Summer Camp Frequently Asked Questions:

Q: What happens if I sign up for an in-person camp but change my mind?
A: All in-person camps will have a generous cancellation policy, and we will provide a full refund up to 7 days in advance of camp start date if a cancellation is made due to COVID-19. Options include enrollment into our virtual camps, or a later in-person camp date, based on availability.

Q: What happens if local COVID-19 guidelines do not allow in-person camps?
A: The Children’s Science Center reserves the right to delay or cancel any in-person camps due to COVID-19. Options include enrollment in our virtual camps or a later in-person camp date, based on availability, or provide a full refund for any cancelled or delayed camps.

Q: If I registered for a virtual camp, can I switch to an in-person camp?
A: Yes, you may switch your camp registration from a virtual camp to an in-person camp up to 7 days in advance of camp start date if slots are available.

Q: Why are there different age ranges for the two types of camp?
A: After a year of experience providing virtual programs, we have learned that rising 2nd grade and up is the optimal age to be able to engage remotely and without adult supervision.

Q: My child will be in Kindergarten next year, but is advanced. Can they still sign up for camps?
A: Our curriculum is geared towards the age ranges listed above, and really depends on the student coming to camp having been in a classroom setting beforehand and therefore do not make exceptions.
Q: Will all children registered for camp be in the same age group? Is there any way to request my child is with a friend?

A: Campers will be split up into two groups based on age. If your camper could fall into either group, you can choose which group. You can also request to be with a friend, neighbor, or family member when registering for camp.

Q: What is your mask policy?

A: Campers, staff members, and interns will be wearing masks at all times except while eating and drinking at a safe distance from others.

Q: Is lunch provided for in-person camps?

A: Lunch is not provided, we ask that campers bring their own snack and lunch that will not be shared with others. We also require that lunches are nut-free.

Q: What’s the staff to student ratio?

A: In-person camps will have 2 staff members and 1-2 interns for each group of 15 kids. Virtual camps will have 1 staff member and 2 interns for each group of 15.

Q: What are your cleaning procedures?

A: Professional janitorial staff will be thoroughly cleaning the Lab every evening. The space and materials will get additional cleaning throughout the day by Lab staff.

Q: Will the Lab be open to the general public?

A: We are planning on opening to the general public on weekends only in the summer. We will be offering reduced capacity timed entry sessions each day with cleaning scheduled in between sessions. The Lab will be closed to the general public Monday through Friday while camps are in session.

Q: Do you have any camp discounts?

A: We offer a 10% discount if you are a member- if you’d like to be a member, visit us at https://www.childsci.org/membership

Q: Do you offer a pro-rated charge if I want my camper in only 3 of 5 days of a weeklong camp?

A: We do not offer pro-rated camps.
For further questions, contact us at camps@childsci.org or (681) 522-0312