



# Camp Guide

Summer 2023



**Registration begins:**  
Thursday March 23, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

For information about Camp Kidaca, visit:  
[hamilton.ca/campkidaca](http://hamilton.ca/campkidaca)



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**The Supies are coming!**

[hamilton.ca/supie](https://hamilton.ca/supie)



# Why choose us?

With a commitment to the highest quality, let the City of Hamilton Summer Recreation Programs be your first choice for summer!

## PUBLIC HEALTH REQUIREMENTS

The City of Hamilton is planning for camp based on any public health measures from the Ministry of Health or Hamilton Public Health Services. Participants will be informed about requirements via email, closer to the start of the program.

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## ACCREDITATIONS



### ONTARIO CAMPS ASSOCIATION (OCA)

The OCA logo identifies to campers, their families and staff that we meet industry standards – only accredited camps are able to use the OCA logo on literature and on their signs.

**For more information, parents can visit: [ontariocampsassociation.ca](http://ontariocampsassociation.ca)**



### HIGH FIVE®

The City of Hamilton Recreation Division is a HIGH FIVE® Accredited Organization and as such serves as the benchmark for excellence in children's recreation and sport programming, focused on healthy child development and offering the highest recognized levels of quality and safety.

**For more information, parents can visit: [highfive.org/parent](http://highfive.org/parent)**



## STAFF

Your children are in good hands with Kidaca staff. Each of our camps is under the direction of a full-time staff who has a passion for developing and implementing recreation programs for children and youth. In addition, each group of children will have a dedicated Counsellor who:

- is a university, college, or high school student
- is certified in standard first aid with CPR-level C and is trained to administer Epi-Pens
- has been trained in the HIGH FIVE® Principles of Healthy Child Development
- has specialized training in programming, emergency procedures, group dynamics, and positive behaviour management

Our leaders are energetic and dedicated to providing participants with a fun, safe, and memorable experience this summer!

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## BEHAVIOURAL EXPECTATIONS

All children and youth attending recreation programs are expected to behave in a manner which ensures their own safety and the safety of other participants, staff, and volunteers in the program. Staff will be responsible to communicate behavioural expectations, encourage appropriate behaviours and to use group management techniques to create an environment which prevents behaviours from happening.

When responding to behaviours, staff will follow steps in the Behaviour Management Protocol. Parents/Guardians are required to sign off that they understand the Behaviour Management Protocol, and will comply with expectations set for children and youth in programs.





# Trips

Camp Kidaca (6-12yrs) include a weekly trip in their fee. Trips will be planned based on their proximity to Hamilton, level of accessibility and the ability to accommodate large camp groups.

Trip schedules will be confirmed and released on **[hamilton.ca/campkidaca](https://hamilton.ca/campkidaca)**



# Program Overview

MONDAY - FRIDAY | HOURS: 8:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

## CAMP KIDACA 4 - 5 YEARS

**FEE: \$142.90 / week**

Our most popular day camp program geared to 4 and 5 year olds. This program is designed to introduce campers to a full-day camp experience. Preschool campers will participate in age appropriate activities, with a focus on outdoor play, building friendships, gross motor skill development, circle time, stories, crafts and outdoor water play. Participants must be able to use the washroom independently and be at least 4 years old at start date of program.

## CAMP KIDACA 6 - 12 YEARS

**FEE: \$171.05 / week**

Our most popular day camp program! Campers will participate in a variety of age appropriate activities, including Swim to Survive, active and cooperative games, crafts, creative time and camp challenges. Camp Kidaca includes a trip by school bus to a local destination.

## CAMP KIDACA 12 - 15 YEARS

**FEE: \$180.28 / week**

City of Hamilton is excited to offer an enhanced youth camp- with themes and guests every week! Each day will include themed activities, projects and adventures; plus swimming, physical games, art, leadership activities, video games, chill time and more.





## SUPPORT PROGRAM 4 - 15 YEARS

**( up to 2 weeks ) \***

The Support Program is available for campers living with disabilities or those who require additional support in order to integrate and participate in Camp Kidaca and Youth programs. Inclusion Counsellors encourage participation, while maintaining safety and care in a fun and stimulating environment! The 2 week limit only applies to City-provided inclusion counsellors. Campers can sign up for unlimited weeks with their own support worker. Public Health requirements will be in place depending on regulations at the start of the program. Participants will be informed via email of any requirements prior to the program start.

## TWEEN CONNECTIONS 13 - 15 YEARS

**or**

## TEEN CONNECTIONS 16 - 21 YEARS

**FEE: \$171.05 / week ( up to 2 weeks ) \***

Tween and Teen Connections is a summer recreation and socialization program for campers living with disabilities or those who require additional supports or reduced ratios in order to integrate and participate. Ratios range from 1:1 to 1:3. This camp will be delivered by dedicated program staff who supervise weekly activities and assist with age-appropriate games, walking trips, sports, hobbies, social activities and swimming. Ratios range from 1:1 to 1:3. Public Health requirements will be in place depending on regulations at the start of the program. Participants will be informed via email of any requirements prior to the program start.

**\* See Support Program page 10 for how to register**



# How to Register

**REGISTRATION BEGINS ON  
THURSDAY MARCH 23, 2023 AT 8:00 A.M.**

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## STEPS TO REGISTER:

**1** Select the barcodes for camp locations and dates you would like to register for ( pgs 11-13 )

**2** Register using the following options:

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## ONLINE REGISTRATION

### BEFORE REGISTRATION DATE:

visit [hamilton.ca/recreation](https://hamilton.ca/recreation) to login and review/ create your account in preparation for camp registration.

### EXISTING USERS:

- Log in and review your contact information
- Ensure all family members are displayed under your account

### NEW USERS:

- Log in and create a new account for you and your family

### ON REGISTRATION DAY:

- Search for each barcode and add to your basket
- Complete payment online and check your account registrations for confirmation

Visit [hamilton.ca/recreation](https://hamilton.ca/recreation) to watch online tutorials and familiarize yourself with the website prior to registration day!

**Questions? Call 905-546-3747 or email [recreation@hamilton.ca](mailto:recreation@hamilton.ca)**

## WAIT LIST

You have the option of adding a participant to a waitlist for any program that is full at the time of registration. When a space becomes available, waitlisted customers will be contacted via email and have 24 hours to confirm enrollment and provide payment. After 24 hours has lapsed, the offer is cancelled, and we will continue down the waitlist. Ensure your email is current and added to all family members accounts.

## REFUND POLICY

A refund will be issued if notification is received 14 days prior to the beginning of the program. After that time and up to the start of program there will be a withdrawal fee charged. After the program has started programs become non-refundable.

Information on refunds can be found at [www.hamilton.ca/recrefunds](https://www.hamilton.ca/recrefunds)





# Camp Subsidy Options

We believe that all residents of Hamilton should have an opportunity to experience the physical, social and emotional benefits that are provided by recreation activities, regardless of financial situation. The following subsidy options are available for Camp Kidaca!

## RECREATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

You **MUST** be a current Recreation Assistance Client at the time of registration to be eligible for a discount. The program is open to families living below the Low-Income Measure (LIM).

Visit [hamilton.ca/RAP](https://hamilton.ca/RAP) for more information on:

How to apply, LIM levels, acceptable documentation and to download the application form.

Forms should be sent to the Recreation Assistance Program office before March 13th in order to allow time for processing. Forms submitted later will still be processed, but funds may not be available before the Summer Camp registration date.

### **Assistance available for approved families;**

- You may register your children for up to 15 days (per year), with up to 65% discount
- You may register your children for additional weeks at full price and use your RAP funds to pay a portion of the cost (subject to a 10% co-pay)

### **How do I use Recreation Assistance Program funds to register?**

Current approved families can register online.

#### **For more information:**

**Phone:** 905-546-2424 ext.4569    **Website:** [hamilton.ca/RAP](https://hamilton.ca/RAP)

**Email:** [rap@hamilton.ca](mailto:rap@hamilton.ca)

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## CHILDCARE SUBSIDY

Financial Support may be available to eligible families who live in Hamilton and need assistance with child care costs for children 0-12 years.

For information regarding Child Care Fee Subsidy, eligibility and to complete an application, please visit: [hamilton.ca/affordablechildcare](https://hamilton.ca/affordablechildcare) or call 905 546 4870.

### **Existing Child Care Fee Subsidy Families**

Existing Clients: Please contact your Subsidy Eligibility worker for more information prior to March 13, 2023. Authorization through your Subsidy Eligibility worker must be received in advance of registration and then you will be notified of your next steps.

#### **For more information:**

**EAST:** 905-546-2424 ext. 5008

**WEST:** 905-546-2424 ext. 5128

**MOUNTAIN:** 905-546-2424 ext. 5127

**Email:** [childcare@hamilton.ca](mailto:childcare@hamilton.ca)

# Support & Adapted

The Support Program is available for campers who require additional support in order to integrate and participate in Camp Kidaca programs. Summer Inclusion Counsellors encourage participation, while maintaining safety and care in a fun and stimulating environment!

## CAMP KIDACA SUPPORT PROGRAM OPTIONS:

- 1. City supplied Inclusion Counsellors are available and provided at no additional cost for families!** Registration process detailed below. **Due to high demand;** registration is limited to a maximum of two weeks per participant.
- 2. You may provide your own support person.**  
Camp Kidaca welcomes support persons who assist participants living with a disability or those that require assistance to participate in recreational programs. Support persons are hired or chosen by the participant to provide assistance throughout the camp day. **The support person is responsible to ensure the participant follows behavioural guidelines.** There are no fees charged for support persons (registration in the Camp Kidaca program is required).

## HOW TO REGISTER FOR CAMP SUPPLIED SUPPORT PROGRAM, TWEEN OR TEEN CONNECTIONS:

Step One	Step Two	Step Three
<b>Request a Support Registration package.</b> See contact information below.	<b>Complete the Support Registration package.</b> Indicate preference of camp weeks and locations. <b>Complete the Camper Information form.</b> If camper requires epi-pen an additional form will be required. <b>Complete Individual Accommodation Plan.</b> Include as much information as possible. This form is to inform staff of individual camper's support needs. <b>Complete Overview of Behaviour Management Procedure</b>	<b>Return ALL paperwork directly to the Inclusion team for review.</b> Confirmation of Summer Inclusion Counsellor will occur <b>prior</b> to camp registration.  All forms <b>MUST</b> be completed and returned prior to confirmation of summer Inclusion Counsellor and before registration occurs.

### Spaces are limited.

All are encouraged to return forms to request a space as soon as possible. (registration in the Camp Kidaca is confirmed by the Inclusion Team).

**Parents can request daily program hours of**  
**8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.,**  
**8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., or**  
**9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**For more information please visit** [hamilton.ca/inclusionrec](https://hamilton.ca/inclusionrec)  
**OR** contact us by phone at 905-546-2424 ext. 6475 or by email at [accessiblerec@hamilton.ca](mailto:accessiblerec@hamilton.ca)



# Summer Camps

## ANCASTER ROTARY CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca Lite (4-5 yrs)	54791	54792	54793		54794	54795	54796	54797
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54798	54799	54800		54801	54802	54803	54804

## BERNIE MORELLI RECREATION CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca Lite (4-5 yrs)	54882	54883	54884	54885		54886	54887	54888
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54889	54890	54891	54892		54893	54894	54895
Tween Connections (13 - 15 yrs)	Please email <a href="mailto:accessiblerec@hamilton.ca">accessiblerec@hamilton.ca</a> or call 905-546-2424 ext. 6475							

## HUNTINGTON PARK RECREATION CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca Lite (4-5 yrs)	54805	54806	54807		54808	54809	54810	54811
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54812	54813	54814		54815	54816	54817	54818

**\*\* 4 day camp week due to Canada Day and Civic Holiday**

# Summer Camps

## VALLEY PARK RECREATION CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca Lite (4-5 yrs)	54819	54820	54821	54870		54823	54824	54825
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54826	54827	54828	54829		54830	54831	54832

## WESTMOUNT RECREATION CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54784	54785	54786	54787		54788	54789	54790
Teen Connections (16 - 21 yrs)	Please email <a href="mailto:accessiblerec@hamilton.ca">accessiblerec@hamilton.ca</a> or call 905-546-2424 ext. 6475							

## WINONA COMMUNITY CENTRE

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11*	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
Camp Kidaca Lite (4-5 yrs)	54842	54843	54844		54845	54846	54847	54848
Camp Kidaca (6-12 yrs)	54835	54836	54837		54838	54839	54849	54841

**\*4 day camp week due to Canada Day and Civic Holiday**



# Youth Camps (12-15 yrs)

## VARIOUS LOCATIONS

Summer Camps	Jul 4 - 7*	Jul 10 - 14	Jul 17 - 21	Jul 24 - 28
<b>Camp Kidaca (12 - 15 yrs)</b>	<b>Ultimate Frisbee</b> Sir Winston Churchill Recreation Centre  00054872	<b>Magic the Gathering</b> Sir Winston Churchill Recreation Centre  00054873	*Youth Employment Engagement Week – information coming soon!	<b>Living Fit is Fun!</b> Ancaster Rotary Centre  00054874
Summer Camps	Jul-Aug 31 - 4	Aug 8 - 11	Aug 14 - 18	Aug 21 - 25
<b>Camp Kidaca (12 - 15 yrs)</b>	<b>Musical Theatre</b> Westmount Recreation Centre  00054879		<b>Beats by U! (Featuring Hamilton Music Collective )</b> Bennetto Recreation Centre  00054880	<b>Ukulele (Featuring Hamilton Music Collective )</b> Bennetto Community Centre  00054881



\*4 day camp week due to Canada Day and Civic Holiday

\*A week of exciting youth events, job readiness training and workshops, youth employment information and more. Schedule of events and locations coming soon, check [hamilton.ca/youthrec](https://hamilton.ca/youthrec) for more information.

# CAMP LOCATIONS



## Ancaster Rotary Centre

385 Jerseyville Road West, Ancaster  
905-546-2424 ext.1698

## Bernie Morelli Recreation Centre

876 Cannon Street East, Hamilton  
905-546-2424 ext.4150

## Huntington Park Recreation Centre

87 Brentwood Drive, Hamilton  
905-546-4880

## Valley Park Community Centre

970 Paramount Dr, Stoney Creek  
905-546-2424 ext. 1114

## Westmount Recreation Centre

35 Lynbrook Drive, Hamilton  
905-546-4932

## Winona Community Centre

255 Winona Rd, Winona  
905-546-2424 ext.4935

## YOUTH CAMPS

For all Youth Camp locations: 905 546-3747

## Bennetto Community Centre

450 Hughson St N, Hamilton

## Ancaster Rotary Centre

385 Jerseyville Rd W, Ancaster

## Sir Winston Churchill Recreation Centre

1715 Main Street E, Hamilton

## Westmount Recreation Centre

35 Lynbrook Drive, Hamilton

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Questions? Email: [recreation@hamilton.ca](mailto:recreation@hamilton.ca) or call 905 546-3747

All camp locations offer the Support Program please see page 10 for more information.

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