

GET WILD! Summer Day Camp Parent Handbook 2025

Thank you for registering your child for the GetWild! Summer Day Camp. We look forward to having a lot of fun this summer. Our goal is to keep your child happy and as safe as possible while having fun in the outdoors, learning about nature and community.

Please read this package completely.

Drop off time: 8:50 am- 9:00 am. Early drop off is NOT available. You will be notified by email where to drop your child off.

Pick up time: 3:00 pm. Please remember to pick up your child promptly and inform the staff if anyone else will be picking up your child.

To bring:

- Your child will need a water bottle, 2 snacks and a lunch each day. Please try to provide food in a way that is as waste-free as possible.
- Please send your child with a hat, sunscreen, mosquito repellent, good walking shoes, and outdoor appropriate clothing for the day's weather.
- The Camp Coordinator will let you know if other items are needed, such as a swimming suit and towel.

Please don't hesitate to email <u>getwildcamp@wildsight.ca</u> or call with any questions. Phone number to be provided as soon as possible.

Camp Policies

Communicable Disease policy

Any child who does not feel well must remain at home. Any child with an elevated temperature or who is coughing, sneezing, or demonstrating any cold or flu like symptoms and does not have a previously disclosed allergy, may not be allowed to attend camp.

All participants of camp are required to regularly sanitize and/or wash their hands, including, but not limited to, at the time of drop off, before meals, after using the bathroom, and before and after games where common objects will be touched. Hand sanitizer will be provided by the camp staff and will be administered to children as often as deemed necessary.

Negative Behaviour Policy

Wildsight Golden is responsible for the children in our care through the GetWild! Camp. In order to continue with a safe and fun environment, we have implemented the following techniques to manage occasional misbehaviour:

- A time out may be used to allow time for a child to regain their self-control or the child may lose the privilege to participate in an activity.
- If the negative behaviour is severe or continuous, a parent may be contacted to pick their child up from camp. If this happens, be assured that the behaviour has been discussed with the Branch Manager or Board Chair.
- If extreme or recurring negative behaviour is considered to be endangering the other participants or excessively disruptive to the operations of the camp, the camp Coordinator will discuss this with the child's parents or guardians to discuss the issues and the child may be asked to leave camp. Wildsight Golden and the GetWild! Day Camp reserve the right to remove campers who do not adhere to our behavior policy. In this instance no refund will be given.

Negative behaviour includes, but is not limited to:

- Uncooperative behaviour
- Not listening to camp staff
- Not respecting the rights of others
- Excluding and name calling
- Repeatedly running away from the camp staff or volunteers
- Theft or vandalism

• Hitting, biting, fighting or other violent behavior

Medical Emergencies

If there is an emergency, Get Wild! staff will make every effort to contact the designated emergency contact. If these contacts cannot be reached, by signing these policies you are acknowledging that Wildsight Golden staff or board members may authorize emergency medical treatment for the welfare of your child. You will be responsible for medical expenses incurred. Wildsight Golden Staff are not authorised to give out medication. If your child needs medication during their time at camp you need to make arrangements to attend the camp to administer it yourself.

Registration, Refunds & Cancellations

When registration opens, each family will be able to book a **maximum of two weeks of camp per child**. Our camp has become so popular that people are registering to save spots "just in case"; this is not workable from our perspective or those seeking childcare. After registration has been open for 2 weeks, families can book other weeks as available.

If the camp session is cancelled by Wildsight Golden for any reason, you will receive a full refund or you may choose to transfer to another session if space is available.

If you need to cancel your session, two week's notice is required AND we must be able to fill your spot before any refund is issued. If your child is unable to attend camp due to illness or accident, a full or partial refund may be considered. Please advise the camp Coordinator who will consult with their supervisors.

All parents/guardians must sign a waiver for camp upon registration.