Schoolhouse of Wonder creates kind, curious, and confident kids through nature-based, outdoor adventures.

Durham Location
West Point on the Eno Park
5101-B N. Roxboro St.
Durham, NC 27704

Wake Location
Umstead State Park (Amphitheater and Whispering Pines)
I-40 Reedy Creek Entrance
2100 N. Harrison Ave.
Cary, NC 27513

Orange Location
Brumley Forest Nature Preserve
3223 New Hope Church Rd
Chapel Hill, NC 27514

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A Letter to Our Parents

We hope you’re looking forward to the 2020 camp season as much as we are.

Over the past 31 years, one key to Schoolhouse of Wonder’s success is the significant investment we make in earning and maintaining the trust of parents and campers alike. Facilitating fun, outdoor adventures in a physically and emotionally safe environment is just the beginning.

The Schoolhouse staff is committed to partnering with you to maintain open lines of communication and to engage your child as an individual with unique needs and goals.

This Parent Handbook includes information that will help us build that partnership and ensure weeks full of fun and wonderful memories.

Please read it carefully and let us know if you have questions or need any additional information.

Thank you for allowing us to be a part of your child’s outdoor adventures.

Wendy Tonker, MPA
Executive Director
Overview
Schoolhouse of Wonder is a place where everyone can play, learn, and grow toward being their best selves. Our team of driven and talented mentors love learning together with children ages 3-17 through our outdoor camps, field trips, and leadership training.

Diversity and Inclusion
At Schoolhouse of Wonder, we celebrate individuality. Different is just different. We are committed to creating an inclusive environment where folks feel welcome to share their authentic selves. We support and celebrate our diverse community members of all races, genders, ages, religions, and identities.

Mission
Schoolhouse of Wonder creates kind, curious, and confident kids through nature-based, outdoor adventures.

Values
• We model and teach self awareness and empathy
• We celebrate individuality; different is just different
• Everyone deserves to be witnessed, heard, and respected
• In nature, we’re all students
• Life should be filled with adventures and a sense of wonder
• We send every kid home dirty, tired, and happy
Family Circle

- Please join us on the last day of camp for Family Circle.
  - For 5-7 year olds: Friday at 3:00p
  - For 5-7 year olds in aftercare: Friday at 4:45p
  - For 8-12 year olds: Friday at 4:45p
- You are invited to bring a healthy snack to share.
- Please avoid common allergens (e.g. peanuts and tree nuts).

Camp Store

- Immediately following the Family Circle, parents and campers are encouraged to visit our Camp Store.
- All proceeds directly support Schoolhouse programs.
- Items for sale include Schoolhouse t-shirts, steel striker kits, water bottles, buttons, necklaces and more.

Keeping You In The Loop

A successful camp experience requires an active partnership between our staff, your child, and you, the parent.

To help you know how much fun we’re having in each camp:

- We routinely post pictures and highlights on Facebook and Instagram.
- You must grant Photo Permission for pictures of your child to be included. Images of your child will not include their name. Please update information in your account according to your wishes.
- We update the Schoolhouse Blog with Conversation Starters to help you learn more about your child’s experiences and a photo gallery of the full adventure (after each week of camp).
School Break and Track Out
Camp Information

Family Circle

• Please join us at 4:45p on the last day of camp for Family Circle.
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Camp Hours
9:00a - 5:00p

Drop Off
8:15a - 9:00a

Pick Up
5-7 year olds:
5:00p - 5:30p
8-12 year olds:
5:00p - 5:30p

Aftercare
There is no aftercare. School Break and Track Out Camps run until 5:00p for all campers (5-12 years old).

Early Pick Up
With advanced notice, any camper may be picked up between 3:00p - 3:30p.
What to Bring to Camp

Gear
- Water bottle (16 oz. or larger)
- Seasonally-appropriate clothes and change of clothes
- Comfortable shoes (that can get dirty)
- Water gear (swimsuit, small towel, and shoes for water time. Examples include a water shoe/sneaker hybrid like a Keen, Crocs, old sneakers, etc. No flip flops.)
- Sunscreen (we highly recommend broad spectrum with SPF 15 or higher. We strongly discourage the use of aerosol products.)
- Insect repellent (we encourage you to select an insect repellent that deters ticks, mosquitoes, and chiggers: www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you. We strongly discourage the use of aerosol products and products that combine sunscreen and insect repellent.)
- Pocket knife with locking blade 3” or shorter. (Pocket knives are optional for 8-12 year olds, but are NOT allowed for 5-7 year olds.)

Lunches
Please send a packed lunch with your camper each day that does not require refrigeration or heating.
Campers often eat more at camp than at school. Please pack a little extra food.

Snacks
Please send two snacks each day.

What to Leave at Home

- Toys
- Electronics
- Sports or Gaming Equipment
- Money
- Books
- Playing Cards/Trading Cards
- Valuables

Cell Phones:
Cell phones, like other electronics, are not allowed at camp. This includes watches or any other device capable of making a call.
If you need to reach your camper please call the number below:
- In Durham, please call the Site Manager at (919) 357-6032.
- In Wake, please call the Site Manager at (919) 717-0913.
- In Orange, please call the Site Manager at (919) 695-2178.
• **Weight**: Remember your child will be carrying his or her backpack for some or most of the day! Extra weight in a backpack can create an additional challenge.

• **Backpacks**: Many school backpacks are fine for our programs. Please don’t send backpacks with string or rope straps. A comfortable backpack (size and style) will make for a better day.

• **Trash**: Pack an extra plastic zip top bag for lunch trash. This can keep messy or unfinished food from becoming an unwelcome surprise for you later (lookin’ at you, Go-Gurt).

• **Juice Boxes**: Please avoid sending juice boxes or juice pouches to camp. They often make a mess and based on our highly scientific research, their straws and wrappers are nearly impossible for campers to see on the ground. Please consider using small, resealable drink containers or encourage your camper to drink water at lunch/snack times.

• **Valuables**: Backpacks and the things inside them can get wet, muddy, sat on, or dropped. Please don’t send anything that is valuable, sentimental, or otherwise not appropriate to get covered in mud.

• **Footwear**: Many kids like wearing their water shoes (with or without socks) all day if they’re comfortable for walking. If they don’t arrive in water shoes, please send some shoes that can get wet.

• **Water Gear**: Some kids prefer to arrive in water gear and change into dry clothes after water time.

• **Sunscreen first, then Insect Repellent**: First rub in the sunscreen, let it absorb into your camper’s skin, then apply the repellent on top. [Click here](#) for more tips on applying repellent properly.
Camp Policies

Camper Safety

Physical and emotional safety is always our first priority. We ensure quality programs through:

• Competitive hiring practices that result in a dedicated, responsible, and caring team of mentors.
• All staff maintain First Aid and CPR certifications, with many earning additional certifications.
• Thorough background checks on all staff.
• Extensive staff training on child development, behavior management, emergency response, bullying prevention, and more.
• Low camper-to-staff ratios.
• Educating campers about common hazards in the camp environment (e.g. poison ivy, biting/stinging insects, snakes, ticks).
• An organizational emphasis on engagement that places our experienced staff right next to your child while they explore, learn, and grow.

Water Safety

Schoolhouse of Wonder does not allow swimming; however, campers frequently have an opportunity to wade in the river and creeks (weather permitting). Firm, clear boundaries and water safety rules will be explained to campers at the outset of water time each day.

While wading, campers will always:

• Be in full sight of counselors.
• Be in water that is not deeper than their navel.
• Wear shoes.

Durham Location: Campers in the 8-12 year old camps occasionally have the opportunity to float in deeper water. A securely fastened Personal Flotation Device (life jacket) must be worn any time a camper is in water above their navel.

“IT IS EVIDENT HOW MUCH THOUGHT AND PREPARATION GOES INTO EVERYTHING AT CAMP. I AM STRUCK BY HOW QUICKLY THE COUNSELORS KNEW OUR DAUGHTER’S NAME, AND HOW ENGAGED AND RESPONSIVE THEY ARE TO HER.”

-Camp Parent

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Cancellation/Transfer Policy

Registration Cancellations: Schoolhouse of Wonder offers these refund/credit options upon written request and in accordance with the following timeline:

• **90+ days prior to the first day of camp:** A $25 administrative fee will be charged per child, per camp ($10 fee per child, per Discovery Day). Minus this fee, either a full refund or a dollar-for-dollar credit is available. Please note that all dollar-for-dollar credits expire at the end of the current calendar year, regardless of the date granted.

• **Less than 90 days, but more than 14 days prior to the first day of camp:** A $25 administrative fee will be charged per child, per camp ($10 fee per child, per Discovery Day). Minus this fee, a dollar-for-dollar credit is available. Please note that all dollar-for-dollar credits expire at the end of the current calendar year, regardless of the date granted.

• **Less than 14 days prior to the first day of camp:** No refunds or credits are available. Instead, your registration cost (minus a $50 administration fee per child per camp, $25 fee per child, per Discovery Day) will be converted into a tax-deductible donation to the Schoolhouse of Wonder scholarship fund.

Registration Changes or Transfers: Schoolhouse of Wonder offers these transfer options upon written request and in accordance with the following timeline:

• **More than 7 days prior to the first day of camp:** A $15 administrative fee will be charged per child, per camp transfer. All changes are subject to availability.

• **Less than 7 days prior to the first day of camp:** We are unable to make any changes or grant transfer requests.

Please note: If there is a difference in cost between your current registration and the camp you wish to transfer into, we will issue a dollar-for-dollar credit for the difference (if the new camp has a lower rate), or require payment of the balance in full (if the new camp has a higher rate) at the time of transfer.

Behavior Management and Discipline

Our primary goal is to maintain a physically, emotionally, and intellectually safe environment for all participants. Our role in any behavior management situation is to promote the camper’s safety, comfort, and growth. We strive to prevent problematic behaviors, and we avoid punishment as it removes a growth opportunity. Being proactive and preventative, using proximity and positive messages, and giving specific feedback are constant themes throughout staff training and are easily seen in our daily interactions with children. We also try to identify what may be driving the behaviors. Is the camper hungry? Angry? Lonely? Tired?

Disrespectful behavior is often a precursor to unsafe behavior. To keep children safe, we strive to identify and redirect disrespectful behavior as it occurs.

When redirection is unsuccessful or when instances of unsafe conduct occur, we follow these general steps:

1. **Reconnect with the camper:** stop talking and listen, communicate calm, validate their feelings, reflect what we hear. We will reiterate or clarify expectations, making sure they understand, and let them know next steps.

2. The camper will be given a clear verbal warning.

3. Staff will remove the camper from the group to have a longer conversation and engage the camper with leading questions that get them to think about what’s going on. Tell me what happened? What do you think should happen now? Throughout, we will maintain connection with the camper - kneeling down rather than standing over them, making physical contact if it’s calming to the camper.

4. If the unacceptable behavior continues, or if the camper threatens the emotional or physical safety of themselves or anyone else, our staff will contact you (the parent/guardian) to build an agreed upon action plan.

Any instance of direct physical, emotional, or sexual harm will result in the immediate removal of the camper from the group and a call home. Such instances could result in a camp suspension of one to five days (depending on severity) or expulsion from camp. No refund will be given in such cases.
Drop Off and Pick Up

All campers must be signed in and out of camp.

Drop off is between 8:15a and 9:00a. All camp groups leave the drop off area promptly at 9:00a. Sending staff to meet late campers creates significant challenges and may negatively impact the entire group.

SUMMER CAMP Regular pick up for 5-7 year olds is between 3:00p and 3:30p. Pick up for 5-7 year olds in Aftercare and 8-12 year olds is between 5:00p and 5:30p. With advanced notice, any child can be picked up at the 3:00p to 3:30p time. Alternate pick ups outside of that time require site manager approval.

SCHOOL BREAK AND TRACK OUT CAMP: Pick up for all campers is between 5:00p and 5:30p. With advanced notice, any child can be picked up at the 3:00p to 3:30p time. Alternate pick ups outside of that time require site manager approval.

Durham - West Point on the Eno: Drop off and pick up are at the main parking lot on the left after you turn into the park. If you experience unexpected delays please let the Durham County Site Manager know by calling or texting the field phone: (919) 357-6032.

Wake Location - Umstead Whispering Pines: Drop off and pick up are at the Whispering Pines camp location. To reach Whispering Pines, turn right on to the road with the brown barricade. The park staff have given us permission to carefully pass on the left side of the barricade. Please, drive slowly and carefully. About 1/3 of a mile on your right will be a small A-frame Schoolhouse of Wonder sign. Turn right on to Whispering Pines Road and drive approximately 1/2 mile. Our Drop Off and Pick Up location is at the end of this gravel road. If you experience unexpected delays please let the Wake County Site Manager know by calling or texting the field phone: (919) 717-0913.

Wake Location: Harris Lake: Drop off and pick up are at the Disc Golf/Fishing Pond gravel parking lot, which is located at the third road on your right when entering Harris Lake County Park. If you experience unexpected delays please let the Wake County Site Manager know by calling or texting the field phone: (919) 717-0913.

Orange - Brumley Forest: Drop off and pick up are at the end of the private drive. Please obey parking signs. If you experience unexpected delays please let the Orange County Site Manager know by calling or texting the field phone: (919) 695-2178.

Note: Schoolhouse of Wonder requires anyone picking up a child to be listed in advance, preferably through your online account.
Rainy Days

Rainy days happen, and that’s not a bad thing! If the rain isn’t too hard, and it isn’t too cold, we’ll do our best to keep hiking, playing, exploring, and creating. Please help your camper come to camp prepared to be outside, even on a rainy day. If needed, all of our sites have access to shelter to get out of the rain, storms, or wind. It is very unusual for us to cancel camp for the weather, but does happen.
When it is raining at drop off or pick up, there may be alternative procedures or locations.

Durham Location
If weather is bad (rain or thunderstorms) during drop off/pick up times, we will hold drop off/pick up at one or both of the covered picnic shelters at West Point on the Eno City Park. We will do our best to alert parents ahead of time to any drop off/pick up changes.

Wake Location - Umstead Amphitheater
In the event of rain, drop off and pick up will be located at Shelter #2 directly across the parking lot from the bulletin board and bathrooms.

Wake Location - Umstead Whispering Pines
The drop off and pick up location doesn’t change on rainy days.

Wake Location: Harris Lake
In the event of rain, drop off and pick up will be located in the park’s day use area at the Loblolly shelter.

Orange Location
The drop off and pick up location doesn’t change on rainy days.

Food Sharing

Food sharing during camp (e.g. snack and lunch) is prohibited, except by siblings. Parents/guardians determine if their camper(s) are allowed to share food during Family Circle.
Schoolhouse employees may only administer medication to a camper with written authorization from a parent or guardian in the Medication Log.

- Campers are not allowed to deliver medications. Please register all medications, prescription and non-prescription, directly with staff during check in.
- We will only check in the exact number of doses the camper will receive during the week.
- At least one dose of medication must be administered at home before any medication can be administered at camp. (With the exception of any emergency-use medication such as inhalers, epi-pens, etc.)
- Prescription medications must be in the original container bearing a pharmacy prescription label that displays:
  - Patient name
  - Prescribing physician name
  - Directions for use (dosage, frequency, route of administration)
  - Date filled
  - Expiration date
- Non-prescription medication must also be provided in the original container that includes directions for use. Medication will only be administered in accordance with the written directions.

**Prescription and Nonprescription Medicines**

**Sunscreen and Insect Repellent**

Although not strictly required, we strongly encourage the use of sunscreen and insect repellent. Specifically, we recommend non-aerosol, broad-spectrum sunscreen with SPF 15 or higher. We encourage you to select an insect repellent that deters ticks, mosquitoes, and chiggers: [www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you](http://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you). We strongly discourage the use of aerosol products and products that combine sunscreen and insect repellent.

Please apply sunscreen and insect repellent to your camper at the beginning of each day.

Schoolhouse staff will supervise and assist campers in re-applying their sunscreen and insect repellent before water time and/or as needed throughout the day. The sharing of sunscreen and insect repellent is prohibited, except by siblings. Campers may not apply sunscreen or insect repellent to each other.

**Ticks**

We check campers’ arms and legs for ticks throughout the day, but these critters are sneaky. We encourage you to:

- Insect repellent should be applied on top of sunscreen. First rub in the sunscreen and let it absorb into your camper’s skin. Then apply insect repellent to exposed skin and on top of clothing. Never spray it underneath clothes.
- Use an insect repellent that really works. We encourage parents to consult the [Consumer Reports Insect Repellent Buying Guide](http://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-repellent-right-you).
- Change your camper’s clothes at the end of the day.
- Perform a thorough, full-body tick check.
- Shower or bathe your camper each evening.

For further information about ticks and tick-borne diseases, please check the link below: [http://tic-nc.org/about-ticks/](http://tic-nc.org/about-ticks/)
Ahhhhhh, summertime... The sun is shining, birds are chirping, and dozens of kids are romping through the forests. Summer is the heart of our camp program. More kids, more staff, more critters, and more adventures!

**Summer Tips:**

- On the first day of camp, you’ll be asked to confirm information on your account. This process goes much faster if you review and correct any errors in your online account in advance.
- Please allow a little extra time for drop off, especially on the first day of camp.
- It’s not unusual for some children to have a hard time saying goodbye. One thing to remember is that a drawn-out goodbye makes the transition harder for some kids. Most campers recover quickly and end up having a good day. If there are any ongoing concerns, we’ll be sure to call.
- Remember your sunscreen and insect repellent! It might save time to put these on at home rather than after you arrive at camp.
- Some kids like coming to camp wearing water shoes and/or water clothes. This does eliminate some clothes changing during the day, so if it’s comfortable for your camper, we’re in full support!
- Your child will be carrying their backpack for much of the day. Please keep that in mind when choosing items to send. At the end of the day, you can check in with staff and your child to see if there’s anything that could be skipped the next day (towel, hat, etc.).
- Labeling your child’s clothes and belongings with names or initials helps us to reunite misplaced items and families.

**Summer Camp Checklist**

- Lunch
- Two snacks (morning/afternoon)
- Water bottle (16 oz. or larger)
- Water shoes
- Water clothes
- Appropriate footwear for running, hiking, getting dirty (comfortable shoes, boots, extra shoes, etc.)
- Any needed medications (see medication policy)
- Sunscreen (we recommend spray-on, broad spectrum with SPF 15 or higher)
- Insect Repellent

**Optional Items:**

- Pocket knife (locking blade 3" or shorter. 8-12 year olds only)
- Small towel
- Extra socks

*Please leave toys, electronics, sports or gaming equipment, books, playing cards, trading cards, money, and other valuables at home.*
Fall in North Carolina is many people’s favorite season, and it’s easy to see why. Cooler, comfortable temperatures and changing leaves create a fantastic backdrop for our camps. This is another season that can have a wide variety of weather with temperatures varying as much as 30 degrees. We encourage campers to come to camp well prepared for a variety of conditions.

**Fall Camp Checklist**
- Lunch
- Two snacks (morning/afternoon)
- Water bottle (16 oz. or larger)
- Water shoes
- Water clothes
- Raincoat or warm jacket if appropriate
- Change of (warm) clothes
- Appropriate footwear for running, hiking, getting dirty (comfortable shoes, boots, extra shoes, etc.)
- Any needed medications (see medication policy)
- Sunscreen (we recommend spray-on, broad spectrum with SPF 15 or higher)
- Insect Repellent

**Optional Items:**
- Pocket knife (locking blade 3” or shorter. 8-12 year olds only)
- Small towel
- Extra socks

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**Fall Tips:**
- A change of clothes is a great idea for fall camp. If your camper gets damp, it can be a huge boost to change into dry clothes.
- Please send sunscreen and insect repellent. Sunburns are still possible on cool or cloudy days.
- We hope that water time is part of every fall camp day (though the weather doesn’t always cooperate). Please come prepared for water time every day, including shoes that can be worn in the creeks and water clothes.
- Fall camps usually have just one group of 5-12 year olds.
- The regular pick up window for fall camps is 5:00p-5:30p. Early pick ups between 3:00p-3:30p are an option with advance notice.
- We’ll hold a single Family Circle on the last afternoon of camp at 4:45p, weather permitting.
- **Note:** If attending a Wake camp, please double check the location as Umstead Amphitheater, Umstead Whispering Pines, and Harris Lake are all locations for our fall camps.
Winter is one of our favorite seasons. The forests are quiet and calm and with some preparation, cooler temperatures are welcomed. The key to a fun winter camp is coming prepared with appropriate layers, hats, and gloves. Remember, our plan is to spend the whole day outside, though we do have access to buildings with heat if needed in extreme temperatures.

**Winter Tips:**

- We recommend dressing in multiple layers instead of one very warm layer. This will allow your camper to add or take off layers depending on our activities. By taking off a layer or two, your camper will be comfortable in a running game and they can add layers back on when it’s time for a calmer activity.
- Hats and gloves or mittens are great for helping your child stay comfortable.
- Please send sunscreen. Sunburns are still possible on cool or cloudy days.
- Winter camps usually have just one group of 5-12 year olds.
- The regular pick up window for winter camps is 5:00p-5:30p. Early pick ups between 3:00p-3:30p are an option with advance notice.
- We’ll hold a single Family Circle on the last afternoon of camp at 4:45p, weather permitting.
- We do not have water time at winter camp, so there’s no need to pack water shoes, clothes, or towels.

**Winter Camp Checklist**

- Lunch
- Two snacks (morning/afternoon)
- Water bottle (16 oz. or larger)
- Camper dressed in layers
- Warm Coat
- Hat and Gloves or Mittens
- Any needed medications (see medication policy)
- Appropriate footwear for running, hiking, getting dirty (comfortable shoes, boots, extra shoes, etc.)
- Sunscreen (we recommend spray-on, broad spectrum with SPF 15 or higher)

**Optional Items:**

- Pocket knife (locking blade 3” or shorter. 8-12 year olds only)
- Extra socks
- Lip and/or face ointment (e.g. Chapstick, Vaseline)
- Insect Repellent

*Please leave toys, electronics, sports or gaming equipment, books, playing cards, trading cards, money, and other valuables at home.*
Spring Camps

Spring camps are some of our favorites. After being cooped up for more of the winter than we prefer, staff and campers alike are thrilled to be outside! Weather at this time of year can be unpredictable and temperatures can vary by as much as 30 degrees. We encourage campers to come to camp well prepared for a variety of conditions.

Spring Tips:

- A change of clothes is a great idea for spring camp. If your camper gets damp, it can be a huge boost to change into dry clothes.
- Please send sunscreen and insect repellent. Sunburns are still possible on cool or cloudy days.
- We hope that water time is part of every spring camp day (though the weather doesn’t always cooperate). Please come prepared for water time every day, including shoes that can be worn in the creeks and water clothes.
- Spring camps usually have just one group of 5-12 year olds.
- The regular pick up window for spring camps is 5:00p-5:30p. Early pick ups between 3:00p-3:30p are an option with advance notice.
- We’ll hold a single Family Circle on the last afternoon of camp at 4:45p, weather permitting.
- Note: If attending a Wake camp, please double check the location as Umstead Amphitheater, Umstead Whispering Pines, and Harris Lake are all locations for our spring camps.

Spring Camp Checklist

- Lunch
- Two snacks (morning/afternoon)
- Water bottle (16 oz. or larger)
- Water shoes
- Water clothes
- Raincoat or warm jacket if appropriate
- Change of (warm) clothes
- Any needed medications (see medication policy)
- Appropriate footwear for running, hiking, getting dirty (comfortable shoes, boots, extra shoes, etc.)
- Sunscreen (we recommend spray-on, broad spectrum with SPF 15 or higher)
- Insect Repellent

Optional Items:

- Pocket knife (locking blade 3” or shorter. 8-12 year olds only)
- Small towel
- Extra socks

Please leave toys, electronics, sports or gaming equipment, books, playing cards, trading cards, money, and other valuables at home.
Every child deserves the chance to explore and play in nature, no matter what their circumstances may be. Schoolhouse camps provide opportunities to break down all sorts of barriers and build bridges of understanding.

Generous donors to Schoolhouse’s scholarship fund allow kids, who might not otherwise have the opportunity, to participate in our award-winning, nature-based programs.

With your support, we can help campers from all walks of life:
- Make new friends and get to know kids different from them.
- Have fun outdoor adventures.
- Learn about nature and make connections with the world around them.
- Do things they were afraid to do.
- Feel more kind, curious, and confident.

**Apply for a Scholarship:** Need-based, partial and full scholarships are available as funding allows. To apply, please visit our website to complete the online application by April 1, 2019. You may apply late but priority will be given to applications received before the deadline.

The application can be found on our website: [https://schoolhouseofwonder.org/scholarships/](https://schoolhouseofwonder.org/scholarships/)

**Make a Tax Deductible Donation to the Scholarship Fund.**
Let’s work together to make camp at Schoolhouse an equal opportunity life-changer for any child who wants to participate!

Please make a one-time or recurring monthly donation today on our secure website: [https://info.schoolhouseofwonder.org/Donations/](https://info.schoolhouseofwonder.org/Donations/)

“**My daughter was grieving and going through a tough time, and this camp was therapy for her. It gave her comfort and joy and helped her so much; it was an experience we would never be able to afford.”**

-Camp Parent, scholarship recipient
OUR CAMP GUARANTEE:

Dirty, Tired, Happy or Your Money Back

We will return your child dirty, tired, and happy - or we will refund your child’s remaining camp tuition.

If for ANY reason your child decides that camp is not for them and chooses to leave camp before the end of the week, we’ll refund camp tuition for the remaining days.

Our Dirty, Tired, Happy Guarantee provides a prorated tuition refund to any child departing before the conclusion of his or her registered camp, with the exception of those who have been asked not to return for inappropriate behavior. We will take your tuition payment, divide by five for a daily rate, multiply by the number of days your child will not be attending, and process a refund to the credit card with which you paid for camp. And that’s a promise.

To obtain a refund under our Dirty, Tired, and Happy Guarantee, all you have to do is send us a written request within a week stating that your child did not enjoy camp and that you would like a refund. It’s that simple. Guaranteed.

Earning Your Trust

Our camps present a unique opportunity for children to grow and learn. While we’re confident and proud of our camps, we realize that no one community is a perfect fit for every child. So we offer you our Dirty, Tired, Happy Guarantee to build trust. We don’t know a better way to demonstrate the confidence we have in our programs than by putting our money where our mouth is.