



School Age Summer Camp  
The Book of Life  
June 14 - August 13, 2021

First Steps  
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## MISSION STATEMENT

First Steps Child Care Center exists to provide caring, high quality care for every child. We work to develop caring, respectful and positive relationships with children from infancy through school age by partnering with families to support a child's Christian growth and development.

## PURPOSE

First Steps Summer Camp has been established to offer care for school age children during the summer months. Our goal is to assist families through a Christ-centered summer program that provides quality care. We will offer spiritual, educational, and recreational activities to all that attend.

## ELIGIBILITY

Children Entering 5K - 6th grade.

## REGISTRATION

There is a \$25 non-refundable registration fee per child with a maximum fee of \$100 per family. If your child was registered for the 2020-21 before or after school care program at St. Matthew's your registration is covered for the summer.

Please indicate on the summer schedule form the days and times needed each week. **Tuesdays and Thursdays will be field trip days.** It is mandatory that children who attend on Tuesdays and Thursdays go on the field trips. Registered days must be consistent week to week.

## FEES

The daily rate is \$51 per day. This rate includes lunch and two snacks. There will be additional charges for Tuesday and Thursday field trips. You will receive the monthly field trip calendar with the planned trips and fees. **There is a summer t-shirt fee of \$12 for all children registered for Summer Camp. The t-shirt charge will be added to your weekly account.**

## PAYMENTS

Tuition is due Fridays prior to the next week of service. Tuition can be taken by EFT, paid online by credit card or by check in the office (listed in the preferred order).

## Summer Camp Vacations and Absences

All summer camp parents will be given vacation days to use at their discretion. The number of vacation days varies based on each child's schedule:

- 5 days per week receives 5 vacation days per summer camp
- 4 days per week receives 4 vacation days per summer camp
- 3 days per week receives 3 vacation days per summer camp
- 2 days per week receives 2 vacation days per summer camp
- 1 day per week receives 1 vacation day per summer camp

Vacation days may be used as sick days (call by 8:30 a.m. the day your child is sick), vacation days (2-week notice required), or used for a holiday (2-week notice required). All holidays (actual or observed) that fall on your child's registered day will be charged to you unless a vacation day is used.

## WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

All children will have their own bin for the summer. Inside the bin they should keep the following labeled items:

- Swimsuit
- Water shoes or crocs
- Towel
- Extra clothes (pants, shirts, socks, underwear)
- Sunscreen (Please apply first application each morning before drop off)
- Gym shoes

## ITEMS TO BRING DAILY

**All children must wear tennis shoes to school (no flip flops please).**

Children should bring a reusable water bottle with their name on it.

\*Drinks will be provided with snacks and lunch.

**Please note...no toys from home!**

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Summer Camp starts June 14. Camp runs Monday - Friday through August 13. There will be NO camp on Monday, July 5 in observance of the 4th of July holiday.

**Please note:** Care may be available depending on the need during time of June 1 - 12.

The hours for camp are 6:00am - 6:00pm. All children must be picked up by 6:00pm. A late fee of \$1 per minute will be added for each minute after 6:00pm.

### DAILY SCHEDULE

6:00 - 7:30am Children arrive; breakfast if provided by parents; free play  
7:30 - 8:00am Staff choice of quiet activities  
8:00 - 8:30am Devotion/Bible time  
8:30 - 9:00am Outside time  
9:00 - 9:30am Snack  
9:30 - 10:30am Daily project  
10:30 - 11:00am Free play  
11:00 - 11:45am Outside time (gym in the case of inclement weather)  
11:45 - 12:30pm Lunch  
12:30 - 1:00pm Reading time  
1:00 - 2:00pm Recreation - Introduction to a sport (M, W and F) (T and Th field trips)  
2:00 - 2:30pm Free play  
2:30 - 3:30pm Snack  
3:00 - 6:00pm Staff choice of activities & free play

Tuesdays and Thursday are field trip days and because of this the schedule may be altered as needed on those days.

### FIELD TRIPS

Field trips will be taken on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We have monthly schedules with the destination and cost of each trip. We will have a monthly Luau and visit from the Kona Ice Truck.

### READING PROGRAM

We will offer reading programs throughout the summer:

- **THE GREAT AMERICAN Read-Off**

This reading program will be used to track your child's reading throughout the summer while at summer camp. The children will chart their own progress and receive incentives along the way too!

### SPORTS HOUR

On Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays, the children will be introduced to different sports. They will learn the basics of the sport and learn how to be a team player.

### **THEMES FOR THE WEEK**

June 14 - 18 Authors

Tuesday, June 15 Retzer Nature Center (\$13 per child)

Thursday, June 17 \*Kona Ice Truck (\$3 per child)

Onsite Movie and Pajama Day in the afternoon

June 21 - 25 Illustrators

Tuesday, June 22 Skyzone (\$14)

Thursday, June 24 \*Jellie's Market (\$10 per child)

June 28 - July 2 Comedy

Tuesday, June 29 Bowling (\$12 per child)

Thursday, \*July 1 Papa Murphy's Pizza Making Day (\$4)

July 5 - 9 Roald Dahl

Tuesday, July 6 Library and Ice Cream at Whelan's (\$7 per child)

Thursday, July 8 \*Honey Acres and Harnischfeger Park (\$5 per child)

July 12 - 16 Dave Pilkey

Tuesday, July 13 \*Kona Ice Truck (\$3 per child)

Thursday, July 15 \*Cozy Nook (\$10 per child)

July 19 - 23 Eric Carle

Tuesday, July 20 Lapham Peak (\$10 per child)

Thursday, July 22 \*Imagination Station/Library Day (\$5 per child)

July 26 - 30 Dr. Seuss

Tuesday, July 27 Movie Day

Thursday, July 29 Water Day

Aug 2 - 6 Mo Willems

Tuesday, August 3 \*Jelli's Market (\$10 per child)

Thursday, August 6 \*SkyZone (\$15 per child)

August 9 - 13 Shel Silverstein

Tuesday, August 10 Watertown Bowl 18 (\$12 per child)

Thursday, August 12 \*Kona Ice Truck (\$3 per child)

Onsite Movie and Pajama Day in the afternoon

\*PreK children will also be attending these trips.

**Field trips may change as needed**