



## FIREFLY SUMMER CAMP – PARENT GUIDE

Hello Firefly Families,

Welcome to the 2023 Summer Camp! Since our program has quickly become one of the most popular summer camps in the area, we moved to a new location where we will have even more space and even more wonderful activities planned for our campers. Our new campus at the Hopewell Tennis and Swim Center has 12 tennis courts (6 indoors and 6 outdoors), a wonderful Olympic sized pool with multiple lifeguards on duty, a kiddie pool, two indoor fitness rooms, and multiple outdoor sports fields.

Our camper to instructor ratio continues to be the best in the area at 6:1 or better. The entire staff is trained on basic principles of emergency first aid, proper hand washing and sanitizing practices, and proper use of PPE. Safety is always our top priority and we will continue to follow all CDC and local guidelines.

We created an incredible program based on friendship, supervised freedom, and fun. Campers will discover new interests, learn new skills, and play in safe, healthy, and stimulating atmosphere. While every day will have the same overall structure, children will be able to choose what they want to do and spend more time doing more of what they love. Their choices will be guided by the camp counselors who will make sure that each group will experience as many different activities as possible by the end of each week. With so many options to choose from, our camp has something for every child.

**FLEXIBLE SCHEDULE OPTION:** The regular camp schedule offers a 50-50 split between sports and traditional summer camp activities, an ideal balance with instructional programs created for levels ranging from complete beginner to more advanced levels. Campers also have the option to choose more of the activities they enjoy most while we will make sure that they will still get to try out and experience as many activities as possible.



## DAILY SCHEDULE

<b>8:00am - 8:30am</b>	<b>CAMPER DROP OFF &amp; CAMPER ORIENTATION</b>
<b>08:30am - 09:15am</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #1</b>
<b>09:15am - 10:00am</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #2</b>
<b>10:00am - 10:15am</b>	<b>SNACK BREAK</b>
<b>10:15am - 11:00am</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #3</b>
<b>11:00am - 11:45am</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #4</b>
<b>11:45am - 12:00pm</b>	<b>MORNING CAMPER PICK-UP</b>
<b>11:45am - 12:30pm</b>	<b>LUNCH BREAK (full day campers)</b>
<b>12:00pm - 12:30pm</b>	<b>AFTERNOON CAMPER DROP-OFF &amp; CAMPER ORIENTATION</b>
<b>12:30pm - 1:15pm</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #5</b>
<b>1:15pm - 2:00pm</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #6</b>
<b>2:00pm - 2:15pm</b>	<b>SNACK BREAK</b>
<b>2:15pm - 3:00pm</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #3</b>
<b>3:00pm - 3:45pm</b>	<b>ACTIVITY PERIOD #4</b>
<b>3:45pm - 4:00pm</b>	<b>CAMPER PICK-UP</b>
<b>4:00pm - 6:00pm</b>	<b>AFTER CARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST</b>



## ACTIVITY STATIONS and EVENTS

### **SPORTS STATION**

Tennis, Soccer, Basketball, Softball, Badminton, Pickleball, Volleyball, Table Tennis

### **TRADITIONAL CAMP ACTIVITIES**

Field Games, Nature Walks, Archery, Fishing, Four Square, Kickball, Arts and Crafts, Talent Shows

### **WATER STATION**

Supervised Pool Time, Slip and Slides, Water Balloons, Noodle Races, Liquid Limbo, Water Pinatas, Belly Flop Competitions

### **SCIENCE STATION**

STEM Projects, LEGO Engineering, Science Experiments

### **REST STATION**

Meditation Station, Picnic Area, Tents, Forts, Free Play

Each group will rotate between stations throughout the day and by the end of each week all groups of campers will go through all the stations at least once.

### **SPECIAL EVENTS**

Camper birthdays can be arranged upon request. Each camp week will have a special theme day and a camp-wide talent show at the end of the day on Friday.

### **THEMES**

Carnival Day, July 4<sup>th</sup> Americana, Medieval Times, Backwards Day, Camp Olympics, Treasure Hunt, Winter in July, Superhero Day, and more!



## CAMP GUIDELINES

### **DROP-OFF & PICK-UP**

All arrival and dismissal times are listed in the daily schedule, please do not arrive before your designated time slot since there will be no staff members available to greet you. **DO NOT LEAVE YOUR CHILD UNATTENDED**, please sign in with a staff member before leaving.

### **AFTERCARE**

After care is available upon request (contact the camp director) on a daily or weekly basis. Campers who are not picked up on time will automatically join the aftercare program at a cost of \$20 per day.

### **WATER, FOOD, and ALLERGIES**

Lunch is available for all campers at a cost of \$7 a day, you can download the weekly menus on the camp website. Snacks and drinks are also available for purchase at the camp site. All campers must bring a large water container of at least 32oz which they can refill throughout the day. Please make sure to let us know of any allergies or other medical conditions we should be aware of at the time of your registration.

### **MAKE UPS, CREDITS, and REFUNDS**

The refund deadline for all camp registrations is May 1<sup>st</sup>, after which you will still have the option of rearranging your schedule and choose different weeks in case your summer plans change. A credit will be offered only if a camp day is completely cancelled or a doctor's note is provided for a camper's absence. In the event of another mandatory shutdown you will receive a full refund for the unused portion of your payment. The camp will run rain or shine.

### **CONTACT**

All announcements will be made over email so please check your inbox regularly. Katerina Saskova is the camp director and she will be able to help with all on-site questions and concerns. You can reach Katerina on her cell phone [423-544-3489](tel:423-544-3489) or [katerina@hopewelltennis.com](mailto:katerina@hopewelltennis.com). The best way to communicate is by text, please include your name and the name of the camper every time. For everything else you can contact the front desk at [609-737-3600](tel:609-737-3600).



## CALENDAR

<b><u>Week 1:</u></b>	June 19 – June 23
<b><u>Week 2:</u></b>	June 26 – June 30
<b><u>Week 3*:</u></b>	July 3 – July 7
<b><u>Week 4:</u></b>	July 10 – July 14
<b><u>Week 5:</u></b>	July 17 – July 21
<b><u>Week 6:</u></b>	July 24 – July 28
<b><u>Week 7:</u></b>	July 31 – Aug 4
<b><u>Week 8:</u></b>	Aug 7 – Aug 11
<b><u>Week 9:</u></b>	Aug 14 – Aug 18
<b><u>Week 10:</u></b>	Aug 21 – Aug 25
<b><u>Week 11:</u></b>	Aug 28 – Sep 1

\*Week 3: July 3 – July 7

- we are open for a full week with a July 4<sup>th</sup> themed week

- a daily rate is available for this week only if you are travelling