

CAMP CONTEMPORARY

Camp Contemporary

Parent/Guardian Handbook | Spring 2024

Thank you for supporting Oklahoma Contemporary Arts Center (OCAC) and enrolling your child(ren) in Camp Contemporary! Please review the information provided to ensure that your camper(s) will have the best possible experience. We look forward to a week of exploring contemporary art through experimentation, discovery, and artmaking!

Oklahoma Contemporary

11 NW 11th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73103
405.951.0000

The Studios Building

2 NW 11th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73103
405.493.9087

Camp Contemporary Hours

9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Monday–Friday

Education Department | Youth and Family Staff Members

Christine Gibson, senior manager of Youth and Family Programs
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Camper Checklist

- Packed lunch
- Refillable water bottle
- Closed-toe shoes
- Sunscreen and or bug spray (applied before arrival at camp)
- Clothes that can get dirty (art camp is often messy)
- Light jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt (studios can get chilly)

Studio Spaces

Camps will be held on multiple levels in our Main Building and The Studios building. Your camper's assigned studio is listed in the camp description on our website and will also be confirmed with guardians at check-in.

Check-in | 8:30-9:30 a.m. | Monday

Camp check-in is from 8:30-9:30 a.m. on Monday morning only. Check-in will take place in the Main Building in the Lobby. Guardians must accompany camper(s) on the first day to check-in. To ensure the safety of campers,

guardians will be assigned a Pick Up Code. Guardians will use this code daily to check out their camper.

Pick Up | 3-3:30 p.m. | Monday-Thursday

You may pick up your camper anytime between 3:00-3:30 p.m. Guardians must park in the OCAC parking lot, come inside the building, then go to their camper's assigned studio. Wayfinding signage will be available. When you arrive at the studio, guardians will be asked to provide their camper's unique Pick Up Code to an OCAC staff member. Camp officially concludes at 3:30 p.m. each day. Parents/guardians of non-enrolled Collective Care campers picking up after 3:30 p.m. will be promptly called by an OCAC staff member to come to collect their camper.

Pick Up Code

On Monday morning, each camper is assigned a unique Pick Up Code. This code is given to the guardian who signs the child in on Monday morning. Each day, all campers and instructors will be in their assigned studio at 3:00 p.m. for end-of-day pickup. Camp officially concludes at 3:30 p.m. each day. Guardians must provide the assigned Pick Up Code to take their child out of camp. No child is allowed to leave the building without the assigned Pick Up Code. Any discrepancy will be handled by OCAC staff.

Drop off | 9:15-9:30 a.m. | Tuesday-Friday (campers not enrolled in Collective Care)

Drop off is Tuesday-Friday from 9:15-9:30 a.m. Parents/guardians must park and walk their camper into the building and to the studio each morning. You may NOT drop off your camper before 9:15 a.m. Starting at 9:15 a.m. an OCAC staff member will be outside to welcome your camper. Please double check that your campers have all belongings before dropping off. This includes having coats, lunches, and other personal belongings ready to go. Camp officially starts at 9:30 a.m. each day.

Collective Care

Collective Care is an optional service that provides childcare before and after normal camp hours. Monitored by studio assistants, Collective Care campers will have the option to play board games, create small art projects, read books, or watch age-appropriate television.

Collective Care Hours

8:30-9:30 a.m. | Tues.-Fri.

3:30-5:30 p.m. | Mon.-Thurs.

Cost: \$65 per camper/per week

- Collective Care is limited to 25 campers per week.
- Families are encouraged to purchase the Collective Care service at the time of camp registration to secure their spot.
- Campers arriving before 8:30 a.m. will not be permitted into the building.
- Collective Care parents/guardians must park and walk their camper into the building and to the studio each morning. As well as park and come into the building to pick up their camper each afternoon.
- Monday morning camper check-in is not considered part of the Collective Care program.
- There is no p.m. Collective Care on Friday (3:30-5:30 p.m.). Camp concludes after the Camp Contemporary Showcase.

Late Check In and Early Pick Up

Notify us if your camper is going to be absent or arriving after 9:30 a.m. Any person picking up or dropping off after 9:30 a.m. or before 3:00 p.m. will need to sign in/out at the front desk with your camper's Pick Up Code. A staff member will escort your camper to the front desk/their studio. Please keep in mind that some camps are held in The Studios building. If you plan to pick up your camper outside of regular camp pick-up times, it may take up to 15 minutes to collect your camper.

Camp Contemporary Showcase | 3:30 p.m. | Friday

This is your camper's time to shine! The Camp Contemporary Showcase will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Friday in your camper's assigned studio. Families must park and come into the building. OCAC staff will be stationed around the buildings and can help with any questions you may have. The showcase lasts approximately 30 minutes. All artworks must be taken home at that time. Camp concludes after the showcase.

Lunch | Recess | Snack

- Parents/guardians must provide a packed lunch and refillable water bottle each day.
- No microwaveable lunches, refrigerated items, or sodas.
- Parents/guardians are not allowed to eat lunch with their camper as this can be disruptive.
- Recess will be held on Oklahoma Contemporary's North Lawn, which is a large fenced-in outdoor space. Please put sunscreen on your camper before they arrive at camp.
- If there's inclement weather, recess will be held in their assigned studios.
- Oklahoma Contemporary provides one healthy snack per day — see snack menus below. If you choose, you're welcome to send additional/different snacks with your camper.
- Camp Contemporary Snack Menu
 - Monday | Goldfish
 - Tuesday | Fruit Snacks
 - Wednesday | Veggie Straws
 - Thursday | GoGo SqueeZ Applesauce
 - Friday | SkinnyPop Popcorn

Instructors and Studio Assistants

Oklahoma Contemporary instructors are professional working artists and/or educators with years of experience and education in their fields. Background checks are conducted on all staff, instructors, and studio assistants before they are permitted to work with students. No person who has been convicted of any type of child abuse (physical, emotional, or sexual) will be eligible for hire by Oklahoma Contemporary. To maintain a safe environment, a studio assistant is assigned to each camp. Studio assistants are responsible for aiding the campers and instructor.

Cancellation Policy

Oklahoma Contemporary reserves the right to cancel any camp that does not meet minimum registration. If a cancellation is made, a refund will be automatically issued to the original form of payment. Oklahoma Contemporary reserves the right to cancel camps due to heightened COVID-19 concerns. Full refunds will be provided in the case of COVID-19 related camp cancellations. If a camp is canceled, an OCAC representative will contact the guardian via phone or email the Wednesday before the camp was set to start.

Waitlist

Please sign up [here](#) if you would like to be wait-listed for a sold-out camp. If a camp spot becomes available, you will

be contacted via email with a link for that specific camp. Camp spots are first-come, first-served for those contacted, and are non-refundable. Waitlisted camps will not be sold over the phone or in person.

Refund Policy

- A full refund (100 percent) is issued if a refund request is made at least 10 business days before the first day of camp.
- No refund (0 percent) will be issued if a refund request is made within 10 business days before the first day of camp.
- Those ineligible for a refund may request from the senior manager of Youth and Family Programs an acknowledgment of a tax-deductible contribution in the amount of the unused tuition.

Transfers and Missed Day

- Transfers to another camp are not permitted.
- Missed days due to sickness or personal circumstances are not eligible for a refund or transfer.

Personal Property

Oklahoma Contemporary is not responsible for the loss, damage, or theft of personal items. Campers should not bring valuable items or toys to camp. We discourage bringing any electronic devices to camp. The use of these items will NOT be allowed during class time unless a camp has specified the item for use in the camp description. Personal devices will only be allowed for use during the snack break or recess. Failure to follow these rules will result in the confiscation of the item by the senior manager of Youth and Family Programs and held for the remainder of the day.

Lost and Found

All artwork and personal property must be taken home at the conclusion of camp. The items left will be placed in Lost and Found, located in the Education Department office. Lost and found items will remain there for two weeks. After that time, they will be donated or discarded.

Behavior and Discipline

- Campers should be comfortable without their parent/guardian present.
- Campers must be able to use the restroom without assistance.
- We want your camper to have the best possible experience! If your camper requires any behavioral or modified guidance, please contact senior manager of Youth and Family Programs, Christine Gibson at cgibson@okcontemp.org or 405.951.0000 before the start of camp.
- Any disruptive or violent behavior will not be tolerated on Oklahoma Contemporary property and will result in immediate removal from camp.
- Oklahoma Contemporary reserves the right to dismiss any student(s) from camp who they believe is not adhering to the guidelines set in place.
- There is no tuition refund for campers who are dismissed from camp.

Two-Adult Rule

The goal is to have two adults always present with students at all times. In the event that any staff member,

instructor, or studio assistant is alone with a camper, they shall be in a location where others can see them, and the door shall always remain open.

Contact

For additional information and/or questions, call us at 405.951.0000 or email camp@okcontemp.org



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