

CAMP SIMMONS

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2024 PARENT-CAMPER HANDBOOK



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744 Lake Ave., Greenwich
Phone: 475-232-6162 or 203-869-3224 ext 6162

- Sessions and Dates** There are 8 one-week sessions **Beginning June 24 and ending August 16 (No Camp on July 4th)**
Weekly registration is required
- Camp Hours** Program hours: **9:00 am - 4:00 pm**
Morning drop-off: **8:00 - 9:00 am (no drop-off after 9:30 am)**
Afternoon pick-up: **4:00 - 5:00 pm**
- Check-in** Campers must be dropped off and picked up at Camp Simmons.
Daily announcements start at 9:00 am.
- Pick-up** ***All campers will be checked out when leaving. It is important to notify the staff if someone other than a parent is picking up your child by filling out the Authorized Pick-up form in your Daxko account. ALL CAMPERS MUST BE PICKED UP AT CAMP SIMMONS BY 5:00 pm.**
- Traffic** Please be aware of two-way traffic in the morning and the afternoon. **PARENTS PLEASE DO NOT GET OUT OF YOUR CAR.** This will help keep traffic moving and the campers in a safe environment. **Absolutely no standing or parking allowed on Hope Farm Road. This is a private residential street with no access to Camp Simmons. We appreciate your cooperation.**
- What to Bring Daily** Towel, bathing suit, sunscreen, hat, lunch, drinks, flip flops/water shoes for pool deck, and a full, refillable water bottle.
- Mark Your Belongings** Please put your child's name on all clothing, towels, hats, and bags.
- Lost & Found** All lost & found clothes will be donated to charity every other Friday. If your child is missing something, speak to a staff member.
- Personal Belongings** **Campers are NOT PERMITTED to bring personal belongings from home (i.e. iPads, radios, game boys, dolls, pokeman cards etc.). The Club is not responsible for lost property. Leave cell phones at home.**
Cell Phone Policy No cell phones are allowed at Camp unless authorized by the Camp Director. We strongly encourage your child to leave their cell phone at home.
- Medications** **Boys & Girls Club does not regularly dispense medication to campers. Our policy is not to dispense medications unless medically necessary (such as administration of an EpiPen). For such occasions, a camper with a prescribed medication must have a form signed by the member's doctor and parent. If you have questions, please speak with the Camp Director or First Aid staff member.**
- Camp Suspension** A camper may be suspended from camp for the rest of the summer with no refund for stealing, disrespectfulness, not listening to staff, abuse toward staff, or camp equipment and other campers.

Parent & Camper Information

- Each group will consist of two staff, a CIT, and 20 campers. The groups and staff will stay together all day.
- There will be no refunds for rain days at Camp Simmons. **Camp Simmons will be closed on rainy days, and parents will be notified by email at 7:00 am. Understanding that some parents rely on having their children at camp with no other childcare accommodations, a limited number of campers can attend a modified camp program at BGCG's St. Roch site on days when Camp Simmons is closed.** Therefore, the weekly Thursday email will have a sign-up link for a limited number of campers on a first come, first served basis. Please check our website and social media pages on Facebook and Instagram for weather updates.
- **To receive text messages about rain days, text BGCGKIDS to 54539**
- Campers will have required swim lessons each morning, and then free swim in the afternoon.

PLEASE READ ALL INFORMATION CAREFULLY

- Camp Simmons is **OPEN 9:00 am - 4:00 pm**, with drop-off from 8:00 – 9:00 am, and pick-up until 5:00 pm.
- At 9:00 am each day, campers will join their group and staff to hear announcements for the day and week.
- No campers will be allowed into camp after **9:30 am**.
- Campers must sign in and out every day at drop-off and pick-up. Campers must notify a staff member if they are leaving early, or if they plan on arriving late the next day.
- It is important to notify the staff if someone other than a parent is picking up your child by filling out the Authorized Pick-up form in your Daxko account.
- Campers may not walk up the driveway or leave without signing out.
- **A BBQ lunch of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips and drink is provided every Friday. Campers must bring lunch Monday through Thursday. We are working with a local deli to offer an option of online ordering and delivery to Camp Simmons. More details will be provided closer to camp.**
- Lunches should be packed in a lunch bag/cooler with ice packs and will be refrigerated.
- Every day bring a towel, drink, bathing suit, flip flops/water shoes, full refillable water bottle, and extra clothes in case it rains.
- Campers are not allowed in the house or garage.
- Campers must stay out of the woods and on the path.
- Campers must keep their hands to themselves. There is no reason to touch another camper.
- There is no lying, stealing, or swearing.
- Campers must stay out of other camper's bags and lunch coolers.
- There is no picking on, or teasing, each other. Have fun at camp and make new friends.
- If you are missing something (socks, shorts, lunch) tell a staff member. We are here to help you.
- Campers must stay with their group and follow the program schedule, and stay in assigned groups.
- No fooling around in the locker room or bathroom.
- If you do not feel well, tell a staff member and go to first aid.

- If you are having a problem with another camper or staff person, tell Don Palmer, Otis Bellamy or Mike Gerald.
- Take care of all the camp equipment. Pick up and put equipment away. If something gets broken, tell a staff member so it can be taken care of.
- Cell phones and texting are not allowed during camp hours.
- Respect the Staff. They always put your safety and best interest first.
- Campers and Staff eat lunch together. Campers must pick up after themselves.
- No camper will be allowed to leave with another parent, friend, or guardian without entering the person's name in the Authorized Pick-up form in their Daxko account.
- **Absolutely no standing or parking allowed on Hope Farm Road. This is a private residential street with no access to Camp Simmons. We appreciate your cooperation in being good neighbors.**

Camp Simmons Special Events 2024

Week One	June 24	June 25	June 26	June 27	June 28
Summer Camp Blast Off	First Day of Camp		Connect 4 Challenge	Basketball Clinics	Snow Cone Day
Week Two	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4	July 5
Let's Be Creative		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Face Painting •Building Masterpieces 	Red, White & Blue Day	CAMP CLOSED	Tie Dye Day
Week Three	July 8	July 9	July 10	July 11	July 12
Backyard Basics	Pickle Ball	Kick Ball	Dodge Ball	Wiffle Ball Tournament	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pancake Breakfast •Field Day
Week Four	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18	July 19
BE GREAT	Kind Words Poster Day	Wacky Games Day	Random Acts of Kindness	Be a Leader Day	Popsicle Day
Week Five	July 22	July 23	July 24	July 25	July 26
Keep the TRADITIONS Alive		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Iron Man Race •Funny Hat Day 	Wacky Tacky Day	Holiday Celebration	World Cup Soccer Day
Week Six	July 29	July 30	July 31	August 1	August 2
Sports Clinics Week	Basketball Skills	3 on 3 Basketball Tournament	Soccer Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Soccer Games •Volleyball Skills 	Robert Bucklin Baseball Tournament
Week Seven	August 5	August 6	August 7	August 8	August 9
Triple Play	Game Room Tournaments	Feel Good Fitness	Water Balloon Catch	Jump Rope Challenge	Pool Races
Week Eight	August 12	August 13	August 14	August 15	August 16
Olympic Week	Opening Ceremony	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Team Games •Trivia Games 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Team Games •Belly Flop Contest 	Team Games	Closing Ceremony