



FARM & WILDERNESS

FAMILY HANDBOOK

for

Barn Day Camp 2021

Updated April 2021



Family Handbook

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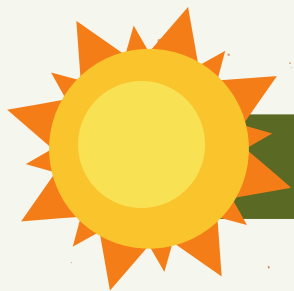


Throughout this handbook if you see text in **BLUE, it's a link!** Please use these links as additional, tools to prepare you for this summer.

Camps & Acronyms

Farm & Wilderness = F&W
Barn Day Camp - BDC
Flying Cloud - FC
Indian Brook = IB
Questers - Q
Red Spruce Grove = RSG
Saltash Mountain = SAM
Tamarack Farm = TF
Timberlake = TL





Summer 2021

WELCOME!

Dear Camp Families,

Welcome to summer 2021...a summer like no other at Farm & Wilderness! We know it's been a tough year for many reasons, but we cannot express how excited and joyful we are to be holding camp this summer after a year of no camp. Since last year, we have been diligently preparing for this summer because we knew it would be different due to the ongoing pandemic and the evolving health and safety guidelines across the country. And we also know that this difference is not going to make camp at Farm & Wilderness any less magical or fun this summer, it's only going to make our camp community stronger as we work together to participate and support a healthy, safe, and fun camp season!

We have been working hard to prepare our facilities, health & safety protocol, and planning some new and exciting activities for staff and campers to enjoy this summer! Please use this Family Handbook, along with the Barn Day Camp Packing List and other resources on the [Get Ready for Camp page](#), as your guide to start preparing for camp, travel planning, and to stay connected with us before, during, and after this summer.

We will be in touch by email and phone with several additional communications and opportunities to connect over the next couple of months before summer begins to ensure you have the most accurate information about coming to camp this year. As always, our Admissions Team and Camp Directors are always available to answer any questions you have. Please use pages 5-6 as your guide to be in touch with us.

All Our Best,

Farm & Wilderness Staff



• IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES •

Mark Your Calendars with these dates for ALL Farm & Wilderness overnight and day camp programs

May

May 1st

Overnight Camps Tuition Due & Last Day to Cancel for Tuition Refunds

July

July 2nd

Last Day of Barn Day Camp Session 1

July 3rd - DROP - OFF DAY!

First Day of Overnight Camp for Full, July, J1 Sessions

July 5th

First Day of Barn Day Camp Session 2

July 13th - PICK-UP DAY!

Last Day of Overnight J1 Sessions

July 16th - PICK-UP DAY!

Last Day of Barn Day Camp Session 2

July 19th

First Day of Barn Day Camp Session 3

July 23rd

Last Day of Overnight Camp for July Sessions

July 25th - DROP-OFF DAY!

First Day of Overnight Camp for August & A1 Sessions

July 30th

Last Day of Camp for Barn Day Camp Session 3

June

June 1st

Barn Day Camp Tuition Due & Last Day to Cancel for Tuition Refund

June 1st - 26th

Physical Exam Forms Due Online

June 28th

First Day of Barn Day Camp Session 1

August

August 2nd

First Day of Barn Day Camp Session 4

August 4th - PICK-UP DAY!

Last Day for Overnight A1 Sessions

August 13th

Last Day of Barn Day Camp Session 4

August 14th -- PICK-UP DAY!

Last Day of Camp for Full & August Sessions



• CONTACT US •

Who to Contact & When

All calls and emails should be directed to the Main Office year round during our office hours. Staff working in that office are dedicated to answering questions & assisting all camp families needs as well as directing all phone or email communications to ALL camps. We can answer your questions or connect you with right person or camp office who can.

During the summer months only (mid-June through mid-August), while camp is in session, please contact the Barn Day Camp Director if there are questions or concerns about your camper or about any logistics. The best time to call is 9:30AM – 11:30AM. at the **Barn office phone, (802) 422-3565**. This line also has voicemail where you can leave a message.

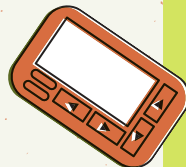
EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS ONLY

If you have a family emergency during your child's camp session, please call the Main Office during office hours FIRST. If it's outside of office hours or you cannot get a hold of staff at a camp office & MUST get a hold of someone within 24 hours, you may use our pager system.

To Use:

Call 1-888-622-3276

You will be asked who you would like to page. Leave the **name of the camp director (Polly Williams)** and a **brief message** and **phone number** where you can be reached.



Main Office Hours & Contacts

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8:30AM-4:30PM

**Closed on Saturdays & Sundays
Year-Round**

General

(802) 422 - 3761

info@farmandwilderness.org

Polly Williams

Director of Barn Day Camp

(802) 422-3565 (summer only)

polly@farmandwilderness.org

Frances McGlaughlin

Executive Director

(802) 422-2053

frances@farmandwilderness.org

Sam Green

Assistant Admissions Director

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All Camp Health & Wellness

Terri Hunt | Health & Wellness Coordinator

(802) 422-2084

headnurse@farmandwilderness.org





CAMP OFFICE CONTACT SHEET

Barn Day Camp (BDC)

Director | Polly Williams
Director Email | polly@farmandwilderness.org
Assistant Director Email |
BDCassistantdirector@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-422-3565

Flying Cloud (FC)

Director | Elliott Siegreest Jones
Director Email | Elliott@farmandwilderness.org
Assistant Director Email |
FCassistantdirector@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-417-6488 | leave a message only
Health Staff Contact* | 802-259-3266
*Same as Saltash Mountain

Indian Brook (IB)

Director | Theresa Serr
Director Email | theresa@farmandwilderness.org
Assistant Director Email |
IBassistantdirector@farmandwilderness.org
First Lodge Email |
ibfirstlodge@farmandwilderness.org
Big Lodge Email |
ibbiglodge@farmandwilderness.org
Senior Lodge Email |
ibseniorlodge@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-422-2067
Health Center Phone | 802-422-3449

Questers* (Q)

Director | Miles Crabtree
Director Email | miles@farmandwilderness.org
Assistant Director Email |
samassistantdirector@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-259-2415
Health Center Phone | 802-259-3266

**Note: Questers will be out on the trail for the duration of camp. The best way to send a message to these camp groups is through the Main Office or through the Saltash Mountain camp office.*

Red Spruce Grove

Assistant Director | Tori Heller
Assistant Director Email |
redsprucegrove@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-478-4191 | leave a message only
Health Staff Contact* | 802-259-3266
*Same as Saltash Mountain

Saltash Mountain

Director | Miles Crabtree
Director Email | miles@farmandwilderness.org
Assistant Director Email |
samassistantdirector@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-259-2415
Health Center Phone | 802-259-3266

Timberlake

Director | Jarod Wunneburger - aka "W"
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First Lodge Email |
TLfirstlodge@farmandwilderness.org
Big Lodge Email |
TLbiglodge@farmandwilderness.org
Senior Lodge Email |
TLseniorlodge@farmandwilderness.org
Camp Office Phone | 802-422-2316
Health Center Phone | 802-422-4481

These offices and health centers are located physically at each camp and they will only be open between July 3rd - August 14th.

Note: both Flying Cloud and Red Spruce Grove do not have physical health center locations, but do have medical staff assigned to them who can be reached by phone at the Saltash Mountain Health Center.



HEALTH & WELLNESS AT CAMP

COVID-19 Safety & Guidelines

We are diligent about creating a healthy camp environment every summer. This year in light of the COVID-19 pandemic, we will have additional health and safety procedures in place. These will include additional daily health screenings, added hand washing and hand sanitizing stations, plexiglass or sheets/barriers between bunks where distancing is not possible, reduced capacity in dining halls and cabins allowing for greater spacing between campers. Other planned measures to reduce expose and spread of the COVID-19 virus include programming in smaller groups outside whenever possible, social distancing, wearing masks and testing.

Staff & Training

Farm & Wilderness takes many steps to ensure that all campers have a happy and healthy summer. Each summer, all group counselors are trained in First Aid and CPR. We also have a number of staff who are certified as Wilderness First Responders and Emergency Medical Technicians.

Camp Health Centers

Each camp has an infirmary staffed by at minimum, one nurse (Saltash Mountain, Flying Cloud, Red Grove share). Larger camps may have more than one nurse along with nurse's assistants. If a higher level of medical care is needed, local clinics and a regional hospital are within twenty miles of camp.

Medications & Prescriptions

It is Farm & Wilderness policy to collect all prescriptions/vitamins/medications of any kind from campers on the first day of camp and for the nurse/camp staff to dispense them as prescribed. **All medications must be in their original packaging/bottle with the prescribing directions printed clearly on the label.**

Camper Health Forms and Information

The Camper Health Form competed as part of registration as well as the Physical Exam Form are both required for a child to attend camp. It is important we have the most accurate health information for your child while they are in our care. More information on the Physical Exam Form can be found on page 8.

If there are any changes in your child's health before camp begins, please let us know before you arrive to drop them off.





HEALTH & WELLNESS AT CAMP

Daily Health Screening: All campers will have a daily health screening that will include a temperature check and questions related to COVID-19 signs, symptoms and exposure. You will be asked to bring your child home if they are showing symptoms of COVID-19, or have been exposed to someone with COVID-19, are awaiting COVID-19 testing results or have tested positive to COVID-19.

Illness: We ask that parents assist us by keeping sick children at home if they have experienced any of the following symptoms within the prior 24 hours:

- A fever over 100 degrees (37.8C) orally
- Signs of a newly developing cold or severe coughing
- Shortness of breath
- Chills, muscle pain or body aches
- Loss of taste or smell
- Diarrhea, vomiting, or upset stomach
- Unusual loss of appetite, fatigue, irritability, or headache
- Discharge or drainage from eyes, nose, or open sores
- Have been on close contact with someone with confirmed COVID-19 in the last 14 days
- Have consulted with their healthcare provider about current symptoms, COVID-19 testing was recommended and they are awaiting results.
- Have been tested for COVID-19 and return a positive diagnostic result.
- Please call the Barn Day Camp office to let us know if your child will not be coming to camp because of illness.

Emergencies

If your child is seriously injured or becomes seriously ill at camp, our staff will call 911. Immediately thereafter, you (or your emergency contact) will be notified. For less serious injuries/illnesses, our Wilderness First Aid certified staff will treat the injury/illness up to the level of their training. If a doctor's visit is the next step, you will be asked to pick up your child and transport them to the doctor or clinic of your choice.





HEALTH FORMS & INFORMATION •

Health History Forms

What Are They & Who Completes Them

The camper's parents or guardians are required to complete this form as part of registration. This is essential basic medical history, allergy, mental health, food preferences, and insurance information. These forms should be completed upon registration EACH YEAR. If we do not have your camper's Health History form by a certain date, you may get a call from us asking for you to complete it and your registration may be cancelled if it remains incomplete after notifications.

This form gives our nurses and health center staff essential information about your child should they need any kind of medical care while they are at camp. If your nurses do not have this information it makes it difficult for us to provide your child with the care they need should they become sick or injured at camp. It also ensures we have information about food allergies for our kitchens.

How to Access & Update Them

You MUST complete these forms through your online account which holds your child's registration.

If any changes happen between the time you first completed the form and the start of camp, please update this form.

If you need assistance in accessing your account, please contact our admissions department by emailing admissions@farmandwilderness.org.

Physical Exam Forms

What Are They & Who Completes Them

These are essential forms containing information about your child's current health and immunization record completed by your child's primary care physician.

Most doctor's offices have their own format for these forms and we accept all formats as long as they contain basic health information, the immunizations record, and a physician's signature and contact information. We also provide our own form for you to bring to the doctor's office if you'd like. You can find a blank copy of the Physical Exam Form on our website or request a copy be mailed or emailed to you by emailing admissions@farmandwilderness.org.

Please make sure you submit your physical exam forms by **June 25th**. Campers who arrive at Camp without a completed Health History of Physical Exam form won't be able to participate in camp activities

New Form Every Year: We need a new Health History and Physical Exam form every year. Do not write "see last year's form" on any part of the 2021 forms

How to Submit Them

1. Upload them to your online account
2. Fax to 802-422-8668 - can be straight from the doctor's office
3. Mail to 401 Farm and Wilderness RD
Plymouth, VT 05056
4. Email as a PDF attachment to admissions@farmandwilderness.org.
No photos please.





Immunizations

To protect the health of all campers and staff, Farm & Wilderness asks ALL campers to be fully immunized before they arrive at camp. Families choosing not to have their children immunized for religious a signed waiver attesting to their exemptions (see below).

In the state of Vermont, summer camps are considered "Child Care" facilities. Therefore, we must follow the State health guidelines regarding immunizations for Child Care centers. For more information about child immunization requirements in the state of Vermont, visit the [Vermont Immunization Information for School - age Children website](#).

Exemptions & Waivers

Vermont only accepts exemptions for religious or medical reasons only. If you child is NOT fully immunized by the start of camp, we must of have a completed copy of the **School Year 2020-21 Religious Immunization Exemption Child Care and Schools Form**.

You can find a [LINK HERE](#) for the online PDF or you can request a copy by emailing admissions@farmandwilderness.org. You do not need this form if your child has not received a COVID vaccination by summer.

COVID-19 Vaccinations for Campers

We realize that it is highly unlikely that a COVID-19 vaccine will be developed for children of all ages prior to this camp season. Therefore COVID-19 vaccine the will not be a required vaccination for your camper. So that our healthcare providers have the most up to date health information for your camper, we will however be asking families if their campers have been fully vaccinated against the COVID-19 virus and the date of the last or final dose. This will be collected through a separate document than the physical exam form sent to you before the start of camp. **If a vaccine becomes available to children under the age of 16 and your child is eligible, we STRONGLY encourage you to try to have your child vaccinated two weeks prior to the start of their session.**

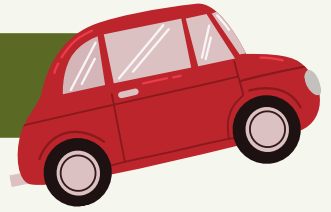
Off-Site Medical Care

Most care for injuries or sickness we can provide on site. However, if needed, we will transport your child to a local clinic for care we cannot provide onsite. We will contact you if we see the need to do this.

Your insurance will be billed for any off-site medical care provided. Farm & Wilderness will provide invoices for any unpaid medical expenses or prescriptions accrued for your child which you insurance did not cover of any off-site medical care.



• TRAVEL, ARRIVAL, & PICK-UP



Traveling to & within Vermont

All in-state and out-of-state residents should familiarize themselves with the Vermont Cross-State Travel Information before traveling to and from camp. You will find the most current state guidelines about quarantine, group sizes, and other COVID-19 travel guidelines on this webpage.

We recommend you review the information on the below website **at least two weeks prior** to travelling to Vermont.

We are currently updating our operations to reflect the current State of Vermont, CDC and ACA regulations for safe day camp operations. Additional specific information will be sent to you ahead of time. Children and adults traveling to Vermont from out of state must follow the State of VT guidance around quarantine.

Before coming to camp and during your camper's session, families will be asked to change their behaviors for some period to minimize possible exposure to and transmission of COVID-19 regardless of whether they are living in/visiting VT or not.

Staff and campers will be expected to wear masks and physical distance during their BDC session. The exceptions will be for eating and swimming and any changes to this guidance will be communicated with families.

[VERMONT CROSS STATE TRAVEL INFORMATION WEBSITE](#)



BDC Schedule

The BDC is in session Monday through Friday.
The schedule is as follows:

Session 1: June 28 - July 2 (one week)

Session 2: July 5 - July 16 (two weeks)

Session 3: July 19 - July 30 (two weeks)

Session 4: August 2 - August 13 (two weeks)



• TRAVEL, ARRIVAL, & PICK-UP •

Arrival: Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Our top priority is to keep our camp families safe and welcomed as they arrive to camp. We are very excited to greet you and your campers when you arrive this summer!

Arrival/Drop-off: Campers arrive at the Barn between 8:45 AM and 8:55 AM. Camp begins at 9:00 AM with the ringing of the bell. We anticipate there being staggered arrival times for 2021. Specifics will be sent to parents/guardians once they are finalized. We ask that you and your camper **ALWAYS** wear a mask when dropping off your camper. After you turn in on Farm & Wilderness Rd at the north end of Woodward Reservoir, drive across the dam and look for signs or a person directing you to where you can park your car.

Departure/Pick-up: Campers finish their day at 4:15 PM. We anticipate a staggered pick up for 2021 and campers must be picked up at that time. We will have updated pick up procedures for 2021. Those updates will be sent to parents/guardians when they are finalized. We ask that you **ALWAYS** check in with a BDC staff person before picking up your child each day. And that you **ALWAYS** wear a mask and physically distance from our staff and other campers. Please pay close attention to the schedule of the last Friday of the session as it is different than all other camp days.

For summer 2021, we will **NOT** be offering the option to get a parking pass to swim at the BDC waterfront after camp. There is no swimming permitted at the waterfront outside camp hours.

Pickup Authorization: If you plan on someone else picking up your child, either at camp or at the drop-off sites, the camp needs to know this in writing. For obvious safety reasons, no one can pick up your child without this written authorization from you.

Orientation and Information Sessions: There will be a family orientation and informational session the first Monday of each session for camper's parents/guardians. Each orientation session offers parents/guardians an opportunity to ask questions and learn more about their camper's Barn Day Camp experience. **This may be a zoom call rather than in-person.** This will take place after drop-off that morning. Learn about all F&W camp programs, meet F&W staff, ask questions of the BDC director.



• TRAVEL, ARRIVAL, & PICK-UP •

Attendance and Closing Day

Attendance: If a camper does not show up on the first day of a session, the staff will call you to verify enrollment. We ask parents to notify the staff in advance whenever a child is going to be absent.

Last Day of Session 1: Pick-up will be the normal time between 4:00PM – 4:15PM. There will be bus service provided for this day.

Last Day & Closing Ceremony of Sessions 2, 3, & 4: On the final Friday of each two-week session (July 16th, July 30st, August 13th), camp will end earlier, and families will receive their scheduled pick up time. Families are responsible for their child's transportation home on these last days. **There is no bus service on these Fridays.**

The Fair: Due to COVID-19 our annual Fair is cancelled for 2021.



GETTING TO CAMP

Driving Directions

From the Woodstock area and points East: Take US Rt.4. West to Rt. 100 South in West Bridgewater. Go south on Rt. 100 for 2 miles to the main entrance of F&W and turn left on Farm & Wilderness Rd. Proceed on the camp road over the dam where there will be a person or sign indicating where to park.

From Rutland area and points West: Go East on Route 4 through Rutland and Killington, then take Rt. 100 south in West Bridgewater. Go 2 miles south to the main entrance of F&W and turn left at the sign on Farm & Wilderness Rd.

Proceed on the camp road over the dam where there will be a person or a sign indicating where to park.

From Ludlow area and points South: Take 100 north. Go north approximately 12 miles to Woodward Reservoir on your right. Turn right at the camp sign on Farm & Wilderness Rd. Proceed on the camp road over the dam where there will be a person or a sign indicating where to park.

For summer 2021 we will offer shuttle transportation for campers to and from camp from the Woodstock (VT) elementary school. This service is an additional \$80 per week, per camper, (\$160 for the two week sessions (2, 3, 4). To sign up for transportation, please email admissions@farmandwilderness.org



COMMUNITY & CULTURE

Mission & Values

We strive to provide experiential education that transforms our community. Our mission is:

- To grow the seeds of courage and integrity in all participants
- To offer rugged, hands-on, outdoor adventure and challenge
- To encourage hard work and joyful play
- To create community that values long-term stewardship of our environment

In our values, we reflect our long Quaker history and association. We strive to honor the 'Light of the Spirit' in every person; our belief that individuals bring value to the community through their gifts and strengths.

- **Simplicity:** Learning to recognize what is central in our lives by listening and learning
- **Peacemaking:** Putting peace into practice through action, compassion and resolution
- **Integrity:** Acting on our inner voice, which is guided by truth, strength and justice
- **Community:** Finding friends, living together, working together
- **Equity:** Valuing people for what they bring and who they are
- **Service:** Working for our community and for others



Building a Welcoming Community

Your child will live closely with children and staff of different backgrounds, cultures, races, and religions. We teach respect for differences and expect campers to interact at all times in ways that are respectful and inclusive. Prejudice, discrimination, and oppression on the basis of class, race, gender, and sexual orientation are discussed in a variety of forums during a camper's time at Farm & Wilderness.

We strongly believe that building a welcoming community requires campers and staff to engage in shared discussion, reflection, and experience around equity, diversity, inclusion, & belonging while living, playing, and working together in the wilderness and on the farm. We use our mission and values to support this community growth throughout the summer.

Although the daily schedule at the camps remains similar from year to year, the character of each summer is created by individual campers. Community builds steadily over the course of the session as campers work together, cope with interpersonal conflicts, play together, and sit in silence together each day.

Unplugged

We aim to live a simple life here at Farm & Wilderness. Campers reside in simple wooden or canvas structures without electricity and use composting outhouses. Shower houses are located nearby. We don't allow personal electronic devices, televisions, screens of any kind, or recorded music in cabin areas or program areas at any of our camps. Some of our camps such as Flying Cloud and Red Spruce Grove, don't permit electricity of any kind, such as battery operated lights.

While our camp program areas and spaces where camper live and play are free of screens, our camp offices, medical centers, and Main Office are equipped with the tools to run camp such as electricity, phones, internet. We also permit our photographers to capture camp memories with the appropriate cameras and equipment.

This summer, our staff may need to employ electronic microphones for voice amplification in some of our camps for special circumstances due to the nature of masking.

Work Is Love Made Visible

We create and maintain the buildings we use, grow as much of our own food as possible, develop physical strength and skills, and learn to live in harmony with each other and the land. All campers will join us in community chores; washing dishes, sweeping floors, feeding animals and so on!

A common phrase we use is "work is love made visible". This is one way our staff and camper build community over the summer by supporting each other through work as well as play.



The "Fifth Freedom"

America's "four freedoms" were first articulated by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in a State of the Union address as freedom of speech and expression, freedom of religion, freedom from want, and freedom from fear. Here at Farm & Wilderness, we have traditionally recognized an additional "fifth freedom," which, simply put, is the freedom to be oneself.

We encourage campers to find their truest and most genuine potential through simple living and activities filled with physical and mental challenges. We invoke "fifth freedom" to help us focus on healthy personal choices and on expressing our individuality. Campers particularly love the freedom to dress as they wish, without fear of being reprimanded by their peers.



COMMUNITY & CULTURE

Special Events

Given CDC guidelines and the State of Vermont restrictions around large group gatherings, our annual Interdependence Day & Fair will not take place this year. However, each camp may have it's own special 2021 celebration event to replace the joys and fun these two events. We look forward to the return of our large group gatherings and events in 2022!

We will also not be able to offer any in-person camp tours or orientation events while camp is in session this year. Admissions is happy to supply you with virtual options to explore any Farm & Wilderness camp you may be interested in for summer 2022.



Wilderness Trips

While a large part of our program revolves around overnight wilderness trips, these trips will be adapted in 2021 due to COVID-19. Saltash Mountain Camp and Questers will continue to base their programs around trips and basic wilderness skills. At this time, we intend to run Saltash Mountain camp trips in Vermont on our local land and on various areas along the [Long Trail](#). The specific itinerary for the Questers trips will also take place in Vermont for 2021 and will be communicated to registered Questers families before summer by the director.

Trips at Timberlake, Indian Brook, Red Spruce Grove, and Flying Cloud will be shorter at 1-2 nights with cabin groups and all on Farm & Wilderness or [Ninevah Foundation](#) land. As in prior years, campers will participate in trip planning to help them understand the nature of activities that will take place during the trip. We will teach all requisite skills and will focus on "Leave No Trace" ethics, where campers learn to leave a little footprint as possible on the wilderness. Our staff directing these trips are skilled, experienced, and certified in wilderness first aid. In addition, trip coordinators keep itineraries for each day that include detailed evacuation plans and the availability of emergency assistance.



Firm Rules

Swimming Policy

All campers are required to take swim tests during their first few days at camp and learn about water safety in and around our lakes. Personal flotation devices (PFDs) and other swim aids are always available. Indian Brook & Timberlake each provide swim lessons throughout the summer, and campers are grouped according to their swimming skills. Swimmers at the waterfronts are supervised by lifeguards and swim instructors trained and certified under the auspices of a nationally recognized water safety provider. All campers and staff must follow camp waterfront rules throughout the summer.

COVID –19 protocols

For the safety and health of our camp communities, campers will be asked to follow all COVID-19 related safety procedures throughout the summer. Our wonderful staff will offer continued instruction and communication so that campers understand and can follow our procedures.

Grounds for Removal

At Farm & Wilderness, alcohol, tobacco, illegal drugs, and violence have no place. We want our policy to be very clear: Campers who use or have in their possession any alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs will be asked to leave camp immediately with no tuition refund.

Participation in physical violence, bullying, or leaving Farm & Wilderness property unaccompanied by a staff member is also grounds for immediate removal with no tuition refund.



• TUITION DEADLINES & POLICIES •

2021 Tuition Rates

Session 1| June 28 - June 2 | **\$550**
Session 2| July 5 - July 16 | **\$1,100**
Session 3| July 19 - July 30 | **\$1,100**
Session 4| July 2 - Aug 13 | **\$1,1000**

All camp tuition is DUE on June 1st in 2021.

Deposits & Tuition Payments

- Before June 1, a \$100 non-refundable deposit is required upon registration.
- After June 1, full tuition is required upon registration.
- Deposits are non-refundable, unless you are a campership applicant.
- Unpaid balances for any and all family members must be reconciled in order for a camper to be registered.
- It is not possible to make any tuition reduction for arriving late or leaving early.
- Payment is in U.S. currency, payable by check, e-check, credit card, or wire transfer.

Cancellations & Refunds:

- Registration cancellations made before June 1st are eligible for a tuition refund less the \$100 non-refundable deposit.
- Families are responsible for the full amount of tuition if a cancellation is made after June 1st, except in cases of severe illness or family emergency.
- Campership families are notified within one month of their application due date and then have two weeks from that award notification to accept the award or withdraw their registration and receive a refund of their deposit.
- There will be no refund if a camper is asked to leave during the session for an infraction of a camp rule, for disruptive behavior, or if a camper is voluntarily withdrawn.

Financial Aid

The ability to apply for camperships is open for all of our overnight camps. To learn more and how to apply, please visit our [Financial Aid for Campers page](#) for more information, application deadlines, or contact us directly with any questions at admissions@farmandwilderness.org.

Additional Expenses & Fees, if incurred, will be reflected on invoice, along with tuition. They include the following:

Shipping Charges: If there are any lost & found items that are shipped back to you after camp is over or you have arranged for your camper's trunk to be shipped home; the UPS, USPS, or Fed-Ex fees will be added to your bill.

Medical Expenses incurred over the summer will be sent from off-site facilities to your insurance provider. If necessary, F&W will pay for prescriptions up front, and then bill families.

Partnership Families

We partner with several other organizations to bring campers to Vermont in the summer. If your camper is attending Farm & Wilderness through one of our partner organizations such as [1199 Anne Shore Sleep-Away Camp Program](#) or the [Saint Regis Akwesasne Mohawk Tribe](#), the tuition amounts and policies are different than listed on this page. Please contact your organization's representative or our admissions department to understand what is required for your child to be registered for the summer. You will also receive direct communication from Farm & Wilderness about your child's registration before the summer.



AFTER CAMP

Camper Letters

After your camper has returned home, you will receive a letter from your camper's counselor that reflects highlights of the camper's adventures and accomplishments over the summer. The letter describes some of your child's activities and shares aspects of their living and growing experiences in the community.

Surveys

Farm & Wilderness emails surveys to all camp families. The information we collect from these is an important part of our assessment of the summer. Please take the time to complete the survey. Your assistance is very much appreciated in informing upcoming summer planning!

Mail, Lost & Found, & Shipping Items Home

Any mail that arrives for your child after they have left camp will be forwarded to you or returned to sender.

Farm & Wilderness will assist in returning trunks by UPS (insured for \$100) for camp families. We will bill you for any shipping costs. to arrange to have your camper's trunk shipped home after camp, please contact admissions@farmandwilderness.org BEFORE your child arrives at camp.

Farm & Wilderness claims no financial responsibility for personal items lost, stolen, or damaged during your child's stay at camp. For this reason, we discourage camper families from sending any items to camp they wouldn't be willing to risk losing. We will ship found valuable and clearly labeled items home if possible. We will bill you for the shipping costs. any lost and found not labeled or claim within one-week of the last day of camp will be donated.

Keeping in Touch

The Interim is F&W's newsletter for camper parents and friends of F&W. You'll automatically be on our email list for the electronic version of the Interim. If you would like to receive the paper version, please let us know and we will add you to our address list.

Medical Bills

Medical bills incurred over the summer will be sent from off-site facilities to your insurance provider. If necessary, F&W will pay for prescriptions up front, and then bill families.

Photos from Camp

Farm & Wilderness is an unplugged, technology-free environment for campers. When it comes to photos, we prioritize our camper's experience over taking pictures. We understand many families want to see photos of their children at camp, but because of the sizes and locations of our camps and the scope of our programming we are unable to photograph every camper.

With your child's enrollment, you are granting Farm & Wilderness permission to use images, pictures, slides, film, and video of your child taken by F&W for press, promotion, marketing, social media, and advertising of Farm & Wilderness and affiliated organizations such as the American Camp Association and Ninevah Foundation.

Next year's registration!

We open the next year's registration by November 1st. Please use the same online registration account to register your child for next summer.

