

# CAMP SIMMONS

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## 2026 PARENT-CAMPER HANDBOOK



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| <b>Sessions and Dates</b>   | There are 8 one-week sessions <b>Beginning June 22 and ending August 14</b><br><b>(No Camp on July 3<sup>rd</sup>)</b><br>Weekly registration is required  |
| <b>Camp Hours</b>           | Program hours: <b>9:00 am - 4:00 pm</b><br>Morning drop-off: <b>8:00 - 9:00 am (no drop-off after 9:30 am)</b><br>Afternoon pick-up: <b>4:00 - 5:00 pm</b>   |
| <b>Check-in</b>             | Campers must be dropped off and picked up at Camp Simmons.<br>Daily announcements start at 9:00 am.  |
| <b>Pick-up</b>              | <b>*All campers will be checked out when leaving. It is important to notify the staff if someone other than a parent is picking up your child by filling out the Authorized Pick-up form in your Daxko account. ALL CAMPERS MUST BE PICKED UP AT CAMP SIMMONS BY 5:00 pm.</b>  |
| <b>Traffic</b>              | Please be aware of two-way traffic in the morning and the afternoon. <b>PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT GET OUT OF YOUR CAR.</b> This will help keep traffic moving and the campers in a safe environment. <b>Absolutely no standing or parking allowed on Hope Farm Road. This is a private residential street with no access to Camp Simmons. We appreciate your cooperation.</b>                              |
| <b>What to Bring Daily</b>  | Towel, bathing suit, sunscreen, hat, lunch, drinks, flip flops/water shoes for pool deck, extra clothing in case of rain, and a full, refillable water bottle.   |
| <b>Mark Your Belongings</b> | Please put your child's name on all clothing, towels, hats, and bags.  |
| <b>Lost &amp; Found</b>     | All lost & found clothes will be donated to charity every other Friday. If your child is missing something, speak to a staff member.   |
| <b>Personal Belongings</b>  | Campers are <b><u>NOT PERMITTED</u></b> to bring personal belongings from home (i.e. iPads, radios, game boys, dolls, pokeman cards etc.). The Club is not responsible for lost property. Leave cell phones at home.<br><b><u>Cell Phone Policy</u></b> No cell phones are allowed at Camp unless authorized by the Camp Director. We strongly encourage your child to leave their cell phone at home. |
| <b>Medications</b>          | <b>Boys &amp; Girls Club does not regularly dispense medication to campers. Our policy is not to dispense medications unless medically necessary (such as administration of an EpiPen). For such occasions, a camper with a prescribed medication must have a form signed by the member's doctor and parent. If you have questions, please speak with the Camp Director or First Aid staff member.</b> |
| <b>Camp Suspension</b>      | A camper may be suspended from camp for the rest of the summer with no refund for stealing, disrespectfulness, not listening to staff, abuse toward staff, or camp equipment and other campers.  |

## **Parent & Camper Information**

- Each group will consist of two staff, a CIT, and 20 campers. The groups and staff will stay together all day.
- There will be no refunds for rain days at Camp Simmons. Camp Simmons will be closed on rainy days, and parents will be notified by email at 7:00 am. Understanding that some parents rely on having their children at camp with no other childcare accommodations, there will be a limited number of spaces for Camp Simmons campers to attend Clubhouse Camp on days when Camp Simmons is closed. Therefore, the weekly Thursday email will have a sign-up link for a limited number of campers on a first-come, first-served basis. Please check our website and social media pages on FB and Instagram for weather updates.
- **To receive text messages about rain days, text BGCGKIDS to 54539**
- Campers will have required swim lessons each morning and then have free swim in the afternoon.

### **PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY**

- Camp Simmons is **OPEN 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**, with drop-off from 8:00 – 9:00 am, and pick-up until 5:00 pm.
- At 9:00 am each day, campers will join their group and staff to hear announcements for the day and week.
- No campers will be allowed into camp after **9:30 am**.
- Campers must sign in and out every day at drop-off and pick-up. Campers must notify a staff member if they are leaving early, or if they plan on arriving late the next day.
- It is important to notify the staff if someone other than a parent is picking up your child by filling out the Authorized Pick-up form in your Daxko account.
- Campers may not walk up the driveway or leave without signing out.
- A BBQ lunch of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and drink is provided every Friday. **Campers must bring lunch Monday through Thursday. Corbo's Deli Ordering: We offer a partnership with Corbo's deli that provides online ordering and delivery to Camp Simmons on Mondays through Thursdays.** Sign-up for the week is required by 11:00 am on Sundays (this is required by the third-party website provider). A link will be provided in the Thursday weekly email.
- Lunches should be packed in a lunch bag/cooler with ice packs and will be refrigerated.
- Campers are not allowed in the house or garage.
- Campers must stay out of the woods and on the path.
- Campers must keep their hands to themselves. There is no reason to touch another camper.
- There is no lying, stealing, or inappropriate language.
- Campers must stay out of other camper's bags and lunch coolers.
- There is no picking on, or teasing, each other. Have fun at camp and make new friends.
- If you are missing something (socks, shorts, lunch) tell a staff member. We are here to help you.
- Campers must stay with their group and follow the program schedule, and stay in assigned groups.
- No fooling around in the locker room or bathroom.
- If you do not feel well, tell a staff member and go to first aid.

- If you are having a problem with another camper or staff person, tell Don Palmer or Mike Gerald.
- Take care of all the camp equipment. Pick up and put equipment away. If something gets broken, tell a staff member so it can be taken care of.
- **Cell phones and texting are not allowed during camp hours.**
- Respect the Staff. They always put your safety and best interest first.
- Campers and Staff eat lunch together. Campers must pick up after themselves.
- No camper will be allowed to leave with another parent, friend, or guardian without entering the person's name in the Authorized Pick-up form in their Daxko account.
- **Absolutely no standing or parking allowed on Hope Farm Road. This is a private residential street with no access to Camp Simmons. We appreciate your cooperation in being good neighbors.**

# Camp Simmons Special Events 2026

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| <b>Week One</b><br><br><b>Summer Camp Blast Off</b>          | <b>June 22</b><br><br>First Day of Camp      | <b>June 23</b><br><br>Wall Ball Mania              | <b>June 24</b><br><br>Connect 4 Challenge               | <b>June 25</b><br><br>Archery Bullseye & World Swim Lesson Day | <b>June 26</b><br><br>Popsicle Day                       |
| <b>Week Two</b><br><br><b>Let's Be Creative</b>              | <b>June 29</b><br><br>Building Masterpieces  | <b>June 30</b><br><br>Face Painting                | <b>July 1</b><br><br>Chalk Art Creations                | <b>July 2</b><br><br>Red, White & Blue Day                     | <b>July 3</b><br><br>CAMP CLOSED                         |
| <b>Week Three</b><br><br><b>Backyard FUN</b>                 | <b>July 6</b><br><br>Capture the Flag        | <b>July 7</b><br><br>Kick Ball                     | <b>July 8</b><br><br>Dodge Ball & Parachute Fun         | <b>July 9</b><br><br>Wiffle Ball Tournament                    | <b>July 10</b><br><br>•Pancake Breakfast<br>•Field Day   |
| <b>Week Four</b><br><br><b>Team Sports Competition</b>       | <b>July 13</b><br><br>Opening Ceremony       | <b>July 14</b><br><br>Team Games<br>Trivia Games   | <b>July 15</b><br><br>Team Games<br>Belly Flop Contest  | <b>July 16</b><br><br>Team Games                               | <b>July 17</b><br><br>Closing Ceremony                   |
| <b>Week Five</b><br><br><b>Keep the TRADITIONS Alive</b>     | <b>July 20</b>                               | <b>July 21</b><br><br>Funny Hat Day                | <b>July 22</b><br><br>Iron Man Race                     | <b>July 23</b><br><br>World Cup Soccer Day                     | <b>July 24</b><br><br>Holiday Celebration                |
| <b>Week Six</b><br><br><b>Hank the Hermit Sports Clinics</b> | <b>July 27</b><br><br>Basketball Skills      | <b>July 28</b><br><br>3 on 3 Basketball Tournament | <b>July 29</b><br><br>Baseball Clinic & Football Drills | <b>July 30</b><br><br>Soccer & Volleyball                      | <b>July 31</b><br><br>Robert Bucklin Baseball Tournament |
| <b>Week Seven</b><br><br><b>Big Red Cardinals Week</b>       | <b>August 3</b><br><br>Game Room Tournaments | <b>August 4</b><br><br>Feel Good Fitness           | <b>August 5</b><br><br>Water Balloon Catch              | <b>August 6</b><br><br>Jump Rope Challenge                     | <b>August 7</b><br><br>Pool Races                        |
| <b>Week Eight</b><br><br><b>Camp Simmons Memories</b>        | <b>August 10</b>                             | <b>August 11</b><br><br>Water Slide Fun            | <b>August 12</b><br><br>Wacky Games Day                 | <b>August 13</b><br><br>Popsicle Day                           | <b>August 14</b><br><br>Last Day of Camp                 |