



Summer **DAY CAMP** **GUIDE**

May 31-August 12, 2022
Ages 6-13



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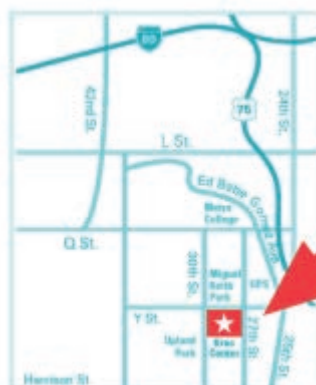
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EASY TO FIND

Just off of Highway 75
and a few blocks south of
27th & Q streets

2825 Y Street
Omaha, NE 68107

The Salvation Army's Mission

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is a member of the universal Christian Church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its ministry is motivated by the love of God. Its mission is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

The Salvation Army Kroc Center's Purpose

In keeping with the mission of The Salvation Army, the Ray and Joan Kroc Corps Community Center's purpose is to inspire people to discover their God-given talents and develop their potential through artistic, educational, physical and spiritual experiences in a Christ-centered atmosphere.

As a means to fulfill this purpose, we provide facilities, programs and services that encourage positive, life-changing experiences for children and adults, strengthen families and enrich the lives of seniors.

Statements of Belief

An extension of the Kroc Center mission and purpose, the Statements of Belief are an integral component to the supportive, inclusive environment that is the Day Camp Program.

- **Every child can make friends**
- **Every child can participate**
- **Every child can be successful**

Camp Goals

The Day Camp Program provides children of all ability levels the opportunity to play and grow in a positive and safe environment. We strive to develop the whole child – mentally, physically and emotionally – through structured group activities that aid in socialization and self-confidence.



Weekly THEMES

<i>Week 1</i>	Going Green May 31-June 3
<i>Week 2</i>	Ooey, Gooey, & Pooley June 6-10
<i>Week 3</i>	Outdoor Adventures June 13-17
<i>Week 4</i>	Summer Safari June 21-24
<i>Week 5</i>	Party in the USA June 27-July 1
<i>Week 6</i>	A Trip to Space July 5-8
<i>Week 7</i>	S'Winter July 11-15
<i>Week 8</i>	Tee'Rific! July 18-22
<i>Week 9</i>	Gotta Catch 'Em All July 25-29
<i>Week 10</i>	Island Fiesta August 1-5
<i>Week 11</i>	Vacation Bible School - Make Waves FREE August 8-12



Vacation Bible School

August 8-12, 9:00am-12:30pm

During this ½ day week of camp, campers will learn important Bible truths.

Through this, they will be able to realize they can be "changemakers" by doing good in the world.

This will be a time of music, games, Bible lessons, snacks and more. Lunch will be provided. Pick-ups will be immediately following lunch. There will be NO early drop-offs or late pick-ups for this week.

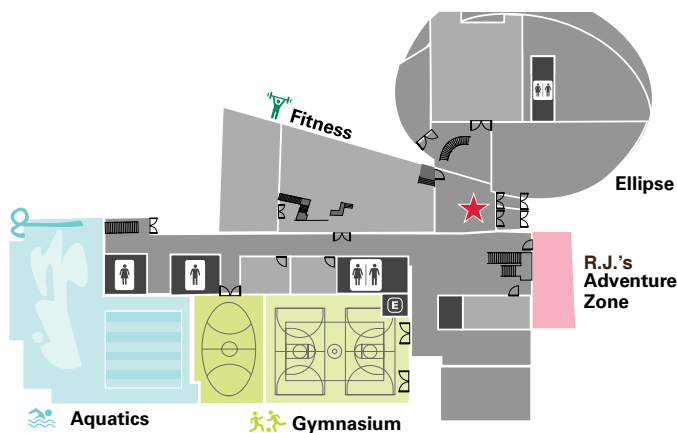


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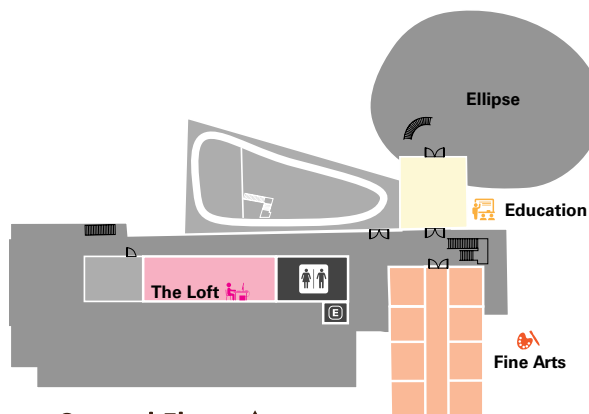


Drop-Off/Pick-Up Point in Lobby

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| Elevator | Aquatics | Education | Fine Arts |
| Restrooms | Sports and Recreation | Youth | |



Main Floor ▲



Second Floor ▲



Regular Camp Hours

9:00am-5:00pm

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Times

Camp Drop-Off

8:30am-9:00am

*Breakfast served from 8:30am-9:00am

Camp Pick-Up

Pick-up for all campers (not enrolled in Extended Care) takes place in the lobby between 4:00pm and 5:00pm (no later than 5:00pm). After 5:00pm, child will be called down for pick-up in lobby.

Extended Care Drop-Off & Pick-Up*

Drop-Off: 7:30am-8:30am

Pick-Up: 5:00pm-6:00pm

* Care fees apply for Extended Care times.
See Page 7 for fee information.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up Procedures

Campers must be signed in and out of camp each day by an authorized adult in the presence of Kroc Center staff.

Parents and authorized adults must present current photo ID when signing their camper(s) in/out. Children will be released only to those listed on the Camp Waiver Form. Valid forms of ID include: Nebraska driver's license, state ID, military ID and/or passport.

Parents arriving after 9:00am or prior to 5:00pm should ask to speak to the Camp Coordinator or Youth & Education Coordinator to sign their child in or out and will be instructed to wait in the lobby for their camper to be brought to them.

Any changes to the list of adults authorized to sign the child in or out must be completed on the Change of Authorization form by the parent who enrolled the child in camp. Please be prepared to show identification when making changes.

General INFORMATION



Breakfast & Lunch Program

Breakfast, lunch and an afternoon snack are provided to each camper! If a camper has allergies or dietary restrictions, be sure to include all pertinent information on the registration form.

Breakfast - Served at 8:30am

Lunch - Our daily schedules are flexible and vary depending upon the activities planned for your child's camp. The typical time frame for lunch is 30 minutes between 12:00pm and 1:00pm.

The Kroc kitchen is NOT an allergy-free facility. If your child has food allergies, please feel free to have your child bring his/her lunch and snack each day.

Weekly Camp Theme

Each week, camp has a different theme. Weekly themes are incorporated into daily activities such as reading, art and many of the games that we play.

We will provide plenty of opportunities inside and outside our facility. We will swim Monday, Wednesday and Friday so please remember your child's swimsuit and towel. We will attend field trips based on themes such as the zoo, ice skating, nature walks and more! We will have a week of golf training to allow exposure to the sport and kids will get to try something new! We want to provide



fun opportunities and activities to our youth! Movies are selected based on what is appropriate for the general camp population (G or PG), as well as the weekly theme. We may occasionally show a prescreened PG-13 movie to the 10- to 13-year-olds. A permission slip will be included in your parent packet.

Medical Needs

Please include all pertinent medical information and/or allergies on the Registration Form. If your child needs medications administered during Day Camp, please be aware that The Salvation Army Kroc Center is not authorized to disburse medication and you will need to make other arrangements for your child to receive his/her medication(s). Kroc Center staff will not store, hold or dispense any non-prescription or prescription medications.

Health Requirements

Parents are required to provide the name, address and phone number of the family physician for each child. To ensure health and safety, parents are required to submit an updated form prior to each camp season.

Camper Assistance

As deemed by The Salvation Army, and as part of our Safe From Harm protocol, we will be unable to assist campers in the changing of their clothes during pool and swim activities. The campers must be able and capable of changing from their clothes into their swimsuit and from their swimsuit back into their clothes. If this is not possible and a parent/guardian is unavailable to assist, the child will have to observe from the pool deck during the swim portion of the Day Camp Program.



Parent Registration/Information Night

Take a tour of the Kroc Center and become familiar with the exciting facilities campers will utilize and experience this summer. Come prepared with questions and rest assured your child is embarking on a camp experience that is both fun and safe.

Staff-to-Camper Ratio

Kroc Center Summer Day Camp ensures sufficient staff-to-camper ratios. Camp groups generally range from 15-32 campers per group. Staff-to-camper ratios range from 1:6 to 1:10 (depending upon the ages within the camp group). A minimum of two staff members are always present, regardless of the number of campers.

Refund Policy & Cancellations

- Cancellations received before May 1 will be refunded minus a 15% processing fee.
- Cancellations received after May 1 and up to two weeks prior to the start date of the week your child is registered in camp will be issued a 50% refund after the 15% processing fee has been deducted.
- No refunds are available for cancellations within two weeks of the start date or for any day(s) your child is absent during a week they are actively participating in. Please note that any questions should be directed to the Youth & Education Manager.



Extended Care

Extended Care Times

Drop-Off: 7:30am-8:30am

Pick-Up: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Before and after care is available to meet the needs of busy parents and guardians.

- AM Extended Care Only, \$25 weekly
- PM Extended Care Only, \$25 weekly
- Both AM & PM Extended Care, \$50 weekly

Daily Early or Late Fees

- If extended care has not been purchased and your child is dropped off prior to 8:30am and/or picked up after 5:15pm, a daily fee of \$10 will be charged for either instance.
- If both drop-off and pick-up are outside the time frame listed, a \$20 fee will be charged daily.

“ It is easier
to build strong
CHILDREN
than to repair
broken men. ”

Frederick Douglass



Frequently Asked QUESTIONS (F.A.Q.s)

What Should Not Be Brought to Camp?

Below is a list of items that are not permitted at camp. Should your camper bring any one of these items, they will be confiscated and given to the parent at sign-out. This policy is for the campers' safety, as well as to encourage group interactions. Additionally, the Kroc Center is not responsible for camper possessions that are lost or stolen. Please do not have your camper bring valuables:

- Electronics: iPads, iPods, tablets, video games, cameras, etc.
- Expensive jewelry
- Personal toys
- Drugs or alcohol of any type
- Weapons, including toy guns or water guns.

Bringing Money to Camp

Campers can purchase from the vending machines after 4:00pm only. If your camper brings money to camp, please be aware that the Kroc Center is not responsible for lost or stolen money.

Cellphone Policy & Usage

We prefer that children leave their cellphones at home. Campers may only use cellphones for parental communications. Violating this policy may result in a camper's phone being held until the end of the day.

What Should My Child Wear to Camp?

Each camper will receive one free Camp Kroc T-shirt by the first day the child attends camp.

Campers are required to wear their Camp Kroc T-Shirt each day. Additional T-shirts are available for \$10 each.

- If your camper comes to camp on a field trip day without their Camp T-shirt, one will be given to the child to wear. The parents/guardians will have to pay for the Camp T-shirt when they pick up the child.

- Campers are required to wear socks and closed-toed shoes daily. If campers do not have socks, they cannot participate in R.J.'s Adventure Zone.
- Campers should wear season-appropriate clothes in which they are ready to play hard and get dirty!
- We do not recommend wearing skirts or dresses to Camp Kroc.
- If sunscreen is needed that day, please apply on your camper before dropping them off for the day. Counselors are not permitted to directly apply sunscreen to the campers; however, they can instruct and supervise the re-application of sunscreen as needed.
- Your child will have a swim schedule; a swimsuit and towel will be needed. Sandals are allowed on the pool deck only.

Please label all items and place them in your camper's knapsack or in a backpack for your camper(s) to carry.

What Happens if My Child Gets Sick or Injured?

If a camper is too ill or hurt to continue their camp day, parents will be immediately contacted. For minor scrapes and bruises, Day Camp staff will complete an Incident Report form. Day Camp staff will also treat minor injuries requiring the application of a bandage or ice. If immediate medical attention is needed or if an injury is severe, parents will be notified, and Emergency Medical Services (911) will be activated at the discretion of the Club Kroc staff.

Who Is Watching My Child?

The majority of our staff members are recruited from local colleges and universities. Most importantly, our staff is made up of people who love kids. They want to spend their time playing, teaching and working with children. All Kroc Center Day Camp staff members have cleared reference checks and a national background check. In addition, all staff members have completed The Salvation Army's Safe From Harm Training. You can be sure that we are hiring the best of the best to work with your children.

Can I Sign Up My Child for the Whole Camp? Or Just One Week?

Of course, we would love to have your child with us through the entire summer, but we understand that summer is also a time for family vacations and get-togethers. Campers can sign up for one week or any number of weeks that fit your summer schedule. If your child registers for ALL 10 weeks of camp, we will provide you with one of two special offers!

Option #1: Your 10th week of camp will be discounted by \$100.

Option #2: You will receive \$100 in Kroc Bucks to be used on any additional programming throughout the year.

Note: Kroc Bucks will expire 12 months from the date camp was purchased.

What if My Child Has Special Needs?

The Kroc Center is committed to the inclusion of all children in our Day Camp Program; however, the Kroc Center cannot provide specialized 1-on-1 supervision/care for any individual camper. For children with special needs, we ask that each child (and at least one parent) attend an interview with the Camp Director to discuss/determine if we can provide reasonable accommodations to meet the child's needs and (most importantly) keep them safe while at camp. Please call the Camp Director at 402-905-3507 at least two weeks prior to your desired session's start date to schedule your interview.

After Day Camp, Can My Child Play at the Kroc Center Until I Pick Them Up?

If a camper meets all of the following requirements, they may stay in the Kroc Center after Day Camp ends:

- The camper is a Kroc Center Member.
- Camp staff has written permission from a parent.
- If the camper is 8-11 years old, they must stay in the Loft.
- If the camper is 12 and older, they may use the Kroc Center as they wish.

How Do I Apply for Financial Assistance?

Eligibility for financial assistance through our scholarship program is based off availability of funds and the household income level. Applications are available at the Kroc Center Welcome Desk and online at OmahaKroc.org. Applications should be submitted at least four weeks prior to the start of the program requested. Please note, scholarship funds are limited.

Additional information can be obtained by contacting Camp Director at 402-905-3507 or email at WST_KrocYouth@usc.salvationarmy.org.



Thank you...

for entrusting your children to Camp Kroc. We are extremely proud to offer a quality Summer Day Camp for your child.

Camp can provide childhood experiences that can benefit children for a lifetime – it is an opportunity to learn new life skills and make new friends. We promise to encourage them today so they create a hope-filled tomorrow.

We want you to know your children are spending their summer in a safe and fun environment, supervised by well-qualified staff. The staff is as diverse as our campers. Most importantly, our staff is made up of people who love kids – they want to spend their time playing, teaching and working with children. You can be sure we are hiring professionals who are engaged in helping kids reach their full potential.



Registration Costs & Policies

Space availability is on a first-come, first-served basis, and no deposits will be accepted to hold a space. Registration and payment in-full must be made no later than Kroc Center close of business 10 days prior to the start date of the week you are registering for. Registrations between five and nine days before the start of the week you are registering for will be charged an additional \$20 rush registration fee. No registrations will be taken less than five days prior to the start of a camp week. This includes cash/credit payments and scholarship documentation approvals. No exceptions.

Cost Per Week

	1st Child/week	Add'l Children/ week
Member	\$150	\$120
Non-Member	\$180	\$150

Free Bonus Week: Vacation Bible School!
August 8-12 , 9:00am-12:30pm

See details on Page 4



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Parent Information Night (Q & A):

We will have a parent information night the week before camp begins. You may stop by and ask questions, meet your child's counselor and purchase additional T-shirts. Please watch for more information about the date and time for this informative session. The date and time will be emailed to you.

Registration:

Parents need to register in person at the Kroc Center Welcome Desk during regular operating hours. For more information call 402-905-3500.

NOTE: Weekly registrations are not complete until full payment is received. Incomplete registration forms will not be processed. All enrollments are subject to space availability and registrations are not guaranteed.



Membership Discount

To receive Day Camp membership rates, a current membership is required at the time of registration and must remain current throughout enrolled weeks of camp. If the membership is dropped you will be responsible for paying the difference between a member and non-member camp fees for each week registered. Membership information is available online at OmahaKroc.org/membership or at our Welcome Desk.

Scholarships

Scholarships may be available for campers and are based on the 2022 Federal Poverty Guideline scale. Scholarship applications can be obtained from Kroc Center Welcome Desk or available through our website.

Capacity

Due to safety standards, camp will have a set capacity and registration per week is based on availability.

Enrollment Forms, Information & Policy

Camper Age Policy

Campers must be 6-13 years old to attend Camp Kroc. Age groups are broken up as follows:

Color Group	Yellow	Green	Red	Blue
Ages	6	7-8	9-10	11-13

Enrollment Forms

Enrollment forms must be completely filled out and turned in prior to acceptance of Day Camp. Fill in every space on all sides of the form, marking "N/A" in those spaces that do not apply.



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