



## HDC Additional FAQs

### **What are the camper to counselor ratios?**

For Kinder Camp it is 5:1.

For Lower Camp it is 6:1.

For Middle Camp it is 7:1.

For Upper Camp it is 8:1.

At every program activity area there are additional program staff. Overall camper to staff ratio is 4:1.

### **How old does my camper need to be to attend camp?**

Campers must be four years of age and toilet trained to attend camp.

### **Can I pick up my camper later than 3:45pm?**

Yes, by using our Extended Day Option. Afternoon Extended Day runs from 3:45 pm – 6:00 pm and is available for an additional fee. Parents can pick up and sign out their child at any time. Extended Day activities include swimming and games.

### **How do I get my camper to camp?**

We provide bus transportation during regular camp hours 8:45 am – 3:45 pm. Bus transportation is not available for Extended Day and some specialty camp sessions. You can also drive your camper to Hale Day Camp. Drop off and pick up is at the Powissett parking area (which is 1.3 miles up the road from the entrance to Hale).

### **What if my camper is injured or ill?**

The safety of campers is our top priority at Hale Day Camp. Our Health Care Supervisor oversees and manages medicine distribution and health concerns. Hale enlists a medical local doctor to serve as our consulting physician. We are minutes away from Emergency Medical Services. If your camper becomes ill at home we ask that you inform us of their absence and remain at home for at least 24 hours without symptoms.

### **Does my camper need a physical to attend camp?**

All children are required to have a current copy of the Certificate of Immunization on file at camp prior to their first day of attendance. Without it, they will not be allowed to participate in any camp activities. We accept copies from their school as well as

from the doctor's office. A basic version of this form is included in your confirmation materials and can also be downloaded from this website.

If your camper is participating in our Outdoor Adventures II or Wilderness Trip programs, they will need to provide a copy of a physical exam within the prior 12 month period. If your camper is participating in any other program, they do not need to provide physical exam records.

If you have any questions about your child's safety or potential ability to participate in any of Hale's program, please call us.

### **Do you offer any financial aid?**

Yes, any family in need of financial aid can submit a financial aid form. We have established a fund to help families with the cost of tuition for our programs. It is our intent to provide as many children as possible with a two week Hale Day Camp experience. It is expected that the family will pay a part of the tuition, within their means. This means that Hale Reservation very infrequently extends "full funding" to anyone. We usually only help fund one session per camper to accommodate as many families as possible. Completed application forms along with a \$100 deposit must be submitted to Hale by March 1. Families will be contacted by April 1 regarding the status of their application.

### **Are there any discounts available?**

Yes. There are several discounts you can take advantage of, including:

- Early Registration Discount - \$25 off each session when registered and paid in full by January 31st.
- Sibling Discount\* - When one child pays in full, siblings receive \$30 off.
- Multiple Session Discount - Receive \$25 off your second session, \$50 off your third session, and sign up for a fourth and take an additional \$75 off.

All discounts are combinable. \*Any sibling discount will be taken off after any other discounts are applied. Discounts do not apply to Session 5 or Extended Day.

### **When are payments due?**

A \$100 non-refundable deposit, per camper per session, is due at time of registration (January 1 - May 1). The remaining balance is due by May 1.

### **When are Registration & Health forms due?**

The Registration Packet is due between January 1 and May 1, but please be aware, camp sessions fill early. The Registration Packet reserves a slot for your camper as long as there is space when applying, the registration is complete and the deposit is included.