



Emmanuel Christian Academy

2024 Summer Program

We are looking forward to another great summer of day camp at Emmanuel Christian Academy! Once again, camp will be open to any students who are entering grades K4-6. K4 students must be 4 years old by September 1st and potty trained. Please feel free to pass this information along to other families who are looking for a great Christian summer camp.

We will be planning weekly themes as well as fun on-site activities and occasionally, some off-site field trips for those in 1st grade and above as well. I can, without hesitation, confirm that the summer camp program is gearing up to be a fun-filled, action-packed adventure!

This year in particular, we will be concentrating on making our program for 5th-6th graders more age appropriate and exciting. Their group will now be referred to as “Summer Five Six” and will have their own t-shirts and activities that will better match their level of development.

For registration this year, we are transitioning back to using the online camp software called Sawyer. You will notice that payment plans are now only available when you purchase all 10 weeks of camp at once. For this reason, we’d like to encourage you to register your campers a week at a time (even as late as the day before) since you’ll need to pay in full at the time of checkout. If you wish to register your campers for less than a week, you will choose the “drop in” option, which will allow you to choose specific days. Finally, Sawyer will not automatically charge your \$50 registration fee per camper at checkout, but please be advised that your card on file will be charged that amount soon after you submit your first registration of the summer for each of your campers.

Our teachers are thrilled to spend time with your camper this summer at ECA and I am excited to meet them as well! I’m available for your questions or concerns at my email address, matthew@ecanewington.com.

Sincerely,

Matt Dumpert, Camp Director

Guidelines / Student Commitment

Please go over the following guidelines with your child:

I make a commitment to God, myself and the Emmanuel Christian Academy Summer Camp staff to comply with the following guidelines:

1. I will use my inside voice at summer camp. I understand that this shows self-control and expresses my best character.
2. I will keep my hands, feet and all other body parts to myself. This shows that I respect my friends and summer camp family.
3. I will use all the furniture in the correct way. This includes use of computers, keyboards, monitors, tables, chairs, creative centers, desks, couches, carts, etc. This shows that I respect the summer camp property.
4. I will follow instructions, responding the first time I am asked. This reveals my confidence and respect for self and others.
5. I will speak politely to my friends and to the summer camp staff members. I will refrain from arguing and/or talking back to staff members. This shows respect for others, myself, and my reputation.
6. I will not bully my friends or summer camp family members. This means that I will refrain from intentional verbal or written name-calling, hiding or taking another person's belongings, teasing, hitting or throwing objects at another person, or any other demeaning or excessive behavior that is intentionally directed at another person.
7. When it is time to go home, I will clean up and put toys away and will quickly meet my parent(s). This shows that I care about my program and that I and my parents are supporting each other in learning how to be responsible.
8. I will use words that are respectful and pleasing to God. This means that I will choose my words carefully when I think, speak, write or input words on the computer keyboard.

Electronic Device Usage

Electronic devices may be brought to camp but an “At Your Own Risk” policy will be administered. If an electronic device is brought in, it **MUST** be turned in at check-in time. The summer staff will allow it to be checked out at appropriate times. It is the PARENTS' responsibility to make sure that all personal electronic devices are taken home at check-out time. (ECA is not responsible for any lost or stolen electronic devices.)

Camp Discipline

Emmanuel Christian Academy reserves the right to withhold the privilege of camp attendance from a student who has not upheld the Student Commitment outlined above.

Dress Code

The following guidelines are provided to assist you in making decisions on what to wear during Summer Day Camp:

1. Please send in a towel and an extra pair of clothing (including underwear) in a ziploc bag along with sunscreen. Please take care to label all of your child's personal items. **Towels and swimwear will be sent home weekly to be washed.**
2. **Shirts (including t-shirts):** Please choose shirts that help express good character. Slogans, sayings, or advertisements which are objectionable should be avoided. No strapless tube tops or shirts that expose the midsection and/or any undergarments.
3. **Shorts or pants:** Please wear pants, capris or modest/longer shorts.
4. **Shoes must have a back - NO Flip-flops**
**We will have many running activities and flip-flops may cause injuries.*
5. **Sunscreen:** Please put sunscreen on your child PRIOR to their arrival, or have them do so themselves at water time. You may send in sunscreen for the staff to administer, but please label the container. Only spray sunscreen may be administered by staff. If a child has a specialized sunscreen, only the parent or child may administer it. The sunscreen will remain at summer camp for the duration of the program.
6. Please send a labeled refillable water bottle with your child daily. If we have to give a student a disposable water bottle, a small fee will be applied to your credit card.
7. Please dress your student in dark clothes on water days.

The Emmanuel Christian Academy Camp Director and staff members, in consultation with the child/youth and parent, reserve the right to have the final word on excessive, exaggerated, faddish or safety dress code concerns.