Creative Action 2023 Summer Camp FAQ

Registration

Where and when can I register for camp?
Please click HERE to register for camps and to check the most recent availability. Registration remains open until 24 hours before the first day of camp.

How do I apply for financial aid?
Applications and information can be found on our website HERE. Applicants who apply between January and March will be notified of their status mid March. Applicants who apply after mid March will receive awards based on remaining funds available. We encourage all families in need of financial aid to apply regardless of the time of year.

Tax Questions/Receipts

What is Creative Action’s tax ID number?
74-2856925

How do I get a tax receipt for summer camp?
You must log into your account with us to access receipts for summer camp. Log in to your account HERE.

Enrollment Information

Need to speak with someone about payment information? Contact billing@creativeaction.org.

What is summer camp tuition?
Camp costs are $395 for one-week camps ages 5-7 and $775 for Academy 2 week camps ages 8-11.

When is payment due?
We require a $100 non-refundable, non-transferable deposit for 1-week camps and a $200 non-refundable, non-transferable deposit for 2-week camps. Balances are due on June 1, 2023. If you register for a camp on or after June 1, 2023, the entire balance is due at the time of registration. If you have questions, please call 512.442.8773 ext. 107 and speak with our Enrollment Director.

Can I cancel at any time?
Cancellations prior to May 25, 2023, will be refunded the full amount minus the deposit, however, there are no refunds offered for canceled registrations beginning May 25, 2023.

Where are camps located?
Creative Action has four summer camp locations:

South Camp located at Faith Presbyterian Church
1314 E Oltorf St, Austin, TX 78704

The Faith Presbyterian parking lot is located on Oltorf, just west of I-35. Look for the Creative Action Sign marking the entrance to the fellowship hall for drop off and pick up.
Central Camp located at Ridgetop Elementary School
5005 Caswell Ave, Austin, TX 78751

There are several convenient parking locations at Ridgetop Elementary: street parking on Caswell Ave, the school parking lot along the playground, and the dirt parking lot across the street on 51st and Caswell Ave. Look for the Creative Action Sign marking the entrance to the Auditorium for drop off and pick up.

East Camp at Creative Action’s main building
1023 Springdale Rd, Building 3, 78721

Parking directly outside of the Creative Action building can fill quickly, but there are many short-term spots available as well as parking around other buildings. Look for the Creative Action Enter Here sign at Building 3 (second building on the left upon entering the parking lot) for drop off and pick up.

North Camp at St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church
14311 Wells Port Dr. Austin, TX 78728

The St. Andrew’s Presbyterian parking lot is located on Wells Port drive. Look for the Creative Action Sign marking the entrance to the main building for drop off and pick up.

Need to speak with someone about your child’s day during camp or individual student needs?
Contact your site administrator directly.

What is my Site Administrator’s contact information?
South Camp / Faith Presbyterian Church: southcamp@creativeaction.org / 512-679-1703
East Camp / Creative Action: eastcamp@creativeaction.org / 512-679-1702
Central Camp / Ridgetop Elementary: ridgetop@creativeaction.org / 512-679-1705
North Camp / St. Andrew’s Presbyterian Church: northcamp@creativeaction.org / 512-679-1706

What are the camp hours?
Student drop-off begins at 8:30am and pickup time is from 4-4:30.

Are there late pickup fees?
A late pickup fee of $25 for every 15 minutes after camp hours (after 4:30pm) will be incurred. Students must be signed in and out each day and will only be released to individuals on the child’s approved pick-up list provided at the time of enrollment. To add someone to this list, please contact the camp administrator for an Additional Authorized Pickup form.

Do I need to provide a lunch or snack for my child?
Yes. Please send your child with a sack lunch and a morning snack. Refrigeration and microwaves will not be available.

What if my child uses a daily medication?
Please make note of this in your registration and notify the site administrator Monday morning. You will be asked to complete an Authorization to Dispense Medication form.

What else does my child need to bring?
Aside from lunch and one snack, students may also bring a water bottle and any sunscreen or bug spray they may need. Students will be given time to apply sunscreen or bug spray before they go outside. Please label all belongings. For campers at our North, South, and Central (Ridgetop) locations, water slide fun will take place on Fridays for campers ages 5-7 and on the first Friday of camp for campers ages 8-11. Please pack a swimsuit and towel for your child if they would like to participate. Campers ages 8-11 at our East (Creative Action) location will enjoy a different Friday fun activity.

**What does my child need to wear?**
Comfortable clothing that allows them to move and get messy. Layering is recommended, as students will participate in indoor and outdoor activities. Closed-toe shoes are highly encouraged (tennis shoes are recommended) to ensure student safety. Please pack a swimsuit and towel for your child if they are attending a camp that includes waterslides.

**Do you take field trips or go swimming?**
Students will have the option to participate in a water slide day with the exception of our East Camp at Creative Action’s main building.

**What is the daily schedule?**

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Is there a COVID-19 safety protocol?
Keeping our students, staff, and families healthy and safe is important. Masks are optional for all students attending camp. Regular handwashing procedures will be built into the schedule and staff will be responsible for cleaning and disinfecting tables and frequently used materials.

For the safety and health of all our children and teachers, sick children need to be at home. Please do not send your child to the program if they are experiencing any symptoms of infectious illness, including, but not limited to, fever within the previous 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medications, cough, sore throat, etc. Additionally, please do not send your child to programming if they have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 5 days. Students who recently tested positive for COVID-19 can return to programming 5 days after the start of symptoms, they are fever-free for 24 hours without the use of fever-reducing medication, and their symptoms have improved. Students will need to wear a mask through day 10.

Parents/guardians are required to notify Creative Action immediately if their child attended a camp and tested positive for COVID-19 within 48 hours of their attendance.

Behavior Policy

We believe every young person, parent, and teacher has the right to be treated with dignity and respect.

We believe every young person participating in a summer camp has the right to be safe, learn, and have fun while under our care.

We believe that in order for all young people to be safe, learn and have fun, rules and procedures must be established and implemented consistently and fairly.

We believe that there are consequences when rules and procedures are not followed and that the young people, parents, and teachers in our program all understand the consequences.
Creative Action expects all participants to behave with respect for themselves, each other, and our environment. If a student exhibits disrespectful behavior towards another participant (such as name-calling, put-downs, other demeaning language/actions, physical violence and/or destructive behavior towards their surroundings), Creative Action staff will address the situation immediately with all parties involved. If the behavior repeats, the student will take a break with the Camp Administrator who
will inform parents/guardians at pick-up time. If the behavior persists, the student and Camp Administrator will brainstorm and document strategies for improvement (as appropriate by age), and outline logical consequences for continued disrespectful behavior, which will be shared with parents/guardians at pick-up time.

Continued disrespectful or harmful behavior towards one or multiple participants will result in immediate parent/guardian notification, and potential removal from the camp at the discretion of the Camp Administrator and/or Camp Director. While Creative Action will make every reasonable effort to support the behavioral and developmental needs of each student in the program, extreme physical violence may result in immediate removal from the camp for one or more days at the discretion of the Camp Administrator and/or Camp Director.