



Schooner Camp Frequently Asked Questions

(Will be updated for COVID adjustments)

Camp Location: The Sound School, drop off at 17 Sea Street, New Haven

Camp Contact: schooner@gathernewhaven.org or (203) 562-6655

What are the camp hours?

Camp is 9:00am-3:00pm. Drop off is 8:45-9:00am, campers must remain with their parent/guardian until 8:45. Pick up is 3:00-3:15pm. Campers picked up later than 3:15 will automatically be enrolled in aftercare, which is offered from 3:00-5:00pm for \$75/week*.

Is there financial aid?

Full and partial scholarships are available. To see if you are eligible, fill out the scholarship application linked here . Or when you register online for camp, you can use a coupon code to bypass camp payment and then complete the scholarship application found in the Health Profile section of your child's camp registration. A digital google form can be found on our website as well, <https://gathernewhaven.org/our-programs/schooner>

How do I pay for camp?

Gather New Haven accepts credit/debit cards via our online registration website (CampDocs). Our online registration form will guide you through the process. If you would like to pay by check, or need to pay in installments, please contact us at schooner@gathernewhaven.org

How do I register?

Click here to register online! All health profile information and medical forms must be submitted online by June 1st. Please call (203) 562-6655 or email schooner@gathernewhaven.org for help with registration.

When is the registration deadline?

Camp registration is ongoing until sessions are full, and registration is first-come, first-serve. Follow us on Facebook or join the Gather New Haven mailing list for the latest updates. The online system also allows you to add your child to a waitlist if the session is currently full.

My child needs medication at camp, what do I need to do regarding that?

Specific forms need to be completed for your child to bring medication to camp, this includes all prescription and non-prescription medicines. We need an Authorization for Medication Administration form and a Medication plan, both completed and signed by both doctor and parent/guardians for each medication. Please see our Forms page.



What is the camp's food policy?

Schooner Camp is NUT-FREE. The Summer Meals program is available to all campers, sign up when you register online (CampDocs). Or you can provide your child with a lunch for camp. Please put an ice pack in their lunch if it needs to stay cold, as lunch bags will not be refrigerated.

What should my child bring to camp each day?

- Close-toed Shoes
- Water Shoes
- Bathing Suit
- Water Bottle
- Lunch - No NUTS
- Clothes that can get Dirty and Wet
- Extra pair of dry clothes
- Towel
- Pre-applied Sunscreen and/or Bug Spray
- Positive Attitude!

What do you do if it is raining or very hot?

Campers should come prepared for the weather and will be outside in any weather as long as it is safe. In the event of extreme heat or storms, campers are inside for educational games, science experiments, arts & crafts, and more!

Who are the staff?

Staff are all 19+ years of age and hired with a strong background working with kids and in environmental education and/or sailing instruction.

How many kids are in the camp?

There are about 80 campers ages 6-14 in camp each week and the camp runs for 8 weeks throughout the summer. Counselor to camper ratios range between 1:8 and 1:12.*

I have a teenager, are there Junior Counselor positions?

We love to have teenage volunteers help us in the summer! Parents need to register their teen through the online camp registration system (CampDocs). Junior Counselors must attend a two-day pre-camp training and commit to at least one full week of camp*. Junior Counselors may also apply to the City of New Haven Youth@Work program and inform us of their application. For more information on Youth@Work visit the City of New Haven website.



More questions?

Email us at schooner@gathernewhaven.org , nikki@gathernewhaven.org (direct email for Camp Director) or call (203) 562-6655.

** There will be adjustments on the capacity for the 2021 camp season due to COVID protocol we will be following.*

**After-care will be available unless COVID guidelines put restrictions on the mixing of groups. If this is the case, refunds for after-care will be distributed.*

**For the 2021 season, Junior Counselors will need to commit to a 4 week minimum due to COVID protocol we will be following during the 2021 camp season.*