



Dear Parents,

Welcome to Adventurers Day Camp! We are thrilled that your child will be joining us this summer.

Adventurers Day Camp is designed with our youngest campers in mind, offering age-appropriate camp experiences for children entering PreK and Kindergarten. Activities are planned and presented in a fun, caring way that encourages young campers to explore and participate in exciting, hands-on activities each and every day.

A typical day for campers is filled with child-centered activities such as swimming, arts & crafts, sports & games, music, science and wilderness. All children will participate in group swim lessons.

The information below will help you know what to expect throughout camp as well as inform you of all the items your child should bring.

Drop-Off/Pick-Up

Our drop-off location is located on Patriot Way (the bus lane), next to the playground. Our counselors will welcome you every morning by assisting campers out of their cars and to their assigned troop location.

Campers arriving late (after 9:10am) should be brought to the Pavilion/Welcome Center. We will begin to welcome children at 8:55am. If you need to drop your child off earlier than this, please ask about our Extended Day Program.

Pick-up will occur at the same location at 3:30pm. If you do not see the campers outside, please wait in your cars until they are brought outside for pick-up. Please have your photo ID out and ready to be checked by our counselors. Any changes from your child's standard dismissal will require a note. If there is a last-minute change during the camp day, please contact the Summer Programs Office. If you are unable to pick up your child at this time, please ask about our Extended Day Program. If you are not here by 3:40pm, your child will be taken to Extended Day, and can be picked up there.

Extended Day

To drop off for AM Extended Day (7:30-8:45am), enter campus from Lafayette Ave and turn left to follow Patriot Way for drop off at the Annex. There will be signs posted for Extended Day. Pick up for PM Extended Day for Adventurer Campers only will take place at the bus shelter located on Patriot Way until 4:30pm. After 4:30, any remaining Adventurer campers will transition over to the Annex and pick up will occur there.

For other specific questions regarding AM and PM Extended Day, please contact our Extended Day Director, Stephanie Dempsey. Her email is stephanie.dempsey@germantownacademy.org.

Dress Code

During camp, the dress code is cool, casual and comfortable! We spend a lot of time outside, so please dress your child appropriately according to the weather. We often do activities that can get wet and/or messy, so clothes that your child wears should be easily laundered.

Children must wear sneakers or closed-toe shoes while at camp. Flip-flops, sandals and dress shoes are uncomfortable and dangerous for an active child, as they are slippery and do not provide the support necessary for running, jumping and climbing.

Please bring your child to camp every morning already wearing a bathing suit. Your child should wear clothes over their swimsuit. Please send in a bag with a change of clothes, including underwear. The wet bathing suit will be put into the bag at the end of swim and sent home daily. Swim gear (goggles, swim shirt, etc.) may be brought to camp, but they are not necessary. Please be sure to label any items that are brought to camp. A towel is provided in the pool area on swim days (M, T, W, F). Please be sure to send in a towel on Thursdays for water play. **Closed-toe water shoes should be sent every day.**

Sunscreen Policy

Our sunscreen policy requires you to apply sunscreen prior to arriving at camp each day. Please send a bottle of sunscreen with your child so we may reapply throughout the day. Be sure to label your bottle of sunscreen!

Snacks/Lunch

We ask that you provide a morning snack as well as a nutritionally-balanced lunch for your child each day. You may also choose to enroll in our lunch program. We will provide a daily afternoon snack for all campers. It is important that you have made us aware of any food allergies your child may have.

We do not have a refrigerator available to store your child's lunch, and do not have the ability to heat up food at lunch. We suggest placing an icepack in his/her lunchbox to keep items cool. If you have purchased a lunch from camp, it will be delivered to our area at lunch time.

What to Bring

Your child should bring the following items to camp, **labeled with his/her first and last name**:

- Sunscreen (please label)
- Two complete changes of clothes (to be left at camp)
- Closed-toe water shoes (every day)
- A labeled water bottle
- Towel for water play day (Thursday)
- Two plastic grocery bags (to bring wet clothes/bathing suits home)
- Morning snack and lunch (if not ordering)

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us. We are here to help make your child's camp experience one to remember! We look forward to meeting you and your child at camp.

Sincerely,

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