



School Age Summer Camp
June 8 - August 14, 2026

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MISSION STATEMENT

First Steps Child Care Center exists to provide attentive, high quality care for every child. We work to develop caring, respectful and positive relationships with children from infancy through school age by partnering with families to support a child's Christian growth and development.

PURPOSE

First Steps Summer Camp has been established to offer care for school age children during the summer months. Our goal is to assist families through a Christ-centered summer program that provides quality care. We will offer spiritual, educational, and recreational activities to all that attend.

ELIGIBILITY

Children Entering 5K - 6th grade for the 2026/27 School year.

REGISTRATION

There is a \$25 non-refundable registration fee per child with a maximum fee of \$100 per family. If your child was registered for the 2025/26 before or after school care program at St. Matthew's your registration is covered for the summer.

Please indicate on the summer schedule form the days and times needed each week. **Tuesdays and Thursdays will be field trip days.** It is mandatory that children who attend on Tuesdays and Thursdays go on field trips. Registered days must be consistent week to week.

FEES

The daily rate is \$63 per day or \$305 per week. This rate includes lunch and two snacks. There will be additional charges for Tuesday and Thursday field trips. You will receive the monthly field trip calendar with the planned trips and fees. **There is a summer t-shirt fee of \$14 for all children registered for Summer Camp. The t-shirt charge will be added to your weekly account.**

PAYMENTS

Tuition is due Fridays prior to the next week of service. Tuition can be taken by EFT, paid online by credit card or by check in the office (listed in the preferred order).

Summer Camp Vacations and Absences

All summer camp parents will be given vacation days to use at their discretion. The number of vacation days varies based on each child's schedule:

- 5 days per week receives 5 vacation days per summer camp
- 4 days per week receives 4 vacation days per summer camp
- 3 days per week receives 3 vacation days per summer camp
- 2 days per week receives 2 vacation days per summer camp
- 1 day per week receives 1 vacation day per summer camp

Vacation days may be used as sick days (call by 8:30 a.m. the day your child is sick), vacation days (2-week notice required), or used for a holiday (2-week notice required). All holidays (actual or observed) that fall on your child's registered day will be charged to you unless a vacation day is used.

WHAT TO BRING TO CAMP

All children will have their own bin for the summer. Inside the bin they should keep the following labeled items:

- Swimsuit
- Water shoes or crocs (for water days)
- Towel
- Extra clothes (pants, shirts, socks, underwear)
- Sunscreen (Please apply the first application each morning before drop off)
- Gym shoes

ITEMS TO BRING DAILY

All children must have tennis shoes or sturdy shoes for outside play (no flip flops) **No Crocs unless they are being used as water shoes!**

Children should bring a reusable water bottle with their name on it. Not one that squirts when squeezed please.

Books for independent reading time if desired, otherwise we have books to choose from.

*Drinks will be provided with snacks and lunch.

Please note...no toys from home for inside!

HOURS OF OPERATION

Summer Camp starts June 8. Camp runs Monday - Friday through August 14.

The hours for camp are 6:30am - 5:30pm. All children must be picked up by 5:30pm. A late fee of \$1 per minute will be added for each minute after 5:30pm.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Open - 8:15am	Children arrive, indoor free play
8:15 - 8:45	Bathroom/Wash Hands/Snack
8:45 - 9:15	Daily Presentation
9:15 - 10:00	Outside
10:00 - 11:30	Daily Project
11:30 - 12:30	Bathroom/wash hands/lunch
12:30 - 1:30	Devotion & Free Reading
1:30 - 2:15	Sports Hour/Gym
2:15 - 3:00	Indoor free choice
3:00 - 3:30	Bathroom/wash hands/snack
3:30 - Close	Outside, then indoor free choice

Tuesdays and Thursdays are field trip days and because of this the schedule may be altered as needed on those days.

FIELD TRIPS

Field trips will be taken on Tuesdays and Thursdays. We have monthly schedules with the destination of each trip. We will have a monthly visit from the Kona Ice Truck. You will have a set fee of \$250 for Field Trips (\$125 for Tuesday trips and \$125 for Thursday trips). If your child will only attend one of the field trip days, you will only pay \$125.

Field trips fees are non-refundable.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM

We will offer a reading program throughout the summer. The more your child reads, the more incentives they will receive.

SPORTS HOUR

On Mondays, Wednesday, and Fridays, we will learn the ins and outs of different sports, focusing on a new sport every other week.

WATER DAYS

We will rotate water days weekly between Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays that week, weather permitting. If needed we will change the day.

THEMES AND FIELD TRIPS FOR THE WEEK

June 8 - June 12

Tuesday, June 9 *Noah's Ark Animals (@First Steps)

Thursday, June 11 **Jester Fun Magic Show

Friday, June 12 Water Day

June 15 - June 19

Monday, June 15 Water Day

Tuesday, June 16 **Kona Ice Truck

Thursday, June 18 ***Kim's Amazing Animals (@First Steps)

June 22 - June 26

Tuesday, June 23 Bounce Life (@First Steps)

Wednesday, June 24 Water Day

Thursday, June 25 *Jelli's Market

Leave First Steps @ 9am Return @ 12:30pm

June 29 - July 3

Tuesday, June 30 *Skyzone

Leave First Steps @ 9am Return @ 12:30pm

Thursday, July 2 Lapham Peak - Summer Camp 5K - 6th grade only

Leave First Steps @ 9:30am Return @ 12:30pm

Friday, July 3 CLOSED

July 6 - 10

Monday, July 6 Water Day

Tuesday, July 7 Retzer Nature Center - Summer Camp 5K - 6th grade only

Leave First Steps @ 9:30am Return @ 12:30pm

Thursday, July 9 ***Kona Ice Truck

July 13 - July 17

Tuesday, July 14 Movie Day

Leave First Steps @ 9am Return @ 12:30pm

Wednesday, July 15 Water Day

Thursday, July 16 Skyzone

July 20 - 24

Vacation Bible School (8:30am - 12:30pm)

Tuesday, July 21 NO TRIP

Thursday, July 23 NO TRIP

July 27 - 31

Tuesday, July 28 *Homestead Farms

Leave First Steps @ 9am Return @ 12:30pm

Thursday, July 30 **Bounce Life inflatables (@First Steps)

Friday, July 31 Water Day

August 3 - 7

Monday, August 3 Water Day

Tuesday, August 4 *SkyZone

Leave First Steps @ 9:30am Return @ 12:30pm

Thursday, August 6 ***Kona Ice Truck

August 10 - 14

Tuesday, August 11 **Bounce Life Inflatables (@First Steps)

Wednesday, August 12 Water Day

Thursday, August 13 **Jester Balloon Animals (@First Steps)

*PreK children will also be attending these trips.

** Young 3s and PreK will be participating

*** All children Toddlers and up will be participating

All schedules for field trips will be emailed in a google document on the last Monday of the month prior to the month's field trips.

Field trip charges will be taken out by EFT on Friday June 5.

Field trips may change as needed