



Age 3 - 10 years | June 10 – August 30, 2019 | 7:30am – 6:30pm (Full Day)

Expand Your Child's Horizons

Academia's summer camp offers a fun exploration of societies, cultures, and ecology around the world, combined with outdoor fun and games in the sun! Touring a different country or civilization each week and learning through art, music, crafts, and storytelling, your child can imagine what it would be like to grow up in a different country and how the ecology or architecture may be different from what they are accustomed to at home.

From Crete to the Australian Outback, from Mongolia to Azerbaijan, get ready to travel far and wide! Children are grouped into age-appropriate small classes for cultural learning, daily Spanish lessons, sports activities, and field trips.

Sports/Splash Pad Fun!

Academia's full-time Summer Camp sports coach will keep the children active and enjoying the sunshine! Summer is for play, sandpits, and splash pad time at Longfellow Park.

Field Trips!

Children age 6+ attending full-week, full-day camps will enjoy a weekly cultural-themed field trip to a restaurant for food tasting, a museum, or similar. Children aged 3-5 years will make weekly visits to Wonder Works Children's Museum in Oak Park. There will usually be additional field trips each week to different parks and places of interest.

Different field trips are available for different age groups, but those outside of the immediate local area are available only for age 6+. Check out the country-themed and related cultural field trips planned for 2019 below!

Spanish Lessons!

Daily 30 to 40-minute, small-group Spanish lessons are tiered by ability and age. Children should attend full-day in order to guarantee their participation in scheduled Spanish classes.

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Where will we Travel?

Crete: Bronze-age Minoan culture, the Labyrinth, and the mighty Minotaur.
Field trip – The Hellenic Museum and Artopolis, Bakery & Cafe, Greektown.

Turkey: Mosques of Istanbul and underground cave cities of Cappadocia.
Field trip – Turkish ceramics projects at Creativa painting studio, Forest Park.
www.creativafp.com

Uganda: Culture, food, and communities – Highlighting Asteroidea Health, a charity empowering local community healthcare initiatives.
Field trip – Uganda ceramics projects at Creativa painting studio, Forest Park.
www.creativafp.com

Madagascar: Ecology, and impact of deforestation.
Field trip – Thatcher Woods and the Trailside Museum, River Forest.

Azerbaijan: “Land of Fire” where East meets West, fire-worshipping Zoroastrians, and mud volcanoes.
Field trip – The Brown Cow Ice Cream Parlor, Forest Park. Time to cool down with ice cream after all that fire!

Australia: The outback and Aboriginal culture.
Field trip – Circle Bowling Lanes, Forest Park.

Mongolia: Land of the Horse, nomadic culture, and yurt living.
Field trip – Mongolian Cuisine restaurant, Chicago.

The Galapagos Islands: Volcanoes, unique creatures, and Darwin’s voyage on the Beagle.
Event for the week – reptiles are coming to visit us at Academia! Dave DiNaso’s Traveling World of Reptiles

Venice: Waterway, architecture, and history as a great European trading power.
Field trip – local Italian cuisine restaurant.

Jordan: Bedouin nomadic culture and Petra, a wonder of the world.
Field trip – Petra Falafel, Madison St., Forest Park.

Panama: The San Blas Islands, culture, and textiles of the Guna people.
Field trip – Boss Burrito, Oak Park, where the children will practice ordering their food in Spanish.

China: The Yangtze River, communities, and ecology.
Field trip – local Asian cuisine restaurant.



* Field trip locations are subject to change. Restaurant outings and trips outside Oak Park/River Forest are available to children ages 6+. Children age 3-5 years enjoy a weekly trip to Wonder Works Children’s Museum and local parks and locations.

» Flexible Scheduling

Purchase any number of weeks from 1 to 12. Choose weeks now with the option to switch your week selections until April 1, 2019 (subject to availability). Packages of 4, 8, or 10 weeks do not need to be scheduled consecutively. Select your weeks of choice by **April 1, 2019**. Switch weeks at any time, at no cost.

» Flexible Payment Options

Spread payments over time! Lock in your child's place now with an enrollment fee, and spread the payments over four installments starting in March 2019. Or, pay in full at time of registration and receive a 5% discount on 4, 8 or 10-week summer camp packages.

FULL DAY/ FULL WEEK PACKAGES

Full day Timings: 7:30 am – 6:30 pm

10 Weeks
\$ **375**/week

8 Weeks
\$ **390**/week

4 Weeks
\$ **410**/week

SINGLE WEEK SELECTIONS

Need 1-3 weeks and know your preferred week(s) already?

Select your weeks at registration and switch weeks at any time, at no cost (subject to availability).

JUNE 2019	June 10 – June 14, 2019	June 17 – June 21, 2019	June 24 – June 28, 2019
	Crete	Turkey	Uganda
	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week

JULY 2019	July 1–5, 2019	July 8–12, 2019	July 15–19, 2019	July 22–26, 2019	July 29 – Aug 2, 2019
	Madagascar	Azerbaijan	Australia	Mongolia	The Galapagos Islands
	\$ 344 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week

AUGUST 2019	August 5–9, 2019	August 12–16, 2019	August 19–23, 2019	August 26–30, 2019
	Venice	Jordan	Panama	China
	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week	\$ 430 /week

DAY PASSES

One Day
\$ **95**/day

Five Days
\$ **90**/day

HALF-DAY ATTENDANCE

Mornings
\$ **295**/week
8:30am – 12:30pm

Afternoons
\$ **295**/week
12:30pm – 4:30pm

Purchase your pass(es) now and email changemydates@chicagoacademia.com with your date(s) selection. You can change your dates—subject to availability—if you email within seven days of your chosen date.

Enrollment FAQs

I'm not sure which weeks my child will need to be in attendance. Can I make changes?

Yes. You may reserve early, and switch weeks at a later date (pending space availability) at no additional cost. Email us at changemydates@chicagoacademia.com prior to **April 1, 2019**, with your weeks of choice.

What if I want to enroll my child for a number of weeks not listed in the packages?

If you would like to enroll your child for a number of weeks not listed (i.e., 5 weeks or 12 weeks), register your child for the package closest to the amount you require and then email us at info@chicagoacademia.com. We will make adjustments to your monthly billing for any additional weeks requested. Unless one of those weeks is showing as FULL on the website, you can assume there is space available for the dates you need.

- ◆ Purchases of 5-7 weeks are at the same rate as the 4-week package.
- ◆ Purchases of 9-10 weeks are at the same rate as the 8-week package.
- ◆ Purchases of 11 and 12 weeks are at the same rate as the 10-week package.
- ◆ Purchases of 1-3 weeks are not part of any package and are bought separately.

How do I let you know which weeks my child will be attending?

If you are signing up for 1-3 weeks, your weeks will be selected at sign up. If registering for a package, your week selections do not need to be consecutive. You do not need to choose specific weeks at the time of sign up but must do so by Monday, April 1, 2019.

Selected weeks may be switched, subject to availability. Email your selection changes to changemydates@chicagoacademia.com. After your request is received, an Academia Customer Service Coordinator will confirm availability.

How do day passes work?

Purchase your pass(es) now and email changemydates@chicagoacademia.com with your date(s) selection. You can change your dates, subject to availability if you email within seven days of your chosen date. Parents purchasing day passes will receive an alert if certain weeks or dates are nearing capacity.

To ensure your child's place in any field trip happening on the day they attend, parents are asked to provide 14 days' notice of schedule changes. Transport arrangements and staffing for field trips are planned in advance and space may not be available on Academia's bus if less than 14 days' notice is given.

What are my payment options?

Payment plans are available for 4, 8, or 10-week packages, and are spread across the initial deposit and four months. All packages must be fully paid by August 1, 2019. If you would prefer a payment plan (i.e., weekly or biweekly billing), contact us at: billing@chicagoacademia.com to discuss options.

Please click on the "register now" button to see specific payment plan details under "additional details."

Do you have sibling discounts?

Yes, we do! Academia offers a 10% discount for sibling registrations for our 4, 8, and 10-week packages. This discount is automatically applied at checkout.

What is the refund and cancellation policy?

2019 Summer Camp at Academia Refund and Cancellation Policy

- ◆ The registration fee is non-refundable.
- ◆ Cancel before March 1, 2019, for a full refund (minus registration fee).
- ◆ Cancellations on or after March 2, 2019 (up until 14 days before the start of your camp reservation) receive 100% credit towards future enrollment in any Academia program(s) that start and complete attendance within 12 calendar months.
- ◆ Cancellations within 14 days of your initial camp reservation week will receive no refunds or credits. Transfers to other camp weeks are free and subject to availability.
- ◆ Refunds, credits, and proration will not be issued if your preferred weeks are unavailable.
- ◆ Refunds, credits or proration will not be issued for registrants who are absent or unable to attend for any reason.
- ◆ Refunds, credits or proration will not be issued for children who attend a shorter day than purchased.

I'd like my child to attend Fenwick's swim class during camp. What do I do?

You may register and pay for your child to attend Fenwick's swim classes on their website. Payment is separate from Academia's summer camp payments. Children ages 6+ (and who are able to change their clothing independently) enrolled in Fenwick's swim classes are escorted to and from Fenwick (a 10-minute walk) by an Academia summer camp employee at no additional cost.

If your child is enrolled in Fenwick's swim classes, please email us the times and sessions at changemydates@chicagoacademia.com.

Registration, payment, and confirmation for Fenwick's swim classes are done through Fenwick's website.

Attendance FAQs

How can I prepare my child for camp attendance?

Academia sends out a newsletter the week prior to attendance with information regarding the theme of the week, the location of the field trip, and other pertinent information regarding attendance.

In addition, Academia offers a weekly open house on Sundays from 10:00am – 11:00am. Feel free to attend with your child.

What items should my child bring to camp?

Children attending our camps need to bring a full day's worth of lunch and snacks, a water bottle labeled with their name, a change of clothing (in case we visit the splash pad), a hat, and sunscreen.

Will my child go on a field trip?

Children enrolled in a full week/full day attendance will be included in our field trips to local restaurants, museums, and other locations. Field trips are planned ahead of time, so any late or last-minute switches in weeks or dates of attendance may result in an inability to attend.

Children enrolled in half-day attendance will not have an opportunity to attend field trips.

Children with day passes may have an opportunity to attend field trips. To ensure your child's place in any field trip happening on the day they attend, parents are asked to provide 14 days' notice of schedule changes. Transport arrangements and staffing for field trips are planned in advance and space may not be available on Academia's bus if less than 14 days' notice is given.

How are children grouped during summer camp?

Children are placed in age-appropriate groups for most of the day. Groups may be combined for park visits, lunch, and other activities.

Do lesson plans vary by age group?

Yes, the country-themed curriculum and hands-on projects are tailored to different age groups.

My child still needs help going to the bathroom. Is that okay?

We require that children are potty trained and out of diapers or pull-ups. We expect that little ones will still need help in the bathroom. A female member of our staff will be available to assist your child.

Do the little kids take naps?

Children ages 3-4 have afternoon quiet time for 1-1.5 hours where they may choose to nap if they wish. If your child does not need a nap, please let us know in the "Is there anything else you'd like us to know?" section of your child's registration profile.

My child has an allergy. How does Academia manage this?

Academia informs all families that we aim to be a nut-free space and that their child must not bring any nut products on site. Families are asked to provide nut-free lunches and snacks. Any item which resembles a nut-based butter (such as soy butter) must be appropriately labeled, or an alternate lunch or snack will be provided.

Children with any food allergies cannot take part in Academia programs without providing an EpiPen that should be provided by the parent to Academia staff upon arrival. We ask that parents of children with allergies help us in our process to protect children by reminding staff daily at drop-off that their child has an allergy. We cannot be too careful!

Academia uses information provided by parents during the registration process to maintain a list of children with allergies. This information is also displayed on the whiteboard/printed lists.

Instructions for staff about recognizing allergic reactions and how to use an EpiPen are posted on the wall in the open area. Please ask a staff member if you would like to read the instructions we would follow in the event of an emergency.

Our protocol is that if a child with an allergy experiences symptoms involving two-body systems, an EpiPen will be used and we will call 911. Antihistamines can be used for one-body system reactions (e.g., only skin, gut, or nasal symptoms). This is in line with allergy instructions available online from the Asthma and Allergy Center of Chicago that are visible in the framed document on our wall.

Do I need to send lunch/snacks each day?

Sign up with Gourmet Gorilla! They will deliver nutritious lunches each day for your child (at extra fee not included in camp pricing). www.gourmetgorilla.com Parents may opt to send in a packed lunch from home. Parents must provide enough nut free snacks for your child's attendance.

Automatic sibling discounts only apply to 4, 8 and 10 week packages, all other discounts, promotions, and coupon or promo codes are not applicable to Academia World Explorers 2019 Summer Camp Pricing. Single week/full day, half day/full week and day passes are not eligible for any discounts, promotions, coupon or promo codes. Should any such coupon or promo code be used, Your monthly payment will be subject to additional fees. All offers are subject to change or cancellation at any time and at the discretion of Academia LLC's business practices. Academia reserves the right to decline new registrations from previous program participants.