

Summer Adventures Guidelines—Child with an Adult

Thank you for choosing Lake County Forest Preserves Summer Adventures. Our programs are designed to help your child gain a deeper appreciation and respect for nature, art, and culture. These guidelines help to ensure a safe and rewarding experience for everyone.

Before Program Starts—Fill out the necessary forms required for the program. Give the completed form to the program's educator the day of the program. Check your email, including the spam/junk folder, for correspondence from the program's educator and administrative staff that may have more details beyond what is in the itinerary.

Code of Conduct— Please review the following guidelines with your child. Participants are expected to display appropriate behavior:

- Show respect to all participants, staff, and nature
- Be pleasant to others and refrain from using foul language
- Refrain from putting themselves and others in danger
- Use equipment, supplies, and facilities as instructed
- Always wear appropriate attire and shoes
- Stay with the group
- Cell phones should be silenced or set to vibrate

Appropriate Attire and Gear--See program itineraries for specific attire and gear.

Wear appropriate clothing for moving, creating, exploring that may get dirty.

GEAR

- Filled reusable water bottle, at least 16 oz
- Sunscreen and insect repellent; they are not provided or applied by staff

How Weather Affects Programs

The safety of participants is important to us, and weather can change unexpectedly. Staff make the best decisions they can with the information on hand.

- Rain: Programs are not cancelled due to rain. Bring rain attire.
- Lightning/Thunderstorms: If lightning persists more than 30 min. in a program without a lightning safe shelter, it may be canceled.*
- Heat Index: When the heat index reaches 100 degrees, activities are altered or the session may be canceled.*

*When cancellation occurs, notifications will be sent to the phone and email contacts listed on the waiver and release form.

Health and Safety

- All staff is certified in First Aid, CPR, AED, EpiPen and asthma inhaler assistance. They will take whatever emergency medical measures are deemed necessary for the protection and safety of the participants within their training. This may include calling for an ambulance.
- For a healthy program environment, please stay at home if you or your child feel unwell or have a fever, and please notify us of your absence. We must be notified immediately of any communicable disease.
- We want you and your child to have the best possible experience. Please let us know when you register if you or your child require accommodations. With prior knowledge of a participant's needs, staff may be able to modify activities and techniques to provide everyone a great learning experience.
- Follow covid guidelines and protocols <https://www.lcfdp.org/covid-19-updates/>

Need More Information?

Contact us at AskAnEducator@LCFPD.org or 847-968-3321 with any health and safety concerns or questions about the program.