



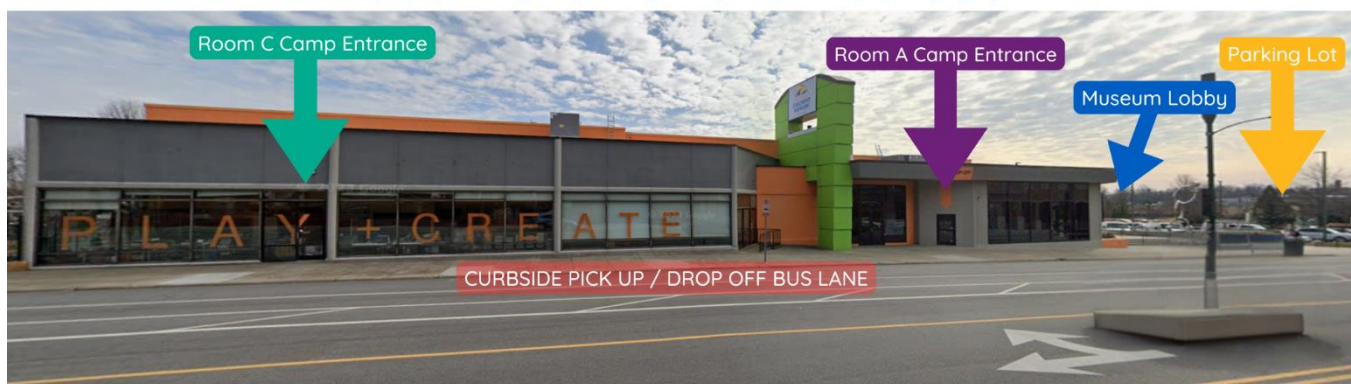
Welcome to Summer Camp at MBCM!

We're so excited to have your child for a great summer camp season! Below are some details that should help you and your child prepare for their week at the Museum.

DROP-OFF:

- On **Monday**, please walk your child into the Museum. A representative will have you look over your registration information to make sure that is all up to date and accurate. You will sign your child in and receive 2 placards for our pickup and drop off lane. An MBCM staff will walk your child from the lobby to the camp room for a smooth transition.
- **Tuesday through Friday**, MBCM staff will be located outside in our bus lane which is right alongside our building on North Church Street for easy drop off. Please stay in your vehicles until a staff member approaches you and you have signed in your child for the day. Make sure all children are prepared to exit on the right-hand side of your vehicle so that they exit onto the sidewalk. We will be there from 8:30am until 9:00am. If you arrive to camp after 9:00am, please park in our parking lot and walk your child into the Museum lobby where you will sign your child in. An MBCM staff member will be called to the front to walk your child to the camp classroom.

220 North Church Street



PICK-UP:

- Pickup will take place in our bus lane alongside our building on North Church Street. Please be sure to have your placard displayed on your windshield for easy identification. If someone is picking up your child without a placard, they will need to show a photo ID and their name must be listed under your camper pick-up contacts.

- All children must be picked up from our bus lane and signed out accordingly. If you wish to play in the Museum or are already in the Museum, you will still need to go out to our bus lane and sign out your child.
- Please note on **Friday** you must park in our parking lot and come into the museum lobby to sign out your child due to our end of camp celebration taking place inside the classrooms.
- **Note:** There is a \$10.00 fee for late pick-up after the first 10 minutes and \$1.00 for each additional minute thereafter.

CAMP SCHEDULE:

- The camp day runs from 8:30am until 3:00pm for camps aged 6yrs - 8yrs and 8yrs - 14yrs while our 4yrs - 6yrs camps are run from 8:30am until 1:00pm. There will be a special event during camp hours on the last day of every camp. You will receive an email from the camp coordinator with event details on Wednesday. Parents/Caregivers are encouraged to come enjoy!

SNACKS AND LUNCHES:

- Please send an unrefrigerated lunch and a **refillable water bottle** each day. A mid-morning snack will be provided around 10am. Camp snacks consist of two or three fresh fruits and/or vegetables. At MBCM, snack time not only provides a little nourishment bridge between campers' breakfast at home and packed lunch, it also gently guides children to try fresh foods in a positive environment. Camp snacks are generously supported by The Fresh Market.

ATTIRE:

- Please send your child in clothing that is **comfortable** for indoor and outdoor, hands-on, **messy activities. Closed toe shoes are required.** Please send a change of clothes in a labeled bag that can be kept in the camp room for the week. Campers will spend time outdoors, so please apply sunscreen and bug spray before camp each day and send additional sunscreen if you wish. We will encourage campers to reapply sunscreen if they brought it after lunch.

CELL PHONES:

- Cell phone use will not be permitted throughout the camp day. Should a camper need to contact his/her listed guardians, a staff member can assist them with using a Museum phone.

FIELD TRIPS:

- Some camps will take walking field trips. Information will be provided on the first day of camp about planned trips along with a permission form.

WHAT TO BRING:

_____ Unrefrigerated lunch - peanut free _____ An extras set of clothes _____ Deet-free
bug spray
_____ Water bottle _____ Sunscreen

***Please label all items with your child's first and last name.**

QUESTIONS? PLEASE CONTACT: Camp Coordinator 336.574.2898 ext. 302
summercamp@gcmuseum.com



Summer Camp Policies at MBCM

Camp Cancellation / Camp Transfers

- We understand that unexpected events and emergencies do occur. However, we also hope you understand our commitment to all of our campers and the preparation that goes into creating successful camp experiences. For this reason, we ask that cancellations or transfers be made by phone or email at least two weeks (fourteen days) prior to the first day of camp in order to receive a full refund less a \$15 processing fee. Cancellations or transfers made within the 14-day time frame will result in a refund of 50% off the original camp cost.
- No refunds will be given for cancellations made on or after the first day of camp unless an accompanying doctor's note can be provided expressing the necessity for the child to be removed from class.
- All cancellations must be made through the Camp Coordinator by emailing summercamp@gcmuseum.com.

Medical Conditions & Consent

The Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum, or its representative, reserves the right to seek appropriate medical attention for any camper who experiences an injury or illness while on its premises, including the right to authorize medical treatment in the absence of a parent/guardian. Every attempt to contact the parent/guardian will be made. The parent/guardian is financially responsible for all medical treatment.

- We ask that all medical conditions, if not previously submitted during camp registration, be communicated to our camp staff before the first day of camp so that we may make an appropriate medical action plan for your child.

- Our medical action plan is specific to any students who require a dosage of medication throughout the day or carries an EpiPen/Inhaler.
- Medication and EpiPens/Inhaler are housed in a secure location and made readily accessible to our staff at all times. These items will remain on site at our facility for the duration of the camp week and returned on the last day of camp.
- All of our camp staff and managers are trained in first aid as well as in Anaphylaxis and Epinephrine Auto-Injectors.

Bug Spray/Sunscreen Release

The staff of the Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum may apply a DEET-free, plant-based bug spray product to campers when appropriate. Staff will also assist campers with a sunscreen reapplication reminder after lunch. MBCM does not provide sunscreen to campers. It is highly recommended that each child brings their personal labeled sunscreen and bug spray. Please apply both sunscreen and bug spray prior to camp every day. If you do not wish for your child to use bug spray while at the Museum, please submit your request to summercamp@gcmuseum.com prior to camp commencing.

Dietary Restrictions

- Many classes and programs at MBCM feature food preparation and eating elements. When signing up for a class or program please be sure to utilize our registration page and fill out our allergies and dietary restrictions section. You may also email our coordinator directly with any special needs or requirements for your child at summercamp@gcmuseum.com

Photography Policy

We take photos and videos of camp participants to share with caregivers and for future use. If you do not wish your child to be photographed and/or do not release the image rights to The Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum, please submit your request to summercamp@gcmuseum.com prior to camp commencing.

Minimum Age Requirements

Summer Camp at MBCM is designed to be both fun and educational! Our educators choose themes, skills, activities, and equipment for each camp that are geared toward the specified ages. For the safety and quality of experience of all campers, we require that your child has turned the minimum age of each camp prior to that camp's commencement. Exceptions will be made for children whose birthday falls within the camp week.

During registration, please double-check to make sure that you sign your child(ren) up for the appropriate age groups and birthdates are entered correctly. Falsifying/incomplete birthdates during the registration process will result in a cancellation without refund.

Bathroom Independence

Our camps are designed to be fun, learning opportunities for kids who have turned the minimum enrollment age before the first day of camp and are bathroom independent.

Illness Policy

We are committed to providing a safe, fun, learning experience for all children through our camp program. A child should stay home if they have:

- A fever higher than 100.4 degrees Fahrenheit
- Nausea/vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Coughing that disrupts normal activity
- Persistent pain (tooth, ear, stomach, etc)
- Eye inflammation or discharge
- Head lice

Children that have a fever may return once they have been fever-free for at least 24 hours without fever-reducing medications. If they have experienced vomiting or diarrhea, they should have had no new episodes for at least 24 hours. Children should feel well enough to fully participate in camp activities.

Behavioral Guidance

At the Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum, we believe that as educators we have the responsibility to guide each child's learning experience and development while they are with us. This means that in every way possible, we choose to build connections with each individual child and open channels of communication that will help campers and camp staff build trust, stay safe, and include everyone in the fun.

Our instructors review all camp rules at the beginning of each camp week with our campers, to ensure a positive experience for all and a healthy camp community.

The Camp Rules are for Everyone:

- Be Respectful

We use equipment and tools for the purpose they are intended and return them to their place when we are finished. We respect one another by listening when another is speaking, following directions, and raising a quiet hand to share a thought or question.

- Be Safe

Whether we're mixing solutions in a chemistry camp, using knives in the kitchen, or simply playing with new friends; we are mindful of our safety and the safety of others while at the Museum.

- Be Positive

At the Museum, we like to try new things, make new friends and have fun. We encourage kids and staff to help each other make each week great!

- Be Kind

We choose kind words, a kind tone, and kind actions to make sure that everyone can join in, learn, and have fun.

Our Approach:

1. Conversation, Understanding, and Redirection: Through active listening and varied engagement strategies, we strive to create a positive camp experience for every camper to the best of our abilities and capacity. We respond to campers' needs and work on solutions that ensure that everyone is learning and practicing the camp rules.
2. Removal from Specific Activity: When conversation and redirection has been pursued and behaviors continue to disrupt the experience of the group, we may have the camper step away from the activity under the direction of a camp instructor until the camper is ready to rejoin the group.
3. Communicating with Parents: For behaviors that are persistent or severe, we may reach out to parents to dialogue about possible strategies.
4. Removal from the Program: When the actions of a camper place him/herself or another person at risk, and reasonable accommodations cannot be attained to ensure safety, the Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum reserves the right to remove a camper from the program. In this unlikely event, the refund policy will apply as stated.

Commitment to Inclusion

At the Miriam P. Brenner Children's Museum, it is our mission to serve all children and families. While we work hard to ensure that every child has the opportunity to have an amazing experience at the Museum, we understand that our summer camp program may or may not be the right fit for your family. If you would like more information about summer camp at MBCM, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at summercamp@gcmuseum.com or 336.574.2898 ext. 309.