



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 \$60, Nonmember \$75

Spring Break and Summer Camp are priced and run as Full Week 5 days (Monday-Friday) camps.

- Full Day (9 am - 4 pm): Members \$275, Nonmember \$305

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 8:45am-9:00am
- Pick-up 4:00pm-4:15pm
 - If a parent doesn't pick up their child by 4:15pm, an accommodation fee of \$1 for every minute late will be charged.

Q: Do you offer early and after care?

A: No. We don't offer early or after care, but our drop-off is from 8:45am-9:00am and our pick-up is from 4:00pm-4:15pm.

Q: What will my kiddo(s) get to do in camp?

A: During 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 7–9-year-olds will do most of their activities in Classroom B – about 50 feet up the hall. They 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.

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 during the summer and 25 total per camp during out-of-school day camps.

Q: My child will be 5 in the fall. Can I still sign them up for 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 campers ages 5 to 9 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 is the registration process?

A: Butterfly Pavilion Camp registration can be completed on the [website](#). Registration will close one week before the start date of camp. Registration is a two-part registration process and registration is not considered complete unless both parts are completed. If both parts aren't completed by three weeks before the start date of camp, your registration and spot will be cancelled without a refund.

1. First part: Purchase camp through the [website](#).
2. Second part: Complete part two using the Parent Portal with the same username and password you used to purchase the camp <https://camps.butterflies.org>.

After you complete the first part of registration, you will receive a confirmation email with information on how to complete the second part of registration. You will receive reminder emails to complete this before the camp. If both parts aren't completed by three weeks before the start date of camp, your registration and spot will be cancelled without a refund. One week before the start date of the camp, you will receive a detailed email with information of what to expect for camp.

Registration is officially secured when Butterfly Pavilion receives the full payment and both parts of the registration are completed in full. Children will be admitted to camp at their designated session only after all required forms have been submitted, both parts of registration have been completed, and payment has been made in full.

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

A: Cancellations with at least 3 weeks notice will be charged a 10% processing fee, and the remainder of the cost will be refunded to the customer. All cancellations and transfers must be made via e-mail to the Camp Director at least 3 weeks 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 3 weeks notice. This includes absence due to illness.

A full refund will be given to the customer if 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
- 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 2 snacks and store it with their personal belongings in their assigned classroom. 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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