

# 2011 Summer Program Information

We've designed our summer programs to meet as many needs as possible. This allows many options for your family. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask. We appreciate your continued support. We love you and your children! It is our honor and joy to serve your family. All forms can be found at:

[www.tahoeministries.com](http://www.tahoeministries.com)

## A+ Preschool and A+ School Age Registration for the 2011-2012 School Year and Summer Programs

- **Tuesday, May 3rd**- Students currently enrolled in A+ may register for **preschool** for the 2011-2012 school year as well as preschool positions for the 2011 **summer program**.
- **Thursday, May 5th**- Students new to the A+ program may register for **preschool** for the 2011-2012 school year as well as preschool positions for the 2011 **summer program**.
- **Tuesday, July 19th**- Students may register for the **A+ School Age Program** for the 2011-2012 school year.
- **Big A Club /Parents' Night Out**– There is a half sheet registration form that all students, regardless of age must fill out at the beginning of **each** summer.

## Important End of the School Year Dates

- June 2nd Preschool Graduation and Promotion Ceremony at 6:30 p.m.
- June 22nd The last day of A+ Preschool and School Age for the 2010-2011 school year.

## Summer Program information for children 4 years, 9 months and older

- June 23rd- ----The Summer Program begins!
- Your child is eligible to come from 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays from June 23-July 29. **We are closed on Mondays June 27th – July 25<sup>th</sup>**. You may come at any time. Just drop-in. You can come for 1, 2, or all three parts of the day. There is no need to call! You are billed only for what you use!
- Here is how the day is divided:

### School Age Summer

| Activity   | Time                   | Cost                           |
|------------|------------------------|--------------------------------|
| AM A+      | 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | \$5                            |
| Big A Club | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. | \$5 + any special activity fee |
| PM A+      | 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  | \$7                            |
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- In August, we are open Monday – Friday, 7:30 a.m. – 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$20 for a full day and \$12 for any 5.5 hours.
- The last day of the summer program is August 30<sup>th</sup>.

## Summer Program information for children 3 years – 4 years, 8 months and toilet trained

- June 23rd- The Summer Program begins!
- Your child is eligible to come from 8:45 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Tuesdays-Fridays during June and July.
- **We are closed on Mondays June 27th – July 25<sup>th</sup>**.
- Here is how the day is divided:

## Preschool Summer Schedule for preschool children 3 years-4 years 8 months

| Activity   | Time                   | Cost   |
|------------|------------------------|--|
| Preschool  | 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | <b>\$25 (includes the cost of all Big A Club special events)</b> |
| Big A Club | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. |  |
| Preschool  | 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.  |  |

- If you come to Big A Club only you will be only charged whatever the Big A Club cost is for that day. **If you come for the morning preschool session and Big A Club, you will be charged \$25 for the day. If you come to Big A Club and afternoon preschool session you will be charged \$25 for the day. If you come for all day you will be charged \$25 per day. Summers are a billing nightmare for us otherwise! Moral of the story....You will get more for your money if your child attends all day.**
- Enrollment for the summer program will take place on a first come, first served basis beginning May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Priority will be given to children who have completed the school year in A+ Preschool. We have 30 spaces available for preschool this summer.
- The summer program is only open to students who have completed all paperwork and are current with all tuition payments.
- Registration is required for the preschool summer program. Like in the school year, you may call (after 9:30 am) the day of to see if we have drop in space available.
- **You may sign up for the days you need in the summer beginning May 3<sup>rd</sup> (returning students) and May 5<sup>th</sup> for new students. You must make any changes for the following month by the last working day of the previous month. For example: You will sign up for June, July and August. If you need to make changes for July, you must let us know by June 30<sup>th</sup> (last working day in June.) Changes for August must be made by July 29<sup>th</sup> (last working day in July.) If you sign up and do not use your days, you will be billed for them. We held a spot for you and you committed to that spot.**
- You may add Mondays for the month of August. Please talk to Nell, Esther, or April in order to do this.
- The last day of the summer program is August 19th. (School year Preschool begins Monday, Aug. 22nd)

**NOTE: Your child is always welcome to come to the Big A Club from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. No pre-registration is required for Big A Club alone. See the calendar for prices.**

### 2011-2012 School Year A+ Preschool and School Age

- The first day of A+ Preschool for the 2011-2012 school year is Monday, August 22nd.
- The first day of A+ Before and After School for the 2011-2012 school year is Wednesday, August 31st.

### The FAQs of the Summer Programs

- **Why does preschool graduation happen before the school year session is over?** Our semester missionaries typically need to leave the first weekend in June so that they may begin their summer jobs. Since these students have invested in your child's life and love your child, we think it is rewarding for them to see the graduation and promotion ceremony.
- **Why is there Big A and A+?** There are families in our community with a variety of needs. Some people need partial day care for their child, but others need full day care. We want to meet the needs of as many families as possible. It is helpful to look at the summer programs as a sandwich! Big A Club is the meat of the day, and A+ is the bread!
- **Why are you closed on Mondays for part of the summer?** We are closed on Mondays to give our staff a day of rest. With Parents' Night Out every Friday in June and July, staff meetings and lesson planning on Saturdays, and church on Sundays, we need Mondays to rest so we can give our best selves to the children and families of this community!

- ***Why is August different?*** Many of our summer missionaries come from colleges and universities that return to school in early August. They must leave the last weekend in July to get ready for the start of another school year. We are fortunate to have volunteer teams to come love our children each week until our new semester missionaries arrive on August 13.
- ***What do I need to send with my child each day?*** Each child needs a lunch and a snack. Please send your child with something to drink each day as well. Children should wear socks and tennis shoes each day. *Sandals and flip flops are not safe for our active program.* Some days may require a swimsuit and beach towel. See the summer calendar for the details of each day.
- ***Do I have to come every day?*** Our preschool summer program requires registration with set full days. Children 4 years, 9 months and up are welcome to drop-in any day for any or all segments of the day!
- ***Do I have to pay for the days I miss?*** Children in our preschool summer program will be billed for days enrolled, regardless of attendance. Children 4 years, 9 months and up are charged only for the days and sessions attended.
- ***What time do field trips start?*** Big A Club field trips usually leave at 10:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted.
- ***Do I need to bring a car seat?*** We have a limited number of car seats available to the first children to arrive the day of a field trip. We will let you know if we need your car seat for your child when you arrive.
- ***If I just need the 10-2 Big A Club, can I drop in at any time?*** Yes! Big A Club is a drop-in program. There is no need to call ahead. **Only Wild Island field trips require sign-ups.**
- ***How do I read the Big A calendar?*** Look at the top page of each calendar page. Find the appropriate age group for your child and the abbreviation for that child's age group. Then look for that age group on the calendar. **PLEASE NOTE: Big A Club classes are divided by the grade that your child just COMPLETED.**
- ***Why do I have to keep doing the same forms each year?*** There are several answers to this question.
  - The first answer is that A+ is licensed by the state of California. They require new forms each year. You put our license in jeopardy if you are tardy in completing your paperwork.
  - You would be amazed at how many e-mail addresses, phone numbers, doctors, and allergies change each year. Having current information helps us to find you in case of an emergency. This information also helps us to know how to care for your child's health issues.
  - We need permission from you each year to take your children on the field trips for the Big A Club.
  - Should there be an emergency situation and we cannot find you because you are in a dead cell zone, the hospital requires a current dated consent for treatment.