

Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation

2021 Franke Park Day Camp FAQs

1. Why are Franke Park Day Camp and Farmin' Fun Day Camp accepting different ages?

The operations at each camp and park in which they operate are very different, each requiring distinct ways for day camps to safely operate this summer. We've also evaluated enrollment from past years to determine which ages are most in demand for each camp so we may best serve our community while running adapted and reduced capacity camps. Franke Park Day Camp is our largest camp, so it's numbers were drastically reduced; Farmin' Fun Day Camp will operate close to its normal capacity so it is able to accommodate the various age groups.

*All campers must be of minimum age **by June 1, 2021**. Campers are limited to one camp session at each camp.*

2. Why is Franke Park Day Camp accepting only 6-12 year olds?

After carefully reviewing the activities offered at Franke Park Day Camp for 4-5 year old campers, Junior Leaders, and Counselors-In-Training, we determined we could not run those activities while also meeting safety standards for COVID. 4-5 year old campers and Advanced Campers will be welcomed back once safety standards can be maintained.

3. Will there be Wednesday Night Programs and Native American Pow-Wows at Franke Park Day Camp?

No. Due to the size of the events, Franke Park Day Camp will not host weekly Wednesday Night Programs and Native American Pow-Wows.

4. What is the Wednesday schedule at Franke Park Day Camp?

The Wednesday schedule at Franke Park Day Camp for 2021 will be 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

5. Will Franke Park Day Camp still provide meals made on the trail?

Yes. Franke Park Day Camp will still provide food cooked on the trail. As always, campers will need to bring a lunch too.

6. Will Franke Park Day Camp have overnights?

No. Because Advanced Campers will not be able to participate this summer, Franke Park Day Camp will not be hosting overnights. We recommend a family outing to [Johnny Appleseed Campground](#) for a local camping opportunity!

7. My child was supposed to get their dogtag in 2020 or in 2021. Will they have a chance in the future?

Yes. Campers that never received their dogtags due to the pandemic and/or other circumstances will receive their dogtags once they are able to register and participate in the future.

8. Will the camp activities be very different?

No. Franke Park Day Camp will continue to provide children with enjoyable outdoor experiences in a wooded setting which foster cooperation through learning, playing, working, problem solving, and socializing together.

9. What are the precautions for COVID?

Franke Park Day Camp will use additional buildings to safely spread out campers and staff. We have worked carefully to determine capacities that will allow assigned groups to stay distanced from other camp groups. The use of shared items/equipment will be reduced to items that can be properly sanitized. Staff will sanitize high touch surfaces multiple times a day. Masks will be enforced while indoors and social distancing is not possible. Campers will be given clear instructions on when they can take breaks from wearing masks and when they are required to wear masks. Camp staff will be trained on speaking to children about COVID and guiding them to practice healthy hygiene habits. We also have a Communicable Disease Plan in place.

10. When can we sign up?!

Registration for summer day camps starts on March 22nd 2021! Register at <http://www.fortwayneparks.org> or stop in to the main office at 705 E State Blvd (Mon-Fri, 8am to 5pm).