



INFORMATION PACKET

Since 1988, the Friendswood Parks & Recreation Department has offered a fun and exciting summer day camp program for kids ages 6 to 12 years of age.

Session	Date	Big Field Trips	Theme
1	May 25 – June 5	Altitude Trampoline Park & Water Day	Luau
2	June 8 – June 19	Mad Scientist Experience & Typhoon Texas	World Cup
3	June 22 – July 2	Magician * & Typhoon Texas	When I grow up...
4	July 6 – July 17	Houston Interactive Aquarium* & Camp Carnival	Medieval
5	July 20 – July 31	Cinemark & Typhoon Texas	Wild West
6	Aug. 3 – Aug. 14	Dave & Buster's & Bay Area Raceway*	Pirates & Princesses

*Field trips that are not confirmed for that session

☺ *The Parks & Recreation Department reserves the right to change field trips (locations &/or dates)*

DAILY SCHEDULE

LOCATION: Leavesley Park Jones Hangar--“The Hangar” (901 Buckingham Dr, Friendswood, TX 77546)

TIME: 9AM - 4PM

- Extended Care is available from 7 - 9AM & 4 - 6PM, at \$80 per child, per session.
- Campers attending Extended Care may NOT be dropped off earlier than 7:00AM or picked up later than 6:00PM.
- All campers who are picked up after 6:00PM will be charged a late fee of \$1.00 per minute, past 6:00PM.

7:00AM - 9:00AM	Extended Care
9:00AM - 9:30AM	Arrival, Attendance and Announcements
9:30AM - 11:30AM	Morning Activities or *Park
11:30AM - 12:00PM	Lunch
12:30PM - 1:00PM	Lunch Clean Up & Transition to Pool or Back to Hangar
1:00PM - 3:00PM	Afternoon Activities or Pool
3:00PM - 3:30PM	Return to the Hangar, Snack Time & Group Points
4:00PM - 6:00PM	Extended Care

***Park:** Stevenson Park, Friendswood Lake Park, Frankie Carter Randolph, Centennial Park, Resoft Park, Clear Lake Park, Challenger 7 Park, Old City Park, Texas Avenue Park, Pearland Centennial Park

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

FOOD: Each day campers should bring their own lunch and snacks, with their name clearly labeled on all lunch boxes, and lunch containers. There will not be a refrigerator available to keep their lunches cold.

WATER: Campers must bring a re-fillable water bottle to camp each day. Please label all water bottles with your child's name.

CLOTHING: Campers will need to wear tennis shoes, and weather appropriate clothing.

- Campers **must** wear enclosed shoes with socks, no sandals, crocs, or flip flops.
- Bring an extra pair of clothes in your backpack, for when we get messy!

SWIM GEAR: A swimsuit (one-piece for females), towel, and swim shoes/flip flops/sandals are needed for all water activities.

SUNSCREEN: All campers must wear sunscreen at camp. Our staff will help apply sunscreen throughout the day and assist with re-applying as needed. If your child has a specific brand of sunscreen, please send them with their own sunscreen so that our staff can assist with applying it on your child.

CAMP SHIRT: It is required that all campers wear their camp shirt on our big field trip days.

CAMP FEES

Session	Date	Residents	Non-Residents
1	May 25 - June 5	\$280	\$330
2	June 8 - June 19	\$280	\$330
3	June 22 - July 2	\$280	\$330
4	July 6 - July 17	\$305	\$355
5	July 20 - July 31	\$305	\$355
6	Aug. 3 - Aug. 14	\$305	\$355

DEPOSITS: A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required per session, per child. Deposits will be used toward the total cost of each session and is due at the time of registration.

SIBLING DISCOUNT: Each additional, legal sibling is a \$30 discount off each session.

EXTENDED CARE: Extended care is available from 7 - 9AM & 4 - 6PM, at \$80 per child, per session.

CAMP BALANCE: The remaining balance for each session must be paid by 5PM on the following dates:

- **Session 1 – May 18**
- **Session 2 – June 1**
- **Session 3 – June 15**
- **Session 4 – June 29**
- **Session 5 – July 13**
- **Session 6 – July 28**

Failure to pay in full by the deadline will result in losing your child's spot in that session. Deposits will not be refunded or transferred.

CAMP RULES

GENERAL CAMP RULES: The Friendswood Parks & Recreation Department has final say in all rules, and they can be changed or modified to ensure the safety of all campers and campstaff.

- Follow all directions the first time given.
- Respect others privacy, property, feelings, etc.
- Be kind and play nice.
- Be tidy and clean up your own messes.
- No fighting.
- If you cannot see camp staff, and the camp staff cannot see you, then you are in the wrong place.
- Unless someone is breaking the law or bleeding, we will first try to solve the problem ourselves. (Refer to Kelso's Choices!)
- HAVE FUN!

DISCIPLINE: Camp staff uses assertive discipline in which positive reinforcement will be top priority. Camp rules and consequences will be clearly posted and discussed in detail every Monday and reviewed throughout the week as needed.

GOOD DEED BEADS: Our camp rewards campers with good behavior with "Good Deed Beads". Campers will learn about the Good Deed program at camp.

- **COMMON:** *Return Camper, Positive Attitude, Helper, Teamwork, Respect, Handwashing, etc.*
- **RARE:** *Birthday, Camp Spirit, Sharing, Athleticism, Creativity, Figgy, Humor, Singer, Tried-Something-New, etc.*
- **ULTRA - RARE:** *Terrific-Taco, Military, Dinner-Winner, Lifeguard, etc.*
- **JR. COUNSELORS:** Jr. Camp Counselors can award mini beads from the above categories.

COLOR SYSTEM: Camp operates on a behavior color system. All campers will sign the "Color Change Binder" as written understanding that they have been spoken to and warned of behavior problems. Parents will be contacted on any major offense and notified prior to disciplinary action.

- **YELLOW—MINOR OFFENSES:** Included, but are not limited to, talking in a disruptive manner when one should be listening, not cleaning up their area after eating, etc. Camp staff will use best judgment in the action taken for minor offenses.
 - Consequence Examples: Time out, loss of privileges, and signing of the Color Change Binder.
- **ORANGE—CONTINUED OFFENSES:** Continued behavior issues, after already spoken too.
 - Consequence Examples: Continual time out, continual loss of privileges, and signing of the Color Change Binder.
- **RED—MAJOR OFFENSES:** Include but not limited to cussing, obscene gestures, destruction of property, extreme inappropriate behavior, etc.
 - Conference with parents, camp staff, and/or the Recreation Manager will be conducted.
 - Loss of swim time for a day
 - Suspension from field trips
 - Suspension from Camp

SUSPENSION: Please be aware that continued and/or severe discipline problems will result in suspension from camp. If a camper is suspended from camp, registration fees are not refundable.

ADDITIONAL CAMP INFORMATION

ABSENSES: Please call the camp phone before 9AM, if your child will not be attending camp on a given morning.

ILLNESS & INJURY: If your child becomes ill or hurt at camp, parents and/or emergency personnel will be notified immediately, and the appropriate course of action will be determined.

- If your child is known to have contracted a contagious illness or infection, please notify the Parks & Recreation Department at 281-996-3220 so we may inform the parents of other campers and necessary precautions can be taken.

MEDICATIONS & FIRST AID: While all camp staff are First Aid and CPR certified, they are not trained to administer any medication.

- Campers are not allowed to carry any medications on them.
- Inhalers and EPI pens are the only prescription medications that may be sent to camp with your child, and they must know how to administer the medication themselves with the assistance of a qualified adult.
- Inhalers and EPI pens must be checked in with the camp directors, who will ensure that the medication is available in case of emergency for your child.

SWIM TEST: All children will be required to take a swim test before they can participate in water activities, to include the City Pool and any waterpark field trips.

“The Swim Test”

- 1. Entering the pool, feet first, and swimming the length of the pool (25 yards).**
- 2. Floating on their back for 10 - 20 seconds.**

- Swim tests will be given on the first pool day of each session. If a child misses the first pool day, make-up swim tests can be given on the next pool day.
- The swim test will be administered by pool staff and is strictly PASS or NO PASS. Pool staff has the final word in all swim tests.
- If your child cannot swim, or chooses not to take the swim test, then they will be restricted to the shallow area of the City Pool or they will be required to wear a life jacket at the City Pool and all waterpark field trips.

MONEY: All costs associated with field trips and excursions are included in your child’s summer camp registration fee.

- Due to the liability of loss or theft, the City of Friendswood does not recommend that you send your child with extra money, or cash for any field trips or excursions.

- While it is not recommended, you may send your child to camp with money. Your child will be solely responsible for his or her money, change and receipts.

CONTACT INFORMATION

CAMP PHONE NUMBERS: If at any time you need to get in contact with the camp, please use the phone numbers listed below.

- 281-910-2726 (primary camp phone number)
- 281-910-4635

FRIENDSWOOD PARKS & RECREATION: For all questions and concerns regarding Friendswood Summer Day Camp, please contact the Friendswood Parks & Recreation Department.

- Cierra Sutton, Recreation Specialist
 - 281-996-3219
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