



Dear Parents and Guardians of AVA Summer Campers,

We're very excited to have your children at AVA's camps this summer, and we hope they're excited to come! As a reminder, AVA's Summer Art Camps will begin on June 27th, and run every week until August 19th. If you are receiving this letter your child/children are signed up for at least one camp this summer. You will be sent a reminder email in advance of each camp your children are attending.

If you are new to AVA's programs, or have not updated your child's medical and information forms recently, please follow this link to fill out a new or updated form for each camper: <https://avagallery.org/youthform>

We continue to promote good hygiene and respect for everyone's personal space, but we are changing some of our Covid-19 mitigation protocols for the summer. Mask wearing is now optional, but we continue to encourage wearing masks inside the building.

- Please do not send your child/children to camp if they have any Covid-19 symptoms.
- Use of face masks is now encouraged but optional at AVA. (Masks must be worn in the AVA office.)
- We will continue to promote frequent hand washing and use of our hand sanitizer stations.
- Respect for each other's personal space is a requirement.
- Campers are not to share food or drink.
- The AVA summer campus is nut free.
- Instructors will go over safe studio practices on the first day of each camp.
- [Click here for AVA's most up-to-date visitor health and safety policies.](#)

MORNING CAMPS RUN FROM 9 AM-12 PM

AFTERNOON CAMPS RUN FROM 1:30-4:30 PM

Drop Off Times (AVA staff or camp assistants will be on hand for check-in):

- *Morning check-in between 8:45 and 9:00 am*
- *Afternoon check-in between 1:15 and 1:30 pm*

Pick Up Times (Check in at the front desk and proceed to the appropriate teaching studio):

- *Morning pick up between 12:00 and 12:15 pm*



- *Afternoon pick up between 4:30 and 4:45 pm*

For most camps, please use the main AVA entrance when dropping off and picking up your child/children. Pottery and outdoor camps use the portico entrance to the Sculptural Studies building (behind AVA's main building).

Food, Mid-day Break, and Other Info

- Campers who are participating in both the morning and afternoon camps are automatically included in the mid-day 12-1:30 pm lunch and activity period, and need to bring a lunch. After lunch there will be an additional art project or other activity (hike, performance, games).
- All campers should bring a snack and water bottle for each camp. Please remember there is no sharing of food or drink.
- Art can be messy! While we will do our best to keep clean, please send your children wearing clothes you won't mind getting a little dirty from clay, paint, and other art making materials.
- Campers may spend part of their time outside, either on AVA's campus or close by. Please assume they will be outside and send them to camp wearing sunscreen, bug dope, hats, and good walking shoes.

Once again, if you have not updated your forms recently, please follow this link to fill out a new or updated one for each camper: <https://avagallery.org/youthform>

Thank you!

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