

Summer Camp 2024 FAQ

MISSION

CraftStudies mission is to spark creativity and connection through craft. As a community of learners, we cultivate a supportive, joyful, and inclusive environment for hands-on exploration, artistic growth and meaningful engagement with the materials, tools and processes of craft.

Q. Where and when is camp taking place?

A: Camps run weekly, July 8th-August 9th, 2024. All camps take place at CraftStudies, <u>87</u> <u>Maple Street, WRJ, VT 05001</u>. Please consult the <u>CraftStudies Summer Camp webpage</u> for the specific studio in which your child's camp will take place.

Morning Sessions: 9am-12pm

- Drop-off is between 8:45 am and 9:00 am
- Pick-up is between 12 pm and 12:15 pm

Afternoon Sessions: 1pm-4pm

- Drop-off is between 12:45 pm and 1:00 pm
- Pick-up is between 4:00 pm and 4:15 pm.

Students signed up for both morning and afternoon sessions are welcome to stay for supervised lunch and activities from 12pm-1pm. Please send along a nut-free lunch if that is your plan for your child. There is a small refrigerator at CraftStudies where lunches can be kept during the morning session, if necessary.

Q. What is your drop-off & pick-up procedure?

A. Designated parents or guardians that may drop off or pick up campers are identified through the camp registration process. Designated parents or guardians must sign campers in and out of camp each day. Parents/Guardians must show proof of identification the first time they drop off or pick up their child.

Q: What will campers do during a Summer Camp?

A: Camps will be a mixture of creative hands-on learning, skill building, social interaction, and process-driven engagement, along with activities designed to engage the mind and body. We design our camps to include structured activities, and unstructured independent/self-driven learning, taking advantage of both indoor and outdoor spaces, when possible.

CraftStudies places great emphasis and importance on the physical and emotional safety of every camper and staff member. We work to enable our campers to gain self-confidence and to have a positive, safe social learning experience.

Teaching Artists will review safe studio practices on the first day of each camp, as well as work with campers to set clear expectations that every camper will agree to follow to ensure a positive and creative learning experience for everyone.

Our goal is for every child to succeed! If you use any specific strategies that enable your child to participate positively in collaborative activities, or control their physical or emotional behavior in productive ways, please let us know!

Q. What should my child bring to camp?

A. Please label and send your child with the following items:		
		morning or afternoon snack (nut-free). We ask that campers do not share food with
		others
		water bottle
		extra change of clothes

In general, all materials and supplies are included with registration. In some cases, additional materials may be available for purchase and/or a Teaching Artist may ask campers to bring in special materials or supplies to enhance or personalize their creations.

Q. What happens if my child is injured?

A. Through the registration process, a parent or guardian has granted CraftStudies permission to administer first aid, and arrange for transportation to the nearest hospital by professional emergency personnel, in case of emergency.

To support children's safety and comfort, we ask that parents/guardians provide their ascent/<u>release of CraftStudies' liability</u> on behalf of your child electronically through the registration process. If you have any questions about the contents of this release, please reach out to us at hello@craftstudies.org.

Q. What is your policy on electronics?

A. We ask that all electronics including video game consoles, tablets, eReaders, and cell phones be left at home. If you wish to send your child to camp with a cell phone, please contact us in advance to discuss options.

Q: How do you recommend children dress for Summer Camp?

A: Dress for fun, physical, and potentially messy play. Closed-toed shoes and an extra layer (sweatshirt/long sleeve) are recommended.

Q: Who are the instructors of CraftStudies Summer Camp?

A: Our Summer Camp team come from a variety of backgrounds, but all are Teaching Artists, trained in their craft and experienced in working with kids. A staff member will be actively present at all times during camp.

Each camp will have an administrative representative, either Lisa Brahms, Executive Director and/or a Camp Coordinator who will be your point of contact in case of emergency. You will receive their phone number in advance of camp.

Q. What precautions are you taking this summer for COVID-19 and general illness safety?

A: If your child is experiencing any <u>symptoms</u>, or have been <u>directly exposed</u> to someone with COVID-19 or another illness, please do not allow them to attend camp. If a camper exhibits symptoms, the parent/guardian will be called and the child will need to be picked up by the parent/guardian as soon as possible.

Please contact the Executive Director and Camp Coordinator immediately if you believe your child is experiencing symptoms, have been exposed or tested positive for COVID-19 (or any other illness). If a child does test positive for COVID, we ask that they test negative before returning to the studio.

In an effort to keep all children healthy, campers will wash hands often with soap and water.

Campers are not permitted to share food or drinks, and we ask that all campers bring nut-free snacks.

Q: If my child needs to unexpectedly miss a day of camp, who should I contact?

A: Please contact the Camp Coordinator and/or Executive Director, Lisa Brahms at lisa@craftstudies.org.

Q: I need to cancel my registration. How do I cancel and can I get a refund?

A: Cancellations must be made by July 1, 2024 in order to receive a refund or credit towards a future CraftStudies class, workshop or camp. Please contact us at hello@craftstudies.org if you need to cancel your registration.

Q: Can I attend Summer Camp with my child?

A: Camp is a child drop-off camp. In order to foster a cohesive experience, camps are for registered participants only; therefore, adult guardians and non-registered siblings or friends cannot attend.

If your child requires one-on-one support, we welcome them to attend with an aid (provided by you) at no additional cost. If this is the case, please contact us at least 5 days before your child's scheduled week of camp.

Q: Can I register for only part of the week?

A: Week long camps have each camp day structured to build upon the experiences of the previous camp day. Active participation and attendance of each camp day will ensure your child has a full camp experience. Partial registration is not available.

Any other questions? Please contact us at hello@craftstudies.org with any questions.