



CURIOSITY CAMPS 2024 BREAK WEEK INFORMATION AND POLICIES

Welcome to February Break Camp at Cumming Nature Center! We're so glad you're here. We've got an awesome few days lined up for you, filled with snowy exploring, skiing and sledding, and learning led by fun! Check out this document for everything you need to know about CNC Curiosity Camps this summer, and please reach out to [Camp Administration](#) if you have any questions.

DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

Drop-off and pick-up take place at the Cumming Nature Center, located at 6472 Gulick Road, Naples, NY 14512.

Drop-Off

Please be prompt so that all camps can start at their scheduled times. All campers must be accompanied by an adult each morning and signed in. Drop-off is at 9:00 AM. Campers arriving before 9:00 AM will need to be supervised by an adult until sign-in begins.

Pick-Up

Your camper will only be released to the authorized contacts listed during registration and on the camp sign-in sheet. Authorized pick-ups must present a photo ID every time they come to pick up a camper. Pick up is between 3:30 PM - 4:00 PM. Campers who are not picked up by 4:00 PM will be charged accordingly.

Early Pick-Ups

In the event your camper needs to be picked up early, please notify your camp counselors when the day begins. Please note that parents will likely have to hike to the camp location to retrieve campers for early pick-up. In the event of an emergency, call Cumming Nature Center at (585) 374-6160.

WHAT TO BRING AND WEAR

- Please send your camper with a backpack, snack, lunch, and drink/water bottle. They should also bring spare warm underlayers, extra gloves and hats.
- Campers should wear warm winter boots and comfortable, warm layers. It is always five degrees colder here!



- We ask that you do not send your camper with a cell phone or other personal electronic devices. We do not receive cell reception on the trails and we try to keep our camp experience screen-free!
 - The RMSC and CNC are not responsible for the loss, destruction, or theft of any personal items that your child may bring to camp. We highly encourage your camper to keep valuables and other personal items at home.
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EMERGENCY AND WEATHER POLICY

In the event that the CNC closes due to inclement weather or any other emergency, Curiosity Camps will be canceled for the day. CNC closures are congruent with closures of the Naples School District. You will be notified. If the RMSC closes, refunds for that day will be given.

REFUNDS

To plan appropriately for staff and supplies and to maintain a safe, healthy environment, it is critical for us to accurately anticipate enrollment and attendance. Please note that all camp registration fees include a \$75 non-refundable deposit.

The following details our policies regarding cancellations, withdrawals, and absences:

Cancellation Policy

Camps that do not meet minimum enrollment requirements are subject to cancellation. If a break week camp is canceled due to enrollment requirements, you will be issued a full refund or credit towards a future registration.

If the CNC and/or Curiosity Camps is closed due to COVID-19 regulations, we will issue you a refund or a credit towards a future registration.

Refund Policy

All camp registration fees include a \$75 non-refundable deposit.

- Withdrawals that occur more than 10 days before the start of camp will receive a full refund (minus the \$75 non-refundable deposit).
- Withdrawals that occur less than 10 days before the start of camp will not receive a refund.

See below for an example!

This year's February Break camp is Tuesday, February 20th - Thursday, February 22nd. In order to receive a full refund (minus the \$75 non-refundable deposit), withdrawals must be made on or before February 10th. Withdrawals made on or after February 12 will not receive a refund.

Absence Policy

Fees will not be pro-rated or refunded for any missed days of a camp session. Absences cannot be made up by having your child attend another camp on a different day.

HEALTH INFORMATION: ALLERGIES, MEDICATION, AND EXTRA SUPPORT

Curiosity Camps strives to provide an accessible and safe environment for all campers. If your camper has a medical condition, severe allergies, dietary restrictions, or a disability, please note this information during registration. Camp Administration may contact you if there are questions or concerns regarding the successful accommodation of your camper.

Disabilities and Extra Support

Curiosity Camps strives to provide an accessible and safe environment for all campers. If your camper has a disability or needs extra support, please let us know during registration and provide details/suggestions on how we can assist your child in having the best possible experience with us.

Please note that RMSC Curiosity Camps cannot provide 1:1 aides. Campers will be in groups of approximately 15 campers, with a staff to camper ratio of approximately 1:8. If your camper has a 1:1 aide or receives extra support during the school year, please contact Camp Administration before registering for more information about the structure of our camp program.

Allergies

If your camper has an allergy, let us know during registration (make sure to tell us what they're allergic to). Medications needed in an emergency (e.g. inhalers, EpiPens, Benadryl, etc.) are kept with the camper's instructor at all times during the day. See below for instructions on how to send your camper with medicine.

Medication at Camp

If your camper will need to take any medication (including EpiPens and inhalers) at camp, it must be brought to camp in the original container and be accompanied by a signed note from the camper's parent/guardian that includes the following:

- Permission for Camp Administration to supervise the self-administration of the medication
- Details explaining usage, dosage, and timing for the medication.

This note must accompany the medication to camp and be reviewed with a Camp Administrator; please do not send in advance.

Vaccinations

As of 2019, all campers must have standard vaccinations. Please note that New York State Law does not allow for religious exemptions. Contact Camp Administration if your camper has a medical exemption.

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES

In order to provide all campers and staff with a positive and safe experience, it is important that all campers exhibit proper behavior and self-control and act respectful at all times. Behaviors that are not tolerated at camp include but are not limited to the following: name calling, bullying, fighting, foul language, reckless endangerment, unsafe use of equipment, leaving the group without permission, physical violence or fighting of any kind, stealing or damaging property, and other disrespectful actions.

As necessary, Curiosity Camps will take the following action steps to manage behavior incidents and/or chronic behaviors as problems arise and progress.

1. Camp Staff will address inappropriate behaviors and will redirect the camper to more appropriate behavior. Concerns will be shared with the caregivers of the camper(s) involved during Pick-Up at the end of the day.
2. If inappropriate behavior continues and is affecting the experience of other campers, the camper will be referred to Camp Administration. Camp Administration will contact caregivers to inform them of inappropriate behaviors and discuss possible solutions.
3. If inappropriate behavior continues, caregivers will be contacted to pick up the camper immediately, and the camper will be suspended from the remainder of the day (and possibly week). Depending on the severity of the behavior, the camper may be dismissed from all future programs at the RMSC.
4. Curiosity Camps has a zero-tolerance policy for physical violence, leaving the group without permission, and behaviors involving the endangering of self, staff, and other campers. These behaviors will result in disciplinary action—which may include immediate dismissal from the camp program for the rest of the camp day and/or week.

Regardless of previous concerns or action steps taken, Camp Administration reserves the right to immediately dismiss a camper from current and future camp sessions at any point for conduct that is deemed detrimental to the well-being of other campers and staff or to the overall operation of the camp. Refunds will not be given (for current or future camp sessions) if campers are dismissed from Curiosity Camps programs due to behavioral reasons.