

# CHOOSE YOUR *Adventure*



## Summer 2022 Day Camps

Franke Park Day Camp • Camp ACTiVenture  
Kids for Nature Zoo Camp • Farmin' Fun Day Camp



FORT WAYNE  
PARKS AND  
RECREATION

# Franke Park Day Camp

Franke Park Day Camp provides children with enjoyable outdoor experiences that foster cooperation through learning, playing, working, problem solving, and socializing together. Campers enjoy a wide range of activities including hiking, fire building, outdoor cooking, swamp study, nature walks, arts and crafts, games, mudsliding and more! Franke Park Day Camp has been serving the children of this community with an emphasis on basic camping skills and nature education since 1946.

Any individual 4-18 years of age may register for Franke Park Day Camp, regardless of sex, color, national origin, religion, or disability. (Please see the 2022 Advanced Camper brochure when registering campers 12-18 years of age.) Due to space limitations, campers 4-12 years of age may attend only one session of camp.

**All campers must be of minimum age by June 1, 2022. Campers are limited to one camp session.**

Registering for more than one camp session will result in cancellation of the additional session(s) and a refund less processing fees.

## LOCATION

### Franke Park

**3411 Sherman Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN**

Campers should be dropped off and picked up at the Nature Lodge in Franke Park. The day camp parking lot is located between Pavilion #2 and the playground.

## AGES

Camp is open to children ages 4-11. Campers must be of minimum age by June 1, 2022.

## HOURS

M, T, Th, F                      9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
Wednesdays                      1:00-7:00 p.m.

## FEES

Camp Session	\$105
Before Camp Care 7:00-9:00 a.m.	\$25
After Camp Care 4:00-6:00 p.m.	\$25

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available on a limited basis. Please call 427-6000 for more information.

## SESSIONS

#1	June 6-10
#2	June 13-17
#3	June 20-24
#4	June 27-July 1
#5	July 11-15
#6	July 18-22

## CAMP CARE

Camp Care will be held M, T, Th, Fri before and after the regular day camping program. The morning session (7:00-9:00 a.m.) features breakfast, games, arts and crafts, and nature hikes. The afternoon session (4:00-6:00 p.m.) includes arts and crafts, games, and nature hikes, as well as a light snack. Camp Care is not available on Wednesdays. Space is limited.

## CAMP BUDDIES

Children who wish to attend camp together must indicate this on the registration form, however, due to the volume of registrations and the lottery processing system, we cannot guarantee placement in the same session.

## WHAT TO BRING

- Sack Lunch (non-refrigerated)
- Canteen or Water Bottle
- Insect Repellent
- Book Bag
- Plain White T-shirt for tie-dyeing (Please mark your name on the tag.)

## MEET THE SUPERVISOR

The 2022 Franke Park Day Camp supervisor is Chris Freehill. Chris is returning for his 45th year on staff and his 32nd year as camp supervisor. He teaches third grade at Forest Park Elementary School. Chris looks forward to another great summer at camp.

To reach Franke Park Day Camp Supervisor, Chris Freehill, please call the Day Camp at (260) 427-6725 (May 31-July 29) or e-mail [chris.freehill@fwcs.k12.in.us](mailto:chris.freehill@fwcs.k12.in.us) any time.

## 75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

**Tuesday, July 26, 4:00-8:00 p.m.**



*Franke Park Day Camp questions may be directed to the Parks and Recreation Office at (260) 427-6000.*

**Day Camp registration begins March 21.**

**Use the registration form on page 7 or register on-line at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org).**

# Farmin' Fun Day Camp

Come spend a week on the farm! Our Farmin' Fun Day Camp provides a stimulating, healthy and beautiful environment where you will learn about plants, animals and life on the farm. Campers will be able to continue the cycle of farm-to-table in our teaching kitchen. The camp integrates hands-on farming such as gardening and animal care, cooperative games, wagon rides, nature exploration and more for a memorable and diverse summer camp experience. You will care for farm animals; hike in the woods; play in the creek; wash, dye and felt wool from one of our sheep; enjoy hayrides around the farm and much more! Registration begins March 21. Campers are limited to one camp session. Counselors-in-Training may register for multiple camp sessions.



## LOCATION

Farmin' Fun Day Camp is held at Salomon Farm Park, 817 W. Dupont Rd. in Fort Wayne.

## AGES

Camp is open to children ages 4-18. Campers must be of minimum age by June 1, 2022.

## HOURS

Monday-Friday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
 AM Camp Care: 7:00-9:00 a.m.  
 PM Camp Care: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

## FEES

All fees are for a 1-week session

Ages 4-11 .....	\$105
Ages 12+ (FIT) .....	\$105
Ages 13-18 (CIT) .....	\$85
AM Camp Care .....	\$25
PM Camp Care .....	\$25

## SESSIONS

#1 .....	June 6-10
#2 .....	June 13-17
#3 .....	June 20-24
#4 .....	June 27-July 1
#5 .....	July 11-15
#6 .....	July 18-22

## WHAT TO BRING

- Sack lunch
- Snacks
- Canteen or water bottle
- Insect repellent
- Sunscreen
- Long pants/change of clothes
- Swimsuit, towel, water shoes

## CAMP BUDDIES

Children who wish to attend camp together must indicate this on the registration form and both children must request it. Campers are grouped by ages 4-5, 6-8 and 9-11 years. Due to differing camp curriculum a 6-year-old will not be grouped with an 11-year-old. We will do our best to place the campers together as requested, however, due to the volume of registrations and the lottery processing system, grouping is not guaranteed.

## HOW TO REGISTER

Register on-line at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org) or use the registration form in this brochure to register by mail, fax or in person at the Parks and Recreation Department. Questions should be directed to the Parks and Recreation Department at (260) 427-6000.

## CONFIRMATION NOTICES

Campers will receive an e-mail confirmation the week prior to their camp session with all the information needed for the upcoming week. Keep a look out for this email! You can also find camp information on our website at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org).

## F.I.T.

"Farmers in Training" is designed to provide children ages 12 and older a more active role in the care of livestock, vegetable gardening, hands-on beekeeping, blacksmithing demonstrations and campfire cookouts on Fridays. Farmers in Training also help harvest for the Farmers' Market on Wednesdays in addition to participating in games and other fun activities.

## C.I.T.

"Counselors in Training" is for campers 13-18 years of age who have completed 2 weeks of F.I.T. Counselors in Training are role models for the younger campers. The program is designed to train youth how to be confident leaders among their peers. C.I.T.s will have opportunities to learn important teambuilding, leadership, and agriculture skills as they assist camp counselors in leading activities such as beekeeping, blacksmithing, gardening and animal care. Each camper will be required to provide two references to complete their registration.

**Day Camp registration begins March 21.**  
 Use the registration form on page 7 or register on-line at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org).

# Camp ACTIVenture

The Botanical Conservatory's Camp ACTIVenture engages campers in active, adventurous fun! This exciting new day camp incorporates off-site excursions to city and state parks, rivers, trails and other recreation destinations where campers experience northern Indiana adventures such as biking, bouldering, zip lining, kayaking, fire building, hiking, orienteering or cooling off in freshwater sources. Camp ACTIVenture integrates values exploration and nature play to foster individual accomplishment, community belonging and character development. Natural elements of earth, air, water and fire are also explored through safe, outdoor challenges that educate and thrill. Registration deadlines are one week prior to each session. Space is limited to 24 campers per week. Registration begins March 21.

## LOCATION

The Foellinger-Freimann Botanical Conservatory is the basecamp of Camp ACTIVenture at 1100 S. Calhoun Street in downtown Fort Wayne, IN. Staff-led excursions to other Northeast Indiana destinations are within walking distance or a 2-hour driving range.

## AGES

Designed for children 9-13 years of age. Camper must be of minimum age by June 1, 2022.

## HOURS/FEES

Monday-Friday: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.  
AM Camp Care: 7:00-9:00 a.m.  
PM Camp Care: 4:00-6:00 p.m.

## FEES

\$345/camper/week  
\$25/ week for AM Camp Care  
\$25/week for PM Camp Care  
Afternoon snack provided

## FINANCIAL AID

The Parks & Recreation Department offers a \$50, once-per-year scholarship for qualified youth. To learn more about this scholarship, contact the Park Office at (260)427-6000.

## SESSIONS

**Soaring Weeks**, weather dependent, include zip lining, biking, lake kayaking, fire building & a Northern backpacking and orienteering day trip

Week #1 ..... June 6-10

Week #3 ..... June 20-24

Week #5 ..... July 11-15

**Reaching Weeks**, weather dependent, include bouldering, biking, river kayaking, fire building & a Southern backpacking and orienteering day trip

Week #2 ..... June 13-17

Week #4 ..... June 27-July 1

Week #6 ..... July 18-22

**Please note:** Registration is limited to 1 Soaring Week and 1 Reaching Week per camper for a maximum of 2 weeks per year. Registering for more than 2 camp sessions will result in cancellations of the additional session(s) and a refund less processing fees.

## WHAT TO BRING

- All completed waivers and registration forms
- Non-refrigerated sack lunch
- Refillable water bottle
- Insect repellent and sunscreen
- Swimsuit and towel
- Full change of clothes
- Sunglasses
- Hat for sun protection
- Backpack for all personal belongings

## WHAT TO WEAR

- Comfortable walking shoes with ankle strap
- Weather appropriate apparel

## HOW TO REGISTER

Register online at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org) or use the registration form in the brochure to register by mail, fax or in person at the Parks and Recreation Department beginning March 21. Before registering, please review all provided information including the refund policy and COVID statement. Questions may be directed to the Interpretive Program Coordinator at [Kelsey.Gerig@cityoffortwayne.org](mailto:Kelsey.Gerig@cityoffortwayne.org).



*Camp ACTIVenture questions may be directed to Kelsey Gerig at [Kelsey.Gerig@cityoffortwayne.org](mailto:Kelsey.Gerig@cityoffortwayne.org).*

**Day Camp registration begins March 21.**

**Use the registration form on page 7 or register on-line at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org).**

# Kids for Nature Zoo Camp

Spend a WILD week at the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo! You'll explore the zoo, visit friendly animals, meet zoo keepers and make new friends in this unique summer adventure. REGISTER ONLINE and see descriptions of each camp at [www.kidszoo.org](http://www.kidszoo.org).

## Pre-K (4+) & K (1/2 day)

### Zooper Senses

M-F	8:30-11:30 a.m.	\$125
6/6-10	6/20-24 7/4-8	7/18-22

### Animals in Action

M-F	8:30-11:30 a.m.	\$125
6/13-17	6/27-7/1 7/11-15	7/25-29

## Pre-K (4+) & K (full day)

### Animal Tales

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/20-24	6/27-7/1
7/4-8	7/11-15 7/18-22	7/25-29

### Animal Builders

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/20-24	6/27-7/1
7/4-8	7/11-15 7/18-22	7/25-29

## Grades 1st & 2nd

### Nature's Artists

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/13-17	6/20-24 6/27-7/1	7/11-15
7/18-22	7/25-29	

### Animal Acrobats

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/20-24 6/27-7/1	7/4-8
7/18-22	7/25-29	

### Creative Critters

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/27-7/1	7/4-8
7/11-15	7/25-29	

### Wild Kitchen

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/20-24	7/4-8
7/11-15	7/18-22	

## Grades 3rd & 4th

### Animal Olympics

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/13-17	6/20-24 6/27-7/1	7/11-15
7/18-22	7/25-29	

### Conservation Quest

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/20-24 6/27-7/1	7/4-8
7/18-22	7/25-29	

### Zoo Sleuth

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/27-7/1	7/4-8
7/11-15	7/25-29	

### Exhibit Engineers

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/13-17 6/20-24	7/4-8
7/11-15	7/18-22	

## Grades 5th & 6th

### Zoo Careers

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/13-17	6/27-7/1 7/11-15	7/25-29

### Junior Zoologist

M-F	8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.	\$175
6/6-10	6/20-24 7/4-8	7/18-22

Register NOW for Zoo Camps at [www.kidszoo.org](http://www.kidszoo.org)

Registration for Kids for Nature Zoo Camp began February 2 and is currently underway.

### Age & Cancellation Policy

Children must meet age requirements on the first day of all programs (no exceptions). Programs are held rain or shine. Refunds (minus a 10% processing fee) are available if you cancel at least 2 weeks before your program begins. The zoo reserves the right to cancel camps with insufficient registration. In the event of such a cancellation, all of your fees will be refunded.

### Before and After Camp Care

Before and After Camp Care is available for Kids for Nature Camp. For more information contact the Zoo Education Department at 427-6808 or [education@kidszoo.org](mailto:education@kidszoo.org).

### Kids for Nature Campership Fund

Assistance is available for families unable to afford zoo programs. To apply for a Kids for Nature Campership for your child, contact us at 427-6808 or [education@kidszoo.org](mailto:education@kidszoo.org).



# Day Camp Registration

## Registration for Day Camps Begins March 21 On-Line, by Mail, Fax, Drop Box or In Person

*(Exception: Kids for Nature Summer Camp registrations are handled by the Fort Wayne Children's Zoo. Registrations are being accepted NOW. Sign up online at [kidszoo.org](http://kidszoo.org). See note below for details).*

### 5 Easy Ways to Register

#### 1) On-Line

Register on-line at [www.fortwayneparks.org](http://www.fortwayneparks.org). If you do not already have a user ID and password or have forgotten them, call 427-6000 or e-mail [rhonda.berg@cityoffortwayne.org](mailto:rhonda.berg@cityoffortwayne.org). On-line registrations are processed as you register with no time delay.

#### 2) By Mail

Simply complete the day camp registration form in this brochure (or a copy of it) and mail to the address above. Please use a separate registration form for each camper.

#### 3) By Fax

FAX your completed registration form to (260) 427-6020. Available 24 hours a day.

#### 4) Drop Box

If our office is closed, you may drop your registration in the 24-hour drop box located at the front entrance of our building at 705 E. State Blvd.

#### 5) In Person

You may register in person at the Parks and Recreation Department, 705 E. State Blvd., (corner of State and Parnell), Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

#### We cannot accept day camp registrations over the phone.

Confirmations will be sent (by mail or e-mail) within a week of registration. If you do not receive a confirmation in this time frame, please call 427-6000.

### Kids for Nature Camp Registration

Registration for Kids for Nature Summer Camps is currently underway. Register on-line at [kidszoo.org](http://kidszoo.org). Refer to page 5 for the Zoo's refund policy. Please direct questions to [education@kidszoo.org](mailto:education@kidszoo.org) or 427-6808.



### Parks & Recreation Refund Policy

Full refunds less a processing fee of \$5 or 10% (whichever is greater) will be granted to individuals if requested before the day the camp session begins. Refunds requested less than one day prior to the start of the camp session may be granted only for illness or medical reasons. These refunds will be pro-rated and issued in the form of a credit to your account with us, which may then be applied to a future purchase. Please allow 4-6 weeks for processing refunds. Credit card refunds are credited to your account immediately.

### Things to Know Before You Sign Up

- Registration for day camps opens on March 21. Registrations will be processed in the order they are received. Space is limited and placement in any given session cannot be guaranteed. If the session(s) for which you have registered is full, you will be notified by phone so you may choose another session, be placed on a waiting list or request a refund.
- On-line registrations are accepted immediately with no time delay.
- Checks should be made out to Board of Park Commissioners. If you are registering for other Parks and Recreation programs in addition to day camp, please submit a separate check for the camps.
- We accept Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express.
- Campers to be of minimum age by June 1, 2022.
- Both Franke Park Day Camp and Farmin' Fun Day Camp limit campers to one session. (Exception: CITs may register for unlimited sessions of Franke Park Day Camp and Farmin' Fun Day Camp). Campers may sign up for 2 sessions of Camp ACTI-Venture.
- Scholarships are available for qualified campers. Call the Parks and Recreation Department (427-6000) or the zoo (427-6808) for information.

### COVID Safety

Fort Wayne Parks and Recreation has thoroughly researched COVID safety precautions, working with local, state, and national organizations to determine best practices for our summer day camps. COVID guidelines specific to each day camp will be sent to families in their confirmation packets, approximately 1 week prior to the camp week the child is attending. Please review guidelines carefully, as we are counting on you to help us keep our community healthy! We will continue to monitor guidelines and keep families informed should guidelines change; at this time we will require all campers and staff to wear masks when indoors and any time social distancing is not possible.





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Board of Park Commissioners  
705 East State Boulevard  
Fort Wayne, IN 46805

**Summer Activity  
PODS**

Ages 5-13 • 7 Session • 20 Different Themes

Registration begins March 21!  
[fortwayneparks.org](http://fortwayneparks.org)

Themes: Dinosaur Detective, Weird & Sweet Treats, Fun in the Fort, Have a Ball, Crafty Kids, Pirates Adventure, Mission Impossible, Splash, Splash Water Works