

Dear BioDiscovery Science Campers and Families:

Stamford Museum  
& Nature Center



Welcome to our 2025 Summer Camp! Below is some info that you may find helpful!

- **Camp Hours:** BioDiscovery Camp begins at 9:00 am and finishes at 3:00 p.m. Due to camp prep, we cannot accommodate early drop-offs.
- **Location:** The BioDiscovery camp is in our Farmhouse building, which can best be reached by using the North Gate (151 Scofieldtown Road). For drop off you may park anywhere in the Farmhouse lot or pull up along the sidewalk. Check-in will be either in the plaza or at the leftmost classroom door. Please note that, again this year, parents are not allowed into the classrooms or buildings due to COVID restrictions.
- **First Day of the Session:** Staff will be outside at 8:55 a.m. on the first day of the 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 e-mail our Camp Director at [lmonachelli@stamfordmuseum.org](mailto:lmonachelli@stamfordmuseum.org)
- **Check-in & Check-out:** You may walk your camper to the classroom door or let them walk from the plaza as long as a staff member is present at the door. **If there is someone 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 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 & your child's doctor must sign **before** camp begins. All appropriate medical forms & permission agreements with required signatures MUST be submitted one week before the start of your child's first camp session. **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 bagged snack and lunch (reusable bags preferred) for your child. We ask that campers come with a large **reusable** water bottle each day. We are an active camp, and an 8-oz disposable water bottle is not enough water for the day. Poland Spring and other single use bottles also do not always stay in good condition as we go through our camp 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. Refrigeration is available.
- **Dress Code:** Long pants or shorts and a T-shirt are recommended. 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. We also recommend bringing an extra change of clothes. 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!**
- **Field Trip:** We will be doing an off-site field trip this year, traveling by bus. We are still working on the details but more information, as well as an itinerary and a permission slip will be given to parents in advance of the trip. A camp director will accompany the group, in addition to camp staff.

We are looking forward to meeting you and sharing a memorable summer experience.

Sincerely,

Lisa Monachelli  
Director of Education & Camp Director