



# Camp Creative 2024

Come be crafty with Inspiring Your Child at the Groton Farm School in Groton, MA this summer! Campers will have a chance each day to create some fun art, move and groove around the farm, meet the animals, and so much more! Each week will have a different activity focus so please check out what we have to offer on the next page for our young friends this summer.

**Camp starts June 24th and runs Monday - Friday until July 26th.**

*We have offerings for Grades K-6th*

The group will be split into two sections each week so campers can be with kids their own age: **Alpacas** - for kids in or entering grades K-2 & **Equines** - for kids entering grades 3 and up. Upon parent request, we can make sure that siblings are placed together.

**Camp Hours:** 9am - 3pm

**Price per week:** \$425

**To sign up please visit our website: [InspiringYourChild.com](https://InspiringYourChild.com)**

*The full daily schedule can be found later in the packet. All camps include outdoor play time as the weather permits. In case of rain we will have access to areas under cover. Please read the Camp Information Sheet and Camp Policies and Procedures carefully.*

**Options for weekly camp activities as listed on our website**

# Camp Creative 2024 Information Sheet

## Contact Information:

Julia Borger-Green: Director

Phone: 617-501-2315

Email: [inspiringthechild@gmail.com](mailto:inspiringthechild@gmail.com)

Shelly Sullivan: Owner Luina Greine Farm and Farm School (**Please call only if emergency**)

Phone: 978-790-5256

**Camp Hours:** 9 am - 3 pm

## How to get to camp:

The beautiful Luina Greine Farm and Farm School is located right outside of Groton center!

Address: 65 Common Street, Groton, MA 01450

## MORNING DROP OFF

Camper drop off is to the left of the barn at 9:00am. \*\*An adult must check in with camp staff prior to leaving so we can sign your child in.\*\* The parking area is small so please help us keep drop off time short so everyone can get in. If you are running late, or your child will be absent from camp, please call and leave a message for Julia at 617-501-2315

## AFTERNOON PICK UP

*Pick Up Time: 2:45-3:00 pm*

Campers will be picked up near the barn. Camp staff may only release your camper(s) to an adult who is listed on the pick up authorization section of their Camper Registration form. Please bring a photo ID with you every day to pick-up. We will not release campers to anyone not authorized on the Camper Registration form or who lacks a photo ID. It is your responsibility to inform the adults authorized to pick up that they will need to bring a photo ID with them in order to pick up your camper(s). After checking the photo ID, you must sign out your camper(s). Please see the Late Pickup Policy for details about late fees. \*\*\*We cannot release campers into their own custody or allow them to walk home, by law. No exceptions.

## EARLY PICK UPS & LATE ARRIVALS

If you are running late, or your child will be absent from camp, please call and leave a message for Julia at 617-501-2315. If you know of absences ahead of time, the sooner the Camp Directors know, the better. If you need to pick up your camper(s) earlier than 2:45 pm, please notify the Camp Director at least 24 hours in advance and emergencies as soon as possible. This way we can ensure that your camper is packed up and ready to go when you arrive.

## LUNCHES & SNACKS

Campers must bring a bagged lunch to camp every day. Campers should also bring a snack or two. (Campers who stay for PM extended care may want to pack an extra snack.) Please plan for meals that do not need refrigeration or to be heated up in a microwave. There are no vending machines on site. Please do not send your child to camp with soda and/or candy. Campers are allowed to have peanut butter and nut products in their lunches and snacks; we can accommodate any campers with allergies or other restrictions. All campers and staff are required to wash their hands before and after snack and lunch. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact Liz or Julia.

## **MEDICATIONS**

Please list all medications in your Camper's Registration. On the first day of camp ALL medications must be given to and checked off by Julia with written documentation of use and it must be in the medication's original container. Written documentation of dosage and medication instructions must include a physician's and parent's signature and be submitted for each medication. The medications will remain in a lock box for the entire week (unless other plans need to be made) and administered by a Camp Director. Medications will be returned to the parent/guardians at the end of the last day of camp. \*\*\*Your child will not be allowed to hold onto his or her own medication with the occasional exception of an inhaler (this is a case by case basis and needs to have prior approval from Julia. This includes over-the-counter medications such as Tylenol, Claritin, Vitamins, and medicated topical creams like Hydrocortisone, After-Bite, and Calamine lotion. We will not give any medications to your child without prior parental and physician's permission for medications.

## **SWIMMING**

There is a pool at the farm. Campers will be broken up into 2 groups and have the opportunity to swim during the afternoon. A lifeguard will be on duty.

## **ANIMAL TIME**

Campers will be able to interact with the farm animals every day. Some animals roam throughout the day and like to visit campers as they play. Sometimes there will be an opportunity to go into a pasture with the animals under the supervision of an adult. Campers must remain outside of all enclosures unless instructed that they may go in. There is no set time during the day for animal time.

## **GENERAL CAMP SCHEDULE:**

7:30 – 9:00am – AM Extended care (Drop off starts at 7:30 am)

9:00am – Camper drop off to the left of the barn.

9:30am – Morning Meeting: Introductions, Ice-Breaker Activities, Starter Activities, and more.

9:40am – Morning activity choices

10:30am – Snack and Play Break

11:00am – Second Activity Block: Explorations, Activities, Games or Crafts

12:00pm – Lunch

12:30pm – Swimming 1 or Activity with Director

1:30pm – Swimming 2 or Activity with Director

2:30– Camp Clean Up and Closing Circle Begins at the barn until pick up.

2:45 – 3:00pm – Pick Up to the right of the barn

3:00 – 5:00pm - PM Extended Care

## Camp Creative 2024 Policies & Procedures

### REGISTRATION, PAYMENT & PAPERWORK

- **Pre-registration is required for all camp programs.** Parents must FULLY complete the Camper Registration Form at the time of booking online or request a digital/paper copy to be returned by June 21 at the latest.
- Payment is online this year. If you prefer to pay by check please contact [inspiringthechild@gmail.com](mailto:inspiringthechild@gmail.com) to arrange it. Late payment may result in losing your spot in the camp to someone on the wait-list.
- When filling out the **Camper Registration Form** please be as honest and detailed as possible about any medical details or behaviors we should know about so that we can make the camp experience a positive one for your child, staff, and other campers. All medical and other personal information is kept strictly confidential.
- A **Luina Greine Farm and Farm School Waiver Form and a IYC Waiver Form** must both be filled out and may be found on our website in the Forms section. **DUE** by the first day of camp.
- **HEALTH FORMS:** We require your child's immunization records, doctor's authorization, and proof of a physical within the last 2 years (Most doctors are familiar with this request and usually have a form they can easily produce for you! It is the same one that would go to your child's school or for sports.). **We must receive these health records by June 21st.** All medical and other personal information is kept strictly confidential.
- Please, please make sure your paperwork and payment is turned in on time or early so that we can plan and prepare for making camp as awesome as possible!

### CANCELLATIONS

If you must cancel your child's event registration, we ask that you give us as much notice as possible. Cancellations that occur more than 5 days prior to the start date of your registered event may be fully credited towards a future Inspiring Your Child, LLC event or you may choose to receive the money back by check minus a 25% administrative fee. If a cancellation is made less than 5 days prior to the start date of your registered event then there are no refunds or credits. No refunds will be made in the case of "no shows," late arrivals, early withdrawals, or dismissals due to misconduct (please see IYC Behavior Expectations). In the event that Inspiring Your Child, LLC must cancel the event for whatever reason (bad weather, low enrollment, etc.), participants who have already paid will be offered the option of a credit toward a future program or a full refund.

## **LATE PICK UP POLICY**

Campers need to be picked up between 2:45 and 3:00 pm:

If a parent or authorized pickup person does not arrive or call within 5 minutes past the designated pick up time, staff will begin to call the authorized pick up contacts for the camper.

**Late pick-up fee is \$5.00 per 5 minute increments.**

Example: Pick up time ends at 3:00 pm, if parent signs camper out at 3:05 pm, a \$5.00 late fee will apply. If a parent signs their camper out at 3:28 pm, a \$25.00 late fee will apply. Late fee payment is due immediately by cash or check.

## **Overall Camp Behavior Expectations:**

1. Be safe
  - a. Keep yourself safe
  - b. Be safe with others
  - c. Be safe with equipment and supplies
  
2. Be respectful
  - a. To all campers and staff
  - b. To all public visitors
  - c. Camp/farm property and camp supplies
  - d. To the environment
  
3. Be yourself and Have Fun! :)

*\*Our behavior expectations outline that we want our campers to be themselves and have fun but be safe too. We reserve the right to send home any camper whose behavior or actions puts themselves or others in harm's way. The duration of the dismissal is up to the judgment of the Camp Directors. Camp dismissals due to misconduct will not be refunded.*

## **2024 Guidelines Regarding COVID-19**

We all hope that by summer time this won't be as much of an issue as it is now, but the reality is that even if all goes as planned we will still be dealing with it in some way. Here is our plan to keep campers, their families, and our staff safe:

- We ask that all staff and/or campers stay home if they are feeling sick.
- Staff will clean and disinfect frequently touched objects and surfaces, such as door knobs, faucets, equipment and more.
- Camp will not go off-site for field trips.
- There will be designated areas for lunch and snack by group.

- Every staff member and camper must have their temperature taken when arriving at camp. Any temperatures over 100.0 degrees Fahrenheit will be sent home.
- Campers and Staff must be residents of Massachusetts.
- Visitors during the day (including parents) are not permitted.
- Campers and staff are reminded to cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow.
- All campers must bring their own filled water bottle labeled with their name on it.
- Campers and Staff will wash their hands or use hand sanitizer every time they switch activities.
- Staff will be required to use face coverings when interacting closely with others.
- Campers are asked to bring their own face coverings from home and will be asked to wear it in situations where 6 feet distancing cannot be met.
- Campers will place their belongings in a designated, marked area that is distanced appropriately by the phasing recommendations.
- Staff will continue to monitor Covid-19 regulations and guidelines for MA, nationally, and the property owners.

### What NOT to bring to Camp:

- × Cellphones (Both Camp Directors will have a phone.)
- × Electronics (digital cameras are allowed with parental permission)
- × Money
- × Knives or weapons of any kind
- × Fidget spinners and toys
- × Anything you wouldn't want to get dirty or potentially harmed or lost

## **Camp Creative 2024 Checklist**

### Before Camp:

- Register online: InspiringYourChild.com (early bird special ends February 28th) or Call one of the Camp Directors to start registration on paper.
- Complete and turn in all Forms:
  - Camper Registration Form - completed during online booking or contact us for a printable copy.
  - Health Forms from Physician - **DUE** June 21st

- Luina Greine Farm and Farm School Waiver Form - **DUE** first day of camp
- Medication Documentation (as needed) - to hand to Camp Director on 1st day
- Sign Up for AM or PM Extended Care (as needed on website)
- Payment **DUE** at time of booking
- Put together a bag to bring to camp (see below)
- Please label EVERYTHING :)

What to bring to camp:

- Backpack with camper's name on it.
- Lunch and 1-2 snacks (Please be aware that lunches cannot be refrigerated or heated up) (PM extended care: Bring extra snack.)
- Reusable water bottle **with name on it (Please pack enough water to last for a thirsty day, as we cannot refill bottles)**
- Wear closed toe shoes – NO FLIP FLOPS ALLOWED!
- Extra complete set of clothing
- Bathing Suit and towel (optional for wet fun activities)
- Plastic Bag for Wet or Dirty Items
- Medications that need to be taken/accessible during the camp day (This should also be included on the camper's registration and health forms and handed directly to a Camp Director on arrival.)
- Rain gear as needed (rain coat, rain pants, rain boots, etc.)
- Sunscreen (Please apply sunscreen prior to drop-off as well)
- Insect repellent (we will apply during camp to keep ticks away)
- Sunglasses and/or hat