

# SUMMER CAMP 2019



## Frequently Asked Questions

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Questions & Answers below are for the Winston-Salem, Kernersville and Davidson County Summer Camps. They do not answer questions for the Downtown Camp.

Here is a list of the categories the questions are divided into:

- Locations / Hours
- Registration / Cost / Payments
- Staff / Teams
- What to Bring & Not to Bring / How to Dress
- Field Trips

### LOCATIONS & HOURS

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**Q: Where are your camps located?**

**A:** Imprints Cares offers 4 camps to meet the needs of parents.

#### **Winston-Salem Camp**

June 12 – July 12\* Meadowlark Elementary; 401 Meadowlark Dr., Winston-Salem

July 15 – August 9 Meadowlark Middle; 400 Meadowlark Dr., Winston-Salem

August 12 – 23 Knollwood Baptist Community Center; 330 Knollwood St., Winston-Salem

**FRIDAYS** will be at Knollwood Baptist Community Center, 330 Knollwood St. Winston-Salem. WS/FCS closes its buildings on Fridays during summer.

#### **Kernersville Camp**

June 12 – August 9\* Union Cross Elementary; 4300 High Point Rd., Kernersville

August 15 – 24 Still waiting on a final approval on a location near Union Cross Elementary

**FRIDAYS** (We are still working on a Friday location). WS/FCS closes its buildings on Fridays during summer.

#### **Downtown Camp – Campers with Special Needs**

June 12 – August 23\* Imprints Cares on Broad; 502 N Broad St., Winston-Salem

#### **NEW FOR SUMMER 2019**

#### **Davidson County Camp**

June 10 – August 16 Davidson Charter Academy; 500 Biesecker Rd., Lexington

**\* All camps will be closed on Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> & Friday, July 5<sup>th</sup>**

**Q: What are the operating hours for summer camp?**

**A:** 7:00am to 6:00pm

**Q: Do I have to bring my child at 7:00am?**

**A:** No. You may bring your child at your convenience. Just note the theme activities at base camp start at 9:30 and morning field trips generally leave at 9:00am.

## REGISTRATION / COST / PAYMENTS

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**Q: When does registration open?**

A: Registration opens February 15, 2019.

**Q: When does registration close?**

A: The only time we stop accepting registrations is when the camp has reached capacity.

**Q: What is the capacity of each Summer Camp?**

A: Since our field trips are what sets Imprints Cares Summer Camp above the rest, we base our capacity on the number of campers our buses and vans can transport. Our capacity is also based on each group, not the entire camp. For instance, at our Winston-Salem Camp our capacity is 80 campers per team (see Staffing / Group section below about teams). Once a team hits capacity, camp is closed for that team.

Winston-Salem Camp = 80 campers per team

Kernersville Camp = 60 campers per team

Davidson County Camp = 50 campers per team

**Q: How do I sign up for Summer Camp?**

A: Contact Lori Richards at [lrichards@imprintscares.org](mailto:lrichards@imprintscares.org) or call 336-722-6296 ext. 218, and she will assist you.

**Q: Is there a registration fee?**

A: Current students enrolled in Imprints Cares Before/After School Program for the 2018/2019 school year are already in our system and do not have to complete another registration.

Students not in a current Imprints Cares Before/After School Program must complete the online registration and pay a \$40 registration fee. Registration fees are nonrefundable.

**Q: Do I have to sign my child up for the entire summer?**

A: No. You can sign up just for the weeks you need.

**Q: What is the cost of camp? Are there any additional fees?**

A: Camp is \$150 per week. This includes everything except lunch. Campers must bring their own lunch each day. All other camp expenses are covered. Snacks, activities, supplies, and field trips are included.

Due to June 12-14 and July 1-3 bring short weeks, the cost is prorated to \$112.50 for these weeks.

**Q: Is there is discount for siblings?**

A: Yes, each camper will receive a 10% discount.

**Q: Does Imprints Cares offer financial assistance?**

A: Yes, our financial assistance is based on income and is limited. If you have any questions or would like to apply for assistance, contact Janelle Gibbs at [JGibbs@ImprintsCares.org](mailto:JGibbs@ImprintsCares.org) or 336-722-6296 ext. 223.

**Q: Is there a deposit required?**

A: Yes. A \$25 nonrefundable deposit is required for each week of camp you would like to reserve.

**Q: If my child cannot attend weeks I have reserved can I get the deposit back?**

A: No, deposits are nonrefundable.

**Q: When are payments due?**

A: Here is a schedule of when billing/invoicing is sent out and when payments are due, depending on the weeks that are reserved.

<b>Weeks of Summer Camp</b>	<b>Billing/Invoice Date</b>	<b>Payment Due Date</b>
Week 1: June 10 - 14 Week 2: June 17 - 21 Week 3: June 25 - 28	April 20, 2019	May 15, 2019
Week 4: July 1 - 3 Week 5: July 8 - 12 Week 6: July 15 - 19 Week 7: July 22 - 26	May 20, 2019	June 15, 2019
Week 8: July 28 - August 2 Week 9: August 5 - 9 Week 10: August 12 - 16 Week 11: August 19 - 23	June 20, 2019	July 15, 2019

**Q: If my child only needs camp for a partial week, is the weekly price pro-rated?**

A: No. As staffing and supplies are based on weekly camper enrollment, each camper must pay for the full week.

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**STAFFING / TEAMS**

**Q: Who are the workers during Summer Camp and what are the ratios?**

A: Imprints Cares Summer Camp is staffed with a mix of teachers, school employees and other trained professionals from our current Before and After School Programs throughout Forsyth and Davidson County. These Camp Leaders are well qualified and understand the high standards Imprints Cares has for our children and parents. While high school volunteers sometimes join us to interject their energy and youthfulness, the professional staff is always in charge with the high school volunteers assisting them. Imprints Cares employs a ratio of 1 professional staff for every 12-15 campers. Additional staff and volunteers (often used on field trips) allow for even more individual attention for campers.

**Q: I know camp is for rising Kindergarten through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders, but isn't that a big gap in ages/abilities?**

A: We recognize that age plays an undeniable role in a camper's abilities, skill levels and interests, so our camps are divided into two teams. Rising Kindergarteners through rising 2<sup>nd</sup> graders will make up the **Orange Team**. Rising 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> graders will make up the **Blue Team**. The Orange and Blue Teams are separate for most the week. Due to the field trip schedules, there will only be one Team at the school during most of the week. Activities and trips are done as Teams.

**Q: How do I know what the schedule is for the week? What times are the field trips?**

A: Parents will be sent weekly calendars showing the days and times of all activities and field trips. Calendars will also be available at the sign in table at camp and on our website. ([www.imprintscares.org/summercamp](http://www.imprintscares.org/summercamp))

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**WHAT TO BRING & NOT BRING/ HOW TO DRESS**

**Q: What does my child need to bring to camp?**

A: Lunch and Sunscreen. Camp does not provide lunch so every camper will need to bring a lunch every day. We do not always have access to a refrigerator or microwave, so avoid lunches that need to be kept cold or heated. If the camper is going to be on a field trip during lunch time, the lunches will be taken with them. Please do not use paper or plastic bags for lunches. Paper tends to rip open and plastic bags don't stay closed allowing lunches to spill out in the buckets when we go on field trips.

**Q: Why does my child need to bring sunscreen?**

A: We play outside A LOT! Campers enjoy many outdoor activities – including trips to the pool. Sunscreen is important any time we will be in the sun for long periods of time. Our staff will assist campers in applying sunscreen when needed. We ask that you provide the SPRAY type to make it easier for staff to apply. During trips to the pool, sunscreen will be applied several times during the day. We recommend that you bring a bottle of sunscreen to leave at camp. Staff will label it with your child’s name and keep it with your child’s team.

**Q: What should campers NOT to bring to camp?**

A: Our summer schedule is packed and our staff will keep the campers busy so, there is no need to bring items from home. Here is a list of items **NOT** allowed at camp.

- Electronic Devices
  - cell phones
  - tablets
  - gaming systems
  - smart watches
- Games / Toys / Trading Cards / Fidget Spinners
- Money (not even for field trips)
- Sentimental/Valuable Items (jewelry or anything that might be lost or broken)

**Q: How does my child need to dress for camp?**

A: All campers need to dress cool and comfortable. Shorts and t-shirts are great, but no inappropriate logos or wording. On full-day field trip days, we ask campers to wear their Imprints Cares Summer Camp t-shirts, which they will receive during their first day at camp.

**FOOT WEAR**

Campers should wear tennis shoes to camp every day. Camp is very active and flip flops and sandals are not appropriate. On water days, campers should bring water shoes, but still wear their tennis shoes. We will change into the water shoes when needed to protect campers’ feet when walking on the hot concrete of the pool decks and such, but they will need tennis shoes for other activities.

**Q: Does my child get a camp t-shirt?**

A: Yes, every camper will receive one Imprints Cares Summer Camp shirt free. They will get a shirt that corresponds with their team. Campers on the Orange Team will get an orange shirt and Blue Team gets blue ones. On the reservation form is a section parents will provide shirt size, so we get your camper the correct size.

**Q: When does my child get their camp t-shirt?**

A: Campers will receive their shirts the first day they come to camp. Not everyone comes to camp the first week, so if your first week in the third week of camp, you will get your camper’s shirt then.

**Q: Can I buy extra camp t-shirts?**

A: Yes, Extra camp shirts are \$10 each and can be ordered on the reservation form. This is the best time to get the extra shirts. If you wait until camp quantity and size may be limited. We try to have all shirts order and in stock the first day of camp. If available, you can purchase one anytime during camp.

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**FIELD TRIPS**

**Q: How many field trips do the campers experience during the week?**

A: Generally, there will be 4 trips per week. Field trips are an integral part of Imprints Cares Summer Camp. Campers will go on roughly 3 half-day trips and one full-day trip on full weeks and one full day trip for short weeks. Field trips may be changed or cancelled due to the weather or our vendors changing schedules. If this happens, parents will be notified of the change.

**Q: Are the field trips scheduled the same days every week?**

A: Each team will be scheduled to go on 4 trips every week. Here is the basic schedule for a full week.

	<b>Orange Team</b>	<b>Blue Team</b>
Mondays	1:30pm-4:30pm	10am-1pm
Tuesdays	9am-1pm	1:30pm-4:30pm
Wednesdays		9am-4:30pm
Thursdays	9am-4:30pm	
Fridays	1:30pm-4:30pm	9am-1pm

We are not in the habit of cancelling field but please know that field trips are subject to change or be cancelled due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

**Q: How are campers transported on field trips?**

A: Imprints Cares operates two full-size activity buses, two 15-passenger vans and one mini-bus. All vehicles are operated by fully licensed Imprints Cares staff.

**Q: How far away do you go on field trips?**

A: Most of our trips are within 45 minutes of camp. Occasionally, we travel farther for theme-specific activities, but generally within 1.5 hours of camp. A list of field trips can be found in our camp summary.

**Q: Do campers go swimming?**

A: Yes. The pool and water activities are a big part of summer. To swim, our campers go to Tanglewood Aquatic Center in Clemmons. There are many different areas for the campers to swim and play. There are also a lot of lifeguards to assist our staff in watching over our campers.

**Q: What if my child does not know how to swim?**

A: Campers who wish to swim in the main pool or use the lazy river or slides are tested by Tanglewood lifeguards and Imprints Cares staff. Campers with the appropriate swimming skills are given a colored arm band signifying to lifeguards and staff the pool areas which camper is qualified to use safely.

#### **COLORED ARM BANDS**

**BLUE** means a camper is a good swimmer and can go into all pools and water areas.

**YELLOW** means the camper can swim, but struggles. They will be able to go to the Lazy River (approximately 3 feet deep) and its slides, the Shallow Fountain Pool and the Splash Pad. They will NOT be allowed to use the Main Pool, its slides or diving boards.

**RED** means the camper cannot swim or doesn't feel comfortable in deeper water. These campers are contained in the Splash Pad area which has spraying fountains (but no standing water) and the Shallow Fountain Pool (which is only 12 inches deep and has a lot of fountains.) They will NOT be allowed into the areas of the Main Pool or Lazy River.

**Q: Can parents go on field trips?**

A: Yes, parents can go on field trips, but they must provide their own transportation and pay their own admission costs. Campers will remain in their assigned groups and the parent can join them. This includes lunch, so please pack a lunch for yourself and your camper. If you want to take your child away from the group so that you can go on your own, you will need to sign the camper out of Imprints Cares. At this point, you will be responsible for your child for the remainder of the day – including transportation home.