# Welcome

Whether you and your family are just getting to know us, or you are returning to Morning Star for another fun and exciting summer, we welcome you to our annual Summer Camp.

The summer camp counselors are committed to providing your child with a safe and highly stimulating camp experience. Each week your camper will enjoy a new fun filled, themed week with field trips, visitors, and activities. Our camps put a large emphasis on S.T.E.A.M. and learn activities such as coding, robotics, drafting and more. Campers will learn and grow together through art, science and math activities that are offered all summer long.

The field trips are a fun and exciting part of camp that parents are encouraged to be a part of. We ask that each trip be chaperoned by at least two adults, in addition to staff, to ensure that all trips are fun and safe for everyone. Without parent participation, these trips cannot happen. Sign up and enjoy the opportunity to spend time with your camper and see all that East Tennessee has to offer!



## Special Interest Clubs For Junior and Day camp

Campers will be able to choose from four different clubs that will meet each day all summer (depending on field trips). The following clubs will be available: Art, Cooking, Sports, and S.T.E.M! Each week, your camper will choose which club he/she would like to participate in. Campers can try a new club each week or stay with the one they enjoy! One of our awesome camp counselors will be leading the club, and children will help to plan and coordinate fun activities related to their chosen area.



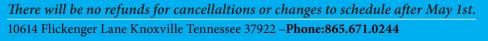
Types of Camps

Scampers Camp: rising Kindergarteners Junior Camp: rising 1st and 2nd graders Day Camp: rising 3rd through 5th graders

Discounts

**Bring a Friend:** 10 % discount on the weeks you bring a friend (that has not previously attended MSCDC Camp)!

**Register before April** 1<sup>st</sup>: 10% discount on the 1<sup>st</sup> week of camp.





Child Development Center



# Example of Camp Schedule

### A Day at Camp

Arrival
Morning Snack / Discovery Areas
Morning Kick-Off!
Outside Play/ Themed Activity/Camp Clubs
(Jr. and Day)/
Field Trip
Lunch
Outside Play/Themed Activity/ Camp Clubs (Jr. and Day)
Swimming/Afternoon Snack

#### **5:15 – 6:00** Departure/ Discovery Areas





Camp Do's

Ensure that all items brought to camp are secured in a backpack and clearly labeled with your child's name.



✓ Inform Camp Counselors of any allergies or medical concerns on the first day of camp.

 $\checkmark$  Apply sunscreen to your child each day before camp.

 $\checkmark$  Send a water bottle each day.

 $\checkmark$  Send a swimsuit, towel, and water shoes on swim days.

✓ Send a media device for your Jr. or Day Camper for 1 hour of media time each Friday. All games and videos must be E or G rated.

✓ Stay informed on weekly field trip times to ensure your camper arrives on time and can participate in all outings.

 $\checkmark$  Dress your child in a Morning Star t-shirt or coordinating color on all field trip days.

✓ Sign up to be a chaperone! Each trip requires at least two chaperones, so parents are needed and encouraged to join us on all trips.



Camp Don'ts

- ➤ Forget to fill out and turn in the online application, field trip permission form, behavior contact, sunscreen release form, photo release form, and swim waiver.
- × Bring food from home after 8:00.
- Bring life jackets, floaties, water wings or other flotation devices for the pool. They are NOT permitted.
- X Send food, candy, soda or sugary drinks.
- × Bring nerf guns, water guns or other weapon like toys.
- × Allow your child to bring expensive items because they may become lost or broken.
- × Send games rated E10 or higher.
- × Send any disruptive items.

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Camp Prices

#### Scampers Camp(rising Kindergarteners) Activity Fee: \$150

(Activity fee prorated for attendance less than 2 weeks) Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. 5 days a week \$325

4 days a week \$280

3 days a week \$250

2 days a week \$210

### Junior Camp Day Camp

(rising 1st - 2nd) Activity Fee: \$200 (rising 3rd-5th & current 5th)

(Activity fee prorated for attendance less than 2 weeks) Monday - Friday: 7:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. 5 days a week \$340 4 days a week \$308 3 days a week \$265

- 2 days a week \$230
- There will be no cancellations or changes after May 1st. Refunds will NOT be given after May 1st.
- To prepare for summer camp. Morning Star will not offer care for Junior and Day Camp (this includes AfterSchool care) on the following days: Friday, May 24th.
- Scampers camp will begin on May 28th, and end on August 21st.
- Tuition is figured monthly and should be paid one month ahead of time.
- If you want to add a day, please inform the office at least one day prior approval, will be based on availability and is not guaranteed.
- There is no registration fee for current or past campers, however, a one-time, \$50 fee applies to first-time campers only.





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#### Week 1: May 28 - 31 Animal Planet



Let's take a walk on the wild side for this animal-themed week. What do you get when you mix a giraffe, lion, snake, and an alligator? You get a wild and crazy animal planet! This week during summer camp, Scampers will be going on an adventure to Little Ponderosa Zoo. We will discover different habitats and what animals eat. Campers will also make up their own stories about their favorite animals.

#### Week 2: June 3 - 7 Farmer's Market

This week, Scampers will learn what it takes to care for plants and run a farm. We will take a closer look at seeds and learn about all the different parts of a plant. We will also be going to Rutherford Farms to pick strawberries and enjoy them while having a picnic on the farm.

#### Week 3: June 10 - 14 Mission Impossible

Let the Mission begin. We will need to pull out our magnifying glasses to become detectives. This week, we will be completing many "mission impossible" activities. Campers will find hidden treasures and solve so many mysteries. With all the investigating that we will be pursuing, it's only right that we will be going to the Great Smoky Mountains Heritage Center to use our map reading skills and investigate this historical location and amazing artifacts.



#### Week 4: June 17 - 21 (Closed June 19th) Color Me Rad

Color Me Rad because this is going to be a very colorful week for Scampers. We will be wearing a different color for every day of the week. The campers will also be learning how to make different colors by getting messy with paint-filled balloons. Scampers will also create their own color and name it!

#### Week 5: June 24 - 28 The Olympics

Let's go for Gold! Campers will be able to compete in many different track and field events. We will have balloon relay races, hula hoop toss, long jump, and more! They will also enjoy going to the Emerald Youth Foundation (E.Y.F.) We will even have the kids invent their very own event and name it! While at the Foundation the kids will have a hand in cooking their own lunch. Towards the end of the week, we will have a closing ceremony and hand out medals to all our participants.

#### Week 6: July 1 - 5 (Closed July 4th) Spirit Week

Welcome to Spirit Week! Let's celebrate each day as a fun learning adventure. Each day we will have something special to do. What does it take to be a Disney star? How can we become

professional athletes? Can we make our hair do something crazy with a wild and crazy hair day? Let's have fun with our friends with water balloon fights, a picnic, and jump through some

sprinklers. We will also be having a blast at Chuck E. Cheese, where a kid can be a kid!



#### Week 7: July 8 - 12 Blast Off

Blast Off into Space Week! As campers adventure through space, they will learn what it takes to be astronauts. Scampers will design their own planet, play asteroid toss, make tele-scopes, and we will even eat astronaut food! Plus, the campers will have a feeling of zero gravity when they take a trip to Sky Zone. Get ready for an out-of-this-world experience!

#### Week 8: July 15 - 19 Mad Scientists

Let's explore the world of science. Campers will make a volcano explode, try to drop an egg without breaking it, make a gigantic bubble, and get sticky by making slime! Our trip to the World's Fair Park and fountains will be a great mid-week cool-off.

#### Week 9: July 22 - 26 Mystical Magic

Who's ready to go on a mystical adventure? This week during camp, we will be creating a fun and magical place for fairies, butterflies, and gnomes to live. Campers will design their very own Fairytale Garden and imagine themselves as mythical creatures. In addition, we will have a fun-filled trip to Main Event.

#### Week 10: July 29 - August 2 Under the Big Top

Welcome to the Big Top! Campers will have a fun, all-day event that includes a water slide, eating, playing games, and face painting. Scampers will help decorate and get ready for the big day of celebration. We will come up with the carnival games, design signs, and set up for this fun and exciting day. This is the week to be here. Don't miss out on the fun!



#### Week 11: August 5 - 9 When I Grow Up

While we get ready to go to kindergarten, we will explore what we want to be when we grow up. Every day will highlight a career choice and campers will dress up as their future selves. Scampers will also be taking a fun-filled trip to McFee Park, where we can swing, run, and play in the splash pad. We will even be having a cookout of our favorite food; hamburgers and hotdogs! Come join in the fun with us.

#### Week 12: August 12 - 16 Superhero

Capes on Campers, because we are going to explore all types of real-life superheroes. We will have a visit from our local fire department, police, EMTs, TWRA, and more. Scampers will talk about what we can do to help each other, design our own capes, and even dress up as our favorite superheroes. Scampers will be taking an adventure to The Muse too, where they can interact with a variety of hands-on exhibits and fly like a bird in the planetarium. Let's gather our superpowers and join forces to become the best Campers we can be!

#### Week 13: August 19 - 21 "Lego" of Summer

Let's "Lego" of Summer by ending it with a scavenger hunt, maze making, and bridge building all from Legos. The possibilities are endless! This week, we will also have a pizza, movie, and pajama day, all while watching the Lego Movie. Let's say goodbye to summer and hello to kidergarten by doing what kids love; building, creating, and using their own imagination.

\*Please check the camp calendar for specific times and dates of all field trips.





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# Junior and Day Camp Weekly Themes

### Week 1: May 28-31 Summer Block Party

Let's party like it's 1999! This year's summer block party week is about music through the times. Campers will sing karaoke, play "Name That Tune", and dance to their favorite songs. We will have an onsite bounce house to start the week off right. Thursday is our field trip to the Tennessee Aquarium, the perfect way to kick summer camp off.

#### Week 2: June 3-7 TN Adventures

Do you have what it takes to be a true adventurer? Only the brave will hike Fox Fire Mountain and battle their way to the top during the field day challenge at Bob Leonard Park. Knox Rocks, an onsite rock wall, will be here during our Tennessee Adventure week, and campers will also have time to learn some fun facts about Knoxville and the Great Smoky Mountains.

#### Week 3: June 10-14 Let's Get Physical

Fore!!! Top Golf is the place, and Angry Birds is the game. Swing your way to victory by knocking down the angry bird towers and leaving no little piggies standing. We also plan to take a trip to Cool Sports and use their indoor field to have our very own "Morning Star Games". We will have multiple different activities for every camper to show their skills.





#### Week 4: June 17 - 21 (Closed June 19th) Culinary Kids

In a galaxy far, far away young crafty kids are called upon to cultivate their skills and talents to cook in the most epic battle, Cake Wars!!! Grab your aprons, spoons, and bowls. Campers will team up to bake a cake so epic that they will talk about it for ages. A little rest and relaxation at Loudon County Pool is an awesome place to start this journey before heading to Emerald Youth Foundation kitchen for Cake Wars. Let's Goooooooo!!!!!!

#### Week 5: June 24 - 28 Spirit Week

Who has team spirit? Squad up and create a team that is ready to compete in LARPing (Live. Action. Role. Playing) at Anchor Park in a story of Capture the Flag. Follow the clues, solve the puzzles, and capture the other teams' hidden flags. We will also jump into the Karns pool this week to cool down and chill to finish off the week.

#### Week 6: : July 1 - 5 (Closed July 4th) All American Week

Fire up your grills, we are having a cookout! Good music, food, and the red, white, and blue to celebrate the 4th of July. We will also have a picnic at World's Fair Park with tons of outside games, the water fountains, and a summer kickball game. Campers will create crafts and desserts inspired by the colors of our flag.

#### Week 7: July 8 - July 12 Lost Art of Summer Week

Travel through time and explore the history of art like Indiana Jones. Recreate masterpieces from the past and find your inspiration from the Lost Art of Summer. During this week, campers will let loose at Pigeon Forge Snow and walk through the exhibits at the Knoxville Museum of Art.



#### Week 8: July 15 - 19 High Flying Acrobats Week

Robots and trampolines, sign me up! The Webb robotics team will work with the campers on fun STEM-related activities and display some of their robots. The campers will also test their high-flying talents at Tataru's and Sky Zone.

#### Week 9: July 22 - 26 Game Time

Put your game face on, because this week is about challenging your skills bowling, on the basketball court, and on the field. Main Event will be hosting our Morning Star bowling tournament and gameplay. Then, it's all about the press on the court. The campers will compete in a shot, pass, and dribble skills test at the Women's Basketball Hall of Fame. Campers will love showing off their abilities!

#### Week 10: July29 - August 2 Under the Big Top

Come one, come all to the most amazing show on earth under the Morning Star Big Top! Campers will explore the world of the circus with juggling, acrobatics, and the art of clowning. Emerald Youth Foundation will let us play some circus-inspired games, and at the end of the week, Morning Star will host our own Carnival. Get ready for a day of games, water slides, and great food. It's sure to be fun that everyone can enjoy!

#### Week 11: August 5 - 7 Arcade Madness

Last Week, Best Week!!! It's a short one, but it will be fun. Campers bring your A-game because we are going to play board games, minute-to-win-it challenges, and video games. Token will also host our pinball challenge and determine who is the ultimate gamer.

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