



# Summer in the Country

## Mission

At Glenelg Country School, our mission is to cultivate a diverse community of learners who discover, contribute, thrive, and excel.

## About Glenelg Country

Glenelg Country School is a co-educational, college preparatory school for students two years old through grade 12. Since its founding in 1954, Glenelg Country School has provided a learning environment which fosters academic skills, intellectual development, sportsmanship, global awareness, personal integrity and growth. Excellent teachers, a nurturing environment, individual attention, and small classes have long been hallmarks of the school. The same philosophy and practices that have made Glenelg Country School a respected and successful academic institution distinguish the Summer In The Country Program.

### **ACCREDITATION**

Glenelg Country School is accredited by the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS) and by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges (MSA). The School is affiliated with the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS), the National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) and the Educational Records Bureau (ERB).

# WELCOME TO SUMMER IN THE COUNTRY

JUNE 15-JULY 24, 2026

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Glenelg Country School has been offering quality summer programs for over 30 years. Located in central Howard County and situated on an idyllic 90-acre wooded campus, our Summer Programs provide children entering Pre-Kindergarten through grade 10 with a fun and educational experience in a relaxed and safe environment. Our camps offer a variety of activities and make use of our outdoor swimming pool, tennis courts, playing fields, shaded pathways, air conditioned classrooms, computer labs, athletic center and pond for scientific study.

## TRADITIONAL DRAGON DAY CAMPS

Day camps are filled with a variety of indoor and outdoor activities including science and nature exploration, arts and crafts, swimming, music, physical education activities, and so much more.

## COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING

Counselor-in-Training offers opportunities for campers to work on leadership skills during the summer, by participating in hands-on activities, team-building, communication and problem solving.

## ADVENTURE CAMPS

Adventure camps include daytime off-campus travel with exhilarating, exploratory activities.

Permission slips will go out before camp begins and must be returned by the start of camp for campers to remain enrolled.

## SPECIALTY CAMPS

These camps offer academic enrichment in language arts, science, or math, or an emphasis in visual arts, foreign languages, music, drama, and a variety of other themes.

## SPORT CAMPS

Sport camps provide an opportunity to have fun while working on athletic skills, technique, strategy, game experience, and sportsmanship.

Our Summer Programs are staffed by members of the Glenelg Country School faculty, supplemented by other qualified professionals, and assisted by junior counselors; all staff members undergo a criminal background check. The success of our camp programs is greatly facilitated by a camper-to-staff ratio of less than 10 to 1.

## GLENELG COUNTRY SCHOOL

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# Parent Camp Guide

## Registration and refund information

### REGISTRATION

Register online at [glenelg.org/summer](https://glenelg.org/summer). Camps are offered in one-week sessions for Summer 2026, with a few multi-week sessions. Registrations are processed on a first come, first served basis. Camps have limited space. You are able to register for a waitlist if a camp is full. **Wait lists are not guarantees for enrollment during that camp session.** Please plan to enroll in an alternative camp if you would like your child to attend during the session you are waitlisted.

### EARLY REGISTRATION

#### (Register before May 31)

Register and pay \$75 non-refundable deposit. Balance will be automatically charged to your credit card on June 1.

### LATE REGISTRATION

#### (Register after May 31)

Register and pay in full. If there is space available and you wish to register or add a camp after May 31, this must be completed online with a full payment. New registrations **will not be accepted after May 31.**

**Note:** Our summer camp program will be closed on Friday, June 19 in observance of Juneteenth. All camps are closed Friday, July 3 for Independence Day. There will be a **prorated charge** for camps that week.

**All camp registrations should be finalized before May 31.**

**New Families:** Please complete the Household Information section first and all student health information. Make sure to complete all required fields including information for all parents/guardians, your child(ren), at least two emergency contacts in addition to parents, and who is

authorized to pick up your child. Following completion of the Household Information, return to the homepage and complete the Camp Registration.

Registration is not complete without health information and your spot will not be reserved until the information is completed. Please fill out health information giving a complete overview of your child(ren) health needs.

**Returning Families:** Please review the Household Information section and make any necessary changes. After updating, return to the homepage and complete the Camp Registration. If you are having trouble completing the registration form, please go back to your Household Information and make sure all the information is completed.

### CHANGES TO REGISTRATION

- Contact the camp office for general camper or health information changes.
- All camp registration should be finalized before **May 31.**
- **Adding a camp or service must be completed online with full payment by 4 pm at least 10 days before camp begins. Switching camps must be done by emailing [summerprograms@glenelg.org](mailto:summerprograms@glenelg.org) by 4 pm 10 days before camp begins.**

**No refunds for camps canceled after May 31.**

### PAYMENT & ACCOUNT STATEMENT

Payment is by credit card only (AMEX, Discover, Visa, and MasterCard). To access the account statement for your records or flexible spending account:

- Go to <https://gcsummer.campbrainregistration.com>.
- Login to your summer account.
- At the bottom of the Welcome Page, click View Registration Details.
- On the next page, click Download Printable Season Account Statement (on right side of page under Financial).
- Open downloaded document.
- Our tax ID (52-0674564) is on the top right side of the statement above the date.

**If you have questions please do not hesitate to email us at [summerprograms@glenelg.org](mailto:summerprograms@glenelg.org).**

- If you cancel a camp before May 31, a refund less the \$75 deposit will be issued to you after August 1. Cancellations after May 31, will not be issued a refund. No prorates will be offered for days missed due to camper missing their registered camp days.
- Glenelg Country School reserves the right to cancel a camp or service at their discretion. In this case, a refund will be processed after August 1.
- Glenelg Country School reserves the right to dismiss, without a refund, any camper or student for inappropriate or unsafe conduct, or for non-compliance with Glenelg Country School Summer Programs policies or procedures.

# Parent Camp Guide

## Registration and refund information (continued)

### MISCELLANEOUS

The School values a positive and collaborative relationship with all families. If circumstances arise in which a parent or guardian's actions make it difficult for the School to maintain this constructive partnership or to support the goals of our program, the School reserves the right to discontinue a current registration or decline future registration. Glenelg Country School believes that a positive and constructive working relationship between the School and a camper's parents or guardians is essential to the fulfillment of the School's mission. The CFO or Head of School, in their sole and absolute discretion, may dismiss or deny enrollment of a camper for any reason they deem appropriate.

### RELEASE OF LIABILITY

As a condition of registration in the Glenelg Country School summer programs, the parent(s) or legal guardian hereby agree(s) to release and discharge the School, its trustees, employees and agents, from and against any and all claims, actions, liability and expense, including attorneys' fees and court costs, in connection with personal injury and/or damage to property arising from or out of the camper's attendance or enrollment in, or out of the camper's participation in activities at or sponsored by the School unless such injury and/or damage is occasioned by the gross negligence of the School.

### HEALTH AND MEDICAL INFORMATION

- The Camp Health Office is located in the Manor House. Glenelg Country School Summer in the Country will adhere to the school's Health Services Illness and Injury policy, which includes protocols for student illnesses and injuries,

Please review our Medication Policy to see if you need to submit either any kind of medication form. Medication will not be administered to a camper without a doctor's written order form that should also include the parent's signature. This includes prescription as well as prescribed over-the-counter medications. It is helpful to bring the medication and form to camp prior to your child's first day. Please call the Camp Office if you have any questions.

as well as parent/guardian communication responsibilities. Please review this policy on the Summer in the Country website, under Summer Camp Health Forms and Policies.

- Completed online health and medical information is required for each camper before registration will be confirmed.
- If necessary, submit immunization records. The Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene Immunization Certificate, MDH Form 896, is required (in English) for campers entering Pre-Kindergarten or Kindergarten, or who reside outside the United States. Immunization documentation is a state requirement. Campers must have all required immunizations for their age, unless they have a medical or religious immunization exemption. For those who have a medical or religious exemption from immunization, this form still needs to be completed; specifically the bottom portion of the form, which requires either a parent or provider signature indicating a medical or religious exemption.
- If any medication is needed at camp, complete the appropriate form, which acts as the doctor's order to be able to give that medication at camp. Medication forms include the following:

- Medication Administration Form for daily medication or any as needed over-the-counter medication.
  - Allergy Anaphylaxis Medication Administration Authorization Form for EpiPens and antihistamines due to a severe allergy.
  - Asthma Action Plan and Medication Authorization Form for inhalers due to asthma.
  - Diabetic Medical Management Form for insulin due to diabetes.
  - Seizure Action Plan for any anti-seizure medication due to a seizure disorder.
- Medication can be dropped off to the Camp Health Office in the Manor House by appointment. Please call 410.531.7327 to schedule.
  - A physician's order must accompany ALL medication(s) to be administered at camp. Any medication must be brought to camp:
    1. In the labeled original container;
    2. By a parent;
    3. Checked-in by the camp nurse;
    4. By the first day the camper attends

### CAMP BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Glenelg Country School camps foster respect for oneself, for others, and for property. It is expected that all campers are respectful, considerate, and polite to adults and one another at all times. Our goal is to create a safe and fun-filled experience for all campers. Disciplinary procedures are based upon these steps:

1. The child is gently reminded of camp expectations.
2. The child is separated from the problem situation.

3. The camp counselor will discuss consequences of further behavior, i.e., sitting out of an activity, with the child.
4. Repeated misbehavior will be handled by the camp director and/or a conversation with the
5. parents. Parent, child, and staff agree to a plan that will improve the child's behavior or the child may face the possibility of dismissal
6. from camp. Behavior which is deemed serious or endangers others could result in the parents being called immediately to remove the child from camp.

\*If a camper is dismissed from camp, they will not be eligible to return any subsequent camp seasons at Glenelg Country School\*

#### **INCLEMENT WEATHER CLOSINGS**

Glenelg Country School will send an email about cancellations, late openings, or early closings due to inclement weather. Parents who are concerned about conditions are free to pick up their child at any time. The pool Manager will determine when swimming conditions are unsafe. This may include situations such as runoff in the pool, thunderstorms, or mechanical issues. GCS will issue refunds for swim lessons if two or more sessions in a given week are cancelled. If thunder is heard within 30 minutes of carpool, we will move to our indoor carpool procedure. Campers will remain inside until there are been no thunder for 30 minutes. If it is simply raining without thunder, carpool will continue as normal.



# Parent Camp Guide

How to prepare your child for the first day of camp.

The **what, how, when, and where** of attending camp at Glenelg Country School.

## WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD WEAR AND BRING?

The dress for the camp day is casual. A camp t-shirt will be distributed to each camper at the end of each session. Each group of campers is assigned a t-shirt color to help with easy identification to be worn at the camper's discretion. We suggest shorts, a t-shirt, and sneakers (not open-toed shoes, flip-flops, or clogs).

### Please bring:

- Bathing suit, towel, and pool shoes (for walking to and from the pool).
- Water bottle clearly labeled with child's name.
- Sunscreen clearly labeled with child's name, if needed (Must have permission to reapply at camp—see Registration). Please apply before coming to camp.
- Backpack to transport swimming items and projects.
- Change of clothes in a plastic bag labeled with child's name to keep at camp for emergencies (Pre-K–Grade 1 only).

**Please Label All Items!** A Lost and Found bin will be located in the lobby of each building and at the pool.

## DOES MY CHILD NEED TO BRING A LUNCH OR SNACKS?

- Lunch can be conveniently purchased through the website [allaboutlunchdeli.com](http://allaboutlunchdeli.com). Preordering lunch at the commencement of the camp and making changes to the order can be done until midnight the day before. Further details regarding lunch arrangements and menus will be provided closer to the scheduled start date of your registered campers.

- If you choose not to utilize lunch service, please send a lunch with your child. GCS is not a peanut-free environment. Lunches will not be refrigerated, and microwaves are not available, so please pack your camper's lunch accordingly.
- Each day campers will receive a peanut-free snack provided by the camp. If your child chooses, they may bring an alternative snack from home.

## IS THERE BUS SERVICE?

Bus service will not be offered at this time.

## WHAT TIME DO I DROP OFF AND PICK UP MY CHILD?

**Drop Off:** Between 8:40am and 9 am. Campers should not arrive before 8:40 am unless they are enrolled in Before Care Extended Day.

**Pick Up:** Between 3:10pm and 3:45pm. If you arrive after 3:45 pm and your camper is not registered in After Care, a \$25 fee will be charged and you still must have someone pickup your child.

**Pick Up for Half-Day Program:** Dismissal is at 1:30 pm. If you arrive after 1:45 pm, a \$25 fee will be charged and you still must have someone pickup your child.

**Campers not registered for Extended Day may not attend due to Extended Day capacity restrictions.**

**Extended Day:** All campers must be preregistered to attend Extended Day. Extended Day is offered on a first-

come, first-serve basis. If your child attends Extended Day, you must drop them off after 7:30 am and pick them up by 6 pm. If you arrive after 6 pm you will be charged a late fee (\$15 increments for every 15 minutes late). If you are late twice, your child may be suspended from the program.

### Before Care

Pre-K–K

Grades 1–10

### 7:30–9 am

Drop off in Primary Building

Drop off in Manor House  
Cafeteria

### After Care

Pre-K–K

Grades 1–10

### 3:30–6 pm (with and without Swim Lessons)

Pick up in Primary Building  
Pick up in Manor House  
Building from designated  
rooms.

## WHERE DO I DROP OFF AND PICK UP MY CHILD?

For camp drop off and pick up, please stay in your car. Our staff will open the door and assist your camper. Cars should line up around the circular driveway in front of the designated building. Pull up as far as possible to allow for others to pick up or drop off. Proceed on driveway using caution and patience as you merge into traffic as others pick up or drop off campers from various designations.

**Videos will be sent out a week prior via email on proper Carpool Procedures**

**Please do not pass in the pick up or drop off line. Refrain from using cell phones while driving on campus.**

# PARENT CAMP GUIDE continued

## Primary Building:

Traditional Dragon Camps  
Eggs, and Hatchlings.  
Specialty Camps for those  
Entering pre-k and Kindergarten.  
Top Notch Sports Wees  
Ooey Gooley Science

## Manor House Camps:

Specialty Camps for Grades 1-8  
Dragon Academy  
Dragon Elite Cheer

## Upper School Gould

### Side:

Traditional Camps:  
Dragon Green and White Talons  
Dragon Green and White Paws,  
Dragon Tails  
Dragon Wings  
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## Upper School Sports

### Annex Side:

Top Notch Sports  
Dragon Elite Soccer  
Dragon Elite Baseball  
Dragon Elite Lacrosse  
Video Game Design

*Locations are subject to change.*

## WHAT ARE THE POOL PROCEDURES?

**Certified lifeguards and camp staff are on duty during the recreational swim portion of your child's day.**

**POOL PROTOCOLS AND PROCEDURES** The GCS pool is permitted by the Maryland Department of Health and will open with guidance from the Maryland Department of Health and follow any protocols and procedures mandated by the Health Department. No refund or prorate will be issued due to any pool closures.

### Pre-K- Kindergarten Campers

- Swim in the one- to three-foot area of the pool
- Optional swim test

### Grade 1 Campers

Your child may be tested to swim in the three- to five-foot area of the pool. In order to swim in the three- to five-foot area, a child must be able to swim the width of the pool without stopping. (If during the swim test your child seems to struggle or have difficulty, the lifeguard will require your child to remain in an area that is safe.)

### Grades 2-10 Campers

Your child will be tested at the beginning of the session. The pool staff will determine your camper's ability and award them with a colored bracelet which designates where they are allowed to swim. **Please encourage your camper to wear this bracelet for the duration of the camp.** Campers will not be able to swim in the deeper sections of the pool without proper identification. In order to swim in the three- to five-foot area and receive a red wrist band, a child must be able to swim the width of the pool without stopping. In order to swim in the five- to nine-foot area and receive a green wristband, campers must be able to swim the length of the pool without



assistance and without stopping, and be able to tread water for one minute. If during the swim test your child seems to struggle or have difficulty, the lifeguard will require your child to remain in an area that is safe.

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CAMP DROP OFF / PICK UP

Folly Quarter Road



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|-----------------------------------|---|---|--|-----------------------------|
| 1 Field 1                         | 8 Dragon Store Head of School Office Upper                                | 11 Tennis Courts                                  | 17 Swimming Pool   | 21 Primary Building Parking |
| 2 Field 2                         | School Development  | 12 Music Cottages                                 | 18 Manor House Parking   | 22 Primary Building         |
| 3 Field 3, Turf Field             | 9 School Office Marketing & Communications Office Athletic Center Parking | 13 Theater in the Woods                           | 19 Manor House Building Business Office Summer Camp Health Room Summer Programs and Extended Day Office Shipping and Receiving | Zander's Space              |
| 4 Athletic Fields Parking         | 10 Upper School Parking   | 14 Middle School Admissions Office Mulitz Theater | 20   | 23 Operations Office        |
| 5 Head of School Residence        |   | 15 Middle School Parking                          |  | 24 Field 4                  |
| 6 Gould Observatory               |   | 16 Lower School Gymnasium                         |  | 25 Field 5, Baseball Field  |
| 7 Athletic Office Athletic Center |   |   |  | 26 Pond, Outdoor Classroom  |