

GLOBAL ARTS CAMP 2020 INFORMATION and FAQs

Marian, Andre, Elorie, Tai, Eshe, Marcus and I are looking forward to our ninth year of camp. This year we are visiting Peru, Greece and Ethiopia. We have added a Social Responsibility project for each session and more outdoor physical activities for your camper.

Throughout the summer, your child will be engaged in many different activities which will help create confidence, foster curiosity, develop social skills and instill our core values of Responsibility, Respect, Caring and Honesty while having a fun and exciting day!

Where is the camp held this summer?

St. Joseph's Catholic Church 767 Prospect Street in Maplewood.

How does drop off and pick up work?

Drop off will take place from 8:30am to 9:15am on Franklin Avenue. There will be a pop up tent located at the side entrance of the church where cars will pull up to check in their camper. At that point, temperatures will be checked, and if a camper's temperature is 100.4 degrees fahrenheit or higher, they will not be permitted to attend camp. An FAQ sheet of symptoms will be checked for each camper. Once campers are cleared, they will be brought into the building by a counselor to be with their group until drop off is complete. Our first period will begin at 9:30am.

If you are going to be late with drop off, you must call the camp cell phone to let the director know that your camper will be late. Adults are not permitted into the camp building, and a staff member will come outside to check your campers temperature before bringing them into the building to their group.

Upon drop off, the driver will be asked if they are picking up their camper at 3:30pm or 5:30pm. The camp day ends at 5:30pm, but pickup can begin at 3:30pm. This first pick up is from 3:30pm to 4:00pm. We need to know pick up time so we are able to prepare campers in their individual groups for pick up. All specialty periods will end at 3:30pm. Campers who are staying with us will remain with their group in their homeroom space and participate in a free play activity.

For 3:30pm pick up, campers will be brought outside to Franklin Avenue where parents will line up in their cars to pick up campers. Franklin Avenue is a very wide street with ample parking. The same procedure will take place for 5:30pm pick up.

If there is a day where you need to pick your camper up between the 3:30pm pick up and 5:30pm please email Marian Judge, Program Coordinator, at mjudge@metroymcas.org so she is able to coordinate that pick up time. Please add the names of all family and friends who may also pick up your camper.

Will there be outdoor time?

Yes. Campers will have outdoor time every day. At St. Joe's, we have all day full access to their blacktop that will be closed off for any cars to enter during our camp hours. This outdoor space will have tents for activities outside that are geared toward our themes. We will have organized group games and activities to keep your camper active and weekly water play activities. There will not be group mixing outside. Campers will only interact with their camp group.

How will campers/people be safely divided?

We are required to follow both ACA standards and state guidelines regarding ratios. Our group sizes and ratios will be specifically planned according to those guidelines. There will be no mixing of camper groups during the day. There will be time built into the schedule to ensure that all cleaning and disinfecting measures are being met every hour. If you have specific requests for your camper to be with another camper, please email Marian at mjudge@metroymcas.org Please note that we will try our best to accommodate these requests, but cannot guarantee this as it will depend on enrollment.

Will there be trips?

There will be no trips this summer

Will there be swimming?

There will be no swimming this summer, but we will be using our outside space to include programmed time for water play activities with each group of campers.

For any questions regarding **Global Arts Camp** please email Camp Director Adrienne Mtume at amtume@metroymcas.org