

SUMMER CAMP 2026

Camp Information

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CAMP TIMES

Monday-Thursday: 9:30am-4:15pm
Friday: 9:30am-3:15pm

CAMPER HEALTH

If your camper is feeling unwell, we ask that they remain home from camp. Campers are allowed to return if:

- It has been 24 hours since symptoms have improved overall **OR** the camper never experienced any known symptoms, **AND**
- It has been 24 hours since the resolution of fever (100.4°F or higher) without the use of fever-reducing therapies or medications.

Please contact Summer Camp Staff before the camper returns to camp.

SWIM CHECK REQUIRED FOR LEARN TO SAIL CAMPERS

- Prior to the camp start date, campers signed up for a Learn to Sail camp must submit a completed Swim Check Form signed by a certified lifeguard.
- Campers who do not have a completed form on file cannot partake in the sailing portion of camp.
- The Swim Check Form, along with additional information from the Milwaukee Community Sailing Center (MCSC), can be found at discoveryworld.org/summer-camp.

FIRST DAY OF CAMP MORNING CHECK-IN

- Morning check-in will be at the curbside along Michigan Street on the north side of Discovery World.
- On your first morning, follow signs to the Summer Camp Check-In area. Please stay in your vehicle. Summer Camp Staff will come to you to check in your camper(s).
- Special announcements and additional paperwork (if applicable) will be provided at this time. Families will also receive a map and detailed pick-up instructions.
- Standard check-in begins at 9:00am. Extended Care begins at 8:00am and is free on the first day of the camp week.

REMAINDER OF WEEK MORNING DROP-OFF

- Standard drop-off for the remainder of your camp week begins at 9:00am. Extended Care begins at 8:00am and requires pre-registration.
- Please stay in your vehicle and wait for Summer Camp Staff to come to you.
- **Do not drop off your camper(s) until you have been checked in by Summer Camp Staff.**

EXTENDED CARE

Extended Care is available for an additional charge. **Pre-registration is required 24 hours in advance.** Late registrations will not be accepted. You can purchase extended care online or by phone by calling the Reservations Department at 414-765-8625.

Extended Care is required for:

- Campers that need to be dropped off between 8:00am and 9:00am.
- Campers that need to be picked up after 4:45pm (Monday-Thursday) or after 3:45pm (Friday).

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Extended Care Session pricing and other information is as follows:

AM Care Sessions

- 8:00am-9:00am (Monday-Friday)
- \$10/camper per day
- Free on the first day of a camp week to allow extra time for check-in procedures.

PM Care Sessions

- 4:45pm-5:30pm (Monday-Thursday) or 3:45pm-5:00pm (Friday)
- \$10/camper per day
- All pick-ups must be completed by 5:30pm (Monday-Thursday) or 5:00pm (Friday). Campers picked up after these times will be charged an additional \$5 for every 5 minutes past the session end time.
- PM Care will be held on the northwest side of the building, at or near the main entrance.

Pick up your camper from the front circle drive.

A \$20 fee will be instituted per session for any camper who participates in extended care but is not pre-registered, in addition to regular session fees.

PICK-UP PROCEDURES

Families will be provided with a map and detailed directions for how to pick up their camper(s) on the first day of camp.

Pick-Up Times

- Monday-Thursday: 4:15pm-4:45pm
- Friday: 3:15pm-3:45pm

Window Tags

- Each family will be provided a Window Tag for the name(s) of their camper(s) to help speed up the pick-up process.
- Please have Window Tags and an ID clearly displayed on the dashboard or passenger window upon arriving.

Authorized Pick-Ups

- Anyone picking up a camper must show a valid ID **AND** be listed on the camper(s) authorized pick-up list.
- If families need to add an adult to a camper's authorized pick-up list, please contact the Summer Camp Staff before 2:00pm by calling **414-765-8625**, **414-765-8765** or emailing summercamp@discoveryworld.org.

Early Pick-Ups

- If a camper must be picked up early, we require that families arrange the time **in advance** by calling **414-765-8625**, **414-765-8765** or emailing summercamp@discoveryworld.org.
- Early pick-ups are restricted during the last 45 minutes of the camp day. Families must pick-up their camper(s) before 3:30pm (Monday-Thursday) or before 2:30pm (Friday). Pick-up requests after the times above will not be allowed and families must wait until normal check-out procedures begin.
- Early pick-up occurs at the front doors of Discovery World.

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CANCELLATION & RESCHEDULING POLICIES

All cancellation and rescheduling requests must be made with the Reservations Department.

Please note that camps are sold as a package and no prorated refund will be given for days your camper does not attend.

Cancellations

- Cancellation requests must be directed to the Reservations Department **at least thirty (30) days** before the camp start date.
- To receive a full refund, cancellations must be made within one (1) week from the date of purchase.
- All other cancellations made more than thirty (30) days before the start of the camp will receive a partial refund, with an **\$80 cancellation fee subtracted per camp.**
- Cancellations made less than thirty (30) days before the camp will NOT receive a refund.

Rescheduling

- Rescheduling requests must be directed to the Reservations Department **at least thirty (30) days** before the camp start date.
- All accepted reschedules will incur a **\$25 rescheduling fee for each camp rescheduled AND for each time rescheduled.** All rescheduling requests are subject to availability.
- Rescheduling requests made less than thirty (30) days before the camp will **NOT** be granted.

Minimum Attendance Threshold

- Discovery World reserves the right to cancel a camp if it does not meet the minimum attendance threshold.
- If fewer campers register than is required for a camp to take place, Discovery World will notify families at least two (2) weeks before the camp's start/first date. In these cases, families can either switch to an alternative camp for no additional fee (pending availability) or receive a full refund.

BEHAVIOR

Discovery World reserves the right to remove any camper from camp if their behavior is overly disruptive, inappropriate, creates a safety hazard, or is in violation of listed policies. In such cases, the camper will be immediately removed from camp and asked not to return; possibly for the remainder of the camp and/or the remainder of the summer. In these cases, no refunds will be given.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

- **A lunch each day.** Campers are not permitted to purchase lunch at the DK Express Café or visit vending machines. An afternoon snack is provided by Discovery World for all campers. A morning snack is provided by Discovery World for our youngest campers and for those with a late lunch period. Please inform staff about any food allergies. Campers may choose to bring their own snack to eat during scheduled snack times.
- **Closed-toe, comfortable shoes.** Campers will be moving around frequently. Sneakers are the best choice.
- **A reusable water bottle labeled with the camper's name.** Please note that water fountains are not necessarily available. Bottled water will be provided on an as-needed basis.
- **Sunscreen/hat.** Some camps leave the premises and/or spend a large portion of the day outdoors. Please note that Discovery World does not provide sunscreen and staff cannot assist campers with application.
- **A change of clothes (underwear, shirt, pants/shorts) for campers in 1st-3rd grade.** This can be left in a camper's backpack or bag.
- **For campers enrolled in Learn to Sail camp:** A complete change of clothes and a towel, including an extra pair of socks and shoes.
- **Label ALL items with your camper's name.**

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WHAT TO LEAVE AT HOME

Discovery World makes every reasonable attempt to safeguard our campers' possessions. However, we suggest that campers leave the following personal items at home:

- Valuable items
- Phones
- Electronic devices (tablets, video games, etc.)
- Smartwatches

Texting, cell phone use, and games distract campers from being part of the camp community, so we require that all electronic and wireless communication devices be turned off and stored away during camp hours, including lunch and recess times. Summer Camp Staff reserve the right to hold any phone or electronic device in a secure location until the end of the camp day. Discovery World is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

If you need to contact your camper, please call [414-765-8765](tel:414-765-8765) or [414-765-8625](tel:414-765-8625) and ask for Summer Camp Staff to be contacted. If a device is a necessary part of a medical monitoring plan, please notify Summer Camp Staff.

CAMP DOCUMENTATION

For further camp information, please review these documents found at discoveryworld.org/summer-camp:

- Family Guide
- Summer Camp Policies

FURTHER QUESTIONS?

For questions about camp specifics, curricula, or any tools or equipment that your camper may encounter, please contact the Summer Camp Team at summercamp@discoveryworld.org. If you have any questions regarding camp registration, please contact the Reservations Dept. at [414-765-8625](tel:414-765-8625) or email reservations@discoveryworld.org.

Thank you for reading all of this important information. On behalf of our entire organization, we thank you for your order and look forward to seeing you for Summer Camp 2026!