

Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible to attend Summer Camp?

Summer Camp is open to students entering grades 1 through 8 in the 2025-2026 school year from any community.

When does Summer Camp registration open?

The Club offers Priority Registration for members and their siblings who are enrolled as of 3/1/2025 in Club programs at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Billerica. Program participants include current Fun Club members and members participating in the drop-in and aquatics programs at the Main Clubhouse. Summer Camp registration fills on a first come, first serve basis and any remaining spots will open for public registration after the priority registration window closes.

Registration will take place on the MyClubHub Parent Portal and opens on the following dates:

Current Fun Club Members: Wednesday, March 12th @ 12:00 p.m. Aquatics & Drop-In Members: Wednesday, March 19th @ 12:00 p.m. Public Registration: Wednesday, April 9th @ 12:00 p.m.

How do I register for Summer Camp?

All registration will take place on the MyClubHub Parent Portal. Detailed instructions will be shared and posted on the Club's website by Friday, March 7th.

If you are a current Club family, to ensure you are in good standing and eligible for priority registration, access your MyClubHub Parent Portal account today and ensure your member has an active membership. Your Club account must be paid in full before signing up; otherwise your registration will not be processed. **Club staff will not be available to assist with memberships during the priority registration window and you will need to wait to register during public registration if you do not have an active membership prior to 3/1/2025.** If you have questions about your membership status, please contact <u>vanessa@billericabgc.com</u>.

What are the sessions for camp this summer?

Summer will be run in 3 sessions of camp. Families can enroll in as many sessions as they would like. There is no weekly enrollment option. Families must enroll their child in the entire session. Below are our session dates:

Session 1: June 30th - July 3rd (Camp closed Friday, July 4th) Session 2: July 7th - July 25th Session 3: July 28th - August 15th

Switching to a session model will allow for more consistency, support and safety for our summer campers and full camp program. This change will support the goal of providing a high quality, enriching experience for all our camp members.

How is Summer Camp staffed?

Our summer camp complies with regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and is licensed by the local board of health. Campers are assigned to groups based on grade (1st grade, 2 & 3rd grade, 4th & 5th grade, 6th-8th grade). We maintain a staff to child ratio of 1:5 for youth ages 6 and under and 1:10 for youth ages 7-13. Staff are

background checked annually and trained in a variety of topics including positive behavior management, group supervision, and First Aid, AED and CPR.

What will my kids do at Summer Camp?

Summer Camp runs Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Camp strives to incorporate all elements necessary for a quality program, balancing physical activity, social recreation, emotional development, educational opportunities, field trips, special events and more! Through a variety of programs and activities, we encourage youth to try new things, make new friends, and are always on the look-out for ways to bring new experiences to our youth.

Each week of camp is theme-based, and we encourage all staff and campers to dress up and get involved in our themebased activities! A full list of weekly themes, dress-up days, and special events will be available prior to camp.

Extended Hours: This year, due to enrollment numbers and safe staffing practices, camp has been extended by an additional hour from 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., at no additional charge. For families needing extended hours at the end of the camp day, there is an extended day program that runs from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., pricing is shared below.

Will there be field trips this summer?

Yes, campers will be going on field trips Weeks 2-7 of Summer Camp. We will be releasing the trip schedule once we have confirmed our bookings. Past field trips have included the Worcester EcoTarium, In the Game, Kimball's Farm, local beaches and swimming areas, local zoos, museums and more.

All campers and group staff attend scheduled field trips and there is no option to stay at the Club on field trip days. Any camper who does not plan to attend the field trip must stay home from camp on that day.

Will there be swimming this summer?

Yes! Our licensed indoor pool is a favorite spot for many campers throughout the summer and every group swims at least 3 times per week. The pool is staffed by Red Cross (or equivalent) certified lifeguards, and the ratio of lifeguards to youth is 1:25. All children who plan to enter the pool will be swim tested. Life jackets will be mandatory for those who cannot touch the bottom of the shallow end of the pool regardless of swim ability. If you have any questions about our Club's swim testing, please contact <u>aquatics@billericabgc.com</u>.

What are the fees?

- A \$40 registration fee and an active Club membership is needed for all Summer Camp participants.
- There is a non-refundable deposit per session per child due by April 1, 2025. Session 1 includes a deposit of \$75.00. Sessions 2 and 3 include a deposit of \$125 per session.
- Session tuition:

Session 1: June 30th - July 3rd (\$75 deposit + \$145 tuition fee) Session 2: July 7th - July 25th (\$125 deposit + \$700 tuition fee) Session 3: July 28th - August 15th (\$125 deposit + \$700 tuition fee)

• Extended Day (optional) – Extended day hours operate from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Session 1's extended day cost is \$40. Sessions 2 and 3's extended day cost is \$180 per session. Limited spots are available.

Are there discounts available?

Boys & Girls Club of Greater Billerica offers the following discounts for Summer Camp:

- Sibling Discount: A 10% discount will be applied to each sibling per session.
- Autopay Discount: A \$10 discount will be applied per session for families who store an ACH checking or savings account on file and opt into autopay.

What if I have a Voucher?

A limited number of full-time vouchers will be accepted during the summer. Families will register through the MyClubHub system and pay the registration fee to secure your child's spot. Our Director of Enrollment and Billing will reach out to discuss your family's voucher parent fee and the registration fee will be applied to your parent fees once confirmed.

Is Financial Assistance available?

Financial assistance is available for those who qualify and is limited. All families interested in financial aid must register on our MyClubHub Parent Portal and pay the registration fee to secure your child's spot. Financial aid applications will be available at <u>www.billericabgc.com</u> under Summer Camp 2025, and must be completed with the necessary documents included and emailed to <u>childcarebilling@billericabgc.com</u> within 1 week of registering for the summer program on MyClubHub.

Important Payment Due Dates:

Camp Session	Payment Due
Camp Deposits	April 1, 2025
Session 1: June 30 th - July 3 rd	May 1, 2025
Session 2: July 7 th - July 25 th	June 2, 2025
Session 3: July 28 th - August 15 th	July 1, 2025

More details on how to pay your balance will be shared after registration.

Are there deadlines to withdraw?

Any schedule changes must be emailed to <u>childcarebilling@billericabgc.com</u> by June 2, 2025. If you notify our office via email prior to June 2, 2025 you can apply your deposits to another session of camp. No refunds will be provided.

Please direct any other questions to <u>childcarebilling@billericabgc.com</u>. We are looking forward to an exciting summer camp at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Billerica!