

# SMIRKUS CAMP 2024 FEES, TERMS, AND CONDITIONS

# TUITION, DEPOSITS, AND CANCELLATION POLICY

- Tuition includes the cost of meals, lodging, circus training, equipment, activities, a camp t-shirt, and an amazing circus camp experience!
- A deposit of \$500 per enrolled session must be paid upon registration to reserve a spot for your camper. This deposit is nonrefundable.
- If Circus Smirkus cancels camp, \$250 of that deposit will be \*\*immediately\*\* refunded, and \$250 will be retained by Smirkus to cover (in part) the time our staff spends during the winter planning for another successful camp experience.
- 50% of your camper's tuition is due by April 1, and the full tuition must be paid in full by June 1. These funds are nonrefundable unless Smirkus cancels camp due to COVID, at which point they will be immediately refunded minus \$250.
- If a camper is dismissed from camp due to a disciplinary reason, a refund will not be issued. Refunds or pro-rating for other extenuating circumstances will be considered on a case by case basis.
- Payment plans are available on CampDoc. This allows payments to be made on an automatic monthly basis at the payer's discretion. All payment plans need to be completed by the start of your camper's session.
- Registrations not enrolled in a payment plan or that have a payment agreement with the Smirkus Camp Office will be subject to cancellation if failure to meet payment deadlines.
- Please contact the Smirkus Camp Office (<u>camp@smirkus.org</u>) if you have extenuating circumstances keeping you from meeting these deadlines outlined in this agreement.
- Please consider using a paper check or an electronic transfer for your larger payments rather than using a credit card. This will help us eliminate processing fees. Thank you!

# SCHOLARSHIPS

• You are welcome to apply for a scholarship without registering your camper, however we encourage you to register your camper to hold a place in the program. If you did not receive the amount of scholarship required, your deposit can be refunded.

- A limited number of partial scholarships are available. Eligibility is based on the applicant's income and circumstances. Scholarship applications will be made available in the fall as a google form upon request and will be reviewed in the spring by the Scholarship Committee.
- Applicants will be notified on a rolling basis until funds are depleted.
- Scholarships are not available for Smirkling Camp or Family Camp.

PLEASE NOTE: Financial Aid is not available for the Smirkling 1 and 2 day camps, or for CIT program tuition.

# OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- **Family Discount:** Families with two or more siblings attending any overnight camp session (or with a sibling participating in the Smirkus Big Top Tour) may ask Smirkus to deduct \$50.00 per additional child from the total balance of their camp fees.
- **Layover:** Campers attending two or more consecutive sessions may layover between sessions. The cost of \$350.00 for two nights covers the cost of meals, lodging, entertainment, and supervision. Layover capacity is limited. Please contact the camp office with questions.
- **Waitlist:** When a camp session fills, a waitlist is started for each session via the online registration link. Waitlist applicants must sign up using the online registration link and are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration fees are not processed until applicants are placed in a session.
- **Personal Belongings:** Smirkus Camp is not responsible for personal belongings lost or damaged at camp.

# PROMISE OF INCLUSION

Circus Smirkus celebrates all types of peoples, cultures, and skills to showcase the multifaceted triumph of human abilities, particularly among our youth population. Joining Circus Smirkus – as a participant, an employee, a volunteer, or an audience member – means you belong. And to all who join, Smirkus asks for you to embrace our values and to help us create joy and magic for everyone who encounters a Smirkus program. We commit to providing everyone equal opportunity to shine— both in and out of the ring. -

# 2024 SMIRKUS CAMP COVID-19 POLICY:

- At Circus Smirkus we strive to create a safe and healthy environment for our participants and staff.
- Circus Smirkus strongly recommends that campers be up-to-date on <u>all CDC</u> recommended vaccines, including the most recent Covid vaccine.
- As Covid management continues to evolve we will continue to evaluate our policy and update it accordingly.
- Smirkus Camp reserves the right to change our requirements and Covid policy based on state/federal guidance and/or medical best practices at the discretion of Circus Smirkus for the health and safety of our participants and staff and may include case by case evaluation by our medical advisors.