



## Early Discoveries

Managed by Bright Horizons Family Solutions

### School- Age Summer Camp – Frequently Asked Questions

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#### **What is the difference between Summer Camp and Schools Out Holiday Care?**

Summer Camp is during the summer and SchoolsOUT is during the academic year when elementary schools are closed for holidays, institute days, etc. Special guests visit during our summer camp.

#### **When is Summer Camp in session?**

In 2025, Summer Camp will be in session from June 8 - August 21.

#### **What are the hours of operation?**

6:30 AM to 6:30 PM

#### **What ages does this program serve?**

Summer Camp is for Kindergarten graduates through 12 years old.

#### **How do I enroll?**

Step 1: Fill out the pre-registration form (one form per child). A confirmation of receipt email will be sent to you within 48 business hours.

Step 2: An email with your child's approved dates or waitlist status will be sent to you after registration has closed.

Step 3: If your child is new to Early Discoveries, you will be given enrollment paperwork. Make the \$75 registration check payable to Bright Horizons.

#### **How do I select the days I need?**

Choose all of the days you think you will need. Plan carefully by also considering vacations, work-at-home days, and the availability of spouses/extended family during the summer.

#### **Are there any additional fees and what does the tuition include?**

There is a one-time registration fee of \$75 for the first child and \$25 for each additional child. This does not apply if your child has participated in any prior Early Discoveries program. Tuition includes: Care from 6:30 AM to 6:30 PM, virtual field trips and enrichments, crafts, and meals.

#### **How do I pay for this program?**

Families may set up online payments through the Family Info Center.

<http://familyinfocenter.brighthorizons.com>

#### **What if I need to cancel?**

Cancellations require a written 30-day notice. There are no credits for any absences. Due to high demand for this program, the cancellation policy is strictly enforced.

#### **What are the minimum qualifications of the counselors?**

All of our staff meet the Illinois State DCFS standards. Many of the staff have associate or bachelor's degrees in Education and Child Development.

#### **What is the ratio and group size for this program?**

A maximum group size of 30 children with a 1:15 ratio is maintained at all times.

#### **What type of field trips do the campers participate in?**

The campers participate in virtual field trips where they visit museums, factories, amusement parks, and various companies to learn about cultures and how things are made. Virtual enrichments include projects or activities the campers can learn from experts, such as how to play an instrument from a musician, participate in STEM activities with a scientist, or learn art concepts from an artist.

#### **How can I receive more information about this program?**

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