McGill Conservatory Day Camp Camp de jour du Conservatoire de McGill



Camper's Guide

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Camp Dates (in case they've slipped your mind!!)

Schulich School of Music of McGill University 555 Sherbrooke Street West		
Camp 1	Camp 2	Camp 3
June 27-July 1	July 18-22	August 8-12





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Drop-off (7:30 - 9 a.m. / free from 8:30 - 9 a.m.)

Every day, rain or shine, arrivals and departures are at the main entrance of:

Schulich School of Music of McGill University

555 Sherbrooke Street W. at the corner of Union Street (one block east of University Street), McGill metro, exit Robert-Bourassa Street (Previously University Street, see map)

The first morning: Tell your parents to park their car on the street or in a parking lot before they bring you inside the building (see map). If your parents have 150,000 questions to ask your camp counsellor, tell them to plan a 15- to 30-minute period for this first meeting. Otherwise, your parents can expect it to take around 15 minutes to come inside the building, time to find where your group is, to say hi to your camp counsellor, to take your 2 snacks out of your lunch box and put them in your groups' snack bin (see Food), to give you a hug and a big kiss, wish you a great day and leave the building!

Following mornings: For security reasons, tell your parents that they need to accompany you into the building. To do so, they will have to park their car on the street or in a parking lot (see map). Since your parents will no longer have (hopefully) 150,000 questions to ask your camp counsellor, this should take no more than 5 minutes!

Pick-up (4 - 6 p.m. / free from 4 - 4:30 p.m.)

For all departures: Your parents will have to come pick you up in the pre- and after-camp room (this is the same place where they left you this morning). Tell them that an I.D. card will be required, and they will have to sign you out. Since every parent will have to sign their child out, suggest that they wear a big smile (even if this procedure takes a while). We understand that they've had a long day at work and are anxious to get home for supper, and we will make the process as quick and painless as possible:)

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Pre- and after-camp supervision

Arrivals: 7:30 to 9 AM Departures: 4 to 6 PM

(FREE from 8:30 to 9:00 AM) (FREE from 4:00 to 4:30 PM)

When you registered, you had the choice between:

1. Taking the supervision package (which will cost your folks \$50,00 per week)

2. Paying "à la carte." If you arrive before 8:30 am or leave after 4:30 pm, it will cost you \$2,00 for each half-hour you stay (payable at the moment you arrive or leave).

Please note that parents who exceed the 6 p.m. after-camp supervision closing time will be asked to pay a two-dollar (\$2) per child late fee for every extra five-minute period. The total amount of the late fee will be paid in cash directly to the supervising counsellor, immediately when you pick up your child.

Please also note that on the last Friday of each two-week session, there is no After-Camp supervision due to of the End-of-Camp Show.

Absences

If you foresee being absent from camp, please notify us in advance by email.

In order to avoid disrupting ongoing projects, campers who are absent for more than 2 consecutive days without prior arrangements with the coordinator will not be allowed to return to the camp.

You're late?

The workshop starts at 9 am, if you are late, you need to come in the camp office to check in (so we won't call your parents telling them that you are not at camp when you are;)! We will bring you to your group, so you can start your day!

Communication with the camp in the summer

The camp office is open from 9:00 am to 4 p.m., monday to thursday. Due to all the amazing end-of-camp shows, the office close at 3 p.m. on fridays. Before (starting at 7:30 am) and after (until 6:00 pm), the staff is on site but away form the phone. You can always leave us a message, we do take them at 9:00 am every morning, same with e-mails. We are also always available to talk to you during arrivals & departures periods! Please note that we will contact you through e-mails & with our Facebook page all summer long!

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Allergies Bracelet

If you had mentioned in the camper's registration any severe or deathly allergies, you will received on the very first morning a colourful bracelet. It will be necessary to wear it every camp day during the camp session (it's bath & pool resistance and even a bit in fashion)

For us, it's a quick and effective tool to identify any campers with allergies to be able to offer them a great, safe camp experience with us! We will ask the parents collaboration to make sure that this bracelet survive to the camp!

Bullying Policy

We take every camper's experience very seriously, and it is important to us that everyone feels safe and happy each day at camp! Counsellors will work to maintain the most positive environment possible, free from emotional or physical aggression, and they expect campers to immediately report incidents of bullying. Camp will not tolerate behaviour that infringes on the safety or well-being of any camper.

Lice Policy

In the case that some lice should decide to find their way into your child's hair, please inform the camp as soon as you notice. Unfortunately, due to the contagious nature of lice, a camper with lice and eggs will not be accepted back at camp until they've completed their treatment. Please note that we will treat every case of lice at camp with as much sensitivity and confidentiality as possible.

If some of our little friends do join us at camp, we will inform parents of the concerned groups by e-mail and will also give out a general notice should an outbreak be discovered. As a precaution, we will also make a quick and efficient « head check » on all the campers that are part of the same group.

Food & Lunch Plan

Since your daily schedule is packed with activities, we recommend that you:

- Have a good breakfast before coming to camp;
- For lunch, there are two options:
- You can bring your lunch, ideally in a lunch box containing an "ice pack." Please note that we have NEITHER refrigerators NOR microwave ovens
- OR you can take part in the lunch plan option we are now offering! The meals will be prepared by McGill Food Services and options include a hot/cold and a meat/vegetarian option every day.
 See the website for sample menus, pricing and instructions on who to register for this summer!
- Bring two healthy snacks that can be kept at room temperature, each labelled with your name;
- Bring a bottle of water: Again, remember to write your name on it!!

For the sake of good nutrition, safety and time constraints, vending machines are off-limits during Camphours. There is no need to bring cash to camp.

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Green Lunches & Tremplin Santé

As you've probably heard, our planet needs some taking care of, so we asked ourselves how we could help out! We're also introducing the program Tremplin Santé this year!

More details on that program: http://www.tremplinsante.ca/accueil

Here's how:

- By bringing your healthy lunch in a lunch box rather than in a plastic bag;
- By putting your food and your juice in reusable containers (with your name on!) rather than in plastic bags and disposable juice boxes;
- By recycling and composting every lunch at camp!
- AND by helping mom and dad with the dishes when you get home:)
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Birthdays at Camp

We know that birthdays are specials moment and we make sure to celebrate them at camp! The staff will make sure that the lucky campers' day is filled with happy times and a special acknowledgement will happen during one of the animation sessions during the day, either in the morning, at lunch, or at the end of the day. Please note that due to our allergies and food at camp policies, we can't accept cake or any other special food for your camper's group, so that will need to wait until they get home:)

What to Bring to Camp

- sun-glasses & sun-screen(in mist form if possible, as its easier to apply!);
- a hat or cap;
- comfortable active-wear;
- good sneakers, no sandals!!;
- a beach towel (to sit on at lunch or to use when we have water games at lunch!)

If you need, in addition to the above items, make sure you bring:

A second pair of shorts and underwear;

To avoid losing anything, make sure to put name-tags on all items you bring to Camp: clothes, raincoats and boots, umbrellas, lunch boxes, costumes, accessories, etc.

What to Leave at Home

Cell phones, i-pads, toys or other distracting technology, and valuables.

Camp is not responsible for lost or stolen items.

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Activities

	Camp 1	Camp 2	Camp 3		
Monday	Team introduction & Safety rules				
Tuesday	T-shirt distribution (for those who have already ordered one)				
	Group pictures!				
Wednesday	Sale of tickets, hats, and pictures begins during the after-camp supervision				
	Costume Day*	Costume Day*	Costume Day*		
	Intergalatic Day	Fluffy Day	Sponges vs. Mops		
Thursday	Regular Activities				
Friday	Regular Activities				
	End of Camp Shows				

*The Costume Days are fun and specials days at camp! Make sure to prepare for them since you know the theme in advance;) Please note that all regular workshops continue on special theme days and costume days, so dress accordingly (still no sandals!)

For a more detailed schedule, see our website: https://www.mcgill.ca/conservatory-camp/information/schedules

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End-of-Camp Shows

Our Experimento campers have a little more freedom in the activities throughout the week since they don't work on a show themselves. However, we do offer them the chance to join us for one of the other End-of-Camp Shows put on by other campers on the Friday afternoon. They will receive two free tickets to any one of our many exciting shows they want to attend or, if they don't want to attend, they also have that option.

T-shirts, hats, pictures and videos

Included in your registration is a camp T-shirt and a link to web photos

You may also choose from the following extras, "à la carte":

- An 8 X 10 picture of your group (\$15)
- Camp hats (\$15)

Otherwise, your parents can buy them "à-la-carte" at the welcome table of the camp during the preand-after-camp supervision hours or by e-mail!

We look forward to welcoming you!

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And everyone on our great team, too!!

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