



# PICKERING COLLEGE

Hilltop Summer Discovery Program

## Campus Day Camps | Kindergarten to Grade 5

Campers looking for a fun way to spend their summer days will love our camp with its combination of traditional camp activities, fun projects and outdoor education. Pickering College has a long history of offering exceptional experiential education for students, and we are proud to incorporate these principles which build resilience and leadership in our camp program.

Our camp is located on Pickering College's campus, a beautiful 42-acre space with ample outdoor recreation space including several wooded areas, four large fields, a baseball diamond, a rubberized surface track and several outdoor classrooms.

A fresh and nutritious lunch is provided daily for campers.

Please note: Safety is our highest priority and we will follow all Ministry of Health recommendations with regards to COVID-19. Should the site be closed due to COVID-19 restrictions, families will be given full refunds.

\$400 per week | After care available (additional cost of \$50 per week)

### Sample Schedule

8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. - Staggered arrival  
8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. - Morning circle  
9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. - Camp programming & morning break  
11:45 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. - Lunch  
12:45 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Camp programming & afternoon break  
3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - Staggered departure  
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - After care

### Find out more:

Contact [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca). For more information visit [pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp](http://pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp).

### Week 1: June 20-24, 2022

Interacting with our Ecosystem

### Week 2: June 27-30, 2022\*

Earth, Wind, Fire, Water

### Week 3: July 4-8, 2022

Survival Challenge!

### Week 4: July 11-15, 2022

Treasure Hunting, Orienteering and Archeology

### Week 5: July 18-22, 2022

Traditions and Our Land

### Week 6: July 25-29, 2022

Leadership and the Great Outdoors

### Week 7: August 2-5, 2022\*

Creator Mode

### Week 8: August 8-12, 2022

Life in the Clouds

\*This camp is a four-day camp due to a statutory holiday. Prices are adjusted accordingly.



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## Camp Week Descriptions

### Week 1: June 20- 24, 2022

#### Interacting with our Ecosystem

Campers will participate in daily full campus active games, crafts and experiments to experience the roles of different plants and animals in the ecosystem and to gain understanding about how different species rely on each other for survival.

### Week 2: June 27- 30, 2020

#### Earth, Wind, Fire, Water

This week of camp focuses on exploring the elements of earth, fire, wind and water. Campers can look forward to a creative week of learning what makes each element special through active games, crafts and experiments, and how the four elements can work together.

\*This is a four-day camp. July 1 is Canada Day. Prices are adjusted accordingly.

### Week 3: July 4-8, 2022

#### Survival Challenge!

Campers in Week 3 will explore how people can use found materials to survive the elements. They will play interactive, full campus games to learn signaling and basic wilderness first aid, make crafts to aid their survival, and experiment with different survival foods and supplies.

### Week 4: July 11-15, 2022

#### Treasure Hunting, Archeology and Orienteering

Week 4 campers are in for an exciting week of map reading, campus quests and buried treasure. Active games will take campers all over campus to practice their skills, crafts will allow them to create beautiful personal artifacts, and experiments will teach them the science behind archeology and valuable natural materials.

### Week 5: July 18-22, 2022

#### Traditions and Our Land

All around the world First Peoples have used the land around them for sustenance, but also for arts, games and cultural traditions. This week will allow campers to experiment with the materials found on the land and explore some of the fascinating traditional games and arts from around the world.

### Week 6: July 25-29, 2022

#### Leadership and the Great Outdoors

Campers in Week 6 will focus on developing their skills as a leader, designing activities for other campers and leading a small survival activity on campus. This is a great way to end the summer and return to school feeling confident.

### Week 7: August 2-5, 2022

#### Creator Mode

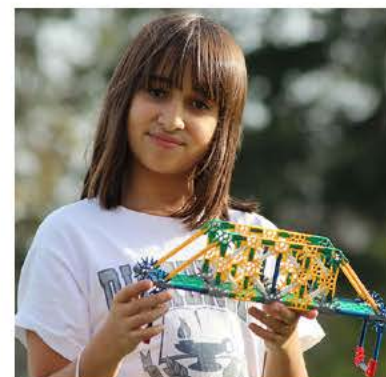
Have you ever wondered what it would be like to roleplay your favourite online games - outside? In this dynamic camp week, campers will participate in a series of quests, creating their own environment to earn experience points and level up their outdoor skills.

\*This is a four-day camp. August 1 is a Civic Holiday. Prices are adjusted accordingly.

### Week 8: August 38-12, 2022

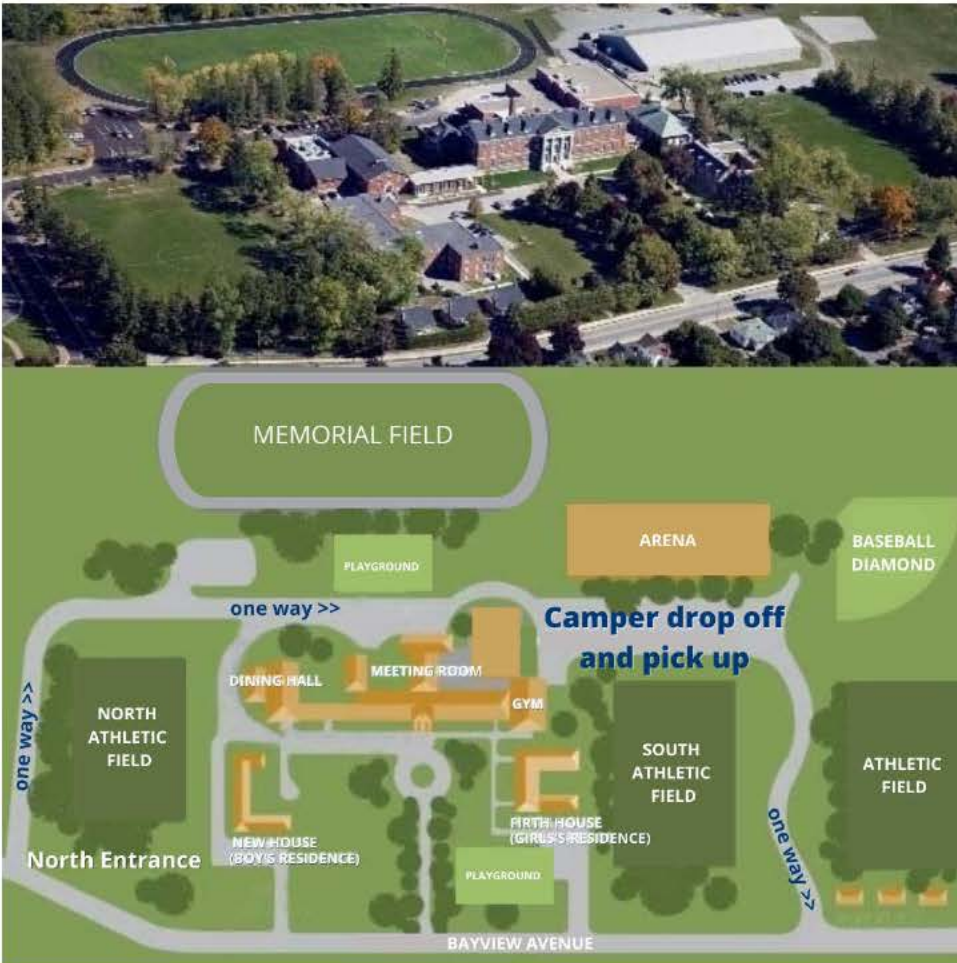
#### Life in the Clouds

What exactly is happening up above us, and how can we get a peek? Campers will explore different types of aviation, from birds and planes to rockets and drones for different views of the world around them. They will enjoy making movies from a birds' eye view and considering what exactly clouds are made of anyways!



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## Campus Map



### Drop Off and Pick Up

The drop off window is between 8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Please enter the school via the **NORTH** entrance and follow around the back of the school. Please look for an email on the Friday before your child's week indicating which cohort they are in and the name of their camp teacher. You will drop off and pick up your child in the area indicated on the map. At pick up time, please enter the school via the North entrance (by the North Athletic Field) and follow the road around the back of the school. The pick up window is between 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Our after care program runs from 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### Can I pick up my child early from camp?

Yes. If campers are being picked up early from camp, please inform your camp teacher upon drop off or email the camp office at [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca).

### How do I add someone to the authorized pick-up or drop-off list?

For the safety of your child, only those on the authorized pick-up list (indicated when you register a camper) will be permitted to pick up your child from camp. If you would like to authorize another adult to pick up your child, please inform your camp teacher/camp office, by emailing [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca).

### What happens if I am late to pick up my camper?

If you know you are going to arrive after 3:30 p.m. to pick up your camper, please call or email the camp office to notify us. Your camper will be cared for in our after care program until you arrive.

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## What to bring

### What to Bring Daily

All items should be labelled and stored in labelled backpacks

- Hat
- Sunscreen
- Two snacks, water and drink
- Closed toe shoes
- A full change of clothes and a towel
- Extra masks

### Camp Screening and Protocols

- Review and complete COVID-19 screening daily
- Parents remain in car for drop off and pick up
- Drop off stations at the back of South Athletic Field
- Separate drop off stations per cohort
- Cohort sizes as per Ministry of Health guidance per age group
- Cohort stations have own sanitizer, water, first aid, materials, etc.
- Most activities will be conducted outdoors
- Indoor areas cleaned twice daily
- If multiple cohorts use a large space, for example the arena, there will be clear markers on the ground separating the space
- Sanitization stations available throughout campus
- Minimum six hand-washing opportunities per day
- Masks worn at all times including outdoors
- Physical distancing in effect
- Campers are not permitted to share food or snacks
- Campers will eat with their cohorts and follow a seating plan in the Dining Hall
- Campers will be seated two metres apart in the Dining Hall
- All equipment will be cleaned and sterilized after use
- Each cohort will have its own equipment assigned for the duration of the camp



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## Frequently Asked Questions

### How can I get a hold of the camp office?

You can call the camp office by sending an email to [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca) or by calling 905-895-1700 ext. 252.

### What are the camp office hours?

The camp office is open from Monday to Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

### When does registration open?

Registration for all summer programs opens February 1. Check our website for details: [www.pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp](http://www.pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp).

### What is your refund policy?

Once payment is received, your spot is reserved therefore limiting space to other campers. We do not issue refunds for sessions. Pickering College reserves the right to cancel any camps due to low enrolment. In this case, a full refund will be provided. Refunds will not be provided for inclement weather or for days of camp not attended.

### Do you pro-rate weeks?

We pro-rate weeks that fall on a holiday four-day camp week (Canada Day & Civic Holiday). All other weeks are based on a five-day camp week, and we do not pro-rate the camps. Refunds will not be provided for inclement weather or for days of camp not attended.

### What is the latest date I can register?

Registrations must be received online at [www.pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp](http://www.pickeringcollege.on.ca/camp) by Thursday for the next week's camp. For registrations after the Thursday deadline, please contact the camp office at [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca) and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

### Can my child be placed in the same group as siblings and/or friends?

We will do our best to accommodate friends/family requests to be placed in the same group as our cohorts are based on grade. You can call or email the camp office with a request after your online application has been submitted.

### What happens if my child is sick and unable to attend camp?

If your child is not going to attend for a day, we appreciate being notified as early as possible by email. Please email [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca). Refunds or credits are not provided for any missed days.

### Are lunch and snacks provided?

A hot lunch is provided each day. Please send a nutritious nut-free snack for both the mid-morning and mid-afternoon breaks. A menu will be provided for the week. If there is something on the menu that your child will not eat, it is always a good idea to send a couple of extra snacks.

### My child lost his towel and hat. Is there a lost & found?

Yes! We have a lost & found box located at the arena. At the end of every day unclaimed items found throughout our campus are put in the lost & found. On the last day of camp, we will have the lost & found bin at drop off and pick up. We keep lost items for a three-week period and then donate any unclaimed items to charity.

### What do the campers do if it is too hot to be outside?

We have allocated indoor spaces for our camp to use, and utilize the shady outdoor areas for more quiet activities. We also have water refill stations set up at each camp tent that allows campers to refill their re-useable water bottles throughout the day. Campers are also encouraged to drink water every 20 minutes to stay hydrated.

### How can I tell if a camp week is full?

Our website is constantly being updated to provide you with information regarding camps that are full. To be placed on a wait list, please email [auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca](mailto:auxiliaryprograms@pickeringcollege.on.ca). We will contact you if a spot becomes available for your camper.

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## COVID-19 & Vaccination Policy

We feel we must take every step possible to protect the health and well-being of our campers and staff. Quite simply, getting vaccinated is one of the most important means to combat the severity and impact of COVID-19 in our community.

Vaccinations work, they reduce serious illness and hospitalizations and the side effects are rare and minimal compared to the impact of a COVID-19 infection.

At Pickering College, 100 per cent of our staff are fully vaccinated. All volunteers, visitors and contractors must show proof of being fully vaccinated to be on campus. We require all eligible campers to be fully vaccinated 14 days before their camp session begins.

### Camper Vaccination Policy:

I agree that if my child(ren) is eligible or becomes eligible (please note that age eligibility can change at any time prior to summer 2022) to be vaccinated against COVID-19, they will be fully vaccinated (per Health Canada requirements) at least two weeks (14 days) prior to the start of their camp session in summer 2022 and I will provide proof of vaccination as required by Pickering College. If your child(ren) is eligible to be vaccinated but you choose to not have them vaccinated and/or do not provide proof of vaccination at least two weeks (14 days) prior to the start of their camp session, your child(ren)'s enrolment will be cancelled. Please note that the refund policy at the time of this cancellation will apply.

### Do campers have to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to attend camp?

Yes. All eligible staff and campers must be fully vaccinated (as per Health Canada) by the beginning of their session in order to attend camp.

