

Frequently Asked Questions

DOES MY CHILD NEED A PHYSICAL?

Yes, ALL campers must provide an up-to-date current health form with full immunization record for each child attending camp. This can be obtained from your child's doctor's office or school. Actual immunization dates are required on the form. Please contact your doctor's office in advance to give them ample time to prepare the records and for you to have them turned into us PRIOR to the start of camp. Even if you provided one last year we require a new form every year for each camper. **Remember, your child WILL NOT be able to attend camp without this form on file.**

WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD BRING/WEAR TO CAMP?

Campers should wear comfortable clothes, shorts, T-shirts, and sneakers. Plan to bring sun block and a water bottle. Full day campers should bring a snack, a bag lunch every day, one which does not require refrigeration or a microwave. If a camper decides to swim, they will also need a bathing suit and towel. No equipment is required for sports camps. Please leave valuables, large sums of money and electronic games/radios at home. **Most importantly bring a great attitude and a smile.**

DO I NEED TO SIGN MY CHILD IN & OUT OF CAMP?

Children do not have to be signed in everyday as attendance will be taken at the start of camp, but **ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SIGNED OUT OF CAMP EACH DAY.** The registration form provides space for additional adults who have authorization to pick up your child. If this needs to be changed at any time, a written note signed by the parent **MUST** be sent in indicating the change. You **MUST** fill out the "Authorization for Self Dismissal" form at the start of camp if you want your child to sign himself/herself out of camp. In the event that a child is not picked up by 3:15 pm, our staff will escort him/her to the extended camp care program and a \$15.00 fee will be charged per session. **Please call if your child is going to be absent from camp.**

IF IT RAINS, WHAT HAPPENS TO CAMP?

We will hold activities inside. Our facility provides several options for indoor play and activities while allowing for social distancing.



WHAT ABOUT MEDICATIONS?

Prescription and over the counter medications can be administered at camp. All medications must be in the original container with clear instructions and not expired. The medication form must be completed, signed, and returned to the Camp Director prior to your child's first day of camp. All medications are locked up and will be dispensed by our health care supervisors.

DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO SWIM DURING THE DAY?

No. All full day campers (7-13) can swim before & after lunch if they choose to do so. Pre-authorization is required on the camper's registration form. Camp counselors will take the children to & from the locker rooms and then to the pool area. Certified lifeguards and camp counselors supervise the pool during the swim. Those children not swimming will have the opportunity to relax or work on activity pages in the pool area with camp counselor supervision.

MY CHILD WILL BE 7 YEARS OLD IN AUGUST; CAN HE/SHE ATTEND A FULL DAY CAMP (7-13) IN JULY?

No. We recognize that while your child is almost old enough for the Full Day camp (7-13), we want to make sure all campers are at least 7 years old at the start of Full Day camp (7-13). All Mini campers must be 4 years of age prior to the start of camp for Full Day (4-6). If your child turns 7 during the summer they will be able to switch in to Full Day camps (7-13) once they are actually 7 years old.

Frequently Asked Questions Continued



HOW DO I GET THE CAMP WHITIN DISCOUNT?

Very easy, we've extended the early bird discount through May 31st! Pay in full or pay by deposit at time of registration to hold your space.

Note: Balances must be paid in full 10 days prior to the start of camp.

Note: Financial Assistance is available for those who qualify. Please contact our Member Services Desk for more information and how to apply.

WHEN ARE FINAL PAYMENTS DUE?

All camps are required to be paid in full 10 days before camp start. If remaining balance is not paid in full by the due date, your space is no longer reserved.

Note: Financial Assistance is available for those who qualify. Please contact Tammy Bodwell at Tammy.Bodwell@OurGym.org for more information and how to apply.

WHAT IS THE REFUND POLICY?

75% Refund (less \$50 non-refundable deposit):

A documented medical condition (unless COVID-19) that prevents the child from participating in the camp week and the Center is notified at least 1 day prior to the start of the program.

50% Refund (less \$50 non-refundable deposit):

Cancellation notice is given 30 days in advance to the start of camp.

DOES MY CHILD HAVE TO WEAR A MASK?

Yes, your child does have to wear a mask while transitioning from place to place around the Whitin Community Center. A mask must always be worn when your child is inside the Whitin Center. They do not need to wear a mask while they are swimming in the pool, using the sprinkler, or while outside during mask breaks as long as they are staying 6ft apart from everyone.

WHAT IS SELF-SCREENING?

Before leaving home for camp for the day, please take your and your child's temperature, making sure yourself and child(ren) are not feeling ill or having any symptoms. For everyone's safety please do not bring your child to camp if they are not feeling well.

WHAT ARE THE DROP OFF PROCEDURES IN PLACE FOR COVID THIS SUMMER?

As was the case last year, drop off will occur outside in our parking lot. Please follow signs to line up in queue. Per the "Recreational Camps and Programs Health and Safety Standards for Reopening" issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at drop off, parents must:

1. Complete an online Daily Screening questionnaire before you arrive for drop off. Directions will be emailed in our Parent Guide.
2. Verbally confirm that your child and anyone in their household have not experienced any COVID-19 symptoms in the last 24 hours and that your child is not required to be in COVID-19 isolation or quarantine.
3. Sign a written attestation regarding any household contacts to someone with COVID-19 symptoms or if you have given your child any fever reducing medication.