



Frequently Asked Questions for Summer 2025

We have assembled a list of frequently asked questions for our camp community. While these questions cover a wide variety of topics, we know that you may have a unique question. Please do not hesitate to reach out to the Camp Office, and we would be happy to help!

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GENERAL INFORMATION

What is Summer at Friends offering for Summer 2025?

We are excited for Summer 2025! We're pleased to offer a full line-up of camps with flexible options. As always you can count on intentionally small group sizes, fun-filled daily schedules, and terrific counselors. Campers can look forward to a summer of fun!

[Visit our website for detailed information about our programs!](#)

When is camp open?

Camp is open June 16 – August 8. The first day of camp is Monday, June 16. The last day of camp is Friday, August 8. **Camp is closed on Thursday, June 19th, and Friday, July 4th.** Fees are not prorated.

Are spaces limited?

Yes! Spaces are limited in all programs, and we anticipate many programs will sell out. We encourage families to register early.

Can I schedule a campus tour?

Tours will be available in the spring, but we are always eager to discuss camp with you. Just call or email us.

I want to talk to a director or staff member, when can we chat?

We will gladly schedule a phone or “zoom” call with you. Please contact the Camp Office.

For efficiency and safety, staff members at the drop-off/pick-up locations are not available for conversations or individual meetings.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

When can I register for summer 2025?

Registration opens to the public in January and will remain open, as space is available, until the registration deadlines:

Registration Deadline for Session A and the Super Session: May 30

Registration Deadline for Session B: June 27

What sessions are offered?

We're offering several different sessions this summer. You can sign up for one or more, and mix and match as long as the dates don't conflict!

Super Session (8 weeks from June 16-August 8)

Session A (4 weeks from June 16-July 11)

Session A1 (2 weeks from June 16-June 27)

Session A2 (2 weeks from June 30-July 11)

Session B (4 weeks from July 14-August 8)

Session B1 (2 weeks from July 14-July 25)

Session B2 (2 weeks from July 28-August 8)

Note: Program hours vary. Start and end times are available in the camp descriptions and the online application.

Can I register by the week?

No. You must register for either a 2-week session, 4-week session, or the eight-week Super Session. Our programs are intentionally designed to allow campers time to develop friendships and enjoy a complete, authentic camp experience.

Can I register for more than one session?

Yes! You can register for both Session A **and** Session B. You may select different programs for each session. However, the eight-week Super Session cannot be combined with any other session.

Can I register for a partial session?

No, partial sessions are not available. Campers will remain in the same group for an entire session. Fees will not be prorated for individual days or weeks missed (i.e. for illness, vacation, etc.).

I need to register siblings, can I use the same form?

With our online Camp Portal, you can register multiple siblings at the same time. You'll need to complete all forms for each camper!

What happens if I need to cancel my child's enrollment?

Please visit the [Our Policies](#) section for complete details. Changes and cancellations must be received prior to the change and cancellation deadline for your program. After the deadline, no refunds will be given, and you will be charged the full amount for the program.

Deadline for Session A and the Super Session: Friday, May 30, 2025

Deadline for Session B: Friday, June 27, 2025

PAYMENTS AND FEES

What is included in the camp fee?

Our pricing is all-inclusive! Camp fee includes lunch, snack, daily swimming, weekly themes, and a whole lot of summer fun! Our best value, the Super Session, includes convenient extended hours every day until 5 pm, plus exclusive activities just for our Super Session campers!

Is my deposit applied to my camp balance?

Yes! Your deposit is applied to your camp balance. The deposit is \$425 prior to May 1. Beginning May 1, full payment is due with your Enrollment Application.

Is my deposit refundable if my plans change?

The deposit is nonrefundable and nontransferable.

When is my payment due?

Payment for Session A and the Super Session is due by Friday, May 30, 2025

Payment for Session B is due by Friday, June 27, 2025

A \$425 deposit is due with your enrollment application. That deposit is applied to your overall camp balance. If applicable, payment options, including monthly installments are available in the Camp Portal at the time of registration. The remainder of the payment is due by either May 30 or June 27, depending on the session selected.

CAMP GROUPINGS

How are campers grouped?

All campers are grouped into small groups within each camp. We consider a variety of factors when creating groups. Typically we try to group similarly-aged campers together. We do not group based on gender or gender identity.

Can I request a specific group for my child? Can my child be grouped with a friend?

We will try to honor “group with” requests but cannot guarantee such placements. We can accept one “group with” request for each camper. In order to be grouped together:

- Campers must be in the same session (i.e. A, B, or Super Session) and in the same program (i.e. Sports Camp).
- Long Day and Short Day Campers in **Junior, Intermediate, and Senior Camps** are dismissed at different times and cannot be grouped together.
- Both campers must request to be grouped together. You can make this request by providing the name of one camper during registration.
- Siblings enrolled in the same camp program will usually be placed in the same group.

Can my camper change groups mid-session?

No, campers may not change groups mid-session.

CAMP HOURS/DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP INFORMATION

What are the camp hours?

Camp hours depend on what session your camper is attending!

8:45 am – 3:30 pm for those registered for Session A or Session B. Drop off begins at 8:30 am, and pick up ends by 3:45 pm. *A late fee is charged for all late pickups!*

8:45 am – 5 pm for those registered for Session A or Session B long day options. Drop off begins at 8:30 am, and pick up ends by 5:15 pm. *A late fee is charged for all late pickups!*

8:45 am – 5 pm for those registered for the Super Session. Drop off begins at 8:30 am, and pick up ends by 5:15 pm. *A late fee is charged for all late pickups!*

Is there Morning Extended Day?

No. We offer an early drop off time that begins at 8:30 am for all groups. There is no supervision for campers who are brought to campus before the hours of the program(s) in which they are enrolled.

Is there Afternoon Extended Day?

No. There is no daily or weekly PM Extended Day. *Those who need care until 5 pm should consider registering for the eight-week Super Session or a long day option, as pick up for those groups ends daily by 5:15 pm.*

What if I need to drop my child off late?

When you arrive on campus, call the Camp Office, and a staff member will meet you at your car to check in your child. **See the Parent Handbook for more detailed information.** The Parent Handbook will be available in May.

What if I need to pick up my child early?

If possible, please let the Camp Office know you will be picking up early. When you arrive on campus, call the Camp Office, and a staff member will bring your child to your car to sign out. To maintain groupings, campers will be kept with their group until you arrive on campus. It will take a few minutes for them to travel to your car.

What happens if I am late picking up my child?

All campers must be picked up by the end of their scheduled camp day. A Late Pick-Up Fee of \$35 per quarter hour per family will be charged for campers who are not collected on time.

Where do I drop off my camper? What about pick up?

Details about drop off and pick up will be published in the Parent Handbook. The Parent Handbook will be available in May.

I walk to campus, how will drop-off/pick-up work?

Please let the Camp Office know if you will be walking to campus, and we will provide you with specific information depending on your child's group placement.

LUNCH & BEVERAGES

What's for lunch?

Lunch, snack, and beverages are provided for all campers! The School's food service company prepares food and beverages for each camp group. The menu is included in the Parent Handbook and will be published in each week's Summer Snapshot newsletter (also available online: www.fscamp.org).

Campers with special food preferences or specific dietary needs may bring their own non-perishable food. (Refrigeration is not available.) *Note: Campers may not order a partial lunch. If campers bring their own lunch, no other food or beverage will be provided for them at lunchtime.*

If you do not want your child to receive any food from camp, please notify the Camp Office.

Should my child bring a water bottle?

Yes! Hydration is an important part of staying healthy during the summer. Water bottle filling stations are available throughout campus. Campers should bring a refillable water bottle each day. Don't forget to label the water bottle with your child's name!

SWIMMING AND FIELD TRIPS

How does your swim program work? Do all campers swim every day?

All camp groups are scheduled to go swimming each day. Junior, Intermediate, Senior, Sports, and Tech Tapas campers all have instructional swim time. *All other groups have a daily recreational swim.*

Please note: the swim program is subject to change based on federal, state, and local guidelines, and other considerations. It is our intent at this time that all groups will participate as scheduled in the swim program.

Where are your swimming pools located?

The swim program uses our 2 outdoor swimming pools located on campus near the playing fields.

Should my camper wear a swim suit to camp?

To minimize time spent changing clothes, we **strongly encourage** campers to come to camp wearing their swim attire. Most swim attire can be worn comfortably under a child's clothing. Campers will change out of their swim attire after their swim time. Please be sure to include a bag for your camper's wet clothing in their backpack.

Be sure to label your child's swimsuit, towel, goggles, and other swim apparel.

Does your camp take field trips?

No. We believe that our campers are safest here on campus. Groups will enjoy a wide variety of activities on Friends School of Baltimore's 35+ acre campus!

HEALTH & SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Does camp have a communicable disease safety plan?

Yes, COVID-19 and other communicable diseases are covered in our Health & Safety Program. Protocols include nightly housekeeping, personal hygiene/frequent handwashing, and maintaining our Health & Safety Policies to limit the spread of infection. **Our Health & Safety Plan is subject to change at any time, and parents will be notified.**

Do you have a hand-hygiene protocol?

Absolutely! Frequent handwashing throughout the day is encouraged and expected of campers and staff. Groups have access to bathrooms with sinks, and hand sanitizer is available in multiple campus locations.

How are you tracking symptoms of illness?

Campers and staff are asked to stay home if they have any symptoms of illness. Camp staff are trained to spot signs of illness, and our Camp Nurse or First Aid Staff is available to assist ill campers.

Can my camper attend if they are sick or displaying symptoms of illness?

Please do not send sick individuals to campus if they are exhibiting ANY signs of illness. Contact the Nurse's Office and the Camp Office. Parents must pick up their child from camp within one (1) hour of receiving a call from the nurse if your child presents with a fever or becomes ill during the camp day.

Will each group have a dedicated space?

Yes! Each group will have an assigned indoor group space, and outdoor spaces are available throughout campus. Both indoor and outdoor spaces will be used throughout the day, as we believe a blend of indoor and outdoor time is important in ensuring a great camp experience!

Are parents/guardians or other visitors allowed in the campus buildings?

For the health and safety of our campers, we are limiting visitors on campus. All drop off and pick up will be done from the curb. (Parents picking up a camper from the Health Suite will receive instructions from the nurse as needed.) ***This policy is subject to change.***

REQUIRED FORMS

What forms need to be submitted before my child can start camp?

All registered campers will receive a packet of required forms in May. Forms will vary depending on which program(s) your child will be attending. All campers will be required to submit a Health Form and a Sunscreen Permission Form. Other forms may be required.

What if my child needs medication during the camp day?

Additional forms will be required. Contact the Camp Office with questions.

STILL HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact the Camp Office: summercamp@friendsbalt.org