ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE DAYS

SCHEDULE & WHAT TO EXPECT













ARRIVAL DAY - 2027
CAR ARRIVAL SCHEDULE

9:00 - 11:00 AM : GATES ARE OPEN FOR DROPOFF

Last Names ‘A-K’ arrive from 9:00 - 10:00 AM and Last Names ‘M-Z’ arrive 10:00 - 11:00 AM. Please note that gates will not open until 9:00 AM, and arriving earlier will mean you will need to wait in your car outside of the camp gates.

PARENT RECEPTION & CAMP STORE WILL BE OPEN DURING THE DROPOFF WINDOW

After saying ‘see you later’ to your camper, we invite you to swing by the Dining Hall for a casual Parent Reception: meet some of our leadership team, enjoy some light refreshments, and mingle with other Friendly Pines families before heading out.

Our Camp Store will also be open during this time, where you can purchase camp merch for yourselves or your camper.

WE KINDLY ASK ALL FAMILIES TO DEPART CAMP BY 11:15AM

We build our arrival day intentionally, and try to get our camp community to start forming early and quickly. We encourage thoughtful and loving - but brief - goodbyes from parents. This helps your camper start to transition from ‘drop-off’ to ‘getting settled’ quickly and easily.

ARRIVAL DAY - 2027
BUS ARRIVAL SCHEDULE

8:00AM - 9:00AM BUS DROPOFF & CHECK IN

Our staff will be ready for camper check-in between **8:00AM and 9:00AM** on the Monday of your camp session.



BUS LOCATION: TATUM BLVD & BELL RD

We will be setting up our check-in station and bus pickup in the **Walmart Supercenter parking lot at 4617 East Bell Road, Phoenix AZ 85032.**

BUS ARRIVES TO CAMP BETWEEN 11:00 AM - 11:30AM

An excited camp community will be awaiting their arrival! Once campers arrive at camp, they'll be paired up with their counselor & cabinmates, move into their cabin, and head out to lunch at 12:30PM. Then, an afternoon of orientation and settling in begins.

We will send out a quick update when the bus has safely arrived to camp and provide updates if there are any major delays in the busses arrival to camp.

DEPARTURE DAY
2027 SCHEDULE

9:00 - 10:00 AM : GATES ARE OPEN FOR FAMILIES

We encourage you to camp between **9:00 AM - 10:00 AM** if you are coming to pick-up your camper in-person so that you can be here on time for the Closing Quiet Place Ceremony. **Campers must be picked up by no later than 1:30PM.**

10:00 - 11:00AM CLOSING QUIET PLACE CEREMONY (NEW IN 2027!)

We encourage all available families to join us at **10:00AM** for our **Closing Quiet Place Ceremony**. It will be a time of community, reflection, recognitions, and closing goodbyes. This is a wonderful opportunity for families to come be a part of the culture of camp and experience firsthand some of the magic of Friendly Pines.

11:30 AM - 1:30PM FRIENDLY PINES OPEN HOUSE (NEW IN 2027!)

After the closing ceremony, families are invited to stick around for **brunch and open-house activities.** Your camper can take you to some of their favorite places and activities, and show off what they've learned during their time at camp. Open House is completely optional, and families are welcome to head out any time after the Closing Ceremony ends at 11:00 AM.

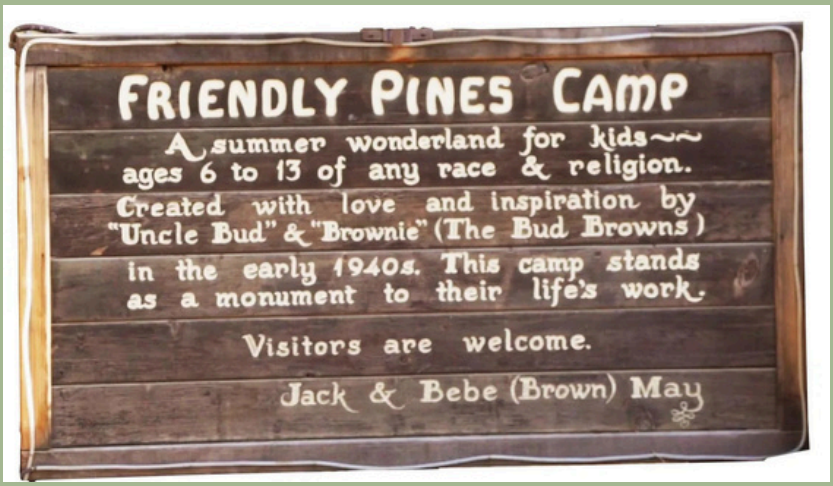
BUS WILL ARRIVE TO PHOENIX AT 1:30PM

Campers taking the bus home are expected to arrive to the **Tatum Blvd & Bell Rd. location at 1:30PM**. Campers will depart camp **with a packed lunch** at 11:30AM. Campers taking the bus home will stay at camp for the Closing Quiet Place Ceremony before heading out.

WHAT TO EXPECT - CAR ARRIVAL

WHERE TO GO & PARKING

Our camp address is **933 East Friendly Pines Road. Prescott AZ, 86303**. When you arrive to camp, you will see our large, wooden welcome sign and friendly staff who will direct you where to park.



CHECK-IN STATION

After you park, please go to our nearby Check-In Station with your camper and luggage. There, we will welcome you, confirm a few details, and drop-off medications with our Medical Staff.

Once those logistics are taken care of, we will introduce you to your camper's cabin & counselor.



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MEET YOUR CAMPER'S CABIN & COUNSELOR

You and your camper will be introduced to your counselor and cabinmates. They can't wait to meet you! From there, you are welcome to go with them to see your camper's cabin, drop off their luggage, and take a look around. If you prefer to say 'see you later' after check-in, that's ok too!
The cabin will unpack together as a group later in the day.

TIME TO SAY 'SEE YOU LATER!'

After check-in and visiting your camper's cabin, it's time to say a thougtful, but brief, goodbye. We encourage you to keep the tone positive, excited, and to allow the counselor to begin forming their bond with your camper so they can help make them feel comfortable and welcome at camp.

THEN WHAT? JOIN US FOR A QUICK FAMILY RECEPTION!

After saying goodbye to your camper and leaving them to start bonding with their cabin, we encourage you to swing by our Dining Hall for a casual family reception. Some of our leadership team would love to say hello to you, answer any last questions, and enjoy some light refreshments & social time with other camp parents before heading out.