

**PYRAMID
KIDS
DAY CAMP**

**CAMP GUIDE
& FORMS**

**SPRING
2026**

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Camp Contact Information:

Registration, Payment and General Information:

https://www.moodygardens.com/plan_event/education/pyramidcamps/

Program Questions: Camp Coordinator

409-683-4211

camps@moodygardens.org

Emergency Contact: (during camp times)

409-683-4211 – Camp Coordinator

409-683-4233 – Education Curator

409-683-4200 – Moody Gardens Operator

The following are items campers **MUST bring daily:**

- NON-PERISHABLE LUNCH --- name clearly marked
- Reusable water bottle --- name clearly marked
- Backpack/bag with their lunch inside --- name clearly marked
- Closed-toed shoes --- must be wearing to participate
- Weather-appropriate clothing --- name clearly marked

MANDATORY FORMS- Required for ALL Campers

Forms are encouraged to be returned at any time, but **no later** than 4:00 pm the day before their first day of camp (or immediately after registering if you register after 4:00 pm).

RETURNED TO: camps@moodygardens.org

SPRING CAMP DATES:

Monday, March 9
Tuesday, March 10
Wednesday, March 11
Thursday, March 12
Friday, March 13

NOTE: *If your camper(s) are attending multiple Spring Camp dates you will only need to return **one** set of forms for each camper(s)*

Campers will not be allowed to participate in camp without complete Pyramid Kids Camp Forms on file on their first day of camp. No Refunds will be processed for activities missed due to missing or incomplete forms, or delay in drop off. If forms are not submitted, you will be directed out of the car line into a parking space to fill out all required forms before your camper(s) are allowed out of the car.

All forms are included in this Camp Guide and must be on file with the Moody Gardens Education Department prior to each camper beginning their camp adventure.

Medical Release Form – Fully Completed

Photography & Video Release Form – Fully Completed

Pick Up Authorization Form – Fully Completed

Before & After Care Form — Optional (Completed in advance only if needing After/Before Care)



PYRAMID KIDS CAMP 2026 MEDICAL RELEASE FORM

1. CHILD/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Child Name _____ Grade _____ DOB _____ Sex _____

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

In the event of an emergency, please notify:

Adult Name _____ Cell Phone _____

Adult Name _____ Cell Phone _____

2. ALLERGIES, DIET, OTHER MEDICAL CONDITIONS, MEDICATIONS & RESTRICTIONS

Child allergic to: ☐ N/A ☐ Food ☐ Medicine ☐ Environment (insect stings, pollen, etc.) ☐ Other _____

Description of allergies: _____

Medical conditions (asthma, epilepsy, diabetes, etc.): _____

Current medications: _____

(NOTE: Moody Gardens' Staff will not administer medications to children. Must be given by parent prior/after Day Adventure.)

Child has: EpiPen? ☐ Yes ☐ No Inhaler? ☐ Yes ☐ No Other? _____

Activity Restrictions: NONE **OR** _____

3. IMMUNIZATION & HEALTH CARE INSURANCE (Check all that apply)

☐ **NOT Vaccinated (Waived)**

Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DT/DTaP/TdaP): ☐ NO ☐ YES

Polio (IPV): ☐ NO ☐ YES

Mumps, Measles, Rubella (MMR): ☐ NO ☐ YES

M. Meningitis (MCV4): ☐ NO ☐ YES

Varicella (chicken pox): ☐ NO ☐ YES

Tuberculosis (TB) test: ☐ NO ☐ YES

Hepatitis A: ☐ NO ☐ YES Hepatitis B: ☐ NO ☐ YES

H. Influenza B (HIB): ☐ NO ☐ YES

Child Medical/Hospital Insurance: ☐ NO ☐ YES Insurance Co.: _____

(Optional information) Policy#: _____ Insurance Phone # _____

Moody Gardens Inc. is not responsible for Insurance Coverage or financial billing of participant in the event of emergency.

Emergency Medical fees and providing insurance are the sole responsibility of parent/guardian.

4. PARENT/GUARDIAN AUTHORIZATION FOR EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE

This health history is correct and accurately reflects the health status of the child to whom it pertains. My child has permission to participate in all activities except as noted by me/or an examining physician. If I cannot be reached in an emergency, I give permission to Moody Gardens to get my child to an emergency room in the most expedient manner possible and to turn over care to an emergency physician selected by the local hospital to secure proper treatment. I give permission to Moody Gardens to give a copy of this form in the event of an emergency to medical personal. I understand the information on this form will be shared on a "need to know" basis with education staff pertaining to allergies or activity restrictions.

Signature of Custodial Parent/Guardian _____

Date _____

Relationship to Child _____



Section 6 questions below are OPTIONAL.

However, completing this section or portions of it is recommended. This section helps our counselors know your camper in advance to quickly make connections, giving your camper a fun-filled camp experience.

6. HELP US GET TO KNOW YOUR CAMPER

What is your child's preferred name / nickname? _____

What are your child's favorite things?

School Subject(s): _____

Animal(s): _____

Sport(s): _____

Activity(s): _____

Hobby(s): _____

Color(s): _____

What is your child most excited for at camp? _____

Please describe your child's personality: _____

How easily does your child make new friends? Circle one: Very Easily Somewhat Easily Slightly Shy Very Shy

Does your child have any sensitivities such as small spaces, loud noises/voices, crowds, heat/cold, tactile, etc.?

Is there any additional information that you feel your child's counselor should be aware of?

Feel free to contact the camp coordinator at camps@moodygardens.org or (409) 683-4211 for any additional details you wish to discuss.



Photography & Video Release Form

Subject: **PYRAMID KIDS DAY CAMP SPRING 2026**

Location: **MOODY GARDENS, GALVESTON ISLAND – EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Please fill out Section 1 **OR** Section 2 per your discretion.

SECTION 1: Photo permission for marketing & upload to camp photo file by Moody Gardens, Inc.

(Print name of Participant/Camper) _____,
hereby give absolute right and permission to **MOODY GARDENS, INC.** to copyright and use photographs, video, and/or audio taken during camp for any lawful purpose whatsoever.

I hereby waive any right and claim to these photographs/videos/audios and any reproduction thereof in any media whatsoever for a fee of \$0.00. I hereby waive any rights and permission to use any photographs, video, and/or audio taken for any purpose without the express, written permission of MOODY GARDENS, INC.

I understand that photos taken during camp will be uploaded to a Google Drive folder and made available to only camp parents/guardians that signed this waiver to download photos of their campers. I understand that these photos may be uploaded to social media should Moody Gardens, parent, guardian or participant choose to do so.

(Parent/Guardian required signature for all ages under 18)

Parent/Guardian Signature Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Date

Street Address City/State/Zip

Email Telephone

SECTION 2: NO permission for marketing & photos upload to camp photo file.

I **DO NOT** give permission to **MOODY GARDENS, INC.** to take photographs, video, and/or audio during camp of participant/camper.

NO PHOTOS/VIDEOS/AUDIO: Print Name of Participant/Camper

Parent/Guardian Signature Printed Name of Parent/Guardian Date



PYRAMID KIDS SPRING CAMP 2026 CAMPER PICK UP AUTHORIZATION

Camper(s) First and Last Name: _____

Circle Camp Day(s): **March 9** **March 10** **March 11** **March 12** **March 13**

List Below Authorized Adult(s) for Camper Pick Up:

(PRIMARY ADULT First & Last Name)

(CELL PHONE NUMBER)

(ALTERNATE ADULT First & Last Name)

(CELL PHONE NUMBER)

(ALTERNATE ADULT First & Last Name)

(CELL PHONE NUMBER)

(ALTERNATE ADULT First & Last Name)

(CELL PHONE NUMBER)

I consent to having the following listed above to be able to pick up my child from the Moody Gardens Pyramid Kids Spring Camp program. I understand and agree as the primary adult and designated alternates are responsible for picking up my child on time. In order to do so we will need to show photo identification and provide a signature before release. I understand and agree that my child will wait with camp educators in the event that I or designee is late. I will do my best to contact the Education Department at (409)683-4211 or (409)683-4233 if pick-up plans change in any way not specified by this notification for a verbal change that will be documented below. I understand my child will not be released until I have been contacted at the number listed above as the PRIMARY for a verbal verification on anyone that is not listed above as an alternate designee.

PRIMARY ADULT Print: First & Last Name

Signature

Date

Verbal Change Adult: _____

Phone: _____

Staff Spoken To: _____

TIME: _____

Staff Witness: _____

DATE: _____

Verbal Change Adult: _____

Phone: _____

Staff Spoken To: _____

TIME: _____

Staff Witness: _____

DATE: _____



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OPTIONAL DROP OFF and/or PICK UP TIMES

Before Camp Care: 8:00-9:00am

After Camp Care: 5:00-6:00pm

- Individual Day(s) - \$10.00 (1st camper) in advance Before **OR** After Care
- Individual Day(s) - \$5.00 (each additional sibling) in advance Before **OR** After Care

- Individual Day(s) - \$15.00 (1st camper) in advance for both Before **AND** After Care
- Individual Day(s) - \$5.00 (each additional sibling) in advance Before **AND** After Care

Circle Camp Day(s): **March 9** **March 10** **March 11** **March 12** **March 13**

OPTION: _____

Estimated Drop-off time: _____ Estimated Pick-up time: _____

Camper Name: _____ Fee: \$ _____

Additional Camper Name: _____ Fee: \$ _____

Additional Camper Name: _____ Fee: \$ _____

Additional Camper Name: _____ Fee: \$ _____

TOTAL FEE (Anticipated Charges): \$ _____

○ I wish to pay via cash upon drop off or pick up.

(There is no change nor credit card option the day of.)

○ I have purchased in advance in from the Moody Gardens' Webstore.

Email completed form to camps@moodygardens.org

MOODY GARDENS PYRAMID KIDS DAY CAMP

SPRING 2026

Youth in grades K-8th may be registered to attend Moody Gardens Pyramid Kids Spring Camp. Programs will consist of different age-appropriate activities, games and experiments making it unique every day for your camper.

Experiences Included:

- Discover and explore our attractions, participating in design challenges, conducting experiments, and creating works of art inspired by nature.
- Hear firsthand from our staff about the role we all serve in ecosystem conservation.
- Work with your fellow campers on projects, games and other fun activities.
- Experience presentations with the Moody Gardens Animal Ambassadors.
- Make memories and friends that will last a lifetime!
- Camp programs run from 9:30am-4:30pm and include attraction(s) every day, weather permitting.

Camp Registration & Fees

All camp programs take place daily from 9:30am-4:30pm. Register your camper(s) for Pyramid Kids Camp online. You must have a valid Moody Gardens Membership ID or be a current employee of Moody Gardens to be eligible to receive our membership camp registration rate. Registration online only.

COST:

Members Registration Fee \$50.00 **per DAY**; per camper

Non-Member Registration Fee \$60.00 **per DAY**; per camper

Online Registration Link: <https://tickets.moodygardens.com/webstore/shop/viewItems.aspx?cg=TI&c=EP>

Please Note: We encourage you to register your camper(s) as soon as possible to guarantee their camp attendance. If there is no availability for the camp date within the online registration you can call to be placed on a standby waiting list. The waiting list is created on a first come, first serve basis. For more information regarding this opportunity, please contact the Education Department directly at camps@moodygardens.org or (409)683-4211.

Cancellations, Exchanges and Refunds

- Due to the high demand for camp spaces, each sale will be considered final.
- Refunds will not be issued for full or partial camp days that individual campers miss due to illness, behavioral challenges or other circumstances.
- Individuals who cancel their camper(s) camp registration will receive a 50% refund of the cost of a camp if we receive written notification only of the cancelation at least 14 working days before the start of that camp. Contact the Education Department in writing at camps@moodygardens.org. No refunds will be issued for a cancelled camp registration received less than 14 working days before that camp begins.
- Individuals may switch their camper(s) registration from one camp day to another within the same camp season if they submit a written request to camps@moodygardens.org at least 14 working days

before the start of the camp they are switching to. Please keep in mind there is no guarantee for alternate dates, as they are subject to availability. If you need to switch camp days, it is advised you to contact us as soon as possible. Moody Gardens will not issue refunds if there are no alternate camp days available.

- Moody Gardens reserves the right to cancel camps that do not meet minimum enrollment requirements. If a camp is cancelled by the Education Department, individuals will receive a full refund if they are unable to transfer their registration to another camp day offered in the season.

Uniforms and Safety Gear

- All campers must wear closed-toed shoes and be dressed *appropriately for weather*. Campers will be inside for many activities and outside to transit to attractions.
- Optional Camp T-Shirt may be purchased; but is not required for Spring Camp.

Camp Drop off – Pick up Logistics

- Camp begins at 9:30am each day with a drop-off location at the Main Parking Lot Tram Stop. (See map in the appendix.)
 - **DROP OFF TIME: 9:00 am – 9:30 am**
 - **PICK UP TIME: 4:30 pm – 5:00 pm**
- Drop-Off/Pick-Up Line- Parents will pull up along the curb next to the Main Parking Lot Tram Stop and remain in their vehicles to sign their camper(s) in and out each day of camp with a camp counselor. After you have dropped off or picked up your camper(s), please move your vehicle forward to keep the line moving.
- You must park in a parking lot space before entering the car line if you are applying Sunscreen or Bug Spray to your camper.
- All campers may participate in free play on our playground during pick-up and drop-off times under the supervision of Camp Counselors.
- Camp Counselors will begin camp at 9:30 each morning and return to the playground at 4:25pm each afternoon for the start of pick-up (in the event of extreme weather, a staff member will let cars in through the gate near the tram stop to drive closer to the Learning Place building for drop off).
- Camp Counselors or parents may request one-on-one conferences with each other to address inquiries regarding camp activities, policies or behavioral needs of their camper(s). In this case, parents will be asked to pull forward, stay in their car and park in a designated spot for the car line to continue for other families.
- **No car line before 4:25! Security will have you move and park until pick up time.** If you arrive early you must park in a general parking lot space. Only at 4:25 may you proceed to start the line. Please do NOT block the entrance into the parking garage under the hotel.
- There will be NO in-person walk up to a counselor for pick up or drop off. Car line only.

Weather Policy

Camp will continue as scheduled during rain and thunderstorms, and we will provide alternative indoor activities for all campers. We may also schedule property transportation to move campers from one indoor location to another based upon availability and weather conditions.

In the event of a hurricane or other extreme severe weather Moody Gardens will determine whether or not to close camps. We will make every effort to announce a camp closure as quickly as possible once the decision has been made. If you have any questions regarding a possible camp closure, please contact our Education Curator at (409)683-4233. If camp is closed by Moody Gardens due to a severe weather incident, attempts will be made to reschedule your camper into another camp or an additional “make up” camp day immediately following. Refunds will not be given in advance if there is a threat of severe weather. In the event of a closure, and no alternate day is available, only a 50% refund will be given.

Early Release / Before & After Care

- All registrations include the cost of your camper(s) attending camp from 9:30am-4:30pm. If you wish to pick up your camper(s) earlier in the day, please arrange this at the time of drop off or directly with the Camp Coordinator (409)683-4211 or Education Curator (409)683-4233.
- Before and After Care provides a safe and fun experience for campers who need to arrive before 9:00am or leave after 5:00pm. All campers are supervised by camp counselors assigned to before or after care. Campers in Before or After Care will be grouped together in one area.
 - Before Care: 8:00-9:00am
 - After Care: 5:00-6:00pm
- If you need to drop your camper(s) off earlier than 9:00am or pick them up after 5:00pm, **you must arrange this in advance.** Contact the Camp Coordinator at camps@moodygardens.org or (409)683-4211. You will be charged in advance an additional supervision fee for this arrangement according to the following:
 - Individual Days - \$10.00 (1st camper) in advance Before OR After Care
 - Individual Days - \$5.00 (each additional sibling) in advance Before OR After Care
 - Individual Days - \$15.00 (1st camper) in advance for both Before AND After Care
 - Individual Days - \$5.00 (each additional sibling) in advance Before AND After Care

Before and After Care may be purchased online in conjunction with or separately of the camp registration purchase.

If you do not make previous arrangements with the Camp Coordinator for additional supervision of your camper(s) outside of our camp pick-up and drop-off times, you will be charged \$15 per camper for each time supervision is needed before 9:00am or after 5:00pm. CASH only, no change, to pay immediately upon drop-off or pick up.

Frequently Asked Questions

- ***How can I find out which camps are available?***

The Web Store registration portal will indicate which camps are available. If a camp date is not listed, all spots have been purchased. For further information, please contact the Education Department at (409)683-4211.

- ***What is the best way to register a carpool so that all children have the same camp?***

Have everyone register all campers online on the same day as early as possible. Unfortunately, there is no guarantee that we will have available spots for all campers in your carpool, especially if registered days apart.

- ***I registered my gifted camper; will there be advanced learning?***

Our camp counselors are trained to identify and encourage advanced youth in engaging activities and group leadership roles designed for their minds. Gifted campers will be placed in their grade grouping.

- ***May I register my child not in the grades listed?***

We enforce age requirements and campers must be in the stated grade levels for camp.

- ***Can you accommodate my camper with special needs?***

We are happy to do what is within our capabilities to accommodate all campers. While we hope to offer our camp to as wide of a range of campers as possible, we are unable to offer one-on-one special care.

All campers must be fully toilet trained and have the ability to always stay with a group. We ask that you communicate with the Camp Coordinator before registering about any camper that has specific requirements to discuss what accommodations may be possible: camps@moodygardens.org or call (409) 683-4211.

- ***Can you administer medications to my camper?***

Moody Gardens is NOT responsible for administering medication to campers. You may either stop by the Learning Place to administer medication directly to your camper, or your pediatrician may alter your camper's dosage so that their medication can be administered outside of camp hours.

- ***How should my camper dress for camp?***

All campers should be appropriately dressed for the current daily weather. They may wear an optional Moody Gardens camp t-shirt for their identification and safety while on the Moody Gardens Property with our Camp Counselors. (The camper identification badge must be always worn outside of a jacket or hoodie if wearing one.)
Campers must wear closed-toed shoes.

- ***Does my child need to bring a lunch to camp?***

YES, Campers are required to bring a non-perishable lunch to camp. Unfortunately, we are unable to restrict the items that other parents provide in their camper's lunch. In the case of severe food allergies, it is not possible for us to monitor the food other campers bring to camp.

- ***What kinds of snacks do you offer to campers throughout the camp day? May I send specialized snacks for my camper?***

Yes, you may send additional snacks for your camper, especially if he or she is a picky eater. Campers will receive one prepackaged snack (Chips, Gummies, Goldfish, etc.) each day of camp. Please indicate any food allergies on your camper's Medical Release Form.

- ***May my camper bring valuables to camp such as electronic devices?***

We do not permit personal toys or the general use of cell phones, tablets or other electronic devices during camp hours. Moody Gardens is not responsible for loss or damage to personal belongings.

- ***Who do I contact if I need to leave an emergency message concerning my child?***

You may contact our Camp Coordinator (409)683-4211 or the Education Curator (409)683-4233. In the event neither of them can answer the phone contact the main operator at (409)683-4200.

- ***If I have questions or concerns, may I speak directly with a Camp Counselor?***

Camp Counselors or parents may request one-on-one conferences with each other to address inquiries regarding camp activities and policies or behavioral needs of their campers. In this case, parents will be asked to pull forward, stay in the car and park in a designated spot.

- ***What are the qualifications of your Camp Counselors?***

All Camp Counselors are employees of Moody Gardens within the Education Department that have passed background checks, state youth protection training, are CPR and first aid certified, and enjoy working with children. They have received additional training and experience to conduct and supervise children in a camp program setting.

- ***How are Campers supervised during camp hours?***

Campers are supervised by Camp Counselors and/or Education Department staff members at all times, with a minimum counselor-to-camper ratio of 1:12. They are escorted by camp staff in their groups and are never allowed to leave the group unattended to the restrooms, attractions, or other activity locations around property. For your child's safety, all campers must be dropped off/picked up by an authorized adult/parent/guardian and signed in and out EVERY DAY. Please also note that campers will be given ID Badges that must be worn to ensure their safety and identification by our staff members during camp hours.

- ***What are the behavior expectations for campers?***

Camp rules and expectations are posted in each of our classrooms and are emphasized by our Camp Counselors throughout each day. If a camper is unable to follow directions, unable to stay in a group or behavior issues; they will be removed from the activity and the parent/guardian will be contacted.

(There are **no refunds for campers being dismissed from camp.**)

- 1) Stay together as a group. NEVER be alone at any time. Group buddy system is utilized when walking throughout the property.
- 2) Be respectful to fellow campers, give them space, and keep hands and feet to yourself.
(Biting and hitting will result in immediate dismissal from camp.)
- 3) Everyone should be respectful and on their best behavior, which means no running, yelling or horse playing.
- 4) The use of phones and electronic devices is not permitted during camp activities unless they are being used to take pictures while visiting attractions.
- 5) Campers are not permitted to bring toys or other distractions to camp.
- 6) We are unable to visit concession stands, food courts, or gift shops during camp hours.
- 7) Campers must have a lunch brought from home each day they attend camp.

- ***May parents/guardians stay in the camp with their campers?***

Our day camp adventures promote independent learning and socialization in all camp participants. Unfortunately, we are unable to accommodate parent/guardian requests to remain with your camper during their camp experience. If you feel that your camper is unable to remain in camp without you, we suggest waiting a year before sending them to camp. You may also arrange to have a shorter day for your camper and pick up early. There is no discount for half day; regular day camp fees apply. We respectfully request that you visit the attractions on other days for family time and allow your camper to experience Pyramid Kids Camp with only fellow campers and counselors. We will not disclose our daily schedules. You are welcome to sign out your camper from camp to visit Moody Gardens as a family.

- ***Does the camp qualify for the childcare tax credit?***

Yes, Moody Gardens' Pyramid Kids Day Camps falls under the tax credit eligibility. A tax receipt for camp will only be issued at the end of the camp season in order to verify attendance of camper(s) and payment from the requestor confirmed. This receipt is issued only upon written request. Send a request email to camps@moodygardens.org with the online purchase transaction number, camper(s) name and proper name(s) of requestor (those filing for credit). However, your eligibility for any Child and Dependent Care Tax Credit depends on your personal tax situation. Please consult with a professional tax advisor and/or refer to the IRS Publication 503 "Child and Dependent Care Expenses". Moody Gardens is not responsible for/nor guarantees any potential tax credit.

Camper Drop-off & Pick-up Map

Drop off 9:00am-9:30am — Pick up 4:30pm-5:00pm

