hall and Green Acres locations. No need to rush in! Those who register before February 14th are guaranteed a space in the program. To ensure proper placement of the camper, a birth certificate may be required before or after registration.

#### Open Registration for All New Summer Camp Participants – Starts February 18th!

Starting on Tuesday, February 18th, we will accept walk-in registrations for campers who did not participate in the 2013 camp program at City Hall, the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center and Green Acres locations. Office hours will be Monday through Friday from 8:30at to 5:00pm (Sherwood until 8pm, and Sat. 9am to 4pm). Faxed and mailed-in registrations will be processed on February 18th after walk-in registrations are completed.

#### **General Information**

The City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide safe, fun and affordable camp programs for your children! This year, camp will run for seven weeks from June 30th through August 15th.

Our camps offer your children the opportunity of a lifetime to engage in safe and enjoyable activities, while forming positive relationships with other campers and staff. We strive to provide programs that will allow children to grow and develop intellectually, physically, culturally and socially. Campers will have the benefit of learning from role models while spending quality time with their friends in a great environment.

Your family will have the option to enjoy the entire seven weeks of camp or to attend any of our two-week sessions (see below for specific dates). This two-week session option allows more flexibility for families who are not able to attend camp the entire seven weeks but still would like to have their children enjoy a great camp experience this summer.

As always, the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department strives to provide a safe, high quality and affordable camp experience for your family. If you have any questions, please contact us at 703-385-7858 or email parksrec@fairfaxva.gov.

#### **Payment Plan**

At the time of registration, you may choose to pay for the entire summer in entirety or go on payment plan. A deposit of \$100 (Full summer) or \$40 (for each individual session) will be due at the time of registration and three additional payments (your balance split into three equal payments) will be due March 1st, April 1st, and May 1st. A staff member will be available to assist you with your deposit due at the time of registration as well as the amount of your following payments.

#### **Automatic Payments**

You will also have the option to use our Automatic Payment Plan. No more worrying about when to make your payments! If you choose this option, just complete the Automatic Payment Plan for at registration and the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department will charge your credit card on March1, April 1 and May 1st for the amount due according to your family's payment plan.

#### **Full Payment Discount NEW!**

A discount of \$50 will be applied if the registration is paid in full between February 3rd and March 1st for the FULL Summer option for any of the camps, Sunshine Kids, Summer Day Camp at Daniels Run or Providence Elementary, Middle Grades Camp at Lanier or Teen Adventure Camp.

#### **Sibling Discount**

A sibling discount will be given for families registering for camp with two or more children in the same household. A 10% discount is given for the second child. A 20% discount will be given for all additional siblings. Qualifiers: A 'sibling' is categorized as one of two or more individuals having one or both parents in common.

#### **Refunds & Transfers**

Refunds will be processed minus a \$100 fee for the full summer or \$40 for each withdrawn session. No refunds will be given after June 30th . Space permitting, transfers into different sessions will be allowed.

#### Late payments

For those who choose the payment plan, there will be a 14 day grace period and then a \$25 per week late fee will be incurred.

#### **Staff**

The City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department take tremendous pride in our amazing camp staff. Many of our camp employees have worked in our camp program for several years. Each site has a Site Leader who manages the camp. Specialists in areas such as art and sports will visit each site every week to teach different activities with the children. Each camp site has certified personnel that are certified in Standard First Aid, CPR and AED. In order to provide the best care for your child, all staff is required to attend trainings on subjects such as child development, child abuse recognition and reporting, diversity, blood born pathogens, positive disciplining, games and leadership.

#### **Field Trips**

The costs of the field trips are incorporated into the price of the camp. This will allow for all children to be able to participate in all field trips. Local field trips examples may include water parks, ice-skating or trips to local parks. Each trip will be determined by what is most age appropriate for the campers and the number of participants in that specific camp. Sunshine Kidz will attend one local field trip each week. The camps at Daniels Run, Providence will go on one local trip and one



water-related trip a week. The Lanier and Teen Camp will attend two local and one water-related field trip a week. Refunds will not be given for any trips that campers do not attend. More details on specific field trip locations will be sent home and posted online to all registered camp participants in April.

#### **Emergency Contact/Medical Forms – NEW PROCESS**

For your child's safety, it is REQUIRED that all guardians complete a Participant Information Form every year. This form includes emergency contacts, health history and other important information for camp staff to keep your child as safe as possible.

It must be completed at the Open House on Fri. June 27 at your child's camp site or on the first day of camp. If you wish to fill the form out ahead of time, this form will be available online at www.fairfaxva.gov/parksrec. Children will not be permitted to be dropped off at camp without completing this form.

#### **Financial Assistance**

Financial Assistance is available for qualified families. Tax forms and/or proof of income are required and financial aid will be based on a sliding scale. If you need to apply for financial assistance, you must contact the City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department to make an appointment to make an appointment. Deadline for Financial Assistance for the Camp program is June 1st.

#### **Other Information:**

All participants will receive a one summer camp T-shirt that must be worn on all field trips. Additional shirts may be purchased for \$10 per shirt.

A parent handbook will be available at registration. This booklet will provide more specific details on camp procedures, schedules, activities and policies. The parent handbook will be mailed to those who faxed in their registration. For those register at any of our offices, a copy of the handbook will be provided.

#### **Open House**

An open house will be held on Friday, June 27, from 1-2pm at each camp site. Families will have the opportunity to meet and greet the camp staff, complete their Participant Information Form, learn more about the camp day and see the facility where camp will be held.

#### **Age Requirement**

Per Fairfax County Public School policy, participant's age/grade must match the camp programs required minimum by Sept. 30, 2014

## **Summer Camp Programs**

## **Traditional Day Camps**

#### **Sunshine Kidz Day Camp**

Ages 3-5 years olds Time: 8:45AM – 1:00PM

Providence Elementary, 3616 Jermantown Rd., Fairfax VA

Preschoolers and Rising Kindergarteners can enjoy the summer at Sunshine Kidz Day Camp! This camp will provide children with age appropriate activities which will include arts and crafts, entertainers, special events, games, field trips and water activities (water games, sprinklers, there are no swimming pool activities). Other activities may include puppet shows, picnics, storytellers and cultural events. Children will develop important social skills while playing with their friends and leaders in a fun and safe environment. Each week, campers will attend one local field trip to places such as local parks, farms, or bowling.

Full Summer Fee: \$805 Session A: \$260

Session B: \$295 Session C: \$295

Session D: \$150

#### Summer Day Camp at Daniels Run Elementary or Providence Elementary School

Ages: Rising 1st – Rising 4th Grade (6 to 9 years old)

Location: Daniels Run Elementary School, 3705 Old Lee Hwy, Fairfax, VA or Providence Elementary, School, 3616 Jermantown Rd., Fairfax VA

Time: 9:00am – 3:00pm

Campers, join your friends this summer for a fun-filled time which will include sports,

games, arts and crafts, field trips, special events and so much more! Children will enjoy time playing with their friends and staff while developing new skills. All age-appropriate activities are designed to help children expand their skills and abilities. Specialists in the areas of art and sports will visit the camp each week to work with the children. All summer day camp participants will attend one age-appropriate local field trip (i.e. bowling, roller skating, zoo) as well as one water-related trip each week.

Full Summer Fee: \$770

Session A: \$250 Session B: \$280 Session C: \$280 Session D: \$145



#### **Extended Day options available!!**

AM Extended Day Program:
Time: 7:00am – 9:00am
PM Extended Day Program:
Time: 3:00pm – 6:00pm
Location: Daniels Run & Providence

Location: Daniels Run & Providence Elementary

More Fun in the Sun!! More options to extend your camp day! Sign up for either only morning care, only afternoon care or both! Activities will include more games, sports, crafts, free play and more. A snack will be provided for all children attending the afternoon extended day care program.

AM Only Fee: \$65/week PM Only Fee: \$85/week

BOTH AM and PM Fee: \$140/week

## Middle Grades Day Camp at Lanier Middle School

Ages: Rising 5th – Rising 7th Grade (10 to 12 years old)

Time: 8:45am – 3:15pm

Location: Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Road, Fairfax, VA 22030

This summer, your middle-schooler can enjoy time with their friends in an enjoyable environment which will include activities such as sports, games, arts and crafts, field trips, and special events. Campers will be able to be utilize their creative, physical and intellectual abilities in a safe and fun environment. Teamwork, communication and self-esteem will be stressed and reinforced with all participants. Specialists in the areas of art and sports will visit the camp each week to work with the children. All summer day camp participants will attend one age-appropriate local field trip (i.e. bowling, roller skating, or laser tag) as well as one water-related trip each week.

Full Summer Fee: \$795

Session A: \$255 Session B: \$285 Session C: \$285 Session D: \$150

## **Requirements for Sunshine Kidz Camp Program**

The Sunshine Kidz Day camp Program is a Virginia state-licensed preschool program. The following items are requirements for licensing and all paperwork will be located at City Hall, Green Acres, the Stacy C. Sherwood Community Center and online at www.fairfaxva.gov/parksrec in February.

- Requirements for Sunshine Kidz Day Camp Participants:
- Proof of age verification (birth certificate must be shown at registration)
- Participant registration Card
- Illness information, Field Trip Permission and School Attendance Form

- Copy of current immunization records from doctor dated after 6/30/2013
- VA State School Entrance Health Form
- Physical examination within 12 months prior to starting the camp program

All paperwork must be received by June 27th, 2014 and should be returned to the Stacy C. Sherwood Center, 3740 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax. If the paperwork is not received, the Parks and Recreation Department reserves the right to withdraw participants, with a refund, from the program. No children will be allowed to attend camp without all paperwork completed and handed in to staff.

#### **Extended Day options available!!**

AM Extended Day Program: Time: 7:00am – 8:45am PM Extended Day Program: Time: 2:45pm – 6:00pm

Location: Lanier Middle School, 3801 Jermantown Road, Fairfax, VA 22030

More Fun in the Sun!! More options to extend your camp day! Sign up for either only morning care, only afternoon care or both! Activities will include more games, sports, crafts, free play and more. A snack will be provided for all children attending the afternoon extended day care program.

AM Only Fee: \$60/week PM Only Fee: \$75/week AM and PM Fee: \$125/week

#### **Teen Adventure Summer Day Camp**

Ages: Rising 8th -

Rising 10th Grade (13 to 15 years old)

Time: 8:00am - 4:00pm

Location: Fairfax High School, 3501 Rebel Run,

Fairfax, VA 22030

The Teen Adventure Camp offers a wide variety of activities for teens in a safe, friendly and supervised environment. Activities will include sports, games, music, trips and enjoying special time with your friends. Participants will develop and refine skills in areas such as leadership, teamwork and socialization. Specialists in the areas of art and sports will visit the camp each week to work with the participants. Teen Camp participants will be able to enjoy two ageappropriate local field trips as well as one water-related trip each week.

Full Summer Fee: \$995

Session A: \$310 Session B: \$350 Session C: \$350 Session D: \$180



# American Camp Association Accredited Camp

The City of Fairfax Summer Camps are American Camp Association (ACA) Accredited Camps. This means that they meet the most rigorous standards for management, delivery and safety for a camp program. Currently, our camps are the only government jurisdiction that is accredited in the Northern Virginia region.

## Why an ACA-Accredited Camp?

ACA Accreditation means that the camp cares enough to undergo a thorough (up to 300 standards) review of its operation — from staff qualifications and training to emergency management. American Camp Association collaborates with experts from the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Red Cross, and other youth-serving agencies to assure that current practices at your child's camp reflect the most up-to-date, research-based standards in camp operation. Camps and ACA form a partnership that promotes growth and fun in an environment committed to safety. ACA helps member camps provide: Healthy, developmentally appropriate activities and learning experiences; Discovery through experiential education; Caring, competent role models; Service to the community and the environment and Opportunities for leadership and personal growth

For more information please visit, www.acacamps.org/accreditation/learn-about-accreditation