



SUMMER CAMP

Children on average lose two months of learning if their minds aren't engaged during the summer months.*

*Research from the Wallace Center



ARC SUMMER CAMP

Is a 7:30am - 5:30pm day camp for kids entering K-5th grade in 2025/2026. Keep your child engaged and sign up for a summer full of friends, swimming, learning & fun! Please bring a sack lunch. Snacks provided.

Enrollment forms available at the ARC or www.alliancerecenter.com



**MAY 27TH-
AUG 8TH**

**K-5TH
GRADES**

**SPACE
LIMITED**

ACTIVITIES

- ✓ STEM
- ✓ ART W/ CARNEGIE
- ✓ SWIMMING
- ✓ PHYSICAL ACTIVITY
- ✓ FIELD TRIPS
- ✓ GARDENING



WEEKLY FEE

\$35 non-refundable enrollment fee.

- \$125 Non-Members
- \$115 Members
- \$65 Scholarship*

*Scholarships awarded if your child receives free /reduced lunch or other qualifying factors. Scholarships limited.

Scholarships generously provided by The Alliance Mission Store, United Way of Box Butte and Dawes, Snow Red Fern Foundation, and ARC Make More Possible Donors

For More Information Contact Sarah at 308.762.2201 or sarah@alliancerecenter.com



2025 SUMMER CAMP HANDBOOK

Our mission is to provide a safe, fun, and educational full-day summer camp at the Alliance Recreation Center. Through STEAM projects, sport skills, games, arts, crafts, nature activities, social skill development, and more the program aims to decrease the summer slack in learning.

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PARENT INFORMATION

Parent and participants can expect:

- A focus on large and small group games and active play
- Exploration of individual interests through a wide range of activities
- A 1:15 ratio of staff to youth – we will have a ratio of approximately 1:6 when off-site

Parents provide:

- A lunch each day of camp--No fridge or microwave available
- 2 bottles of sunblock--non-aerosol and above 50 SPF
- 2 Sunblock face sticks--50 SPF and above

Sunblock will be shared amongst campers. If your child requires their own, we ask that they are responsible for keeping it in their own backpacks and letting the staff know they have their own when it is time to apply sunblock. Please make sure sunblock is labeled with your child's name.

- Lifejacket--if you selected your child needs one on the enrollment form.
 - **When your child's lifejacket status changes, you must fill out a form that is available by contacting Sarah at sarah@alliancerecenter.com or calling 308-762-2201 and speaking with Sarah.**

ARC provides:

- Morning and Afternoon snacks
- 1 water bottle for each camper (to remain at the ARC through the end of the program)
- Pool pass to Big Blue Bay. This may only be used when with the ARC staff during camp.

ARC Communication:

- Join our Remind group to receive announcements and field trip reminders. Remind will also be utilized for last minute location changes during Summer Camp. *Text @25ARCSumCa to 81010 to join.* This allows you to message us with any questions or concerns you may have!
- Our ARC AfterSchool Facebook Group allows you to see pictures of your child, connect with staff, and receive additional reminders.
- Weekly schedules will be emailed out before the beginning of each week. These include important reminders, field trips for the week, and anything additional campers may need. **Please make sure to list at least one email on the registration form.**

Groups:

- ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp Groups are divided and scheduled based on ages to give kids the best possible environment for summer learning and FUN!
- Those with multiple children may be required to pick-up/drop off in separate locations.

02 LOCATION AND STAFF

The Program Director, Sarah Magnuson-Meyer, will communicate with parents directly, via staff, text through the remind system, email and phone calls.

If you have any concerns, please call 308-762-2201 to speak with Sarah or email sarah@alliancerecenter.com.

03 FEES AND ASSISTANCE

- Fees are auto-drafted weekly out of a bank account in full on Sundays. We do NOT charge for days camp is not in session; the weekly charge is automatically prorated.
- Fees can be paid in full before May 25th.
- However, refunds will NOT be made for unplanned cancellations such as but not limited to heat dismissals. **We require a 4-week cancellation notice when un-**

- enrolling.** Cancellation forms are available at the front desk, by email, or from Sarah.
- Financial assistance is available; however, spots are limited. To qualify for financial assistance, provide the free and reduced lunch qualification letter from the school and fill out our scholarship form.

04 OVERDUE BALANCE

- Those accounts with two weeks of missed payments **will be un-enrolled from the program.** We will contact those with overdue balances weekly.

05 HOURS OF CAMP OPERATION

- Tuesday May 27th through Friday August 8th of 2024.
- Camp will run from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm Monday through Friday
- We will be closed on July 4th.
- Children must be picked up by 5:30 pm. Appropriate authorities will be contacted for children abandoned for more than 30 minutes.

06 ARC DROP OFF/PICK-UP

Drop Off

- Individuals dropping participants off **must walk participants** into the Alliance Recreation Center building and/or off-site location to check child in each morning of ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp Program.
- Please do NOT drop off participants earlier than 7:30 am.
- Participant will be checked in at ARC front desk or with off-site coordinator during field trips.

Pick-Up

- Authorized Pick-Ups must stop at the front desk to check participant out of program. When picking up from off-site location, authorized pick-up **MUST** sign participant out with a camp leader.
- Please notify all individuals on your child's pick-up list of pick-up procedures.

- All Authorized individuals must be listed on the registration form.
- If you need to add an authorized pick-up, please notify Sarah at sarah@alliancereccenter.com or call Sarah at 308-762-2201.
- Parents must provide notification by contacting Sarah at sarah@alliancereccenter.com or calling 308-762-2201 for children to leave with a person not listed on the authorized pick-up list.

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ATTENDANCE

- Children entering Kindergarten to 5th grade in the 2025/2026 school year may attend ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp.
- **Participants MUST be 5 years of age by July 31, 2025.**
- **Participants MUST be potty trained.**
- Regular attendance is highly recommended to reach the goals of ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp.
- If a child is frequently absent from the program, the program director may contact a parent/guardian to discuss the child's enrollment.
- If a child will not be regularly attending the program while there is a waiting list for enrollment, the program director has the right to terminate enrollment to offer the program to another child.

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ILLNESS POLICY

- For the health and protection of all, children will be required to stay home if they are experiencing a temperature of 100 degrees or more, vomiting, diarrhea, flu-like symptoms, streptococcal infection, pinkeye, lice, or scabies.
- Children will require a doctor's note to return after experiencing hepatitis A, tuberculosis, measles, mumps, rubella, impetigo, or ringworm.
- Children with chickenpox will be excluded from attendance for at least 6 days or until without fever.
- ARC staff reserves the right to contact a parent/guardian for pick-up if they observe signs of suspected illness.

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INJURY AND EMERGENCY POLICIES

- The staff will take care of superficial injuries.
- If an injury requires further attention, the parent/guardian will be contacted.
- In an emergent situation, Emergency Medical Services and persons on the child's emergency contact list will be contacted.

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MEDICATION POLICY

- ARC staff is not authorized to disperse medication.
- If your child requires medication during ARC hours, it will be the responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- The ARC staff will ONLY provide medical attention in the form of soap, water, ice, and bandages.

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CONFIDENTIALITY POLICY

- All child files will be kept confidential.
- ARC staff will release information to authorities with proper legal request in cases of suspected child abuse and neglect.
- ARC staff and volunteers are required to follow the confidentiality policy.

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PERSONAL PROPERTY

- Please send swim clothes and towels in a bag that can be hung up.
- The ARC, employees, and volunteers are NOT responsible for lost or stolen items.
- **Personal property should be left at home** (i.e. toys, tablets, phones, smart watches, jewelry, money).
- Children will **NOT** be allowed to have phones and/or smartwatches with them throughout the program.

- Participants can **NOT** purchase items from the concession stand at Big Blue Bay (City of Alliance Pool).
- The program provides one snack in the morning and one snack in the afternoon. You may also pack additional snacks in their lunch for the afternoon.

13 BEHAVIOR POLICY

Children will be expected to:

- Know and follow the rules of the ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp Program.
- Be respectful of the feelings and properties of others by treating them the same way that they would want to be treated, treating others with courtesy and consideration.
- Show respect to ARC staff and volunteers by cooperating with their instructions and rules.
- Practice habits of good health, safety, and cleanliness.
- Understand that any form of pushing, kicking, hitting, or fighting is unacceptable and will not be tolerated.
- Refrain from the verbal or physical harm of other participants, ARC staff and/or volunteers.
- Communicate with others in an appropriate manner.
- Participate in all activities during Summer Camp Program.
- **No use of foul language.**

Corrections for misconduct will depend on the frequency and nature of the offense. For definitions of Minor Problem Behaviors and Major Problem Behaviors see below:

- **Minor Problem Behavior:** Staff will give a verbal reprimand and have a discussion with the child concerning the misconduct. A note may be sent home to parents/guardians informing them of the minor problem.
- **Major Problem Behavior:** Staff will have a discussion with the child concerning the misconduct and develop a plan for correction. Staff and child will fill out a behavior plan. The Program Director will make parent/guardian contact to discuss the behavior.

If a child exhibits 3 major problem behaviors, minor problems behaviors continue to repeat and can't be corrected through the above measures or a behavior is of a serious nature, it may result in suspension or termination from the program as determined by the ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp staff.

Minor Problem Behavior Definitions

Continued Disruption	Child engages in low intensity, but inappropriate disruption.
Inappropriate Language	Child engages in low intensity instances of inappropriate language (rude, crude).
Inappropriate Physical contact	Child engages in non-serious, but inappropriate physical contact—touching, pulling hair, little pushing and shoving.
Inappropriate use of work time	Child does not use time to complete work.
Lying	Child delivers message that is untrue.
Noncompliance	Failure or refusal to comply.
Other	Child engages in any other minor problem behaviors that do not fall within the above categories.

Major Problem Behavior Definitions

Abusive language/Profanity	Verbal messages that include swear words, name calling or use of words in an inappropriate manner.
Bullying	Child treats others in an overbearing or intimidating manner. (To make one's way aggressively)
Continual Minor Misbehavior	Child continues with minor misbehavior after several attempts to correct it.
Defiance	Refusal to follow directions, talking back and/or socially rude interactions. Continual noncompliance after implementing several strategies for the child to comply.
False alarm	Child pulls the fire alarm or delivers a message of possible explosive materials being on or near the Alliance Recreation Center, and/or pending explosion.
Fighting/physical aggression	Actions involving serious physical contact where injury may occur (e.g. hitting, punching, hitting with a object, kicking, pulling hair, scratching, etc.)
Property misuse	Child engages in inappropriate use of ARC property, desks, bathrooms, cell phone, music/video players, camera, and/or computer
Theft	Child is in possession of, having passed on, or being responsible for removing ARC property or someone else's property or has signed a person's name without that person's permission.
Threat	Child delivers disrespectful messages (verbal or gestural) to another person that includes threats and intimidation, obscene gestures, pictures, or written notes. Disrespectful messages include negative comments based on race, religion, gender, age, and/or national origin; sustained or

	<p>intense verbal attacks based on ethnic origin, disabilities or other personal matters. Declaration of an intention or a determination to inflict harm on another:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An expression of an intention to inflict pain, injury, evil, or punishment. 2. Warning - a message informing of danger or harm
Vandalism	Child participates in an activity that results in substantial destruction or disfigurement of property. Child deliberately impairs the usefulness of property
Weapons	Child is in possession of knives or guns (real or look alike), or other objects readily capable of causing bodily harm.
Other	Problem behavior causing this referral is not listed above. Staff using this area will specify the problem behavior observed.



2025 ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp

Initials _____

Date _____

May 27th – August 8th (No Camp July 4th)

Contract and Registration Form

Child details:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____ Gender: Male Female

Address: _____ Grade in 2025-26 (Next Year) _____

Please select enrollment option below. Rates are per child and auto drafted weekly on Sundays starting 5/25.

Non-Member \$125/week Member \$115/week Sponsored \$70/week*

*To receive a scholarship please complete scholarship form and provide the letter from the school stating your child receives free or reduced lunch. Scholarships are limited. If you do NOT have the letter, please contact Alliance Public School Administration at 308-762-5475 to obtain a copy. *Financial Aid generously provided by United Way, Snow RedFern Foundation, Make More Possible Donors, and the Alliance Mission Store.*

\$35 one-time nonrefundable enrollment fee due at sign up.

Parent/Guardian details:

	Parent/Guardian 1	Parent/Guardian 2
Full name and Date of Birth: (DOB is needed to enter you into our system)		
Relationship to Child:		
Home Address: (if different from child/ren)		
Mobile phone: (we use remind for text updates)		
Workplace & work telephone:		
Email: (for program information)		

Please list additional people approved to pick your child(ren) up:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone _____

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Authorized Pick-ups must be Age 14 and up

Child's medical information/individual needs:

Known medical conditions, allergies, special dietary, and health needs: Yes No

If yes, please give details: _____

IEP, medications, behavior management plans/tips: Yes No

If yes, please give details: _____

Swimming Permission: Please select one.

My child does not need to wear a lifejacket.

My child needs to wear a lifejacket when going in water over chest high.

My child always needs wear a lifejacket in the water.

YES NO

- I give permission for my child to be enrolled in programs and activities, on and off ARC property.
- I give permission to use photographs, writings, artwork, etc. for promotional purposes.
- I give staff permission to transport my child for the purpose of program activities whether by van transportation, public transit, or by walking during any of the days at the ARC AfterSchool Summer Camp program, and for medical care purposes. I understand the ARC will only swim at public pool pools certified through the State of NE.
- I give permission for staff to give and receive necessary information about my child to assist with providing the best program experience for my child.
- I give permission for staff to apply sunscreen/ bug spray as needed.

T-Shirt Size (please circle one) YS YM YL YXL AS AM AL AXL

E-Payment Agreement (preferred method Bank Draft):

Fees are auto-drafted weekly out of a bank account in full on Sundays. We require a 4-week cancellation notice.

Bank Account _____ I choose to utilize the EFT option for weekly payment from my checking account.

Bank Name: _____ Name on Account: _____

Routing/Transit #: _____ Account #: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Credit/Debit Card _____ I choose to utilize the credit card payment option for my weekly payment.

Card Holder Name: _____

Credit Card # _____ CVV/CVC: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Authorized Signature: _____ Date: _____

Agreement between parent(s)/caregiver(s) and ARC After School/Camp:

- I understand that by completing and signing this contract and registration form, my child and I agree to follow the program policies as outlined in the Student/Parent Handbook. I will inform the provision of any changes in circumstances relating to the above or anything that may affect my child.
- I understand and am aware that my child(ren) is/are participating in physical activities and that the potential for accidents does exist. In consideration for being allowed to participate in the ARC's program, I agree to assume the risk of such exercise and further agree to defend and hold harmless the Alliance Recreation Center and its staff conducting this ARC program from any and all claims, suits, losses, or related causes of action for damages, including (but not limited to) such claims that may result from injury or death (accidental or otherwise) during, or arising in any way from the program. I also understand that the Alliance Recreation Center may use, for publicity and /or promotional purposes, my (or my child's) name or pictures participating in this program, without obligation or liability to me or my family.

Signature of parent/guardian _____ Date _____

Parents are welcome to contact the Program Director with any questions, concerns, and suggestions. Parents interested in providing support can contact the Program Director and help by simply telling others about the program or offering to volunteer time and/or resources.



2025 ARC Summer Camp Scholarship Application

Thank you for your interest in the 2025 ARC Summer Camp Scholarship Program. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need and available funds. Please complete the following application and submit all required documents with camp registration to be considered.

Applicant Information

Child's Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Grade (Entering Fall 2025): _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

Financial Information

To be eligible for a scholarship, you must provide proof of financial need. Please attach a copy of your child's **Free or Reduced Lunch Eligibility Letter** from the school district. If you do not have one you may still qualify, please provide a written explanation below.

Do you receive Free or Reduced Lunch benefits? Yes No

If no, please explain: _____

Statement of Need

In the space below, please provide a brief statement explaining why financial assistance is needed. Include any relevant details about your family's situation and how this scholarship will benefit your child (These stories assist us in raising funds for scholarships).

Signature & Certification

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that submitting this application does not guarantee a scholarship, and assistance is based on available funds and eligibility criteria.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Office Use Only: Date Received: _____ Scholarship Approved: Yes No
Amount Awarded: \$ _____ Approved By: _____ Date: _____