



Just for Kids Summer/Club

A new generation of summer programming

Parent Guide

JFK Main Office Hours -10:00AM-4:00PM

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Summer Quest ... By Just for Kids

A bit about us...

Established in 1994, *Just for Kids* is a program of the 501 (c) 3 Not for Profit organization, ChildCare Network of the Niagara Frontier, Inc. We serve the elementary and middle school population and have established partnerships with local school districts as a provider of choice.

We manage Summer Club, Before and After School Programming, and February & Spring Break Camps for the Amherst, Grand Island, Williamsville, Cheektowaga Sloan, Cheektowaga Central and Sweet Home school districts, as well as select private schools. We take pride in what we offer, we're large enough to offer incredible opportunities for the kids and families, and we're small enough to make it "work"!

Our Staff

Before hiring, applicants go through an extensive screening process including interviews, fingerprinting, two different levels of background checks through NYS, pre-employment medical screening, etc. Once hired, staff participate in a comprehensive orientation and ongoing in- service training program designed to provide information, resources and strategies for delivering successful care to school-age children.

Department of Health

Just for Kids summer club is licensed by and follow guidelines outlined by the NYS Department of Health.

| Camp Location 2024 | Hours | Age Range | Breakfast | Afternoon Only Option (1:00-5:30) |
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| Grand Island @ Kaegebein* 1690 Love Road, Grand Island Site Cell: 716-345-5933 | 7:00am -5:30pm | Age 4 as of 7/1/2024 – up to age 15 | 7:30 – 8:00am | Yes |
| Sweet Home @ Willow Ridge 480 Willow Ridge Drive, Amherst Site Cell: 716-870-8658 | 8:00am-5:30pm | Age 4 as of 7/1/2024 - up to age 15 | 8:00 - 8:30am | Yes |
| Williamsville @ Maple East 1500 Maple Road, Williamsville Site Cell: 716-783-0332 | 7:30am-5:30pm | Entering Kdg - up to age 15 | 7:30 - 8:00am | No |

*Grand Island Summer Camp is open to Grand Island district-enrolled students and children of GICSD and JFK staff.

Dropping Off:

A Parent/Guardian must bring the child to the Welcome Table at the school, and sign in using the assigned Kangarootime password, via the site's laptop. A *Just for Kids* staff member will be present to greet you and your child.

Picking Up:**Camp closes at 5:30 PM**

Parents/Guardians or authorized individuals at least 16 years of age, and authorized per the registration form, are able to pick up a child. Photo identification required daily. If no photo identification can be shown and staff are unable to confirm identity, you will be asked to leave and return with proper identification.

When you arrive, please enter at the Just for Kids Parent Door. Once identified, the parent will electronically sign the child out on our JFK Laptop. You can have your child finish up his/her activity and collect his/her belongings. Please alert us in writing, prior to your child's first day, regarding pertinent custody arrangements.

Summer Quest Programs:**Junior Pathfinders:**

Grand Island & Sweet Home: Age four by 7.1.24 through entering grade two;

Williamsville: Entering Kindergarten through entering grade 2.

Senior Trailblazers: Kids entering grade 3 - 5th.

The Ranger Leadership Program: This program is designed for kids entering grade 6 to grade 8. A separate application is required and is available on our website at www.justforkidsonline.org/summer-club.

Junior Counselor in Training (Jr. CIT): for children ages 14-15 who are able and interested in helping with the younger children. These children are still considered "campers" by DOH and count in our ratios, but are given more choices and responsibility in an age-appropriate way. A reduced fee is applied to the account.

What to Bring

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Backpack with first and last name | <input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen - spray only, no lotion |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle | (labeled)/hat/sunglasses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Change of clothes | <input type="checkbox"/> Sneakers - for safety reasons, please |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Towel & bathing suit (for daily water play) | avoid sandals or open-toed shoes |

Sunscreen

- **Please apply before bringing your child to JFK camp.** If you would like sunscreen to be reapplied throughout the day, please label it with your child's first and last name and provide consent via the child's profile. Per DOH regulation, our staff are unable to physically help the students with application, but will oversee the process. Spray (aerosol) sunscreen is highly recommended, to limit direct contact with students/staff.

ACTIVITIES: Check out our [Summer Club](#) page on our website for additional programming details, themed days, and lunch menus!

Lunch: We provide lunch daily. Please note that while we request nut-free items, we cannot guarantee a peanut-free nut free environment. If you opt out of the provided lunch, please ensure you pack a nut-free bag lunch for your child that does NOT need refrigeration. Lunch is from 12:00-12:30 daily. For those arriving from the district's summer school, **please bring a nut-free bagged lunch.**

Field Trip days: please pack a nut-free bag lunch that does not require refrigeration (see Calendar of Events).

Snack: *Just for Kids* provides a daily afternoon snack at approximately 3:00 PM. Your child is allowed to bring nut-free snack if desired.

Communication: Announcements and general information will be posted at the Welcome table at site, and distributed to families at drop off and pick up times, and via email. Feel free to call the site cell if needed.

Field Trips: Please drop off by 8:45 AM on field trip days due to bussing schedules– we're eager to account for the kids and head out! *Sorry, afternoon-only rate not available on field trip days.*

Parents are allowed on field trips (meet us at the venue!), so feel free to join us for some relaxing fun! Just touch base in advance with the Program Manager in advance. Outdoor/beach trips are weather permitting– and may be cancelled in the event of severe weather (lightning / storms / excessive temperature).

Water and other activities: Kids will participate in daily water activities (water balloons, slip 'n slides, etc). Please ensure that children come prepared with bathing suit, towel, change of clothes, etc. We plan to spend as much time outside as possible, weather permitting.

Kids Care: Since 1994, *Just for Kids* has worked together- kids, staff, host locations, and families – to make a difference through volunteerism. Through our Kids Care program, we identify other "kid-friendly" nonprofit organizations, such as Carly's Club, Cradle Beach, Special Spaces Buffalo, the Food Bank of WNY, SPCA, etc., and focus our efforts each summer via various drives and fundraisers. *Just for Kids* has donated over \$30,000 to other deserving programs and special causes. *We will keep you posted of upcoming community service activities throughout the summer.*

Kid's College: Regularly, we host other nonprofits and businesses which offer kid-friendly activities. Stay tuned and check out the Calendar of Events for our lineup- including favorites like the Albright

Knox Art Truck, Bloom Creative Arts, and Project Hope! Feel free to reach out to the Director to nominate a great local business/nonprofit, or volunteer your business!

Children's Behavior/Bullying Policy: Our goal is to provide a safe environment for all kids: bullying of any kind is unacceptable and aggression with the intent to hurt another person is not tolerated. In the case of excessive behaviors that are destructive or become threatening to the health and safety of the children or staff, a Parent/Guardian will be called to pick up a child who is having a particularly difficult time. If the excessive behavior is ongoing, the child will be asked to leave the program. In the case of extreme situations, a child will be expelled from the program immediately. If suspension/expulsion occurs, credit is not issued.

Lost and Found: Please label your child's belongings with his or her first and last name. *Just for Kids* cannot accept responsibility for lost, misplaced or damaged items. All "found" items will be added to the lost and found bin. We ask that personal toys and valuables be kept at home; we have a wide variety of toys, games, and activities to choose from at our program.

Injury Reports: Active children sometimes acquire bumps on the knees, etc. while playing with their friends. While we do our best to be proactive to minimize accidents, if your child gets hurt, he or she will be attended to by a specially-trained, on-site Health Coordinator. The incident will be documented on an accident report form and will be forwarded to you for signature. Health Coordinators, as well as the Program Manager, are CPR and First Aid Certified.

Playground Consent: In consideration of child participation in Playground Activities during the *Just for Kids* Summer Club, it is understood that the physical nature of this type of play involves risks of serious bodily injury, which may be caused by a child's own actions or inactions, or the actions of other children participating in these activities.



School property meets NYS Education Department standards. Children are expected to follow playground use rules, and may lose playground privileges if behaviors warrant. By enrolling in our camp, you agree to indemnify Child Care Network of the Niagara Frontier, Inc., dba *Just for Kids*, from liability related to your child's misuse of equipment or behavior leading to injury.

Illness and Exclusion: *Just for Kids* follows the guidelines of both the American Public Health Association and the American Academy of Pediatrics regarding a child's exclusion from the program due to illness.

Please keep your child home if: the illness will prevent your child from participating comfortably in all activities, the illness requires greater care than the Summer Club staff can provide without compromising the health and safety of the other children, or your child has any of the following conditions:

- o **A temperature of 100° or greater**
- o Symptoms of possible illness, including Covid-19
- o Uncontrolled diarrhea until diarrhea stops.
- o Vomiting (two or more episodes in the previous 24-hour period) until vomiting stops.
- o Rash with fever or behavior change until medical evaluation determines that the symptoms do not indicate a communicable disease.
- o Conjunctivitis (pink eye) until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated
- o Scabies, head lice, ringworm, or other infestation until 24 hours after

treatment has been initiated.

- o Strep throat or other streptococcal infection until 24 hours after initial antibiotic treatment and cessation of fever.
- o Respiratory infection until medical evaluation allows inclusion.
- o Impetigo until 24 hours after treatment has been initiated.

Medication and Daily Health: If your child is prescribed emergency medication (epinephrine auto injectors, Benadryl, or asthma inhaler), there are forms required prior to participation. Please consult with our Medication Coordinator to obtain, prior to the start of camp: info@justforkidsonline.org.

Then, the medication, signed Written Medication Consent Form, Emergency Plan, and Individual Health Care Plan (or equivalent) must be brought by a Parent/Guardian and handed directly to the staff at the Welcome table on your child's first day of camp.

To help with organization, please put all items in a gallon sized Ziplock bag labeled with: 1. your child's Name, 2. Grade they will be entering, 3. medications included, and 4. general reason for the medications (i.e Peanut Allergy). *Just for Kids* will not administer over-the-counter or other prescription medications, but you may visit camp to directly provide.

All medication must be in the original container / box, and labeled with the child's name, name of the medication, recommended dosage, time intervals for administration, expiration date, and accompany the consent forms listed above.

If you have questions regarding the administration of medication at *Just for Kids* Summer Club, please connect with the Program Manager (during the Summer) or our [Medication Coordinator](#).

Immunization and Health Record: This information is a mandatory part of the registration process for all campers. At least one week prior to your child's first day, please ensure that the *Just for Kids* main office has a copy of your child's current (within 12 months) record. Questions may be directed to the Registration Coordinator at our main office (info@justforkidsonline.org).

Medical Emergencies: In the event of a medical emergency (accident or severe illness), we will call 911 and take the child by ambulance to the hospital. The child's emergency information and profile will be taken to the hospital to allow immediate treatment. The Parent/Guardian will be called and advised of the situation/destination hospital. If the Parent/Guardian cannot be reached immediately, the emergency contacts listed in the registration package will be notified.

Payment Policies:

- Registration fee is non-refundable
- Tuition payment is due by the 15th of each month for the upcoming month's services (*i.e., August's payment is due on July 15th*) via the *KT Connect* app.
- Discounts:
 - o Sibling discount- 10-15%, varies by location
 - o 25% Junior Counselor in Training
- We accept: major credit cards, check, money order, IHA Debit Cards (Flex Fit), DSS Subsidy (see below),

- o Payments are only accepted via the *KT Connect* app (not at camp) and via: <https://kt-connect.kangarootime.com/login>
- o FlexFit Dollars- via Independent Health Association (IHA) debit cards We
- cannot accept postdated checks.
- We are unable to offer credits or refunds for cancellations after the session payment due dates, (ie, June 15th for July and July 15th for August) for any reason.
- We do not allow for "swapping" or switching days after the payment due date.
- A fee of \$35 will be assessed if payment is not received prior to the "Late Payment" deadline (please refer to chart, below).
- If a check is returned by your bank or if your credit card is declined, a \$35.00 processing fee will be imposed.
- If you are late in picking up your child (after program end time) your account will be charged a \$15.00 late fee for each 10 minutes or part thereof.
- Our Tax Identification Number is 16-1589523.

Attendance Changes:

- **Need to update your child's enrollment?** You may do so in **advance** of the payment deadline by completing and returning the Enrollment Level Change Form
 - If you would like to add a day after the billing deadline, and we have space, please complete the **Add a Day fo r m** , We cannot guarantee that we will be able to accommodate last minute reservations; the a *la carte* fee will be applied to your account.
 - All change request forms are available at the camp location and online: <http://www.justforkids.com/parentguidesandforms>.

Erie County Department of Social Services (DSS): We contract with DSS, and support those approved for "day care assistance."

For eligibility information, call DSS: (716)858-8953 or [Day Care | Social Services \(erie.gov\)](#).

| Family Size | 85% SMI for New York Annual Income |
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| 1 | \$51,610.13 |
| 2 | \$67,490.17 |
| 3 | \$83,370.21 |
| 4 | \$99,250.25 |
| 5 | \$115,130.29 |
| 6 | \$131,010.33 |

Registration Understandings. By registering for Just for Kids Summer Club, the following agreements are made:

1. **Parent/Guardian** will pay the Program a non-refundable registration fee, and tuition based on planned attendance level and in accordance with the printed tuition rates and payment policies.
2. **Policies and terms** shall be effective from the time of initial enrollment through the duration of summer.
3. **The Program** reserves the right to terminate enrollment without notice should child's or family's presence jeopardize the health, safety, or well-being of other children, families or staff. Should this occur, no credit or refund is due.
4. **Parent/Guardian** represents and warrants that he/she has provided full and accurate information to the Program on all registration forms he/she has completed in connection with his/her child's enrollment.

5. **Parent/Guardian** further represents and warrants that he/she has read and understands the policies and procedures set forth in this Parent Guide and shall abide by them, as now or hereafter amended from time to time.
6. **Parent/Guardian** shall indemnify the Program, the Corporation, its directors, officers, agents and employees harmless from any loss or liability incurred as a result of his/her breach of any representation or obligation of Parent/Guardian under this agreement.

We appreciate your business and are looking forward to a fun-filled summer!

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