



Welcome to our Heckscher Farmers Summer Camp! Below is some info that you may find helpful!

Camp Hours: Heckscher Farmers Camp begins at 9:00 am and finishes at 1:30 pm, Monday-Friday. We do not offer extended day options for this camp program. As the staff are prepping for the day and finishing morning rounds with the animals, we cannot accept early drop-offs.

Location: Heckscher Farmers camp is held in the Maple Sugar House and Cidery building. We recommend arrival and picking up in our North parking lot on 151 Scofieldtown Road, as this is closer. The Maple Sugar House building is the smaller building to the left (from the parking lot) of our new farmhouse building. However, you may come in through the main gate and walk up through the farm if you prefer.

First Day of each Session: Doors will open at 8:50 am on the first day of each session and we will be available to meet parents & answer any questions you may have about the program. If you have questions prior to your first day of camp, please feel free to e-mail our Camp Director, Lisa Monachelli at lmonachelli@stamfordmuseum.org

Check-in & Check-out: At drop-off and pick-up we ask that you sign your child in/out with the on-duty counselor. **If there are persons other than the parents who are authorized to pick up your child, they must be listed on your camper information form. If changes or additions occur during the course of camp, we must be notified in writing. Please note that we may ask for photo ID from those picking up campers—please have friends and family be prepared.**

Medical Issues: Serious medical conditions must be brought to our attention before camp begins. If, for example, your child has an allergy requiring an EpiPen, there are additional documents that you and your child's doctor must sign *before* camp begins. All appropriate medical forms and permission agreements with required signatures **MUST** be submitted one week before the start of your child's first camp session. **PLEASE NOTE: Connecticut camp guidelines changed last year. A written, signed camp protocol, in addition to all current paperwork and generated by our camp, is required for each child that has a serious medical issue. Because of this, no child will be allowed to attend camp unless ALL forms are on file ONE WEEK prior to their first day of camp.**

Lunch and Snack: Please provide a daily bag lunch (reusable bags preferred) for your child. We ask that campers come with a **reusable** water bottle each day. SM&NC is a **NUT AWARE** camp, so please do not send items with *any* type of tree nut/peanut product in them; please check labels carefully. There is a refrigerator available. During this camp, we will be participating in some cooking projects. We always avoid common allergens but will also take note of any allergies for registered campers each session.

Dress Code: Pants or shorts and a T-shirt are the norm. Since campers will be in the forest and on the farm, open toed shoes, flip flops, or sandals are not allowed. Socks and a pair of sneakers you don't mind getting dirty are perfect. As the campers are on the farm a lot, a hat is also recommended. We also recommend bringing an extra change of clothes just in case. Please be sure that your child arrives at camp with a long-lasting, waterproof sunscreen applied. Due to state regulations, our staff cannot apply sunscreen or bug spray. **Please check for ticks at each day's end!**

Friends & Camp Groupings: All Heckscher Farmers campers are in one group of 12 campers. Campers may split into smaller groups for activities but work as a group for many others, so if your child's friends are registered for this camp, they will be together.