



SUMMER CAMP FAQ'S

What time is drop off each day and where will drop off occur?

Drop off is from 8:15 – 8:30 a.m. each day under the Aventuras camp tent on the playground. The playground is located at the back of 6006 Executive Blvd. to the far-left side and inside the black wrought iron gates.

Where should I park?

There is ample parking at the back of the building. You should park there to drop off and pick up your child. Please note, you must walk your child into the playground each day and ensure their safety in and around the parking lot at all times. Please do not pull up alongside the black iron gates to pick up your child to decrease traffic exiting the parking lot and ensuring safety of all children during pick up.

What should my child bring to camp?

Please ensure your child is dressed comfortably for the weather and is wearing sunscreen and closed toed shoes (bug repellent and sun hats are highly recommended too). Your child should bring a lunch, extra snack, change of clothes and water bottle in a backpack with them each day. Kind reminder to label all items as Aventuras is not responsible for lost items.

What should my child bring on field trip days?

Children should wear their camp t-shirts on all field trip days (to be provided). We will provide it for their first field trip, after that they should wear it from home. If a child forgets their shirt at home, we will provide an extra for an additional \$14.

For splash park days, children should wear their swimsuits and pack a change of clothes and towel. Please note, that we will require all children (boys and girls) to wear a long sleeve, UV resistant, brightly colored rash guard with their swim suit, which WE will provide. This will serve the double purpose of extra sun protection and easy visibility while at the splash park. Rash guards will be provided and removed to be kept at camp for washing and reuse. Children may purchase their own to keep at home for \$18.

What is Brightwheel?

Brightwheel is an online application offering real time updates and photos between Aventuras staff and families. We use this app to sign your child in and out each day, house your child's profile and contact information, send you updates, share photos and offer real time communication. Please be sure to upload this free app to your phone for convenient access and up to date communication.

Who will chaperone field trips?

Camp counselors, junior counselors, members of our school admin team will serve as chaperones on all of our field trips!

Do I need to fill out a permission form or waiver for my child to attend field trips?

If your child registered as a first time camper, you have already provided full authorization for your child to attend all field trips in the online registration form and do not need to complete another permission slip.

How will my child be transported to field trips?

Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) bus drivers and buses will be providing all transportation to and from our field trips this summer.

What is the best way to get in touch with the counselors and/or admin team?

Counselors are expected to be engaged with your children throughout the day. The best way to communicate with them is by sending a message through Brightwheel. They will be checking intermittently throughout the day. You may also send an email to aventuras@wholekidsacademy.com or in an emergency, give the main office a call at (240) 242-4957 and we can deliver a message quickly.

What happens if my child becomes sick or injured at camp?

If your child is feeling unwell and/or has a fever over 100 degrees, we will contact you and require that someone pick up your child within the hour. Our goal is for children to be safe and comfortable and to avoid the spread of illness whenever possible. If your child suffers a minor injury while at camp, they will be provided first aid care and you will be provided with an incident report. Should a major injury or incident occur, your child will be transported via ambulance with a WKA lead staff member to the nearest hospital for medical care and you will be notified immediately.

What is your Sunscreen/Bug Repellent policy?

Children should be dropped off each morning with sunscreen and bug repellent applied. Children should also keep extra sunscreen and bug repellent (clearly labeled with their first and last name) in their bags for reapplication throughout the day. Camp counselors will be happy to assist children with the reapplication of sunscreen and bug repellent as needed throughout the day.

Information on snacks and meals?

Children should come to camp with a lunch that does not require heating or refrigeration. As kids will be active throughout the day, please be sure to pack a healthy, hearty and nutritious lunch that includes an extra snack or two that can be enjoyed should your child become hungry in the morning or late afternoon. We have incorporated daily snacks into the day as well. Please note Aventuras is not a peanut-free school, please be sure to notify us if your child has an allergy.

What level of Spanish can I expect my child to be exposed to while at camp?

Our amazing and talented counselors are all bilingual and are able to communicate with both parents and children in English and Spanish. Throughout the day, children will be exposed to the Spanish language and will have many fun and engaging opportunities to hear, converse and grow their language skills. Your child will have a lot of fun participating in exciting age appropriate activities, make new friends (most of whom speak English as well) and they will have the opportunity to learn some Spanish along the way!

How will campers be organized/divided?

Campers will start and end their days together for large group meetings, activities and free play. They may be divided into smaller groups throughout the day based on their age and/or interest in a specific activity.

What do the campers do on inclement weather days?

We are fortunate to have access to large all-purpose spaces, music and STEM room which will all be utilized in the case of inclement weather. We have indoor play equipment to ensure kids stay active and engaged as well.

Where should I pick my child up each day?

Generally, 4:00 and 6:00p.m. pick-ups will be out on the playground again, however if you're picking up somewhere in between those times, children may be in the all-purpose room in our building. Camp counselors will send a Brightwheel message if there are any changes to pick up location on any given day.

How do I get into the building?

Please ring the doorbell (at the front door) and let our admin team know that you are here to pick up your child from Aventuras camp. You will be provided access to the building, please proceed to the 3rd floor to check in.

Can my child participate in after care on occasion as needed?

Yes, your child may participate in our after-care group from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. with just a day's notice. Just complete the after-care drop in form and return it to aventuras@wholekidsacademy.com The daily drop in rate for after care will be \$15.

What is your policy for late pick-ups?

If your child is picked up after 4:00 p.m., they will continue on with our after-care group and be charged the daily drop-in rate of \$15. If a child in our after-care group is picked up after 6:00 p.m., families will be charged at a rate of \$3.00 per minute.