2025 Summer Day Camp Registration Info & FAQs

Send your child to one of our camps this summer and give them a summer experience to remember! Campers will have the opportunity to be involved in a variety of activities including arts and crafts, physical fitness, sport skills, swimming, games and weekly field trips. We offer various enrollment options so parents can design a schedule that works best for their family.

CHANGES & NEW INFORMATION FOR 2025 IN GREEN!

IMPORTANT DATES:

Monday, April 14 at 8:00am – On-line Registration Opens for <u>Windham Residents</u> (refer to FAQs for detailed information about registration) – Deposit of \$350 per child required at time of registration
Monday, April 28 at 8:00am – If space allows, on-line Registration Opens for <u>Non-Residents</u> – Deposit of

\$350 per child is required at time of registration

Thursday, May 29 by 4:00pm – Registration Deadline

Thursday, June 5 by 4:00pm- All Payments Due in Full

CAMPS, LOCATIONS & GRADES:

Please note: Camp is based on the grade your child will enter in the Fall of 2025.

Discover Camp: Grades 1-3 **at Windham Primary School Ranger Camp**: Grades 4&5 **at Windham Middle School Adventure Camp**: Grades 6-8 **at Windham High School**

- DATES: June 23 August 8 Monday Friday No camp on Friday, July 4 (Dates could change based on school calendar)
- TIMES:Regular Day: 8:30 am 4:00 pm
(Reduced rate for those campers not needing extended day hours)

Extended Day: 7:30 am – 5:30 pm (Extended hours provide supervised, unstructured play)

2025 RATES: <u>Regular Day</u> <u>Extended Day</u>

\$200 per week

\$255 per week

Please Note:

- No other registration options are available, and we do not pro-rate any weeks.
- Prices will be adjusted for Week 2 to reflect the 4th of July holiday.
- Register only for the weeks your child will be attending camp so we can accommodate as many campers as possible.
- A small discount will automatically be applied if registering for all 7 weeks. \$150 off for Regular Day and \$200 off for Extended Day.

FAQs

When and how do I sign my child(ren) up for Summer Day Camp?

Registration opens for Windham Residents on **Monday, April 14 at 8:00am.** Registration for **non-residents will open on Monday, April 28 at 8:00am**. Registration will be **ONLINE ONLY** at www.windhamrecreation.com.

An informational email will be sent before registration opens encouraging families to **review** your MyRec account before registration opens!

- Make an account if you do not have one or make sure you are **able to log into your account** with no problems.
- Confirm your child(ren) you are registering for camp is on your household account and their current grade is attached to their name. If there is no grade, they will not be able to register. You will not be able to change/update the grade, so please call our office at 892-1905 and we will assist you.
- Confirm and **update your contact information** on your account, email address, phone number and mailing address to make sure you are receiving information about summer camp to stay as updated as possible.
- **Mobile notifications** will be sent out along with emails. If you would like to receive camp information by text, be sure to add your number under mobile notifications on your account.

Additional Registration Information:

- In order to expedite the registration process there will be no additional questions asked during the registration process. A digital form will be sent to all families before camp begins and must be completed for every child who is registered for camp.
- We anticipate all camps will fill prior to the registration deadline, but waiting lists will be in place if camps fill up. Please add your child to the **waitlist** for every week you would like them to be enrolled.
- Families will be contacted by phone when/if there are openings available. Please note we accommodate as many families/campers as possible based upon transportation, staff and facilities we have available.

Why are there two different starting/ending times for camp?

A Regular Camp Day runs from 8:30am – 4:00pm and campers will arrive just in time for all of the programs, special events and any outings (which depart between 9:00 - 9:30am) and will need to be picked up between 4:00 – 4:15pm. This option is offered at a reduced rate.

Extended Day allows campers to arrive as early as 7:30 am and remain at camp as late as 5:30 pm, with supervised, unstructured activities during the extended hours.

Can I choose which weeks or days of the week my child will attend camp?

Summer Day Camp is now only allowing weekly registration. Sign up for as few as 1 week or as many as 7 weeks!

Please note there are no part time or daily options for Summer Day Camp.

Do I have to pay the entire registration fee at one time? Are there payment plans available?

We require a deposit of **\$350 per child** at the time of registration (this deposit is partially refundable prior to May 1 and non-refundable after the registration deadline, May 29).

There is an 8-week period when registration opens on Monday, April 14, until final payment is due on Thursday, June 5. If you need a payment plan, we can set up an account payment plan (APP) for you that will automatically charge the credit card on your account. The frequency of payment plans can be set every week, bi-weekly, or monthly, but please note there is a 3% convenience fee charged on every payment made.

Do you offer any financial aid to help cover the cost of camp attendance?

We will not be accepting payments from the State Childcare Subsidy Program, so we encourage families to utilize the town's financial assistance program, administered through Windham Social Services.

Prior to Summer Camp registration opening on Monday, April 14, anyone needing financial assistance must complete the 2025 Summer Day Camp Financial Assistance Application (available online or at the Parks and Recreation office) and schedule an interview with Rene Daniel by calling (207) 892-1906. Social Services will notify the parent and our department about what percentage of the total camp fee recipients qualify for (25, 50 or 75%). **The parent must contact the Parks and Recreation Office prior to Thursday, April 10** to notify us of your desired enrollment option and camp registration will need to be completed on Monday, April 14. Once the scholarship is applied, the parent/guardian may have a balance due prior to camp starting, and a payment plan will be established according to our current payment plan policy. Please call the office at 892-1905 with any questions you may have about this new process.

How can I pay my camp fees?

Camp payments can be made online, via postal mail, or in person at the Parks and Recreation office during regular business hours (Monday & Wednesday 7am-5pm, Tuesday 7am-6pm, Thursday 7am-4pm, Friday Town Hall is Closed). If you have questions regarding your balance, please call us at 892-1905. *Please note a 3% convenience fee will be tagged to any online payments, but there is no convenience fee if paying in the office with a card.*

Is there an additional fee for families who are not Windham residents?

There is an additional fee of **\$100 per child** for any non-residents enrolling in our Summer Day Camp. Please note Windham residents have first priority and registration for non-residents will open two weeks after Windham residents on Monday, April 28.

What field trips do you offer? Are they included with my child's camp registration?

Field trips vary based on camper ages, but typically include visits to area amusement parks, lakes, museums, outdoor excursions, and more. Discover and Ranger Camp will have two field trips per week and Adventure Camp will have two field trips per week plus a community service day and a camper collaboration day where they will run activities with our younger campers. On home days, entertainment, special events and other activities will be scheduled. The complete field trip and special event schedule for 2025 will be available when registration

opens on Monday, April 14 and all the trips and special event fees are paid for with your camp registration.

What are enrichment programs? Are they included with my child's camp registration?

Programs that are offered in addition to the regular camp day will be available throughout the summer, including one-time excursions or weekly activities. Past enrichment programs have included swimming lessons, horsemanship, and movement workshops; a complete schedule of summer enrichment programs and registration for the programs will be available on Monday, April 14 at 8:00am. *All enrichment program fees are <u>not</u> included with your camp registration and will need to be paid in full at the time of registration.*

Will my child receive a camp T-shirt?

Camp T-shirts are required on field trip days and **one T-shirt is included with the cost of camp registration.** An additional T-shirt may be ordered for a fee of \$15 and can be ordered anytime up until the registration deadline, Thursday, May 29.

Do you have a list of rules and policies for your summer camp program?

All of the Summer Camp Policies and Rules are described in detail in the **Parent & Camper Handbook**, which will be available on our website on **Monday**, **April 14.** *Please read through the information in the Handbook in order to help your child have a successful summer. There may be new or additional information from year to year.*

What is your CIT or Counselor in Training program?

The CIT (Counselor in Training) Program is a volunteer program designed for teens who will be <u>14</u> as of June 15. An application and two letters of recommendation are required for these positions; applications will be available during the registration process in the Parks and Recreation office or on our website. The deadline to apply is **Thursday, May 8.** Applicants will also be required to attend an interview prior to beginning the program. Anyone who is selected for a CIT position will be expected to provide 21 days (7 hrs/day) or 150 hours of service to the program for the summer. Regular progress in this position will be expected, and evaluations will be provided regularly throughout the summer. Involvement as a CIT does not guarantee future employment; however, successful participants are given first consideration for open positions.