

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Summer Camp Adventures at Stepping Stones 2022

1. What is the daily schedule?

Please visit website at <https://www.steppingstonesmuseum.org/families/camps/>

2. What will my child do at camp?

Each week will have a unique theme. Descriptions and a sample schedule can be found on our website. There will be three 45-minute workshops per day based on the theme, plus time for snack and lunch, museum exploration, free and guided play, music and storytelling. <https://www.steppingstonesmuseum.org/families/camps/>

3. Who are the camp staff?

Our camp is facilitated by experienced, dedicated and skilled museum educators who also lead our school, group and family workshops throughout the year, plus additional skilled counselors and staff who love working with children and supporting their learning and development. We carefully hire, train and support the development of staff so that they can provide the best possible experience to campers. All camp staff meet all requirements in accordance with our license with the State of Connecticut, including certification for CPR, First Aid and the administration of medication.

4. What is the staff to camper ratio?

1 staff member: 9 campers

5. How old does my child need to be to attend camp?

Our camp is offered to children ages 5 – 10. Children must be 5 years old by the beginning of camp.

6. How do you work with the mixed age group?

If there are children ages 5 – 10 enrolled in a specific camp, we will tailor the experience to the various ages within the large group and form smaller break-out groups during the workshop periods.

7. Where are camps held at the museum?

Camps take place in our outdoor covered Celebration Courtyard, in the park and inside the museum.

8. What happens in the extended day program?

We will have a second snack sent from home and have time for museum exploration, stories and games.

9. What is your refund policy?

For cancellation requests 2 weeks prior to the start of your registered camp, you will receive a refund minus a 20% fee per program cancelled. If you request to cancel less than two weeks prior to the start of your registered camp, there are no summer program refunds. If we cancel a program because of unforeseen circumstances, you will receive a full refund, along with four museum guest passes.

10. Do you offer financial assistance?

Through our *Open Arms* Accessibility Initiative, we are able to offer 2 families a discount rate to each camp. Contact Katie Shapiro at katie@steppingstonesmuseum.org.

11. Is lunch included? Is your camp nut-free?

Snack is provided, and lunch is available for pre-order during the time of registration. The lunch menu includes choice of Ham, Turkey, Roast Beef and Cheese Sandwich or Sunbutter and Jelly. Lunch will include a juice, fresh fruit and a cookie. Families also have the option to send snack and lunch from home. Any food served and brought from home must be nut-free.

12. Do you offer busing?

No.

13. What if I'm late for pick-up?

Parents or caregivers will be charged a \$25 late fee if arriving 15 minutes after scheduled pick-up time.

14. What is your mask policy?

The health and safety of our campers and staff is our priority. We will consider CDC, state and local guidelines at the time of camp to determine the mask policy indoors. Currently masks are optional for all museum visitors, and staff are still required to wear masks.

15. Do you have a vaccine mandate?

We do not have a vaccine mandate for campers. However, all museum educators and staff must be fully vaccinated or submit weekly negative COVID tests.

16. What happens if a camper tests positive for COVID-19?

If your child tests positive for COVID-19 in the week prior or during camp your child must quarantine for a minimum of 5 days and may return to camp only if clear of symptoms and with a negative COVID test. They must continue to wear a well-fitting mask for an additional 5 days per CDC guidelines. If your child is exposed to COVID-19 or shows any symptoms your child may return to camp only after a negative COVID test.