

SCAW



Park District of Oak Park - Summer Creative Arts Workshops

What is SCAW?

This unique art experience meets Monday—Thursday for six weeks. Workshops are 50 minutes long and materials are included with the fees. Professional artists instruct workshops. During break times, Camp Coordinators and Counselors assist with room transitions as well as bathroom and snack breaks.

Daily Schedule

9:00	am	1st Workshop
9:50	am	Water & Snack Break
10:00	am	2nd Workshop
10:50	am	Water & Snack Break
11:00	am	3rd Workshop
11:50	am	Parent Sign Out
12:00	pm	After SCAW Starts
Lunch		
12:30	pm	Playground Time



How to prepare for SCAW Workshops

- Bring a reusable water bottle.
- Pack a healthy snack (or two).
- Please do not send milk or mayonnaise-based products, as we will not have access to a refrigerator. Due to severe allergies, please do not send peanut based products (including peanut butter), or any other tree-nut based products.
- Dress to get messy! Some days the campers do look like the art projects they have created and we don't want to ruin their good clothes.
- Please don't send any electronic equipment (including cell phones) or valuable items to camp that your child wouldn't want to lose or have damaged.



After SCAW Campers

Campers who stay with us in the afternoon should

- Pack a healthy lunch.
- Please apply sunscreen prior to arriving at camp. Park District staff will not apply sunscreen, but will encourage and supervise the application by campers.
- Monday & Thursdays are pool days! Bring a swimsuit and towel on pool days. Pick up on pool days is at Ridgeland Common.
- Fridays are field trip days! Please arrive on time so we can depart on time.

Emergency Information forms

In order for the staff to be prepared on the first day of camp, a participant emergency form must be filled out and returned to the Park District main office at 218 Madison by 5:00p.m. on the Thursday before camp begins. **Please be aware that your child will not be allowed into camp without an emergency form completed by a parent or guardian by the first day of camp.** All required forms are available online at www.oakparkparks.com

Help keep all campers healthy

For the benefit of everyone attending our camps, we require that any campers suspected of having (or have been diagnosed as having) a contagious illness stay home from camp.

- Fever of 100.5 or higher
- Persistent, deep, or hard cough
- Runny nose with green or yellow discharge
- Vomiting/diarrhea - (camper must be symptom-free for 24 hours to return to camp)
- Contagious infestations or infections such as lice, ringworm, unexplained rashes, scabies, impetigo, or pinkeye

Camper absences

If your child will miss camp for any reason, please contact the Little or Big SCAW Camp Coordinator. If we do not hear from you by phone or written note, your child will be marked absent and we will make every attempt to contact you by phone.

Sign-in/sign Out procedures

- Parents are responsible for signing their child both in and out of camp at the designated pick up and drop off locations.
- Sign-in procedures will begin at the scheduled camp start time. No children will be allowed into camp early.
- Parents and/or guardians are required to show a picture ID to staff until staff become familiar with those authorized to pick campers up.
- Campers who walk or bike must have written permission in advance from a parent or guardian. **Children must be at least 10 years of age to sign themselves in and out of camp.**
- A late fee will be billed to you for each occurrence that children are picked-up late:

5-15 minutes =	\$10	16-30 minutes =	\$20
31-45 minutes =	\$30	46= minutes =	\$40



The Park District of Oak Park works cooperatively with the West Suburban Special Recreation Association (WSSRA) to integrate campers with disabilities into recreational programs. Inclusion aides may be present at camp to work one-on-one with a specific camper. These aides only intervene in necessary circumstances. If you feel that your camper would benefit from additional assistance at camp, be sure to communicate the necessary information to the Camp Director.

If your child will need special accommodations and you have not yet spoken to Park District staff or the Inclusion Coordinator from from WSSRA regarding assistance, **PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY!** There is a 2-week minimum notice required by WSSRA for proper staffing and training purposes.

Camper Responsibilities

We want camp to be a great experience for everyone involved. In order for this to happen, everyone needs to play a role in creating a positive and safe environment. Campers have a responsibility to help with this as well including:

- Showing respect to all campers, staff, equipment, and facilities
- Only using appropriate, kind, and positive language with others
- Using caution when participating in activities to avoid causing bodily harm to participants or staff

Consequences for not following these or any other rules developed for specific camps will be shared with the campers each session. In order for this to be successful, the Park District asks for parents' support in enforcing these guidelines. Staff will address each incident with the camper (and parent if the situation requires) in a positive and fair manner meant to help teach campers how to make better choices. The Park District reserves the right to dismiss a camper whose behavior endangers the well-being of themselves or the camp and no refunds are issued in these circumstances.