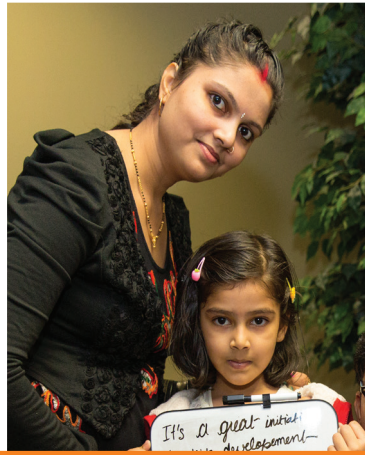


Camp Guide for Families



TempePRE



Welcome to Tempe PRE camp.

Where we provide high quality care for your children during the school breaks with engaging activities, small class sizes and qualified staff in school district preschool classrooms. This guide provides you with some important information to make your child's experience positive and supportive. We encourage you to read through this material before camp begins!

REGISTRATION

Tempe PRE offers camp to those children enrolled in the current year's Tempe PRE program. Registration is open prior to camp via email for one week and you must complete a registration form online. You will receive confirmation from the Tempe PRE office notifying you of your child's registration in camp and which school campus they will be attending.

**Camps are held at various Tempe PRE schools and may not be the school your child regularly attends. If you do not receive confirmation after registering, your child will be placed on a waitlist and given priority based on the order of registrations received.*

FEES

Tempe PRE families paying tuition will not be charged for camps as these fees are included in the tuition cost. Families receiving free tuition assistance must pay \$10 per week for camp through the online payment system established at the time of enrollment. Fees that are unpaid prior to camp could result in your child losing their camp placement.





ATTENDANCE

Tempe PRE camps are intended to offer a full week of activities and learning so drop-in care is not available. If your child is unable to attend camp due to an unexpected illness or a change in schedule, it is important that you notify the Tempe PRE office so they are aware.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

All Tempe PRE camps are scheduled from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., with some half day schedules during the holidays. Extended care hours from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. are available ONLY to families who are currently enrolled in extended care through their regular Tempe PRE classroom. When dropping your child off at camp, please remember to sign in with your child's name and your signature so that we have a record of each day's attendance. When picking up, the same procedure for sign out is required so we know your child is leaving with the responsible party. If you will not be picking up your child from camp, the person whom you designate must be listed on the child's blue emergency card and will be required to show ID when picking up. This is an important safety practice for you and your child.

Prompt pick-up times at the end of the day are very important as your child has had a full day and is ready to spend time telling you all about it! Our teaching staff is also ready for the end of the day so they can rest and prepare for tomorrow. Please be respectful of your child and our teaching teams by calling the Tempe PRE office to notify them if you will be late. Late pick-up fees will apply.

MEALS AND SNACKS

Tempe PRE camp does not provide breakfast or lunch during fall, winter and spring camps; lunch is provided during summer camp only. Please be sure to provide a nutritious breakfast for your child at home or send one to school along with a nutritious lunch. We hope that sugary snacks and junk foods are not a part of your child's meals as we strive to promote healthy eating and avoid behaviors that are fueled by sugary treats. Tempe PRE will provide healthy snacks during the day so your child will have lots of opportunity to replenish their energy.

HEALTHY KIDS AND HEALTHY BEHAVIORS

Tempe PRE camps are not staffed with a nurse or health professional onsite. If there is an accident during camp, families will be contacted immediately, and paramedics called in the event of a serious injury. Tempe PRE staff will not administer medications during camp so it will be up to you to ensure this is taken care of before or after the camp day. Preschoolers are in the process of learning healthy behaviors and how to socialize with their peers, but sometimes challenges can arise in the classroom. All Tempe PRE children will be required to follow classroom rules and if behaviors become a danger to others, families will be contacted to pick up their child from camp immediately. Behaviors that cannot be handled successfully within the classrooms may result in the child losing their spot in camp.



WHAT TO BRING

Your child should come to camp with a backpack to carry all their supplies each day. The backpack should include the following items, **ALL** labeled with your child's full name

- Change of clothes in a zip top bag in case of accidents during the day
- Refillable water bottle to keep your child hydrated
- Blanket or sheet for nap time and a small pillow if needed
- Lunch box to hold a breakfast, if needed, and lunch
- Items that get left behind after a full day are easier to find when clearly labeled.

PREPARING FOR CAMP

When preparing your child for camp, it is always helpful to spend some time talking with them about what to expect. Make sure you let your child know that there may be some differences in camp from their regular classroom including potentially a new school, a different teacher and a new group of friends. Talking with your child in advance will help to avoid surprises on the first day and some of those scary moments of unfamiliarity. It is also very important to let your child know who will be picking them up at the end of their day so they can feel a sense of security in knowing.

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions about the camp or need to check on your child during the day, you can contact the Tempe PRE office at 480-858-7735 and your message will be relayed to the teaching staff.





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Tempe PRE is a program of the City of Tempe, in partnership with the Tempe Elementary and Kyrene school districts.

