



2025 General Information

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Young Pioneers 2025 Summer Day Camp

We are so excited to be offering our summer day camp for children ages 6-12. This document is intended to provide general information. We may be making additions and/or changes as we continue to plan the camp. Feel free to return to this page to see what is new. You may review this document in its completed form at the time of registration. If you have questions, please contact us at pioneer.village@scottcountyiowa.gov or visit our website at: <https://www.scottcountyiowa.gov/conservation/pioneer-village/young-pioneers-day-camp>.

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- Registration will open on **February 11th**. To register, visit Scott County Conservation's website.
- The camp fee for 2025 will be \$175 per week, with full payment required at registration.
- There are a limited number of spaces available for each session, sign up early to snag one for your camper(s).

REFUND POLICY

- No refunds will be issued for cancellations or changes. If spots are available, participants may transfer to another week.

OPEN HOUSE (June 5th from 5:00-6:30 p.m.)

- All parents and campers are encouraged to come anytime in the evening to pick up a field trip t-shirt (one per year), meet the counselors, and have an opportunity to ask staff questions. The event will be held in the Dan Nagle Walnut Grove Pioneer Village Saloon (located near the red caboose).
- If you are unable to attend, you may pick up the t-shirt registration packet at sign-in on the first day of camp.



GENERAL CAMP INFORMATION

STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

- Site Coordinator at 563-328-3283 or 563-343-0613
- Lead Counselor at 563-726-5592.

DROP OFF AND PICK UP

- The drop-off and pick-up spot will be in the Village Church parking lot. Parents/guardians must sign in and sign out their children daily. Please park your car and bring your child(ren) to the sign-in table. **Sign-in is from 8:30 to 9:00 a.m., and sign-out is from 3:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

CLOTHING AND DAILY PERSONAL CARE (Reminder: We spend majority of our time outside!)

- **Children are to wear clothing and shoes that can get dirty and wet. We require closed toed sandals, tennis shoes or any sturdy shoe.** Flip flops and open-toe sandals are not acceptable. We hike almost every day, so proper shoes are necessary.
- **Please send bug repellent and sunscreen with your child's name written on them on the first day of camp. It is also helpful if you apply bug repellent and sun screen at home prior to dropping off your child each day.**
- A lightweight backpack is suggested to carry all personal items. Please refrain from sending large backpacks as they become too heavy and hot during hikes and other activities. A drawstring bag is offered as part of your registration. To reduce potential waste, drawstring bags are not automatically placed in your child's registration packet, please feel free to pick one up at our daily sign-in.

Water, Lunch, and Snacks

- Water
 - **Please send your child(ren) with their own reusable water bottles.** We refill water bottles throughout the day.
- Lunch:
 - Monday –Thursday
 - Children are to bring a sack lunch in a small bag with their name on it. We refrigerate all lunches and have limited space. Please do not send large containers and coolers.
 - Fridays
 - We provide hot dogs, chips, carrots and s'mores.
- Snacks
 - Provided daily at approximately 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. If there are special dietary concerns, campers will be responsible for bringing their own snacks.
- As part of your registration, we do offer a reusable insulated lunch bag. To reduce potential waste, lunch bags are not automatically placed in your child's registration packet, please feel free to pick one up at our daily sign-in.
- Refrain from packing nuts and nut-based products, especially peanut butter, for lunches. (Campers will be encouraged to wash their hands after lunchtime.)

WEDNESDAY FIELD TRIPS

- We take a new and different field trip each week on Wednesdays.
- **Campers are expected to wear their camp T-shirt on field trip days!**
- Although we try hard to keep to the schedule, sometimes we have to adjust for weather, etc.
- Scott County Conservation Board utilizes Johannes Bus Services Inc. for our Young Pioneers Day Camp's transportation needs.



FRIDAY POOL or LAKE DAY

- Weather permitting, we hike to Scott County Pool on Fridays.
- **Bring swim suit, towel, and sunscreen!**
- Participants must wear closed toe or tennis shoes for the hike- can bring flip flops or open toe sandals for the pool.
- We ask that you please do not send money for concessions.
- On pool day children are to be picked up at the SCP pool entrance between 3:00 pm -3:30 pm instead of the Village. Check out your child with the lead counselor before you leave the pool area. In the event the SCP Pool is unavailable, we might replace with a visit to West Lake Beach Area or other venue.
- Because swimming is valued as a life skill, we like to include it in our programming. It is important that your child(ren) understand(s) our **POOL SAFETY RULES:**
 - State law requires a shower before entering the pool.
 - No plaster casts or bandages allowed in the pool.
 - No person having any infectious disease or extreme sunburn will be allowed in the pool.
 - No outside food or drink allowed.
 - Proper swimwear required.
 - SCP Pool Management is not responsible for lost or stolen items.
 - Follow all posted rules and directions of the lifeguard staff.
 - We will not go to the pool if the air or water temperature is below 65° or weather conditions are threatening.
 - No running on the deck, dunking, or rough play in and around pool.
 - No diving in the shallow end of the swimming pool and in other areas marked "No Diving".
 - No flips, or back dives from side of pool.
 - No water wings or inflatable's are permitted.
 - To use deep end you must be able to swim 2 widths of the pool front crawl. (Campers will be tested weekly by staff to verify such a skill.)
 - No objects in big pool except for goggles masks, fins, snorkels, and small soft sponge balls.

PHOTOS AND VIDEOS

- By participating in the Young Pioneers Day Camp, guardians acknowledge that Scott County Conservation Board has permission to use photos and videos of the participants to promote the camp. The child(ren)'s name will never be linked with the photos or video.

SAFETY

- For the safety of your child(ren), we conduct fire and tornado drills the first day of camp each week. All counselors and manager are certified in CPR, First Aid and have completed mandatory reporting training.
- Safety of the children is of utmost importance. Therefore children are not to be in any buildings or on the train area unless they are supervised.

AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT

- In the event of an emergency, the camp coordinator or lead counselor will call the emergency contact listed.
- In the case of a **medical emergency**, local **First Responders** will be called first, then park Ranger on Duty and the emergency contact listed.

CAMP RULES

1. Be respectful and kind to other campers, counselors, property, animals and nature
 2. Use appropriate language
 3. Respect each other's personal space
 4. Listen to and follow the requests of all counselors & site manager
 5. Stay with your assigned group or "buddy" unless you have permission from a counselor
 6. Leave nature where you found it
 7. Participate in all activities
- If these good behaviors are not met, we will first attempt to redirect your child and explain why their behavior was unacceptable and how their actions may affect other campers.
 - If the adverse behavior continues, we will implement a "strike" system. The decision to implement this action will be a joint consensus between the counselor assigned to your child and the lead counselor/and/or Site Manager.
 - First Strike: Verbal warning and recorded on the roster.
 - Second Strike: Child will sit out of the activity, and the incident will be recorded on the roster
 - Third Strike: Sit out of the activities rest of the day, the incident will be recorded on the roster, and the parent/guardian will be contacted.
 - If your child becomes exceedingly disruptive, we reserve the right to call the parents/guardian and request the child be picked up immediately.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- We have plenty of activities to keep your child(ren) busy. Please do not allow any toys, video games, phones, phone watches, tablets, etc. to accompany your child(ren). All devices and toys will be held in the Pioneer Village Office during the day.

We appreciate your cooperation and will do everything we possibly can do to make this a safe and fun camp.

Sincerely,
Susan Laures, Site Coordinator

