

Adventure Day Camp Frequently Asked Questions

1. Can I drop my child off before 8:15am?

No, our sites are not staffed until 8:15am. Please know that some staff members have their own children at camp, so you may see kids in the building before 8:15am. ADC campsites are fully staffed at 8:15am. It is unsafe for campers to be inside camp before this time. If you arrive early, please wait in your car until the start of camp.

2. Do I have to sign my child in and out every day?

Yes, however, campers aged 11 or older may sign themselves and siblings IN to camp. NO CAMPER may sign him/herself out. Exceptions can be made for walkers/bike riders who are 11 or older with a written note from the parent/guardian. **Please note that camp staff will be asking for identification, during camp pick up.**

3. When will I get my complimentary camp T-shirt? Must it be worn every day?

T-shirts are distributed at the end of the first camp day, to campers registered for the full 6 weeks. Campers only need to wear their shirts when they attend an offsite trip. Additional t-shirts may be purchased at the Community Center for \$10. Campers also are given a bracelet before each trip, which designates the ADC campsite they attend.

4. Can I sign up for trips/events at camp?

In almost every case, no. Campers must be registered at the Community Center or online for all trips and events. No payments may be taken at camp. The only exceptions to this rule are Pizza Days and charitable events like the Quarter Carnival and the Dance-A-Thon. Please note: registration for trips need to be completed by Friday at 5pm the week prior to the trips scheduled date.

5. What kind of lunches do you recommend? When do you eat?

Our facilities do not allow for refrigeration or heating of lunches. Please pack ice packs as needed in your child's lunch to keep it cool. Please also send any necessary utensils that your child will need. Lunch is eaten at 12:00 noon unless a trip requires a change of schedule. Youngest campers might have snack time. Assistant directors can provide you with information about the frequency of snack time. Pizza Day lunches (Mondays) are also served at noon.

6. When and where can I sign up for Pizza Day lunches? What do you get?

Signing up for pizza lunches usually begins the Wednesday of the first week. You sign up for and pay for Pizza Day at camp. Pizza Days are generally held on Mondays. Advanced payment is required (the last chance to sign up for Pizza Day is Friday the week prior to pizza day). For your convenience you can pay for ALL Pizza Days at once. Campers get two slices of pizza, a juice pouch and a snack bag of chips.

7. Can my child bring electronics or toys to camp?

We recommend that campers bring no personal items from home. Stuffed animals, toys, etc., cause sharing problems at camp. No electronics are allowed at camp. Cell phones may only be used to make emergency calls, in the presence of a camp director. Electronics used at camp will be confiscated and returned to parents at pick-up.

8. What is proper camp attire? What should children have with them each day?

Comfortable shoes (sneakers preferably), and socks should be worn at all times. Bees can threaten the safety of campers with open footwear. T-shirts are recommended, though other non-swimsuit tops are acceptable. Please use your best judgment. **Sunscreen should be worn daily and applied at home before camp. Staff will not apply sunscreen.** Water bottles are a very good idea and should be labeled with the camper's first and last name. A backpack or string bag is also recommended.

9. Can my child keep or dispense his/her own medication?

In most cases, no. Camp Directors will keep all medications. These will be brought on all trips that your camper attends. Camp Directors or assistant directors will dispense all medication. Please discuss your child's needs with the camp director in the first days of camp.

10. How do I contact camp?

To get a message to the camp director, please call the Community Center at 610-265-1071 between 8:15am and 5:30pm. In the case of an injury, Camp Directors will contact you via a private number.

11. If we miss the bus for a trip, can I drop my child off at the site of the trip?

No, only those children who ride the bus from camp may attend trips. If you miss the bus your child may stay at camp for the normal camp day, but you will not receive a refund for the trip. All bus departure times will be clearly communicated to you via the trip calendar or by Camp Directors, well in advance of the trip. The bus will not wait for missing campers.

12. Do I need to let camp leaders know about arrival or departure changes or when my child will be absent?

We DO need to know if someone different is picking up your child at departure. Please give us a note indicating the name of the person picking up and remind that person to **bring photo ID**. We do not need to know about absences. We also do not need to know if a camper will be dropped off later or picked up earlier than usual, unless it affects their attendance on a trip. Campers will not be released to UBER/LYFT drivers arranged by parents.

13. Is there a fine for late pick-up?

There will be a \$1 per child, per minute, fine for pickup after your designated pick-up time. This will be enforced on the first offense. After three late pick-ups, your child can be dismissed from the program with no refund.

14. How is bad behavior dealt with at Camp?

Camp is meant to be a safe and fun place for all; however, in instances where a camper decides to make poor choices, parents may be called to immediately come pick up the camper from camp or make arrangements for pick up. If repeated offenses continue, a parent meeting will occur. Additionally, all camps follow the UMASD bullying policy.