



Frequently Asked Questions

- **How will I know registration is complete?**

After you register and pay online, you will receive an e-mail with a camper registration form. Once your registration form is completed and returned to education@arlgp.org you will receive a confirmation e-mail stating that registration is complete. If you have questions about registration, please contact our humane educators, Felicia Griffin or Brittany Burke, at (207) 517-3939 or education@arlgp.org.

- **What grade level should I register my child for?**

Please register your child for the grade they will be starting in fall of 2019

- **What is the difference between Animal Camp and Art Camp?**

This year, our Animal Camp weeks vary by species. Weeks will be offered with concentrations on dogs, cats and small animals. This allows our humane education team to offer a new and expanded curriculum and allows campers to attend up to three weeks of camp during the 2019 season. Like previous summers, Animal Camp campers will be based in our in-shelter classroom with lessons and activities throughout our state-of-the-art shelter.

NEW THIS SUMMER: ART CAMP!

Our Art Camps will be based in our Art Barn located on our property located at 446 Stroudwater Street (across the street from the shelter). Our converted barn will offer an air-conditioned, natural atmosphere for campers amongst our acres of land. Art Camp curriculum will include a wide-variety of art projects and activities across many different mediums (paint, oil pastels, pencil, etc.). Cross-curriculum with Animal Camp will be built in throughout the week for campers to experience hands-on animal time, guest speaker demonstrations, and group games and activities.

- **Will my child be working directly with animals?**

Our goal is to offer a comprehensive experience of sheltering, animal care and animal welfare. Each day campers will spend time with animals. We will also do lots of activities, lessons and projects as well as have guest speakers in the animal welfare field to enhance the camp experience.

- **What is included in my child's registration fee?**

A child's registration fee includes all materials and activities led by our humane education team and camp counselors, as well as daily AM and PM snack. Campers are required to bring their own lunch and drinks to camp. Campers will also receive a t-shirt and a drawstring backpack.

- **What time is camp?**

Camp runs from 9am-4pm daily. Before and after-camp care (8:30am-5pm) is offered an additional fee per child:

- Full week (animal and art camp): \$75/camper
- High School week: \$30/camper
- Pre-school day camp: \$10/camper

- **Do you offer financial assistance for camp registration?**

The ARLGP has a limited number of camp scholarships available, for income-qualifying families. To inquire about receiving a camp scholarship, please contact Felicia Griffin by phone at (207) 517-3939 for qualifications. Scholarships are offered on a first-come, first-served basis and are available to campers at all grade levels.

- **The session for my child's age is full. Will you be offering more sessions?**

Unfortunately we can only accommodate a certain number of campers due to staffing requirements. To be placed on the waiting list, please contact our education team at education@arlgp.org or (207) 517-3939. Or check back again next year for more camp offerings; we also hold school vacation camps during the December, February and April school vacation weeks as well as on school holidays.

- **I want to pay with cash or a check, what do I do?**

If you want to pay with a cash or check, please contact our education department directly at (207) 517-3939 or education@arlgp.org or visit the ARLGP at 217 Landing Road, Westbrook and pay at the front desk. Registration is offered on a **first come, first-served** basis and a spot cannot be held without payment. The fastest way to secure your spot is to register online at arlgp.org/camp.

- **What is your cancellation policy?**

If you cancel your registration more than 14 days prior to the start of your enrolled camp session, your registration fee will be refunded minus a \$50 administrative fee. **If you cancel your registration less than 14 days prior to the start of the camp session, no refund will be available.** If space is available, campers may transfer their registration to another grade-appropriate camp session within the same camp season at no charge.

Canceled registrations cannot be applied to registrations for the following year. If a camp session is canceled by the ARLGP, all registration fees will be refunded in full.

- **Where do I bring my child for the first day of camp?**

Campers in Animal Camp and Animal Camp before-care should be dropped off at the new ARLGP facility located at 217 Landing Road in Westbrook (directly behind the old shelter at 449 Stroudwater Street). Please use the IDEXX community entrance for drop-off and pick-up, located at the right of the shelter.

Campers in Art Camp and Art Camp before-care should be dropped off at our barn located at 446 Stroudwater Street (across the street from our old shelter).

Campers must be signed in and out by an authorized parent or caregiver listed on their registration form.

- **What should I send my child with to camp?**

Below is a suggested list of items. **We encourage you to label all items with camper name.**

- Closed-toed shoes (sneakers or other shoes that they can be active in)
- Lunch
- Drinks (refillable water bottle encouraged)
- Sunscreen (we will also have sunscreen available for campers, but feel free to send your own if you have a preferred brand)
- Optional items:
 - i. Hat/visor
 - ii. Change of clothes if necessary
 - iii. Prescription medications (if your child requires during camp hours)
 - iv. Layer of clothing (light jacket or sweatshirt)

- **What kinds of snacks do you provide for campers?**

We do our best to provide healthy snacks and options for campers. Snacks change daily and will include a variety of granola bars, veggie straws, trail mix, fruit and veggies. **Please specify if your child has food allergies.** We will not provide snacks that include peanuts but **many of our shelter areas have been exposed to peanuts so we cannot guarantee a peanut-free environment.**