



2023 Camp FAQs

Q: How much does camp cost?

A: Out-of School Day Camps are priced and run as single day camps.

- Full Day (9 am - 4 pm): Members \$53, Nonmember \$65
- Half Day (9 am - 12 pm): Members \$30, Nonmember \$36

Spring Break and Summer Camp are priced and run as Full Week (Monday-Friday) camps.

- Full Day (9 am - 4 pm): Members \$265, Nonmember \$295
- Half Day (9 am - 12 pm): Members \$170, Nonmember \$190

Q: When are Summer Camps and Out-of School Day Camps?

A: All camp dates can be found on our website on our camps page, <https://butterflies.org/learn/children-and-family-programs/camps/>.

Q: When is camp drop-off and pick-up?

A: Butterfly Pavilion Camp drop-off and pick-up times are:

- Drop-off 8:30am-9:00am
- Pick-up 4:00pm-4:30pm
 - An accommodation fee of \$10 will be charged for every 15 minutes the parent is late to pick up their child

Q: Do you offer early and after care?

A: No. We don't offer early or after care, but our drop-off is from 8:30am-9:00am and our pick-up is from 4:00pm-4:30pm.

Q: What will my kiddo(s) get to do in half day camp vs full day camp?

A: During half day camp, the campers will get to:

- Explore the exhibits or explore the outdoor gardens (weather permitting)
- Activities that go along with the day's topic
- Make a craft or play a game

During full day camp, the campers will get to:

- Explore the exhibits
- Explore the outdoor gardens (weather permitting)
- Activities along with the day's topic multiple times throughout the day
- Make a craft or some sort of tangible
- Play games



- Free exploration time (under the guidance of the camp counselors)

Q: Do you have full scholarships?

A: No. We can provide up to 50% scholarships for campers who qualify for Free and Reduced Lunch at School.

Q: Do you offer sibling discounts?

A: We do not currently offer sibling discounts, but we are able to offer discounts to members, and Butterfly Pavilion staff and volunteers.

Q: I have a 6-year-old and an 8-year-old. Will they be together?

A: During Out-of-School Day Camps and Spring Break Camp, all ages are in the same room, with the capacity up to 25. During Summer Camp, our capacity is up to 50 campers, so we split age ranges into different rooms, 5–6-year-olds will do most of their activities in Classroom A, and 7–12-year-olds will do most of their activities in Classroom B – about 50 feet up the hall. The camp theme will be the same for both. They will be together for games, lunches, and exhibit exploration, but will experience content that is more specific for their age range.

Q: My child can only come for part of the week. Can I just sign them up and pay for those days?

Our full week camps are intended to be enjoyed for all five days of the week, Monday-Friday, so that content can build off each day and campers can experience all the fun that Butterfly Pavilion has to offer.

However, if they can only attend for a couple of days, we can add them to a waitlist and after registration closes if there is still space available in that camp then they will be added for the days they can attend.

NOTE: Please contact the Camp Director, Oksanna at owildrick@butterflies.org to be added to the waitlist.

Q: If I want to sign up my kid(s) for more than one week, do I have to fill out their information each time?

A: No – you should not have to!

If you are registering for more than one camp, please be sure to “Add Additional Items” to your cart before you begin to fill out all their information!

If you are registering more than one camper, just increase the number of tickets to the number of children, or you can click “Purchase Additional Tickets.”



Q: What is your child: staff ratio and what is your capacity?

A: Legally, there will be at least one program leader providing supervision with each group of 15 or fewer children cared for by the camp. However, here at Butterfly Pavilion, we have one Lead Educator, two Assistant Educators, and the Camp Director, or someone with the same qualifications, is on site for all camps.

We limit our registration to 25 campers per room – so 50 total per camp week.

Q: My child will be 5 in the fall. Can I still sign her up for a half day or full day camp?

A: Under our childcare license, we are legally allowed to have 4-year-olds in camp if they will be turning 5 within 6 months of the start date of camp. However, our camp curriculum is made with camper ages 5 to 12 in mind. If you would still like to sign up your 4-year-old, we do recommend that if your camper has not been in a school-type setting start with our half day or single day camp options at the beginning of summer. Your child will also need to be completely potty trained since we are legally not allowed to help children with bathroom needs.

Q: What if I need to cancel my child's registration?

A: All cancellations and transfers must be made via e-mail to the Camp Director at least 10 business days before the date of the camp and will be charged a 10% processing fee, with the remainder of the cost refunded to the customer. Transfers may only be made into camps that still have availability.

No refund is given for cancellation with less than 5 business days' notice. This includes absence due to illness. If your child is unable to attend camp because of an illness, including COVID-19, no refund will be given, but you can save the credit and apply it to a different camp with availability within one year of the missed camp.

A full refund will be given to the customer if the Butterfly Pavilion cancels a camp for any reason.

Q: Will parents be allowed to stay with their children while they are in camp?

A: No. As a rule, this is not allowed. Camp is designed to encourage interaction among participants of the same age, without parents. Due to space limitations, we are unable to accommodate parents. Some children will perhaps experience a moment of anxiety, overcome their fears, and participate more quickly without a parent present. If you are unsure that your child can handle this, it may be best to wait a year to attend.

Q: What are the expectations for children's behavior while they are at camp?



A: Butterfly Pavilion camp is all about respect. We expect that all campers will respect themselves, other people, the zoo, and nature. Respectful behavior will help to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience for everyone at camp. Campers are expected to be “good citizens” and display proper behavior while at camp. At the beginning of every day during camp week, each camp group will discuss the group’s expectations for good camp behavior. Parents will be required to sign a Code of Conduct as a part of registration. Butterfly Pavilion reserves the right to suspend any camper that does not abide by our expectations for good camper behavior. If a camper threatens the immediate safety of themselves, other campers, staff, or guests, the parent will be notified and be expected to pick up their child immediately.

More information can be found in our Policies and Procedures.

Q: Do immunization or medication forms need to be provided to camp staff?

A: Yes. Butterfly Pavilion Camps follow childcare license rules and regulation regarding immunizations and medication.

Immunizations: In order for children to attend Butterfly Pavilion camp, their current immunization records must be sent to camp staff before the start date of camp. Immunization records must be on an official Colorado Certificate of Immunization form, which is provided by the Colorado Department of Health and Environment, and it must be signed by a health care provider. If your child has medical exemption from immunizations, an Immunization Certificate of Medical Exemption must be filled out and signed by a health care provider and sent to camp staff before the start date of camp. If your child has nonmedical exemption from immunization, an Immunization Certificate of Nonmedical Exemption must be filled out and signed by a health care provider and sent to camp staff before the start date of camp.

Medication: If your kiddo(s) is bringing an epi-pen, inhaler, or medication to camp, the following will need to happen for camp staff to administer medication and have it on site:

- To be able to have medication, inhalers, and epi-pens on site at Butterfly Pavilion camp and in order to administer medication, inhalers, and epi-pens, the appropriate forms need to be filled out, signed by a physician, and sent to camp staff before the start date of camp. The forms are:
 - Colorado Asthma Care Plan and Medication Order for School and Child Care Settings
 - Medication Administration Permission for School and Child Care
 - Colorado Allergy and Anaphylaxis Emergency Care Plan and Medication Orders



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- Medication must be kept in the original container. Prescription medicine containers must bear the original pharmacy label that shows:
 - the prescription number
 - name of medication
 - date filled
 - physician's name
 - child's name
 - directions for dosage
- When no longer needed, medications will be returned to parents or guardians, or destroyed.

Q: Will my camper be leaving Butterfly Pavilion during camp?

A: All activities will be conducted on site at Butterfly Pavilion and in the adjacent Big Dry Creek Open Space. Children will always be supervised. During the last week of Summer Camp, Nature Explorers, camp will be held predominantly outside in the gardens around Butterfly Pavilion, Big Dry Creek Open Space, and Westminster City Park. To get to Westminster City Park, campers and camp staff walk using sidewalks and an underpass to get to the park.

Q: I see that the themes repeat twice during the summer. Can my child attend both?

Having each theme repeat this summer is intended to allow more flexibility in family schedules – so you don't miss out on your child's favorite camp due to an already-planned conflict. Although you may register your child for both sessions, the content will be the same for both, so this is not recommended.

Q: Does Butterfly Pavilion provide lunch or snacks?

A: No. Children must provide their own lunch and snacks and store it with their personal belongings in their assigned classroom. If the program falls during the lunch hour (12:00-1:00 p.m.), a lunch break will be taken. Half day campers do not need to bring a lunch. Parents will be responsible for providing a form of cooling (icepack) if needed in the lunch. Butterfly Pavilion cannot grant access to a microwave and is not responsible for heating or preparing lunches.

Q: What should I do if I come to pick up my camper early and no one is in the classroom?

A: Butterfly Pavilion counselors will always leave a note on the board in Classroom A where they are at, whether it is outside or in an exhibit. If there happens to be no note, you can check in to the administrative offices directly to the right of Classroom A or you can check in at the front desk where they will radio for camp.

Q: Is Butterfly Pavilion an allergy-free camp?



A: No. Butterfly Pavilion does its best to accommodate campers with allergies. If your child has an allergy, some of our staff is trained in Medication Administration and all our staff is trained on Standard Precautions. However, there may still be campers that do bring lunch or snacks that have allergens for your child, and we cannot guarantee total protection.

Still have questions? Feel free to reach out to:

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