

☀ 2019 FAQs for Adventureland Day Camp



2019 "39 Days of Summer" Dates

What are the dates of the 2019 Camp Season?

Base Camp (39 days) June 17th till August 9th (closed July 4th)

Mini Camp #1 August 12th till August 16th (registration opens June 1st)

All dates are subject to change depending on school calendar eg. snow days.

When is your annual Open House?

Our Spring Open House is always on the first Sunday in May. This year's, Open House will be held on Sunday, May 5th from noon till 4 p.m.

Hours

Hours of Operation

What are the hours of Camp?

All of our camps start the day at 9:15 with drop off starting at 8:45.

All of our camps end the day at 3:45 with pickup starting at 4:00.

All campers must be picked up by 4:30 or be charged a late pickup fee of \$10.00.

Does the camp provide before and after hours care? If so, what is the cost?

Yes! We do provide extended hours care for our Base and Mini Camp.

Our morning program runs from 7:30 to 9:00 AM. Our afternoon program runs from 4:00 to 5:30 PM. The cost is \$7.00 per session. Cost for both morning and afternoon is \$14.00 per day. There are no discount, refunds or credits available for extended hours.

**All campers must be picked up by 5:30 or be charged a late pickup fee of \$10.00 for every 15 minutes you are late.*

Rates

Tuition for Base Camp

How much does it cost to attend Base Camp?

Base Camp 2019 *in-season* price is \$70.00 per day/\$350.00 per week. We offer several discount opportunities based on date of purchase and classifications. Please email us at adaycamp@aol.com to find out about our: New Camper, New 1st Responder and New Parochial School student discounted tuition rates. You don't have to purchase all of your days of attendance at once but to keep costs down you should try to take advantage of the pre season discounted rates and add days as you're able. We will be limiting our daily camper enrollment to 250 per day so in order to guarantee your child's attendance you want to choose your days sooner rather than later. You could even try us out for just 1 day and if happy with your child's experience, then purchase more days of camp if our enrollment allows it.



Tuition for Mini Camp

How much does it cost to attend Mini Camp?

We offer Mini-Camp after our regular season Base Camp. The program is a modified full day. The tuition is \$40.00 a day/\$200.00 a week. Aug.12th to Aug.16th. Registration opens June 1st. There are medical and behavioral restrictions on attendance. You must have attended a minimum of 10 days of Base camp to attend Mini Camp. *There are no discounts, refunds or credits available for Mini Camp*

2019 Dates and Rates

2019 Adventureland Day Camp Pricing Information

For 2019, there will only be 4 discounted pricing periods:

If paid during:	Price per day:
August 1-15	\$45 *no refunds or credits
August 16- Dec 31	\$55 no refunds after June 1, 2019
January 1- April 15	\$60 no refunds after June 1, 2019
April 16- May 31st	\$65 no refunds after June 1, 2019

Our day rate increases as we get closer to camp. If your child is not eligible for one of our discounted day rates (ex: first time “New Camper”, first time “1st Responder” or first time “Parochial School Student”) you need to purchase as many days of camp during our 4 discount periods.

***Purchase as many days as possible during the special pricing period as you will NOT be able to lock in that rate for the season. For 2019, we will be limiting our daily camper enrollment to 250 per day so in order to guarantee your spot you should purchase your days as early as possible**

***If you add days, after the special pricing period it will be at the current rate.**

***Missed days can be made up in the current season only and only if space is available.**

***No refunds or credits will be given for dismissals from camp.**

***Before and aftercare is billed separately and not refundable or eligible for discounts.**

***Mini Camp tuition is not refundable or eligible for discounts. You must attend 10 days of regular camp in order to attend Mini Camp**

Please use the 2019 registration link below to take advantage of the current discounted day rate. The discount is given in the shopping cart portion of the registration.

<https://thriva.activenetwork.com/Reg4/Form.aspx?IDTD=6207616&RF=11910603>

2019 refund policy

- ***If your plans change before June 1st 2019 we will refund 100% of your money excluding \$6.95 online registration fee.***
- ***After June 1st no refunds or credits will be given.***
- ***No refunds or credits will be given for dismissals from camp.***
- ***You are able to make up missed days of camp if space permits.***
- ***Before and aftercare is billed separately and not refundable, transferrable or eligible for discounts or credit.***
- ***Mini camp tuition is not refundable, transferrable or eligible for discounts.***

Finances

Payment Options

Do I need to provide a deposit?

“Where other camps require large deposits and payments in full by the beginning of their programs, some as early as May 1st we never close our enrollment. Our online registration is set up so you only register and pay for the day/days of camp you can afford at that specific time of registration. We understand cash flow can be a concern in the current economic climate and that a lot of our parents only know their work schedules from week to week”. Don’t wait too long because the cost per day increases as we get Closer to camp and we will be limiting our daily camper enrollment to 250 per day.

What forms of payment do you accept?

Our online registration system allows you to pay by credit card from the privacy of your home at any time of day or night. *(We accept Amex, MC, VISA & Discover. Cash and cashiers checks are only accepted in Season.)*

Any campers having discounted tuition day rates must have a valid credit/debit card on file for payment at time of registration

Online gift certificates

Online Gift Certificate link:

<https://thriva.activenetwork.com/Reg4/Form.aspx?IDTD=6207616&RF=11710201>

For more info: Email Lisa at adaycamp@aol.com .

hours notice for any changes.



Registration

What forms of registration do you offer?

Adventureland only offers online registration for all of its camps. There are no registration forms to fill out and mail back. Our on-line registration lets you take care of all your registration needs from the comfort and privacy of your home at any time that's convenient for you. It also helps the Environment by cutting down on paper. You can even extend your time at Adventureland throughout the season, all we require is 7 days notice for any additional days of attendance and 2 days notice for any make up days for missed attendance. *Approval is based on enrollment numbers and not guaranteed.*

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Can I register even though I don't know the exact dates my child will be attending?

Yes. Register for the number of days you want to attend and when you know the exact schedule get in touch with Lisa at adaycamp@aol.com and she will make the changes internally for you.

Do I have to purchase all of the days of camp my child will be attending at one time?

No. You have the flexibility of purchasing days of camp as you can afford them, but the day rate increases as we get closer to camp. You will be able to log in as a returning user and add as many days as you want at the current rate. You will need to get in touch with Lisa at (adaycamp@aol.com) if you need to change the days you have already registered for. You can also email Lisa and have her add days for you.

What should I do if the calculated price in the online shopping cart is incorrect?

Go back to the "days portion of the online registration and only choose 1 DAY OF CAMP then get in touch with Lisa at (adaycamp@aol.com). By doing this you will at least be in system and not have to redo all your information. When getting in touch with Lisa make sure you have the exact number of days you want to purchase and if possible the dates. *** The discount is taken in the shopping cart portion of the registration.*



Are there discounts available?

We offer several discount opportunities based on date of purchase and classifications. Please email us at adaycamp@aol.com to find out about our: “New” Camper, “New” 1st Responder and “New” Parochial School student discounted tuition rates. Where other camps give you price breaks based on the longer amount of time you are willing to commit to, (all 8 weeks verses 4 weeks) we base our discounts on WHEN you purchase your day/days of camp. Not everyone can fit 8 weeks of camp into their schedule nor do they need 5 days a week of child-care. We feel a family shouldn't be penalized for taking a vacation, for sending their child to a specialty sports camp or wanting to let their little ones spend a day a week with Nanna and Pop Pop. Our day rate increases as we get closer to camp but even our most expensive “in season” rate is about 50% less than other comparable area camps.

Food and Drink

Do you provide lunch?

No we do not, but we will refrigerate your child's lunch and any snacks you provide. Please make sure all lunch containers are clearly marked with his/her name. No brown bags please. Adventureland is unable to heat any lunches.

Will camp be providing a snack during the day?

Adventureland will provide an afternoon snack and plenty of iced cold water throughout the day. We also have our very own “Snack Shack” available for your child to purchase additional snacks and drinks during lunch, snack time and free swim. Every thing is priced \$1.00

At our afternoon Friday pool parties we serve pizza, ice cream and water ice for snack. You still need to send a lunch with your child on Fridays.

We have many water stations filled with unlimited amounts of iced cold water that our campers can enjoy all day. Adventureland uses municipal water supplied by the Aqua Water Company so there is no ‘funny well water taste’.



Transportation

Do you provide transportation?

Sorry, we don't provide transportation. We feel the added benefit of Self Transportation is our ability to see and speak with the parents/caregivers of all our campers daily. It really cements our camper community. We will be happy to provide names of families in your area if you wish to car pool.

Self-Transport Arrival and Dismissal

How does pick up and drop off work for Base Camp and Mini Camp?

It couldn't be easier, our pick up and drop off is extremely efficient.

Base Camp and Extended Care morning drop-off:

You will slowly pull down our driveway and stop under our over hang where staff members will get your child out of your car and direct your child to their group. There is no need for you to park or get out of your car unless of course you want to.

Base Camp and Extended Care pick-up works in a similar way.

When you slowly pull down the driveway you will be stopped by our staff, asked the name of the camper/campers who you are here to pick up. We will then bring your child/children to you. There is no need to park and get out of your car, unless of course you want to.

All of our camps start their day at 9:15 with drop off starting at 8:45 All of our camps end their day at 3:45 with pickup starting at 4:00. Any camper needing to be picked up before 3:45 needs to give prior notice. All campers must be picked up by 4:30 or be charged a late pickup fee of \$10.00 for regular dismissal and \$10.00 for every 15 minutes you are late for extended care.

What if I need to pick up my child early, or drop them off at camp late?

It's no problem to pick up early or drop off late, simply stop by the office and we'll page your child for you to sign them out or deliver your child to their group when late. Please make the effort to let us know at morning drop-off if you require early pick up.



Attendance, Scheduling and Activities

What attendance options are available?

“We are the only camp I know that operates on a DAY RATE”.

Where other camps require a minimum attendance (most being a minimum 4 full weeks) we have no such restrictions. Come 1 day or all 39 Days (we are always closed 1 day, every season for July 4th). We allow what ever works best for your family.

Operating on a Day Rate makes allowances for so many different scenarios:

- Do you only need 3 days a week, for 3 weeks? NOT A PROBLEM!
- Do you need 2 days one week, and 3 days the next? NOT A PROBLEM!
- Does your work schedule change every week? NOT A PROBLEM!
- Is it Monday and your babysitter cancelled for Tuesday! NOT A PROBLEM!
Just go online and if there is room you can purchase tomorrow’s day of camp.
- Are you registered for Mon. Wed. and Fri. this week, but need to come Mon. Tues. and Thurs.? NOT A PROBLEM! Just email us the change request and if there is room we can change your dates.
- Do you need to miss a scheduled day of camp this week? NOT A PROBLEM!
Just email us what day you want to use as a makeup 2 days prior to attendance and if there is room we will make the substitution.

What are some of the Activities offered at Adventureland?

“We are the only camp I know that runs a 39DAY SCHEDULE instead of the outdated 5 day.”

The 5 day schedule means each day of the week’s schedule is repeated weekly. Our campers have individualized attendance needs. This means that a cookie cutter scheduling technique couldn’t work. Suppose we only had geo-caching on Mondays and your child didn’t attend on Mondays. Your child would be missing out on a great activity.

We do have a weekly template we work off of, however, but each day’s schedule is decided only a few days ahead of time. This innovative technique also allows us to add some large comprehensive activities to our curriculum, such as Rapid Building, Shipwreck, and Fishing Frenzy. The flexibility of our 39 day schedule also means we are not held hostage by inclement weather.

Please check out our Weekly SchedulingTemplate below:



Our weekly template is:

Mondays through Thursdays are Traditional Camp- Our Campers spend their whole day with their assigned groups doing all of the traditional camp activities, such as Boating, Fishing, Sports, Playgrounds, Ga-Ga, Art, Nature, Outdoor Living, Geo-Caching, Mini Golf, 32 ft climbing wall, Swimming.

Fridays are Special Events/Themed Pool Parties - Our Campers spend the 1st 1/2 of the day with their assigned groups doing traditional camp activities. The 2nd 1/2 of the day is spent preparing for and participating in our themed pool parties. Some themes include Pirates of the Swamp, Disney, Luau, Country Hoe-down, Pajama Party and favorite Super Hero to name a few.

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boating	*	*				
kayaking			*	*	*	*
swimming	*	*	*	*	*	*
nature	*	*	*	*	*	*
art	*	*	*	*	*	*
geo caching			*	*	*	*
outdoor cooking	*	*	*	*	*	*
outdoor living			*	*	*	*
climbing wall			*	*	*	*
zip line					*	*
archery			*	*	*	*
wii	*	*	*	*	*	*
rapids				*	*	*
fishing		*	*	*	*	*
playgrounds	*	*	*	*	*	*
frisbee golf				*	*	*
mini golf	*	*	*	*	*	*
world cup				*	*	*



Health and Medical

Do you have Medical personnel on staff?

We have a registered Nurse on staff. She is present at Base Camp from 9:30 to 4:00 daily. There is no Nurse on staff for Mini Camp or extended care.

What if my child is on medication?

Please place the medication, and instructions for dosage and time to administer in a clearly labeled plastic bag. Instruct your child to give the bag to their counselor so they can turn it into the nurse or you can give it to the security adult checking your child in at drop-off.

******All medications must be dispensed by our registered nurse. No medications are allowed to be in your child's bag or our locker rooms.**

Do you require health forms?

Yes. We require all campers enrolled in all our camps to provide us with current health forms along with permission slips for the giving of Tylenol and Benadryl. They can be downloaded from our website: **www.adventurelanddaycamp.com**
Please mail them back to: Adventureland Day Camp/6401 Hulmeville Rd/Bensalem, Pa. 19020 or you can turn them in when dropping your children off at camp

Do you accept Special Needs and Special Education children?

We accept Special Needs and special Education Children on a case-by-case basis. Depending on their needs a TSS (therapeutic staff support) may be required. Adventureland requires a TSS for any and all children who have a TSS during the school year. To better serve your child/children please be forth coming on our camper online registration forms about behavioral and medical issues.

Contact Information & Important Links:

Adventureland Day Camp 6401 Hulmeville Road Bensalem, PA 19020

In-season phone: 215-757-9142

email: adaycamp@aol.com

web: www.adventurelanddaycamp.com

Camp Groups

What are the age ranges of campers?

Our Base Camp ages are 5 thru 15.

How many children are in a group?

On average on any day of Base Camp there are 10 to 15 campers in a group.

How are campers grouped?

Except for our youngest campers (5 & 6 yrs) our groups are same sex and based on the age/grade of the child.

Can siblings be grouped together?

Only if the age and sex of the siblings allows it.

What is the Counselor to Camper ratio?

In our youngest group (5yrs) we have a 1 to 3 counselor to camper ratio. All other groups it's 1 to 7

All my child's friends are in another group, can we change groups?

As long as your friends are of a similar age we can almost always place your child in the same group as them. Please make sure you note the names of the friends you wish to be with on your application, and ask them to do the same.

Can I have the names and numbers of other campers in my child's group?

Many parents ask for these items to plan birthday parties, sleepovers, etc. Unfortunately Adventureland IS NOT permitted to give the names and phone numbers of camper families to anyone. If you wish to invite other campers to a party, simply give the invitations to your child to pass out.

About our Staff

What skills do you look for in a camp Counselor?

- The ability to work well with children of all ages.
- The belief that they can make the difference in the life of a child.
- The willingness and the ability to foster self-esteem, cooperation, courage, responsibility & FUN !
- The ability to work well in close proximity with others.
- A love of the outdoors - in all weather conditions.
- The ability to take charge and motivate others.
- Creativity, patience, kindness, cooperation & spirit.
- The ability and willingness to be a positive role model.
- The willingness to pitch-in and go the extra mile...
- Maturity. All of our Senior Counselors are Teachers, Special Education Teachers, Parents or in college. Our Junior counselors start at age 16. The number of Junior Counselors assigned to a group is based on the number of campers in the group each day.

Communication and Social Networking

How do you communicate with parents/guardians?

In the off-season all of our information and notices are sent via e-mail. During the camp season, the majority of our notices are sent via e-mail. If a family doesn't have access to the internet, please let us know so we can have paper copies of all our notices generated. The best way for a parent/guardian to get in touch with us is through our AOL e-mail acct: (adaycamp@aol.com)

Does Adventureland use any Social Networking sites?

We have a large Social Networking presence. All summer we post pictures in real time on Instagram and our Facebook page. We also have our own YOUTUBE channel for videos along with our FLICKR archives filled with photos of our outdoor happiness. We also have publications on our issuu site.

www.facebook.com/Adventureland.daycamp

https://instagram.com/adventureland_daycamp/

www.flickr.com/photos/adventurelanddaycamp

www.youtube.com/user/adventurelanddaycamp

www.issuu.com/adventurelanddaycamp



The entire DeVicaris family would like to thank all of the hundreds of families that have entrusted the care of their children to *Adventureland Day Camp* for the last 56 years!