



CAMPER'S GUIDE

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Dear Camper,

Welcome to the Kids and College Summer 2024 Program at McHenry County College! We're excited you have decided to join us this summer for an engaging series of classes to grow your love for learning. Our instructors and camp counselors are looking forward to meeting you and helping you expand your knowledge.

At MCC, our mission is focused on learning and helping our students be successful. The Kids and College program is here to help you prepare for your upcoming school year, expose you to cutting-edge learning skills, and expand your knowledge in an exciting, hands-on educational experience. So, be ready to dig down into your class topic and experience real-life scenarios.

As you prepare for your arrival, be sure to review this packet with your family as we have provided essential information about your Kids and College experience. Be sure to complete the required camper forms prior to your arrival. Updates will be emailed to families and posted on the Kids and College website at www.mchenry.edu/kidsandcollege.

If you or your family have any questions, please contact the Kids and College team at kidsandcollege@mchenry.edu or (815) 455-8717.

I look forward to welcoming you and your family to campus on your first day of class.

Go Scots!



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MCC Mascot

**WELCOME CAMPERS TO
MCHENRY COUNTY COLLEGE!**



GENERAL INFORMATION

Required Camper Forms

All campers must submit the following forms before their first day of class. Forms are due no later than one week before each class starts. Failure to submit the following forms will result in cancellation of registration. Forms only need to be completed once for the entire summer program and are to be completed online at www.mchenry.edu/kidsandcollege.

- Camper Information
- Camper Expectations
- Camper Health Information and Liability Release
- Emergency Contact and Designated Caretaker(s)
- Permission to Photograph Camper

Certain classes may require additional forms. Campers registered for those classes will be emailed the required forms before each class starts.

Refund and Cancellation Policy

A 100% refund will be given if the Office of Registration and Records is notified no later than the Thursday prior to the start of the camper's first class or if the class has insufficient enrollment and is cancelled by MCC. Please note, no refund will be given beginning the first day of class or if MCC is closed due to unforeseen circumstances.

Arrival Information

- Parking is available in Lots B and D. Please see map on page 7 for location.
- Daily check-in is from 8:30 to 9 a.m. for morning sessions and 12:30 to 1 p.m. for afternoon sessions in the Commons, located in Building B. Please enter door B14 across from Parking Lot D. Campers must be escorted to check-in by their designated caretaker.
- On the first day, please bring all required forms, if not already submitted. All forms must be completed and submitted, or the camper will not be able to attend.
- At the completion of check-in, caretakers will depart, and campers will be escorted to assigned classrooms. Please note, caretakers are not allowed inside classroom areas.

Departure Information

- Parking is available in Lots B and D. Please see map on page 7 for location.
- Daily check-out will be from 12 to 12:15 p.m. for morning sessions and 4 to 4:15 p.m. for afternoon sessions in the Commons, located in Building B. Campers must be escorted from the building by a designated caretaker.
- Campers will only be released to designated caretakers. If there is a change, a designated caretaker must inform camp staff during check-in.
- Campers must be picked up no later than 15 minutes from the end of the class session. Kids and College does not offer an aftercare program. Caretakers should contact the Kids and College staff as soon as possible if there is an unexpected delay in pick up.

What to Bring

- All campers should wear appropriate clothing for camp. Due to the nature of the class activities (some messy!) and outdoor activities, all campers should come in clothing that can get dirty and is appropriate for the weather. Tennis shoes or other forms of closed-toed shoes are required. No flip flops or sandals. Please review individual class descriptions for any special clothing requirements.
- Campers may bring a backpack to keep their personal items in, including notebooks, lunch, snacks, sunscreen, sunglasses, hats, etc. We recommend all personal items be labeled with the camper's name.
- We recommend campers wear sunscreen prior to their arrival if their class includes outdoor activities or if they wish to participate in outdoor activities between classes.
- Campers should bring a notebook and at least two pencils and/or ink pens to class.
- Campers will be notified via email of any required class materials not included by the camp. Please review individual class descriptions for more information.
- Please note, Kids and College staff and McHenry County College are not responsible for any loss or damage to the camper's personal property.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Lunch and Snack Breaks

- A supervised lunch period from 12 to 1 p.m. will be available for campers who participate in either an all-day class or two classes on the same day (morning and afternoon). Campers are required to bring a sack lunch (refrigeration is not available).
- Campers may bring a peanut-free snack for break time.
- We encourage campers to bring a refillable water bottle each day for lunch and during class.

Attendance and Early Dismissal

If your camper will be absent, delayed, or must leave early, please notify Kids and College staff as soon as possible.

Health and Safety

- Your camper's safety is our top priority. MCC is committed to providing a safe learning environment for all campers. All camp staff who are working directly with campers have passed a statewide criminal background check.
- In the event of a medical emergency, the MCC campus police will provide medical assistance and contact 911, if needed. The emergency contact person for the camper will be contacted by camp staff.
- There will not be a nurse onsite during the camp. If a camper has medication that is required to be taken during the camp, medications must be in a clear storage bag with camper's first and last name clearly labeled, along with instructions for dispensing the medication(s). It is the responsibility of the camper to secure their medication(s) at all times. Medication forms must be completed and list all medications including epi-pens and inhalers.
- Any camper who is feeling ill should not attend camp. Guardians need to contact camp staff as soon as possible.

COVID-19 Information

- The health and safety of our MCC community remain our top priority. MCC follows health and safety guidelines set forth by the Illinois Department of Public Health, McHenry County Health Department, and the Center for Disease Control. In alignment with the Governor's recommendation, campers will not be required to wear a mask during the camp. Mask-wearing is still encouraged, and respected, for those individuals choosing to continue this health and safety practice.
- Campers who have been in recent contact with an individual with COVID-19, currently in quarantine or isolation due to COVID-19, positive with COVID-19, showing COVID-19 symptoms, or feeling sick/ill are not permitted on campus.

Emergency and Inclement Weather Procedures

- In the event of an emergency, Kids and College staff will follow all MCC emergency procedures set forth by MCC campus police. Emergency contacts will be notified as soon as safely possible if the emergency requires any notification.
- In situations of severe weather, the program staff will move campers to the safest possible location according to MCC campus police and the MCC emergency procedures. If these situations occur during pick-up time, the Kids and College program will be in safety mode inside the building. Campers will not be dismissed until it is safe to do so. If safely possible, there will be a designated camp staff member near the drop-off/pick-up location to provide information during these situations.

Program Changes and Camp Communication

The Kids and College schedule of activities and procedures are subject to change. Communication, including reminder emails, will be sent to the email address used in the camper's registration. Emails will be sent from kidsandcollege@mchenry.edu or noncredit@mchenry.edu. Please visit the Kids and College website for all updated information.

ADA Accommodations and Accessibility

MCC encourages all individuals to participate in its programs and activities. If you need an accommodation or a sign language interpreter, please contact the Access and Disability Services department at (815) 455-8766 or disabilityservices@mchenry.edu.

Contact Information

To reach the Kids and College staff during and after camp hours, please contact us at kidsandcollege@mchenry.edu or (815) 455-8758.

CAMPER EXPECTATIONS AND DISCIPLINARY POLICY

Kids and College provides a fun, supportive, and educational experience for each camper participating in the program. Campers and their guardian(s) must follow all expectations.

Camper Expectations

- I will follow all Kids and College Program and McHenry County College policies and procedures; and I will follow all local, state, and federal laws.
- I will arrive on-time and check in each day before heading to my assigned classroom.
- I will bring the required materials for camp each day.
- I will be actively engaged in classroom discussions and activities with my fellow campers and camp staff.
- I will listen and follow directions provided by camp staff.
- I will show respect towards myself, fellow campers, camp staff, and college property.
- I will use language that is appropriate during the camp.
- I will be cooperative with fellow campers and camp staff.
- I will respect my belongings and the belongings of my fellow campers and camp staff.
- I will inform camp staff of situations that may need immediate attention.
- I will keep electronic devices (including cell phones, tablets, and computers) away from my work area unless otherwise directed by camp staff.
- I will only partake in food and drinks during scheduled times or as directed by camp staff.
- I will keep my body, including hands and feet, to myself and not use it, any item, or my words to cause harm to my fellow campers and camp staff.
- I will act in a safe manner to avoid the possible injury to myself, fellow campers, and camp staff.
- I will respect the personal space of my fellow campers and camp staff.
- I will use all college property, including computer equipment, for camp work only.
- I will bring a positive attitude each day.
- I will have fun.

Disciplinary Policy

Campers who violate any Kids and College policy, regulation, or expectation will receive a warning notification. Campers who receive 3 warnings may be removed from the camp at the discretion of camp staff. All warnings will be documented and will carry over throughout the Kids and College Summer 2024 Program.

- **Warning 1:** Camp staff will provide the camper with a verbal warning and direct the camper to the appropriate behavior.
- **Warning 2:** Camp staff will provide a written warning to the camper and the guardian. The written warning must be signed by the guardian and returned to check-in the following camp day.
- **Warning 3:** Camp staff will contact guardian and schedule a meeting to discuss the behavior issues. Camp staff will determine disciplinary action including the possibility of removal from program.

Severe Incidents

Any camper who displays disrespectful demeanor or inappropriate behavior, causes a disruption during the program, or creates an unsafe environment for self or fellow campers and camp staff may be removed from the program indefinitely, regardless of the number of warnings issued.



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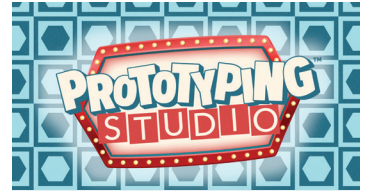
- Campers create a unique sports ball and develop a light-up ball game using the physics of air pressure and motion
- While investigating the design features and specialized materials of a variety of sports balls, campers learn about the importance of protecting ideas using intellectual property
- Campers use design thinking and persistence to reach the final goal of being inducted into the Game of Fame for all-star innovation



- Campers explore biophysics, optics and electrical engineering as they learn about illuminating inventions and engineer a one-of-a-kind Glow Box
- Campers investigate how light works in LEDs, fiber optics and even glowing animals through hands-on examination of reflection, refraction, color and shadow
- While exploring ultraviolet light, campers uncover clues to a mystery and add a new layer to their Glow Box with each discovery, using the power of light to help their ideas shine



- Campers make global connections as they set out on an epic operation to solve water challenges around the world
- After personalizing a light-up laboratory on wheels, campers gather data, tap into ingenuity and use creative problem solving to help people and the planet
- Campers find inspiration from patented water-based inventions, learning the important role water plays on our planet and becoming hydro heroes



- Campers star on a prototyping game show where they embark on an innovative journey to discover the ultimate place to invent
- After receiving a custom toolbox, campers generate new ideas, bringing them to life by transforming unique inventions, and collaborating with friends for rapid prototyping challenges
- After refining their creations, they protect them with the power of intellectual property and win the game by learning that invention can happen anywhere

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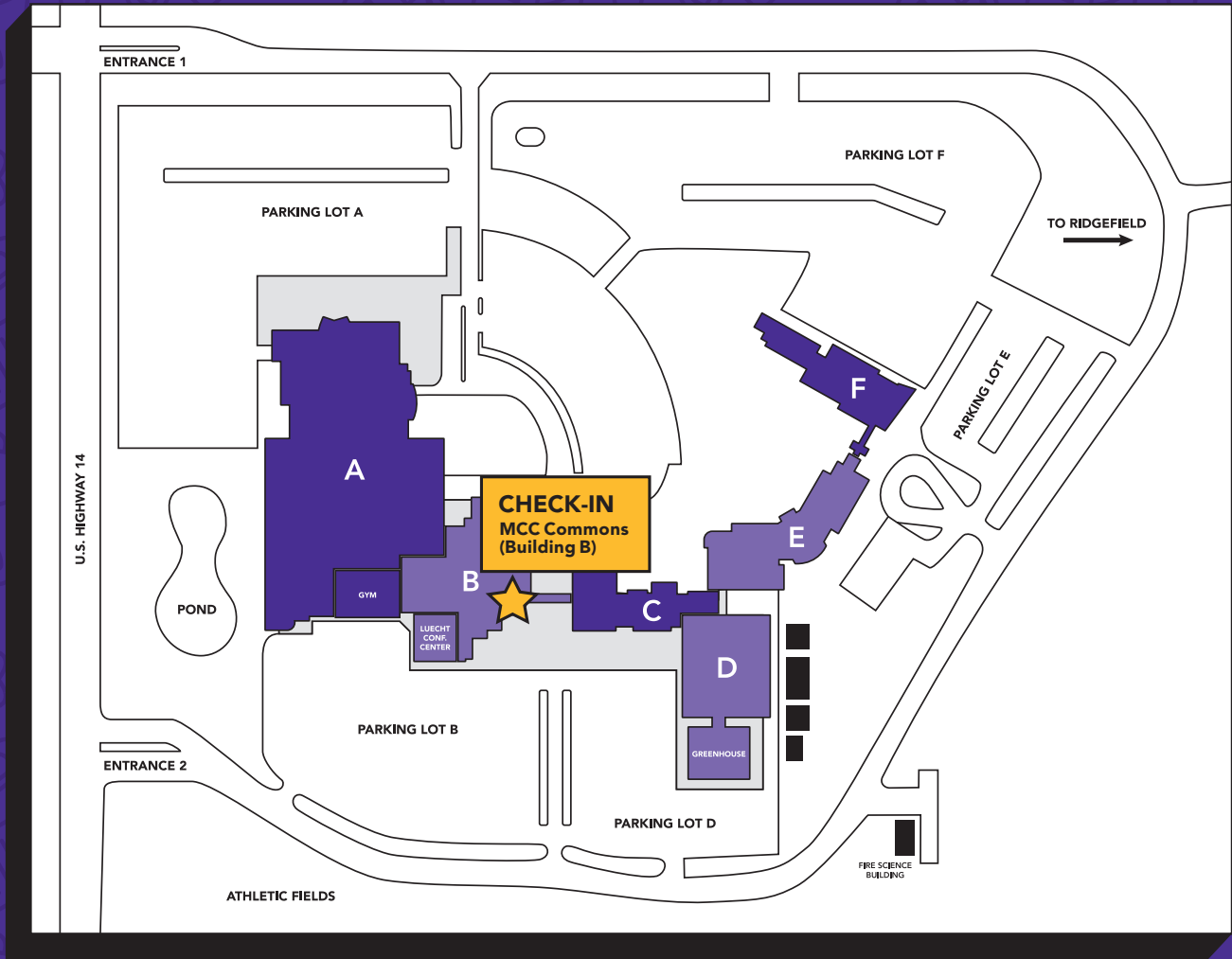
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