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Finley Day Camp (FDC)

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

When does camp operate? Monday–Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Where is Finley Day Camp located? FDC is located at the A.E. Finley YMCA, 9216 Baileywick Rd. Raleigh NC 27615.

Can I drop off early? For the safety of your child, we cannot allow children to be dropped off before Rides In starts. Our staff are setting up for camp and are unable to ensure proper supervision.

What happens if I'm late to pick up? Parents arriving after 6:00p.m. will be issued a late fee of \$5 for the first 10 minutes and \$1 for each minute thereafter.

Where should I go if I need to drop off late or pick my child up early? If you are arriving between **9:00 a.m. and 4:15 p.m.**, please check in at the Day Camp Office located across from the Finley Pool House. Parking is available near the office. If you are picking up early, you can use our Text Ahead service by texting us at 919-368-6543 to let us know you are on your way. We will go ahead and call your child to the office to save you some time at pick-up. **Text ahead is only for those parents picking up before 4:15PM (after 4:15pm please wait in the rides out line - our office staff need 15 minutes to prepare for a safe Rides Out).**

How do drop-off and pick-up work? We run Rides In from 7:00 – 9:00 a.m. and Rides Out from 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Rides In and Rides Out are a curbside drop-off/pick-up for your convenience where staff will escort your child to/from your car. Rides In and Out are located behind the A.E. Finley YMCA Building adjacent to our campgrounds. During severe weather, we will not run Rides In/Out. You will need to park your car and walk your child into the lobby area. We will have a camp desk set up to check in or sign out your child. Parents must present a YMCA issued pick-up card (provided at registration) or a photo ID as a safety precaution. At registration, you can also place additional friends and family on your approved pick-up list to help us ensure the safety of your child.

What does my child need to bring to camp?

- Backpack with a bathing suit and towel. Swim bands will be earned their first day of camp.
- A hard lunch box or cooler with a healthy and hearty lunch, two snacks and a refillable water bottle with their name on it.
- Extra changes of clothes are recommended for children that may have accidents or on days when messy activities are indicated in your weekly newsletter.
- Please label all items you send to camp with your child's first and last name to assist us in returning all lost and found.

How are children divided into groups? During huddle time (a time when the campers are divided into groups) at FDC, we separate campers based on age and/or grade. Each huddle is staffed at a 1:14 ratio with two staff members per group.

What is Open Programming? Open Programming highlights on independence, skill development, and the freedom of choice for all campers. This means that campers get to choose what activities they would like to focus on for the day or week! Safety is top priority at Finley Day Camp, so we make sure that all campers are always in line of sight and clear boundaries.

What will my child do on a typical day? We offer a wide-range of activities to engage our campers. Daily activities include swimming, a multitude of group games, teambuilding activities, assemblies and meal times. Every day, your child will have a chance to participate in activities that include target sports, athletics, creative arts, performing arts and so much more! This happens both through huddle time and open programming. Thumpin' Thursday takes place each week and includes opportunities for campers to dress up along with special activities that include large group games, carnival stations, water activities, competitions and more. You will receive a newsletter each week detailing all of the special events that are happening during your camp week.

How do you manage medications? We are able to administer both daily and emergency medications. Please bring all medications in their original containers to us on the first day of camp along with a YMCA Medication Form. Medication forms will be provided or can be found on our website.

Can I send my child with sunscreen? Yes! Sunscreen will be re-applied after their swim time and during our sunscreen parties. Staff are not able to apply sunscreen for campers.

Can I take a tour? Absolutely! Please contact us to set up time for you and your child to see the full facility.

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