

Summer Camp Information

Freetown Friends School, LLC is a small, home-based program for children 18 months- 4 years old. We are open from 8:45-11:45am, Monday- Friday. Lunch bunch will be offered every day until 12:45. Parents are to pack their child's nut free lunch.

Philosophy: I offer a structured yet flexible routine in a friendly, loving, and encouraging environment. Summer Camp is at least 75% outdoor time, but we include free play, art, music, and stories. My space includes a large, brightly furnished indoor playroom as well as a large fenced in outdoor area with a playground.

Activities: We do themes, and incorporate those themes into our art, snacks, books, songs, and play. Every day your child will do some sort of art or craft, but some of these will be shaving cream painting, corn starch sculpting, or other things that will not be coming home. We will have a snack and offer circle time every day, as well as free play outside and in, with organized activities mixed throughout the morning.

Discipline: Discipline is done through encouraging good behavior. There is never any yelling or any form of corporal punishment. If a child misbehaves they will be guided away and reminded of camp rules. If misbehavior continues, the child may sit away from the other children or held in the teacher's lap until they are ready to play appropriately.

Licensing: Freetown Friends School, LLC is licensed by the state of Virginia. Children will be accepted with no regard to race, religion, or ethnicity.
http://www.dss.virginia.gov/facility/child_care/licensed/fdh/

Preparation: Please prepare each day by having your child dressed in clothes appropriate for getting wet, with sunblock and bug spray already applied. (A swimsuit with a cover-up is fine. I am happy to remove a T-shirt/dress, but I will NOT be changing your child into a suit if you just have one in the bag). Please pack a bag with a change of clothes and shoes if necessary. We will endeavor to have the kids clean and dry when you return to pick up.

Safety: Please park on the street and walk your child down the side of the house. The gate at the bottom of the hill must remain closed and latched at all times. Please do your part in keeping all of the children safe, as I will do mine.

Calendar:

May 28- June 14

June 24-July 3

July 15-Aug 22

Above dates MAY be subject to change!

Medical policy: If your child will not be present for any reason, please inform me as soon as possible. If your child has had any of the following symptoms in the past 24 hours, please do not send him/her to our program: fever, diarrhea, vomiting, persistent sneezing or coughing, or nasal discharge that is not clear in color. If a child becomes sick or displays these symptoms, the parent will be called to pick up the child. In case of an emergency, 911 will be called and you will be notified. Medication can only be given with written instruction signed by the parent. Medication must be in the original container with name, dose, and expiration date. In case of my illness, a substitute or parent will be called to fill in. If no substitute is available, Freetown Friends School, LLC will be closed.

Tuition:

\$35/day - to be paid the first of the month!

Lunch bunch can be added for \$10 a day.

Enrollment: Tuition is due **on or before** the first of the month, even if your child will only be attending a week or two during the month. Please make checks payable to Freetown Friends School, LLC. There will be no refunds for days missed due to illness or other unexpected absences.

Virginia law requires the following forms to be completed before attending program:

1. Medical Care Immunization Form – Listing required immunizations and signed by parent and physician.
2. Family Information and Emergency Form – including telephone numbers, address, and emergency contact people.
3. All about My Child Form – Optional

Pickup: Children are to be picked up on time unless there has been an emergency and the director has been notified. A \$10.00 late fee will be charged if children are picked up in excess of 10 minutes on multiple occasions.

Director: A little about myself; my name is Shelley Daniel and I am originally from New Philadelphia, Ohio. I moved to the D.C. area in January 1999, where I was employed as a professional nanny for 5 ½ years. I worked with three separate families, caring for children from 8 weeks to 9 years of age. I also have worked in a daycare as an assistant in the 2 year old program, cared for children with special needs, and was the assistant at an in – home program in Bethesda, Md. I opened the doors to Freetown Friends in July 2004.

I am CPR, First Aid, and EMAT certified, and I have taken many child related courses. In March, 2004 I was married and moved to Reston. We have 5 children born from 2005-2011, two brought into our family through international adoption in 2012.

References available upon request

