



**FRESNO DISCOVERY
C E N T E R**

Creative Minds Summer Camp Frequently Asked Questions

Registration, Payment & Cancellations

Register at <https://tinyurl.com/FDCsummercamp> (Payment completes registration.)

Camp costs \$350 a camper per week and members receive 10% off. (Email MuseumDesk@FresnoDiscoveryCenter.org for the \$45 member match discount.)

We must have 6 campers to cover the costs of a camp. If we have fewer we may have to cancel that week.

If a child is sick or needs to miss a portion of the week for any reason, those days cannot be made up on a different week.

Payments for summer camp are non-refundable and non-transferable.

Staffing

Each group of campers will be assigned 2 camp educators for the week. Volunteers may also provide additional support for activities. Campers are supervised at all times by adults.

Program *Typical Daily Schedule (everyday will vary slightly based on the activities of the day).*

9:00	Welcome and check-in
9:20	Discussion & Hands-on Activity #1
10:00	Snack Time
10:30	Discussion & Hands-on Activity #2
11:15	Structured Play/Free Play
12:15	Lunch & Free Play
1:00	Discussion & Hands-on Activity #3
1:45	Structured Play/Museum Exploration
2:15	Discussion & Hands-on Activity #4
3:00	Snack Time
3:10	Finish Activities/Journal/Reflections/Free Play
4:00	Camper Pick Up

Daily Logistics

Drop-Off

Camp takes place from 9 AM to 4 PM daily. Drop-off is from 8:45-9:00 AM. Please park and bring your child to the Johnston Building, located on the east side of the parking lot.

All campers must be checked IN and OUT by their parent/legal guardian or authorized person that has been designated on the camper's Registration Form.

Pick-Up

Pick-up is from 4-4:15 PM. You will need to provide a photo ID when you check out your camper. Your child must be picked up by 4:15 PM for the regular program. A \$1/minute late fee will be assessed per camper.

We strongly discourage early pick up, but if you need to pick up your child early, please let us know as early as possible.

Parking

There is free parking available onsite. Please be sure to bring all your valuables inside with you and secure your vehicle.

Preparing for Camp

Fresno Discovery Center encourages a respectful environment among and between all members of our community- campers, staff and parents. Disrespectful behavior will not be tolerated.

Whether it's your child's first year at camp, or they are a seasoned camper and need a little refresher, it's a good idea to go over summer camp rules and guidelines before leaving for camp. Talking about camp rules with your child will help them understand exactly what is expected of them and that you believe they can be successful while at camp.

Lunch and Snacks

Campers will need to bring non-perishable lunch with them each day, unless otherwise specified. Lunches will not be stored in a refrigerator. Please also bring a water bottle, a morning and an afternoon snack. Campers may not share food with others due to safety and health considerations. There is a water bottle-filling station in the campers' building.

Clothing and Personal Items

The camp will have a mix of indoor and outdoor activities. We ask families to monitor the weather and dress your child appropriately with clothing that can get dirty. Layers of clothing that allow campers to adjust their clothing as needed based on the activity and location are recommended. Additionally, please bring/wear:

- Closed-Toed Shoes & Socks
- Day Pack (lunch, clothing, & other needed camp materials)
- Sunscreen (applied before arriving)
- Hat

If rain is in the forecast, wear appropriate clothing (rain jacket, rain boots, etc.). In light rain, outdoor activities will still take place. We do not offer refunds due

to weather. Please label everything with your child's name. We will do our best to track lost items and have a Lost and Found bin at the end of each day.

Please leave all candy, gum, toys, electronics, games, and valuable items at home. Fresno Discovery Center will not be responsible for these items. We do not allow drugs, alcohol, tobacco, weapons, or any other illegal or inappropriate items at camp.

Please do not allow your child to bring money to camp. If your child would like to purchase an item in the gift shop, he/she will be able to do so every Friday from 3:30 - 4PM.

A camp T-shirt will be provided as a part of the program.

Safety & Emergencies

Behavioral Expectations

We want to create a positive environment for learning and exploration. This is only possible if everyone feels safe and respected.

We have the following camp rules:

- Be Respectful – be respectful to other campers, camp staff, camp facilities and the environment.
- Be Responsible – be responsible for your belongings and materials, listen to instructions, and use tools and materials appropriately.
- Be Safe – to make sure camp is a safe environment for everyone, use appropriate language, use tools appropriately, stay with your group, and do not share food.

If there is a minor issue, the camper will first be given a warning. If the behavior continues, we will call you to explain the situation and ask you to talk to your child on the phone. Ongoing disrespectful behavior may be the cause for dismissal from the program and **you will not be issued a refund**. Additionally, we have a zero tolerance policy for campers who deliberately physically harm other people or damage property. Please review these expectations with your child prior to camp.

Medication, Accidents & Illness

Staff are not permitted to administer medication. However, if your child requires medication during camp, we can store it in a secure location and

provide it to the child for self-administration at the appropriate time. This includes inhalers and EpiPens.

All accidents will be documented with an incident report. For minor scrapes or cuts, we will provide small bandages. For more serious injuries or medical emergencies, staff will contact you and/or your emergency contacts immediately. You may be required to pick up your child. An ambulance or paramedic will be called if necessary.

For the health of all campers and staff, we ask that children who get sick **do not attend camp**. If a child gets sick at camp, staff will contact the parent/guardian and ask that the camper be picked up immediately. CDC guidelines will dictate when your camper can come back.

Emergencies

Fresno Discovery Center has an evacuation plan for fire, earthquakes, and other emergency situations. All campers and staff will be moved to a safe location nearby.

Confidentiality

All registration information submitted will be held confidentially except in emergency situations that require contact and sharing critical medical information.