



SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITY PROGRAM

2016 Parent's Guide

PHILOSOPHY STATEMENT

The aim of the Rice University Summer Youth Activity Program is to introduce children to a variety of sport and recreational activities in a friendly, non-competitive environment. Participants will spend the summer having fun, meeting new friends and being physically active. A summer with S.Y.A.P. will leave your child with a sense of physical, social and emotional accomplishment, and memories that will last a lifetime.



QUESTIONS?

Call 713-348-4058
or send an email to
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TENTATIVE ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

TIME	ACTIVITY	AGE	LOCATION
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	6–7a	Determined by activity
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	6–7b	Determined by activity
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	8–9a	Determined by activity
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	8–9b	Determined by activity
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	10–11a	Determined by activity
8:45–9:40	Wolves vs. Wildcats	10–11b	Determined by activity
9:45–9:55	Break	All	Theater
10:00–10:55	T-Ball	6–7a	O'Connor Field
10:00–10:55	Indoor Soccer	6–7b	MAC Gym
10:00–10:55	Tennis	8–9a	Tennis Center
10:00–10:55	Art	8–9b	Room 220
10:00–10:55	Fencing	10–11a	Main Gym 2
10:00–10:55	Archery	10–11b	Field 5
11:00–11:55	Dance	6–7a	Theater
11:00–11:55	Outdoor Games	6–7b	Field 5
11:00–11:55	Fencing	8–9a	Main Gym 2
11:00–11:55	Baseball/Softball	8–9b	O'Connor Field (1/2)
11:00–11:55	Tennis	10–11a	Tennis Center
11:00–11:55	Indoor Soccer	10–11b	MAC Gym
Noon–12:30	Lunch	All	Theater
12:35–1:25	Swimming	6–7a	Pool
12:35–1:25	Basketball	6–7b	Main Gym 2
12:35–1:25	Football	8–9a	O'Connor Field (1/2)
12:35–1:25	Swimming	8–9b	Pool
12:35–1:25	Golf	10–11a	Field 5
12:35–1:25	Team Sports	10–11b	MAC Gym
1:30–1:50	Break	All	Theater
1:55–2:45	Art	6–7a	Classroom 220
1:55–2:45	Swimming	6–7b	Pool
1:55–2:45	Indoor Soccer	8–9a	MAC Gym
1:55–2:45	Team Building	8–9b	MPR 3
1:55–2:45	Swimming	10–11a	Pool
1:55–2:45	Basketball	10–11b	Main Gym 2
2:50–3:40	Tumbling	6–7a	MPR 3
2:50–3:40	Rec Sports	6–7b	MAC Gym
2:50–3:40	Swimming	8–9a	Pool
2:50–3:40	Basketball	8–9b	Main Gym 2
2:50–3:40	Kaboom	10–11a	MPR1
2:50–3:40	Swimming	10–11b	Pool
4:00–6:00	Late Care	All	Main Gym 1 & Classroom 220

THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

DAILY AGENDA

8:10–8:35 a.m. Drop-off
8:45 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Activities
4:00–4:15 p.m. Pick-up
4:00–6:00 p.m. Late Activity Program

GENERAL EXPECTATIONS

- Children must report on time to all scheduled activities.
- Children are encouraged to participate in all scheduled activities. Only the Director, Assistant Director, or the activity instructor may grant permission for a child to be excused from an activity, including swimming.
- Children are not permitted to leave the program area or go off campus.
- Children are forbidden to participate in emotionally or physically abusive acts.

LUNCH, SNACKS, & CONCESSIONS

Children should bring a packed lunch and water bottle daily. Complimentary refreshments and snacks will be provided during the day, and concessions will be sold during the afternoon break as well as during the Late Activity Program.

CLOTHING AND EQUIPMENT

Children should dress in casual, summer clothing and tennis/gym shoes (non-scuffing soles). Each child must bring a swimsuit and towel. Children are encouraged to wear sunscreen, but note that the Summer Youth Activity Program staff will not apply it. Please mark all personal items and avoid sending expensive or fragile objects. Children may NOT bring cards for trading, electronic gaming devices, audio players, or cell phones, and are discouraged from wearing jewelry. Rice University and its employees will not be responsible for any lost or stolen items.

Each child is responsible for bringing his/her own water bottle each day. Should a child come to SYAP without one on any given day, he/she will be given a Rec Center water bottle, and families will be charged \$5.00.

STAFF

Our staff includes college students from Rice and other area universities, as well as recreation professionals. All staff members are carefully selected so that we can provide each child with age appropriate instruction and an exciting and memorable experience.

DIRECTIONS

Enter the campus through Gate 20, off of Rice Boulevard. (Kent Street intersection). Go straight down Alumni Drive. The Recreation Center is the first large brick building on the right.

DROP-OFF

- Cars should enter campus from Rice Boulevard at Entrance 20 (Alumni Drive).
- Travel along Alumni Drive until you reach the second stop sign.
- Take a right onto Laboratory Road, stay to the right so thru-traffic can flow on the left.*
- Drop children off curbside in front of Recreation Center building between 8:10 a.m. and 8:35 a.m.**

*Active unloading only, cars left unattended will be ticketed
**No supervision will be provided for children who are dropped off prior to 8:10 a.m.

PICK-UP

(same location as drop-off)

- All SYAP families will be given carpool cards to designate person(s) authorized for pick up.
- Carpool cards should be displayed on the passenger side of the windshield.
- Children will load into designated vehicles.
- Do not stop or park your car on Alumni Drive; cars that are unable to find curb space on Laboratory Road will need to circle back around.

PARKING

Should you wish to park your vehicle, you may do so at the North Annex visitor's lot (located just after entering campus on Alumni Drive). Vehicles can park for free for 18 minutes. Parents or guardians who choose to park must escort their children to and from the building via the designated sidewalk along Alumni Drive, and should have carpool cards in hand for pick up.



REFUNDS

Refunds are not available for vacations, special events, short-term illness of four days or fewer, or other personal commitments that prevent attendance.

A refund may be available for an extended illness of five or more consecutive program days. A doctor's note explaining the situation must be received within eight (8) working days from the first day of absence. Upon review, families may receive a \$25 per-day refund for the unused days.

TRANSFERS / SCHEDULE CHANGES

All transfers are based on space availability and are made at the discretion of the Recreation Center Staff. Children may give their spots only to siblings or step-siblings. Sessions are not transferable to anyone outside the immediate family. Children missing days (for reasons other than medical) will not be allowed to make up missed sessions. Split sessions are not available.

Due to administrative costs, a \$40 fee is charged for transferring between sessions. Transfers must be done in person at the Recreation Center Office at least three working days prior to the start of the session. The transfer fee must be paid at the time the request is made.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

Except under extreme conditions, SYAP will be held during inclement weather. Whenever possible, outdoor classes will be assigned a gymnasium or other activity area for use in case of rain. Possible alternatives to the regular activity could include showing a video, reviewing game rules and/or strategy, or participation in other games and activities.

PLEASE NOTE:

While a rare occurrence, the Summer Youth Activity Program staff reserves the right to remove any child whose behavior is disruptive or abusive. This includes, but is not limited to the destruction of University property, causing physical or emotional harm to self or others, and excessive insubordination. No refund will be made if a child is dismissed from the program. Charges will be assessed against participants responsible for damaged or missing University equipment or property.