KIDS University Summer FAQs

Online Registration

Registering for a camp

1. Go to [www.kidsuniversity.unr.edu](http://www.kidsuniversity.unr.edu) and click on the “Register” tab at the top.

2. You can filter the camps based on season, theme or grade level.

3. After selecting a camp, you will go to the camps webpage, which shows all the date offerings for the camp. Scroll down to view different date options and select the correct week. **Please note, you can only register one child at a time for camps. These steps need to be repeated for each additional child.**
4. Add the camp to your shopping cart by clicking the “Add to Shopping Cart” button in the top right of the course section box. You must pay the $25 non-refundable cancellation fee to reserve a spot in the camp, but you can opt to pay the remaining balance of the camp at a later date. At this point, you also can add afternoon activities and Pizza Lunch Friday to the camp. When you are done selecting add-ons, click “Continue.”

5. You may continue to add camps to your shopping cart or move on to the payment portion.

6. Once you have selected all the camps for your child, verify you have the correct camp dates and location then proceed to checkout.
7. You will be prompted to sign in before continuing to the payment page. If your child has attended a KIDS U camp before, you do not need to create a new account. If you are registering more than one child, you will have to create separate accounts for each child.

8. A confirmation email will be sent to your email after registering.

**Can I register multiple children at the same time?**

No. Each child must register under their own account using the child’s name. This tells our system which child is being registered for the camp to create accurate camp rosters.

**Can I pay the deposit and pay for the rest of the camp later?**

Yes. When you register, you must pay the $25 non-refundable cancellation fee upfront, but the registration fee will be listed as an optional fee up until two weeks before the start of camp — **do not select the registration fee if you plan to pay the remaining balance at a later date**. Please refer to the payment schedule found under the “Forms” tab for payment due dates. If you are registering within 10 working days before the camp begins, full payment is required at registration. The remaining balance can be paid:

- **Via credit card over the phone:** (775) 784-4062
- **Via check in the mail:**
  - University of Nevada, Reno
  - Extended Studies/0048
  - Reno, NV 89557
- **Or in person:**
  - Redfield Campus
  - Nell J. Redfield Building A
  - 18600 Wedge Parkway
  - Reno, NV 89511 USA

**What if the camp I want is full?**

Most camps have a maximum enrollment of 25 campers. Once this limit is reached, you will be unable to register for the camp, but you can request to be added to the waitlist for the camp. You will be notified of an opening to the waitlisted camp no less than one week before the start of camp. While on the waitlist, you can enroll your child in another camp that week and all registrations fees can be transferred to the waitlisted camp if an opening comes up.
What is the difference between half-day camps and all-day camps?

All-day camps run from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. These include Cadet Rocket, Chain Reactions (Grades 5-8), CSI: The Science of Justice, Funky Fun Chemistry, Health Care Heroes, Jedi Academy, Lego BattleBots, Minecraft Architects, Mischievous Math, Paint It!, Royal Expedition, Super Engineering, Unity 3D, and Witchcraft and Wizardry 101. Campers enrolled in all-day camps can participate in all afternoon activities occurring after 3:30 p.m. except swimming. Please note, the camp will end at 3:30 p.m., and campers will arrive back at the E. L. Wiegand Fitness Center by 3:45 p.m.

Half-day camps end at noon, and parents can either pick up the camper between 12:15-12:45 p.m. or purchase additional afternoon activities for $60 for the week.

What is Pizza Lunch Friday?

Every Friday, KIDS University offers a hot pizza lunch for $5. This includes two slices of pizza (pepperoni or cheese), a piece of fruit and a bottle of water. Pizza Lunch Friday can be purchased online when you register for camps or by calling the enrollment office: (775) 784-4062 before 5 p.m. on Wednesday during the week your child is enrolled.

What are the Afternoon Activities?

The additional afternoon activities can only be purchased for half-day camps and include group games in the gym, swimming, a quiet game room or a movie room. Campers have the option to choose which activities they would like to participate in.

Can I change camps after registering?

Yes. A fee of $25 will be charged for each camp that you change. If the change is the result of a waitlist opening, no fee will be charged.

What is the camp refund policy?

Refunds less the $25 cancellation fee will be issued as long as the cancellation occurs at least one week before the start of camp. Cancellations that occur less than one week before the start of camp will result in no refund.

What should I use as my child’s grade level?

Please use the grade that your child will be entering in the fall after summer break.

Are there KIDS U camps for my high-schooler?

No. KIDS University currently only offers camps for students entering grades 2-8. However, we invite you to check out other camp options for high-schoolers through the College of Engineering at the University of Nevada, Reno www.unr.edu/engineering/k-12/camps.

What to do before camp starts

Do I need to fill out any forms before camp starts?

Yes. KIDS University requires parents fill out a health form and waiver for each child, and campers cannot attend unless we have received their health form and waiver. The mandatory health form and waiver can be found on the KIDS U website under the “Forms” tab. After filling out the health form, it must be signed and dated (please note electronic signatures will not be accepted) and returned to KIDS University before the start of your child’s camp. Forms can be submitted by email, fax, mail or in person. You also may bring three copies of your child’s health form and waiver with you to check-in on Monday morning. Additional waivers are required for the Rock Climbing and Bullseye! camps for the use of the RockSport and Wasting Arrows off-site facilities. Our food-related camps, including Tasty Tidbits, Choc-a-Lot
and Five Cultures, Five Dances camps, require parents to sign an allergy waiver. Additional waivers for our off-site and food-related camps must be completed at check-in on Monday morning.

Email: xsforms@unr.edu
Fax: (775) 784-4801
Mail: Extended Studies
University of Nevada, Reno/0048
Reno, NV 89557
In Person: Redfield Campus
Nell J. Redfield Building A
18600 Wedge Parkway
Reno, NV 89511 USA

**Why do I need to sign a movie permission slip?**

KIDS University campers may have the option to watch movies that will have a rating of G (general audience) or PG (parental guidance). We require parental permission for a camper to watch any PG movies at camp. By signing the permission slip, you are allowing your child to watch G and PG movies at camp. Do not sign the movie permission slip if you do not give your camper permission to watch PG movies.

**Where can I find the weekly activity grid for my camp?**

The weekly activity grid provides parents with a detailed schedule of what campers will be doing in their camps throughout the week, as well as the camp instructor and useful information for the camp. Please note, this form is specific to the camp and week that you have enrolled in and does not contain a schedule for the optional afternoon activities. The weekly activity grid can be found on the KIDS U website on the camp registration page in the notes section.

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**On the first day of camp**

**Where is the camp located?**

During the summer, KIDS University is located at the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center on the corner of North Virginia Street and East 15th Street. Enter the Brian J. Whalen Parking Complex off North Virginia St. and proceed down toward the first floor. Instead of turning right onto the first floor, go straight to access the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center underground parking lot. Please park in the designated spaces and use a KIDS University parking permit, available on the KIDS U
website under the “Forms” tab. Check-in and check-out will be in the classroom accessible by the courtyard on the east side of the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center or through the elevator in the parking garage.

**Do I need a parking permit?**

Yes. Parking permits can be found on the KIDS U website under the “Forms” tab. The parking permit also will have information about where the camp is located and where to park.

**What is the drop-off procedure?**

Check-in is located inside the E. L. Wiegand Fitness Center classroom accessible by the courtyard. All campers should be dropped off at the E. L. Wiegand Fitness Center between 7:30 a.m. and no later than 8 a.m. Those arriving after 8 a.m. may miss a significant portion of their morning camp. On Monday mornings, camp staff will verify we have received an updated, signed health form and waiver.

**What is the pick-up procedure?**

Pickup is located inside the E. L. Wiegand Fitness Center classroom accessible by the courtyard. You will need a government-issued ID to pick up your child in the afternoon. Please make sure you have the appropriate ID, and individuals authorized to pick up your child are listed on the health form. Additional people authorized to pick up your child also will be required to present a government-issued ID.

Half-day participants must be picked up inside the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center classroom between 12:15-12:45 p.m. All-day participants and those enrolled in afternoon activities must be picked up inside the E.L. Wiegand Fitness Center classroom between 4:30 p.m. and no later than 5:30 p.m.

**Who are my camper’s counselors?**

Each camp is usually assigned two counselors and one junior counselor depending on camp enrollments. The counselor assignments can be found on the Weekly Schedule flier, available at check-in and check-out during the week your child is enrolled. This flier also contains information on specific camp locations, the weekly theme and afternoon activity schedule.

**What does my child do as part of the afternoon activities?**

Campers have the option to choose between group games in the gym, swimming in the Lombardi Recreation Center lap pool and dive pool, a quiet game room or a movie room. Campers are not required to participate in any afternoon activities, but we provide them to engage campers athletically and creatively.

During gym time, available between 1:30-5:30 p.m., counselors rotate between free play and organized group games such as dodgeball, capture the flag and basketball.

The game room, 1:30-3:30 p.m., provides campers with a quieter space to read, draw, make lanyards or play board games.

At 2:15 p.m., counselors call for students who want to go swimming, and they are walked to the Lombardi Recreation Center. Campers must provide their own swimsuits, towels and goggles. Swim time ends at 3:30 p.m., and campers usually arrive back at the Wiegand Fitness Center by 4 p.m.

A movie also will be available between 1:30-3:30 p.m. to campers who have a signed movie permission slip.

**Is there a dress up day on Friday?**

Yes. Each week has a theme (Disney, superhero, decades, space, etc.), and campers are invited to participate in a costume contest related to that week’s theme.
Job Opportunities

Are there employment or volunteer opportunities for my high-schooler?

Yes. Each year, participants who have aged out of the camp and will be entering grades 9-12 in the fall are invited to apply for one of our limited junior counselor positions. Junior counselors serve a vital role in the camp. They act as additional assistance and support for both the academic and recreational portions of the program.

The philosophy behind the KIDS University Junior Counselor program is to provide a safe and familiar environment for kids to earn job experience. Junior counselors are treated like any other staff member (except without pay). This means junior counselors are expected to schedule vacation or time off with their supervisor and act as a staff member and not as a participant.

Applications for junior counselors open in January and are accepted till mid-May. They can be found on the KIDS U website under the “Forms” tab.

How can I apply to be a counselor?

Applications for counselors are available through Workday or on the KIDS University website under the “Forms” tab.

Required Qualifications: Candidate must be a student of the University of Nevada, Reno, at least 18 years of age, able to work with a minimum amount of supervision, able to swim and able to work full time during all seven weeks of camp.

Starting pay for counselors is $8.25 per hour with yearly increases of $0.50 per hour.

How can I apply to be an instructor?

If you would like to teach a camp for KIDS University, please email Crystal Adams at crystal@unr.edu by mid-December for the upcoming summer.