



## Summer Camp Packet for

### 2018 “Summertime on the Frontier” (5-8 Year Olds)

**Ages:** 5-8 years old

**Cost:** \$150 per week

**Dates:**

- June 4-8
- June 11-15
- June 18-22
- June 25-2
- July 2-3, 5-6 (No Camp on July 4<sup>th</sup>)
- July 9-13
- July 16-20
- July 23-27

**Times:** 9 AM to 4 PM each day

Many exciting adventures are waiting for your children at this year’s 5-8 year old Summer Camps! Children will participate in activities such as feeding the livestock, fishing, cooking in the historic homes, singing and dancing, playing historic games, crafts, a lesson in the schoolhouse, “puddling” in West Africa, and more. We will send your child home a little dirty, a little tired, but also with a better appreciation for life in the past. The Museum will provide snacks and refreshments throughout the day, but children are expected to pack a lunch.

We advise campers to wear clothing that is appropriate for messy and wet outdoor activities.

**Parents or guardians: please read through the entire packet provided. In it you will find:**

- **Camp Letter** – This will help you prepare your child for their week at camp.
- **Basic Itinerary**
- **Registration Form** – Both Pages must be returned a week before the first day of camp.
- **Drop-off/Pick-up Form** – Must be returned first day of camp.
- **Puddling & Fishing Notices** – You will receive special instructions for the days these activities take place.
- **Evaluation** – Will be emailed at the end of camp. Please take a moment and tell us about your child’s experience.

## Camp Letter: Summertime on the Frontier (5-8 Years Old)

Registered for the week of: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Below, you will find a list of things which will allow you to prepare for the start of camp.

Your child will need:

- Clothes she/he can expect to get dirty.
- Comfortable shoes (Flip-flops are not ideal.)
- Sunscreen (Preferably applied before arrival.)
- Bug repellent
- Hat (We will be outside a lot!)
- Water bottle (Very important!)
- Lunch (We will provide snacks (goldfish & animal crackers) throughout the day.)

Please check your child in between 8:45-9:00AM at the Welcome Center. The Museum requests you escort your child to the sign-in table to check-in and pick up a nametag. Your camper will then be taken to the Dairy Barn. Check-in time is important so that we may start the day's activities on time.

Pickup will be at 4:00-4:15 PM, again at the Welcome Center. When it is time to pick your child up, please be sure to stop at the same table and sign them out. Parents/Guardians, from the approved list, will be required to present a photo ID as well. We also ask that you notify the Camp staff in writing if someone else will be dropping off or picking up your child.

The Frontier Culture Museum offers an early drop-off, late pick-up option. For an extra \$10 a day, parents may drop off their child between 8:00-8:45, and pick up their child between 4:15-5:00 PM. Drop-off and pick-up will both be at the Museum's Welcome Center. Please sign up online.

Thank you for choosing the Frontier Culture Museum's Summer Camps and we'll see you soon!

For questions or more information, please contact:

Reservations questions:

Visitor Center

540-332-7850 x124

[Visitor.center@frontiermuseum.org](mailto:Visitor.center@frontiermuseum.org)

Camp & program questions:

Andrew Richardson

540-332-7850 x149

[Andrew.richardson@frontiermuseum.org](mailto:Andrew.richardson@frontiermuseum.org)

## Summertime on the Frontier Itinerary for 5-8 year old Summer Camp

The itinerary that follows is an outline of each camp but may be subject to change largely due to weather. Listed below are the main activities for each day. Summer Camp staff will also conduct other activities, crafts, and games throughout the week.

- Even week schedule listed below, odd weeks the AM and PM activities switch time slots
- July 4<sup>th</sup> week will be Days 1, 2, 3, & 5.
  - Day 1 – Monday
    - 9:15-11:45 AM: Germany – Campers will visit our German Farm to explore the site and play games. Snack will be had midway through followed by building a timberframe that shows how German houses were built.
    - Lunch
    - 1:00-3:30 PM: 1820's American Farm – Campers will explore the 1820's American farm, listen to music, and learn some dances. Snack will be had midway through. Campers will then learn about wool and spinning. They will also see the sheep that we shear each year to get wool.
  - Day 2 – Tuesday
    - 9:15-11:45 AM: West African Farm – Campers will visit our West African Exhibit and explore how the Igbo lived. They will cook a traditional snack and learn how to dance to their music. Snack will be had before mud puddling to help build up the houses.
    - Lunch
    - 1:00-3:30 PM: 1850's American Farm – Campers will head to the 1850's Shenandoah Valley Farm to explore and learn games children would have played long ago. Snack will be held midway through. Campers will also get to grind corn to feed the chickens and learn how to make corn cakes.
  - Day 3 – Wednesday
    - 9:15-11:45 AM: England – Campers will head to England to explore the house and play games. Snack will be had midway through the session. Campers will help in the garden and learn about the various plants growing there. They will also get to craft boats to sail in the creek.
    - Lunch
    - 1:00-3:30 PM: 1740's Settlement Site – Campers will explore the 1740's American Settlement Site and participate in a militia drill led by one of the interpreters. Snack will be had midway through. Campers will work in the garden and use the yoke to plants. They will also learn basic woodworking skills.
  - Day 4 – Thursday
    - 9:15-11:45 AM: Storytelling and Games – Campers will listen to old stories told by an interpreter. Stories being told are passed on from person to person. Campers will also learn more historic games.
    - Lunch

- 1:00-3:30 PM: Native America – Campers will explore our Native American site and learn the games Native American children played. Snack will be had midway through. Campers will make a pinch pot and learn how to make canoes and scrape hides.
- Day 5 – Friday
  - 9:15-11:45 AM: Petting Zoo, Schoolhouse, & Costuming – Campers will get to interact with some of the Museum’s livestock on the Old World exhibits. Snack will be had midway through. Campers will try on historic costumes and will travel to the one-room schoolhouse and pretend to be students in the 1840’s.
  - Lunch
  - 1:30-2:00 PM: Performance – (Parents invited) – Campers will watch and participate in a dancing performance with the older campers.
  - 2:00-3:00 PM: Irish Farm and Fishing – Campers will try their hands at fishing and visit the Blacksmith. Snack will be had midway through.
  - 3:00-3:45 PM: Campers will listen to traditional Irish music and explore the Irish exhibit.



**Summer Camp Medical Info & Release Form, 2018 (Page 1)**  
Telephone: 540-332-7850 Email: [visitor.center@frontiermuseum.org](mailto:visitor.center@frontiermuseum.org)  
Website: [www.frontiermuseum.org](http://www.frontiermuseum.org) Address: PO Box 810, Staunton, VA 24402

Please check the program(s) your child will participate in (Circle Ones that Apply):

**Summertime on the Frontier** (5-8 year old camp):

- June 4-8
- June 11-15
- June 18-22
- June 25-29
- July 2-3, 5-6
- July 9-13
- July 16-20
- July 23-27

**Living in History** (9-12 year old camp):

- June 4-8
- June 11-15
- June 18-22
- June 25-29
- July 2-3, 5-6
- July 9-13
- July 16-20
- July 23-27

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_ Female \_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Information**

Does the participant have any medical condition that may affect their participation, such as asthma, heart troubles, epilepsy, injuries, etc. YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

If YES, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Does the participant have any allergies, including bee stings? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

If YES, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Does the participant take any medications? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

If YES, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Is the participant updated on tetanus vaccination? YES \_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_

Date of last vaccination \_\_\_\_\_

## Summer Camp Medical Info & Release Form, 2017 (Page 2)

Participant's primary health physician's contact information: Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### Summer Programs Disclaimer

- I give permission for my child to participate in the summer camp activities sponsored by the Frontier Culture Museum.
- I give permission for the Frontier Culture Museum staff to call 911 in the event of a medical emergency.
- I agree not to hold the Frontier Culture Museum or any agents responsible in the event of injury to my child.
- I give permission for the Frontier Culture Museum to photograph and use photographs of my child for Museum publicity purposes (no personal information will be given).

Payment is required at the time of registration. Registration is not final until payment is received. To make your reservation, please visit [www.frontiermuseum.org](http://www.frontiermuseum.org). For assistance with your reservation, please call the Visitor Center at 540-332-7850.

Please return forms prior to the start of camp to:

Frontier Culture Museum  
Education/Summer Camps  
PO Box 810  
Staunton, VA 24402

By signing below, you certify that the information on the form is correct.

Parent/Guardian (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# Individuals approved for camper drop-off and pick-up Summer Camp 2018

(Please fill out and return to the Museum prior to the start of camp or on the first day)

**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of when above individual will be picking up/dropping off camper: \_\_\_\_\_

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Dates of when above individual will be picking up/dropping off camper: \_\_\_\_\_

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Additional Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Puddling Notice

Dear parent or guardian:

On Tuesday, the campers will be “puddling” on the West African site. Puddling is the act of mixing mud and clay together with bare feet to make the mixture for the walls of the houses. Your child should wear clothes that can get extremely muddy and wear shoes that are easy to slip off and on. The camper should also come with a change of clothes for the rest of the day if needed.

Thank you,

The Summer Camp Staff

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## Fishing & Performance Notice

Dear Parent or Guardian:

On Friday, parents are invited to join their child/children for the afternoon activities. This is a wonderful opportunity to take pictures of your child in action!

1. At 1:30, there will be a combined older and younger camp performance.
2. From 2:00-3:00, the younger camp will divide and take turns fishing and learning about blacksmithing. Guardians/parents, you’ll want to sign up earlier in the week for a timeslot.
3. At 3:00, the younger camp will venture to Ireland to listen to music.

Please have your child wear closed toe shoes. This offer is good for up to 2 people only. If you have more than 2 in your party, you will need to purchase general admission tickets from the Visitor Center for the additional persons. Please fill out and return the bottom portion.

Thank you,

The Summer Camp Staff

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**Please detach and return this portion for the fishing day**

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Camper’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Number in party: \_\_\_\_\_