



2026 Summer Camp Parent and Guardian Guide

Welcome to the Frontier Culture Museum's historical summer camp!

We hope your camper will enjoy their experience stepping into the past with us.

In this guide, you will find information about the camp such as daily activities, policies, guidelines, and important documents to return.

CAMP AT A GLANCE

The FCM runs camps for three age levels: **Summertime on the Frontier** for 5-7 year olds, **Playing in the Past** for 8-9 year olds, and **Living in History** for 10-12 year olds. All campers must be of age by the week of their camp and no camper will be moved into an older or younger age group.

Please note that the **Living in History** and the **Playing in the Past** camps alternate focus between the Old World and the New World every other week. Activities differ based on which side of the museum is the focus. Some of the skills your camper will learn are: historical interpreting, cooking, woodworking, textiles, historical games, dancing, gardening and field work, working with farm animals, and more! The weeks' itineraries repeat throughout the summer, and will follow the formats listed later in the packet.

Length and Hours

Each camp runs from 8 am-5 pm Monday through Friday. Drop-off is **between 8 and 8:55 am** and pick-up is **between 4 and 4:55 pm**. **Late pickups will be charged an additional penalty**. Camps run from June 1st to July 24th. Multiple weeks may be purchased, but require individual purchases.

Program Goals

To Provide:

- Access to historical activities and museum immersion for school-aged children.
- Supervision by mature staff.
- A healthy and safe environment for children to learn, explore, and engage.
- Choices for historical crafts and games to encourage confidence.
- Mixed age-grouping to promote positive growth and learning.
- Emphasis on movement and outdoor activities.

Eligibility

- Open to all 5-12 years old. The child's age upon their first day of camp will determine their camp placement. Exceptions will not be made. If 7 years old on the first day of camp and 8 by their final day, the child will be placed in the 5-7 year old camp.
- Enrollment is on a first come, first serve basis, and in order to keep camp sizes manageable, no special requests for overbooking will be honored. If your camper wants to attend with a friend, there must be enough space to book both campers into the same week at the time of registration.
- Camp registration is not complete without payment received before the camper's week of attendance, whether done online or in person.
- Campers must be fully potty trained and self-sufficient in the bathroom.
- Camper transportation must be arranged to arrive no later than 9 am and picked up no later than 5 pm.
- While the FCM Summer Camp is inclusive, there is a great deal of walking involved, particularly as construction shifts, up to three miles per day. Mobility assistance may be available, but is not

guaranteed. Please consider your child's comfort before registering. Please reach out with questions.

Parents and guardians, please read through the information contained in this packet, for further details about the 2026 Summer Camp Program. In it you will find:

- Camp Introduction Letter – This will help you prepare your child for their week at camp.
- Policies and Procedures- This will help you understand how camp runs.
- Basic Camp Itinerary – This outlines the basic camp activities that will take place each day.
- Parent Responsibilities and Checklist – This reiterates the requirements of camp at the Museum and the necessary items for successful camp enrollment.

Once payment has been received, you will be sent these forms:

- Required Registration Forms – These forms (2026 Summer Camp Registration Form, Medical Information & Release, Summer Camp Program Waiver & Release, Summer Camp Sign In/Out Sheet) must be completed and returned to finalize camp registration. Please return no later than **1 week before camp starts** to the Visitor's Center via email at visitor.center@fcmv.virginia.gov. Campers will not be allowed to attend without these forms being completed before the first day of camp.
- Friday Final Event Notice – Camp staff will provide additional instructions about the special event that takes place on your camper's Friday afternoon.

We invite you to Like or Follow our [Facebook page](#) for immediate updates and additional information regarding the Frontier Culture Museum.

Summer Camp Refund Policy

In the event you must cancel your reservation, you will receive a refund as defined below:

- Cancellation notice must be submitted in writing.
- Please send notice to visitor.center@fcmv.virginia.gov.
- A \$50 processing fee is charged for **all cancellations**.
- Written notice of cancellation is required **four weeks prior to the session start date** and will receive a full refund, minus the \$50 processing fee.
- Cancellations received **less than four weeks of session start date** will receive a **50% refund**.
- Cancellation requests due to illness or accident prior to the camp session start date require a physician's written verification. Upon receipt of verification, we will issue a full refund, minus the \$50 processing fee.
- Cancellations due to personal reasons, etc. **will not receive a refund**.
- Campers who leave during a session **WILL NOT receive a refund**.
- If unanticipated circumstances beyond the museum's control make it impossible to hold an event, the museum shall make every effort to reschedule within one calendar year. All monies shall transfer in full to the new date.

For additional information, please contact us at the Museum by phone at 540-332-7850 and ask to speak with our Education Department staff for questions about the camp program or a member of the visitor center staff for registration questions. You may also e-mail us at education@fcmv.virginia.gov or visitor.center@fcmv.virginia.gov.

CAMP INTRODUCTION LETTER

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are looking forward to having your child join us this year and, in order to help you prepare, we are including below a list of items that your child will need before the start of camp. Please be sure to bring them every morning when you drop off your child so that we can make sure they have a great day every day. We will provide each child with a camp t-shirt every morning after they arrive that they will put on over their own clothes and leave at the museum at the end of the day. They will get to keep the shirt at the end of the week as a reminder of the great time they had!

Your child will need:

- Comfortable socks and closed toe shoes (**No** flip-flops or open toe shoes);
- Sunscreen and Insect Repellant (please apply the first layer before arrival and send more to be reapplied as needed);
- A water bottle, refillable and uncrushable (This is very important!);
- A healthy picnic lunch in an appropriate container (We will provide light snacks, such as goldfish and animal crackers throughout the day); and
- A bag to carry it all that has their name somewhere on it.
- ****Please leave all toys and electronic devices at home as the children will not have time to play on them and we do not have a place to keep them secure.****

Camper check-in is between 8:00 and 8:55 AM at the Octagonal Barn. The Museum requests that you **personally escort your child to the check-in every day**, as they will need to be signed in daily. Once checked in, the campers will be invited into the Octagonal Barn. **No camper will be admitted for the day after 9:30 AM without prior notification and no refunds will be issued.**

Pick-up will also be at the Octagonal Barn, between 4:00 and 4:55 PM and, again, we ask that you come in to **personally sign them out every afternoon**. Please be sure to **bring a photo ID** as well, because we will only release children to adults listed on the "Summer Camp Sign In/Out Sheet" with valid ID. Late pickups will be charged an additional penalty. **Late penalties are as follows: \$15 per 15 minutes.** All late fees must be paid at the Visitor's Center the same day. Late penalties will apply starting at 5:01.

*Campers **may not** be dropped off before 8:00 AM and **must** be picked up by 5:00 PM.*

Attached to this document is the notice and attendance form for our Friday Parent's Day program. We invite parents/guardians to come to the museum at 2:30 for the chance to participate in activities, weather dependent, with your camper. At 3:30, you will be able to attend a performance of the historic dances your camper learned during the week and listen to campers reflect on their favorite parts.

Thank you for choosing the Frontier Culture Museum's Summer Camp program and we'll see you soon!

Sincerely,

The FCM Education Staff

COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

Camp staff will verbally communicate daily during drop-off and pick-up. Injuries or disciplinary issues will be communicated both verbally and in writing. Emergent communication between campers and parent/guardians may be accomplished via a designated site cell phone, the number of which will be communicated upon Monday drop-off. Any concerns regarding a camper or the program should be discussed with the counselors on duty at drop-off or pick-up. Issues may be referred to FCM Education Staff for follow-up, accessed via the Visitor's Center at (540) 332-7850.

Sick Campers

Staff will call parents/guardians of ill children (children with high temperatures, reoccurring vomiting or diarrhea, or signs of any communicable disease) to come and pick them up from the program.

Staff will coordinate with the Visitors Center if parents/guardians are unable to immediately pick up the camper.

In the case of children with contagious diseases, the Museum requests that those campers do not attend camp to ensure the health and safety of others. Campers may return after symptoms fade, i.e., 24 hours fever free. In the case of lice, campers may return after no live lice have been observed after 24 hours. If your camper contracts a contagious illness immediately prior to or during camp, please call the Visitor's Center at (540) 332-7850.

Allergies and Food Restrictions

Please include all allergic information on the Medical Information & Release Form. No snacks are permitted to be shared between campers.

Campers are provided snacks such as Goldfish crackers and Mott's fruit snacks throughout the day. If your camper is unable to consume such snacks for safety or allergic reasons, please include that information on the Medical Information & Release Form and provide an alternative for your camper to bring in their lunchbox.

All camps will cook historic foods and taste them every week. These foods include items like chicken, sausage, apple pie, bread and butter, etc. Gluten and dairy are used in the production of these items, as is the handling of meat, including pork. Gluten-free and vegetarian options such as oat cakes, sour lentils, or green corn soup are available every week for the 10-12 year old camp. If your camper has any food restrictions for handling or consuming, please make that clear on the Medical Information & Release Form and address it with the counselors upon check in.

For any further questions regarding food during camp, please call the Visitor's Center at (540) 332-7850.

Policies and Procedures

Sign-In and Check-Out

Camper check-in is between 8:00 and 8:55 AM at the Octagonal Barn. The Museum requests that you **personally escort your child to the check-in every day**, as they will need to be signed in daily. Please be on time for check-in so that we may start the day's activities on time. Your child will move to other areas of the Museum at 9 AM, so timely arrival is important. Once checked in, the campers will be invited into the Octagonal Barn. **No camper will be admitted for the day after 9:30 AM without prior notification and no refunds will be issued.** If you are aware of an appointment or a reason for your camper to arrive at camp after 9:30 AM, please let the Visitor's Center staff know as soon as possible. In the case of traffic, please call the Visitor's Center at (540) 332-7850 so we know to expect your camper.

If you are going to be picking up your camper early, please let camp staff know that ahead of time so your camper can be ready to go. All three camps are at various locations throughout the day and it may take time to retrieve your camper and their belongings without advance notice.

Pick-up will also be at the Octagonal Barn, between 4:00 and 4:55 PM and, again, we ask that you come in to **personally sign them out every afternoon**. Please be sure to **bring a photo ID** as well, because we will only release children to adults listed on the "Summer Camp Sign In/Out Sheet" with valid ID. We also ask that you notify the camp staff in writing in advance if someone else will be dropping off or picking up your child.

Late pickups will be charged an additional penalty. **Late penalties are as follows: \$15 per 15 minutes.** All late penalties must be paid at the Visitor's Center the same day. Late penalties will apply starting at 5:01 with no prior notification. The authorities will be contacted after 5:30 PM with a continued lack of contact with the parent/guardian and the late penalty will still apply.

Procedure for Medical Emergencies

First aid kits are accessible on all farm sites, buildings, and carried with summer camp staff to all locations. All information critical to your camper's medical needs must be on file with camp staff. If anything was not included during registration, please provide the information on the Medical Information & Release form that **must be turned in prior** to the first day of camp. This allows camp staff to assess and provide or obtain appropriate care. When appropriate, staff will call 911.

If your camper requires medication, daily or emergent, you must provide the medication in clearly labelled original containers, complete with camper name, instructions, dosage, physician's name and phone number. Due to the dispersed nature of the campus, the counselor assigned to your camper's group will carry sealed and clearly labelled containers and maintain control of the medication at all times. Epi-Pens must be provided by the camper and clearly labelled. **Medication cannot be administered by staff.**

Injury or Emergency Communication

Parents/guardians will be immediately notified in the event of serious injuries, including broken bones, head injuries, unconsciousness, severe bleeding, or the necessity of professional/emergent care. The

event will be documented in writing and appropriate follow-up of the incident and subsequent care will be taken.

Significant or minimal injuries that do not require professional care, including falls, sprains, scratches, and scrapes will be documented in writing and staff will inform parents and guardians upon pick-up the day the event occurs.

Disaster Procedures

In the case of a natural disaster (i.e. flood, tornado, severe wind), the FCM's Disaster Preparedness Plan will be followed. Evacuation of outdoor areas to specific, secure locations will be organized by summer camp staff. Communication with parents/guardians will be taken by Visitor Center staff as well as via Facebook. Please do not call the Museum to avoid tying up lines of communication. Do not call individual counselors as they will need to be able to maintain control of the campers and remain alert to changing circumstances.

In the event of non-natural disasters, all appropriate procedures, including notifying the authorities, will be followed. Updates in this case will be undertaken as appropriate, which may include notification during pick-up.

Severe Weather

Heat Advisory: When the heat index (combination of temperature and humidity) is 100 or above (90° F/60% humidity) the National Weather Service will issue a heat advisory. All classes, camps, and programs will take precautions to ensure that individuals are not placed at risk for heat related illnesses or conditions.

Camp activities largely take place outside or in historic buildings with no temperature control. With increasing summer temperatures and ongoing construction shifting access to buildings, it is unfeasible to have campers in temperature-controlled spaces continuously. Please make sure your camper is dressed and prepared for large spans of time outdoors in all temperatures. Every effort will be made to provide campers with temperature breaks throughout the day. Cold water is available at all times.

Behavior Management

The expectation is that campers will take responsibility for their behavior and act appropriately during camp to foster a positive camp environment. Rules and guidelines will be addressed on the first day of camp and explained clearly for campers. Parents are not permitted to reprimand another child on Museum premises or while the child is in Museum care. Please address staff with any concerns.

Staff will be constructive, fair and consistent and use techniques to include:

- Using limits that are appropriate and understandable for the child's level
- Providing children with reasons for limits (for example: safety, respect etc.)
- Using language which is supportive and positive
- Modeling desired behavior

- Redirecting children's behavior and helping children to make good choices
- Helping children to express their feelings in an appropriate manner
- Helping children to resolve conflict in appropriate ways

Staff will make every effort to address camper behavior using the behavior management techniques listed above before implementing the following procedures related to discipline problems. Every behavior incident will be documented and a copy provided to guardians upon pick-up the day of the incident.

The Frontier Culture Museum reserves the right to call parents/guardians to pick up their child in cases of disruption or discipline problems, such as situations where a child is having trouble cooperating with others, bullying, or threatening their own safety or the safety of others.

The Museum reserves the right to suspend or terminate any child's participation in the Summer Camp program due to discipline problems. The determination of suspension versus termination will depend on the severity of the discipline problem and the final decision will be made by the Education Director(s). Parents will be informed if their child's participation in the program is to be suspended or terminated. No refund will be given in the event of suspension or termination.

A "discipline problem" is defined as any camper who disrupts the camp program by either requiring constant individualized counselor attention; threatening or inflicting physical or emotional harm on other campers or self (i.e. bullying, harassment, fighting, etc.); physically and/or verbally abusing staff; or otherwise not conforming to the expectations outlined in this handbook and during camp.

SUMMERTIME ON THE FRONTIER CAMP ITINERARY (5-7 years)

The itinerary that follows is an outline of a potential week but may be subject to change, due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. The activities below are possible activities and not all may be done by the campers within a week. **The 5-7 year old camp repeats the same schedule and major activities every week.**

- Monday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Orientation/Ice breakers
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:45 Tour of Old World Animals (Feeding)
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:00 Crafts
 - 2:00-2:15 Snack
 - 2:15-3:30 Story time with the Bookmobile
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Tuesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Crafts
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:45 Music and Storytelling
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:00 Costumes/Dance
 - 2:00-2:15 Snack
 - 2:15-2:45 Story time
 - 2:45-4:00 Crafts/Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Wednesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 8:30-10:30 Tour of New World Animals
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Laundry
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:00 Crafts
 - 2:00-2:15 Snack
 - 2:15-3:45 Story time/Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Thursday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:00 Puppet making
 - 10:00-10:30 Puppet shows
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack

- 10:45-11:30 Music and Storytelling
- 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
- 1:00-2:00 Crafts
- 2:00-2:15 Snack
- 2:15-3:45 Story time/ Games
- 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Friday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-9:30 Reflection- color a picture from the week
 - 9:30-10:30 Nature Walk & Leaf Collection
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Crafts
 - 11:15-11:30 Schoolhouse
 - 11:30-12:00 Games
 - 12:00-2:30 Lunch
 - Parent's Afternoon- 2:30-4:00
 - 2:30-3:30 Check out and Fishing with Parents (weather dependent)
 - 3:30-4:00 Return to Lecture Hall/Pavilion- Dance program

PLAYING IN THE PAST CAMP ITINERARY (8-9 years)

The itinerary that follows is a potential outline of each week but may be subject to change, due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Listed below are the main activities for each day. Camper participation in certain activities is behavior dependent. **Please note that activities and exhibits will vary, between the Old World and America, depending on even and odd session week numbers.**

New World Weeks (Weeks 1, 3, 5, 7):

- Monday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Orientation/Ice breakers
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Tour of New World and Site Assignments
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Bookmobile check out and reading
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Tuesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Dance Practice
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Animal Tour
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Crafts and Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Wednesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Historic Crafts
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 11:15-11:45 Laundry
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:00 Schoolhouse and Recess
 - 2:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45- 4:00 Crafts and Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Thursday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-12:30 Bread Baking
 - 12:30-1:30 Lunch
 - 1:30-2:00 Historic Games
 - 2:00-4:00 Dance practice
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out

- Friday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:00 Costumes Issued
 - 10:00-10:30 Packing the Wagon
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Write Reflections
 - 11:15-12:30 Dance Practice/Practice interpretation on assigned site
 - 12:30-2:30 Lunch, Games
 - Parent's Afternoon- 2:30-4:00
 - 2:30-3:30 Check out and tour sites with kids in costume
 - 3:30-4:00 Return to Lecture Hall/Pavilion- Dance program

Old World Weeks (Week 2, 4, 6, 8):

- Monday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Orientation/Ice breakers
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Tour of Old World and Site Assignment
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Learn Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Bookmobile check out and reading
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Tuesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Dance Practice
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Garden Tour/ Herbals
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Learn Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Crafts and Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Wednesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Historic Crafts
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Nature Walk
 - 11:15-11:45 Laundry
 - 12:00-1:30 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:30-2:30 Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Crafts and Games
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Thursday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-12:30 Bread Baking
 - 12:30-1:30 Lunch

- 1:30-2:00 Historic Games
- 2:00-4:00 Dance practice with break for snack
- 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Friday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-9:30 Costumes Issued
 - 9:30-10:30 Music and Storytelling
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Write Reflection
 - 11:15-12:30 Dance rehearsal/ Practice Interpretation for Parent's Day
 - 12:30-2:30 Lunch and Games
 - Parent's Afternoon- 2:30-4:00
 - 2:30-3:30 Check- out and tour sites with kids in costume
 - 3:30-4:00 Return to Lecture Hall/Pavilion- Dance program

LIVING IN HISTORY CAMP ITINERARY (10-12 years)

The itinerary that follows is a potential outline of each week but may be subject to change, due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Listed below are the main activities for each day. Camper participation in certain activities is behavior dependent. Please note that activities and exhibits will vary, between the Old World and America, depending on even and odd session week numbers.

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- Monday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Orientation/Ice breakers
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Tour of Old World and Site Assignment
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Learn Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Learn Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Tuesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Dance Practice
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Garden Tour/ Herbals
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Learn Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Learn Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Wednesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Historic Crafts
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:45 Forge
 - 11:45-12:30 Laundry
 - 12:30-1:30 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:30-2:30 Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Thursday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-12:30 Cook lunch- All Sites
 - 12:30-1:30 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:30-2:00 Clean up
 - 2:00-4:00 Dance practice with break for snack
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out

- Friday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-9:30 Costumes Issued
 - 9:30-10:30 Music and Storytelling
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Write Reflection
 - 11:15-12:30 Dance rehearsal/ Practice Interpretation for Parent's Day
 - 12:30-2:30 Lunch and Games
 - Parent's Afternoon- 2:30-4:00
 - 2:30-3:30 Check- out and tour sites with kids in costume
 - 3:30-4:00 Return to Lecture Hall/Pavilion- Dance program

New World Weeks (Weeks 2, 4, 6, 8):

- Monday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Orientation/Ice breakers
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Tour of New World and Site Assignments
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Assigned Sites (Interpretation)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Tuesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Dance Practice 1820s Lawn
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Garden Tour/ Herbals
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45-4:00 Assigned Sites (Gardening)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Wednesday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:30 Historic Crafts
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-12:00 Schoolhouse
 - 12:00-1:00 Lunch and Historic Games
 - 1:00-2:00 Archery
 - 2:00-2:30 Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 2:30-2:45 Snack
 - 2:45- 4:00 Assigned Sites (House Chores)
 - 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Thursday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-12:30 Cook lunch- All Sites
 - 12:30-1:30 Lunch

- 1:30-2:00 Clean up
- 2:00-4:00 Dance practice
- 4:00-5:00 Sign-out
- Friday
 - 8:00-9:00 Drop Off
 - 9:00-10:00 Costumes Issued
 - 10:00-10:30 Packing the Wagon
 - 10:30-10:45 Snack
 - 10:45-11:15 Write Reflections
 - 11:15-12:30 Dance Practice/Practice interpretation on assigned site
 - 12:30-2:30 Lunch, Games
 - Parent's Afternoon- 2:30-4:00
 - 2:30-3:30 Check out and tour sites with kids in costume
 - 3:30-4:00 Return to Lecture Hall/Pavilion- Dance program

PARENT AND GUARDIAN RESPONSIBILITIES

While camp is largely for the children, parents and guardians have responsibilities to ensure the camp experience goes well.

The summer camp and Visitor's Center staff work very hard to ensure your camper has a fun, engaging, and safe camp experience. Please remain courteous at all times. There are many other guests to the Museum who also require Visitor Center staff attention, so please remain patient. All questions and concerns will be addressed.

No camper may be unattended at any time. Please escort your camper to check-in at the Octagonal Barn where the counselors and other campers are **every day**. This is an opportunity for you to meet the counselors and address any questions or concerns you may have.

No camper will be admitted to camp after 9:30 AM without previous notification of an appointment or traffic.

No camper will be released at pick-up to any person without valid photo ID that matches a name on the list of approved individuals. Photo ID must be presented **every day**, no matter how many weeks of camp the camper attends.

Late pickups, defined as after 5:01 PM with no call, will be charged an additional penalty. Late penalties are \$15 per every 15 minutes late. The authorities will be contacted after 5:30 PM with a continued lack of contact with the parent/guardian and the late penalty will still apply.

Camp policies are enforced by the Education Director, so please address all concerns regarding camp functioning, camper discipline, and/or counselors appropriately via email at education@fcmv.virginia.gov.

A parent or guardian's failure to adhere to camp policies, including returning paperwork within the required timeframe, is not the responsibility of Museum staff.

Your behavior reflects upon your camper. Please remember you are in a public space with other visitors and disruptive and inappropriate behavior may result in your camper's participation in the Summer Camp program being terminated.

PRE-CAMP CHECKLIST

Here you will find a handy checklist to make sure you're all set for camp at the Frontier Culture Museum! Make sure you have everything checked off before the first day of camp to ensure your check-in process goes smoothly.

- You have read the Summer Camp Parent and Guardian Guide in its entirety.
- You have filled out the Summer Camp Registration Form.
- You have filled out the Medical Information & Release Form.
- You have filled out the Summer Camp Program Waiver & Release Form.
- You have completely filled out the Summer Camp Sign In/Out Sheet and included all individuals allowed to pick-up your camper. All approved individuals are aware they **MUST** show photo ID during pick-up every day of camp.
- You have filled out the Friday Parent's Day Notice and understand that a total of two guests will receive admission to the Museum at 2:30 on Friday. Any additional guests must purchase admission.
- You have **returned ALL forms** to the Frontier Culture Museum. Forms **MUST be received no later than one week BEFORE the start of your first week of camp**. No camper will be allowed to attend without those forms. Forms may be returned via email at visitor.center@fcmv.virginia.gov, by mail, or in person to the Visitor's Center.
- Your camper is prepared with:
 - A refillable, non-crushable water bottle
 - Sunscreen
 - Bug spray
 - A backpack
 - A lunchbox
 - Closed toe shoes
 - Appropriate lunch, and allergen-free snacks if necessary
 - Medications in clearly labelled containers if necessary
 - A Hat or Sunglasses, labelled (optional)