EUEC Summer Camp: Info Package

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Welcome to EUEC's Summer Camp 2025! We're thrilled to have your child join us for a week of fun, creativity, and community. This packet includes everything you need to know to prepare for camp and ensure your child has the best experience possible.

Camp Details at a Glance:

- **Dates:** August 25–29, 2025 (Monday to Friday)
- Time: 9:00 AM 2:00 PM daily (please arrive at least 5 minutes early)
- Location: Fellowship Hall, St. John's United Church (262 Randall St, Oakville, ON L6J 1P9)
 - Our team will greet you at the room entrance each morning for sign-in and each afternoon for pick-up.
 - Please note: there is very limited free parking available on site. We
 recommend arriving early or planning drop-off/pick-up accordingly.

1. What to Bring

Please make sure your camper has all of those items in their backpack everyday to ensure that they are ready and prepared for the whole week!

Daily Essentials:

- Sackpack to carry everything comfortably
- 🧸 "Best friend" / comfort item (optional)
- 📓 Notebook for camp activities and reflections
- Nencil case with pencils, pens, eraser, and stationery
- Comfy shoes safe for both indoor and outdoor activities
- * Sunscreen applied before camp, with extra packed for reapplication
- Lip balm (optional, especially for sunny/dry days)
- Water bottle refillable, labeled with child's name
- Wut-free lunch healthy and filling

- Mut-free snacks at least two for breaks
- Sweater/jacket in case of cool weather or AC
- 🜂 Umbrella/raincoat for rainy days
- Any personal medical needs such as EpiPen, inhaler, or allergy medication (must be labeled and given to staff if required)
- Pamp Kit Box (details below)

2. The "Camp Kit" Box

Each camper should bring a cardboard box (around 35cm x 35cm — about the size of a 12-bottle wine box). This will serve as their creative supply kit and personal locker during camp.

Fill the box with:

- Paint brushes (various sizes)
- Paper plates (for mixing paint/crafts)
- Nencils
- / Coloured pencils
- / Coloured markers
- / Washable paints (small tubes/bottles)
- **I** Fabric scraps (different textures, colours, patterns)
- 🧽 Tissue paper (coloured or plain)
- Paraboard/paper tubes (toilet paper/paper towel rolls)
- 🧵 Pipe cleaners
- // Glue sticks or liquid glue
- Elay or modeling material (air-dry/ultra-light clay)
- \child-safe scissors (if available; otherwise provided at camp)
- ** Optional decorations: buttons, beads, pom-poms, stickers, washi tape,
 ribbons, yarn, recyclables (egg cartons, bottle caps, shells, etc.)

Important Notes:

 The cardboard box must be around 35cm x 35cm and must not exceed this size.

- Clearly label the box with your child's name at the <u>bottom</u> of the box (we will be decorating it)
- The box will stay at camp all week and go home on the last day.
- Campers are encouraged to bring their own unique materials, but EUEC will also provide shared supplies.

3. Sign-In & Sign-Out Procedures

To ensure camper safety, we use a strict sign-in/out system.

Morning Sign-In:

- Arrive by 8:55 AM (camp starts at 9:00 sharp).
- Walk your child to the check-in table.
- Staff will record attendance before activities begin.

Afternoon Sign-Out:

- Pick-up is at 2:00 PM sharp.
- Parents/guardians must come inside to the check-out table.
- Only adults listed on registration forms may pick up campers.
- Bring photo ID if requested.
- Campers will only be released from the designated area.

Early Pick-Up / Late Drop-Off:

- Notify us at least 3 hours in advance via email/WeChat.
- For safety, no early release without notice.

Late Pick-Up Policy:

- Allowed up to 30 minutes maximum.
- Please notify us if delayed.
- Repeated late pick-ups may result in policy review.

4. Lunch & Snack Policy

Daily Meals:

- Pack a nut-free lunch every day.
- Send two nut-free snacks (morning & afternoon).
- Refillable water bottle required.
- Encourage healthy, independent options.
- No food sharing for allergy safety.

Friday Pizza Lunch 🍕

- On Friday, August 29, we plan to provide a special pizza lunch for campers (funded by donations).
- Campers must still bring snacks.
- Please notify us of dietary restrictions in advance.

5. Daily Updates

We believe in keeping parents connected and informed. You'll receive a daily evening email from our team with:

• Reminders & Checklist

- Exact items your camper should bring the next day
- Special clothing or supplies needed (e.g., "Wear comfy clothes for painting" or "Bring umbrella due to rain forecast")

Camp Highlights

- o A short written summary of the day's activities
- A few group photos (with only campers who has signed the photo form), so you can see what your child experienced

Learning & Projects Update

- o Notes on progress in art, STEM, and leadership projects
- Sneak peeks at what campers are building, creating, or rehearsing

• Notices & Announcements

- Important safety reminders
- Special events (e.g., pizza lunch, group presentations)

- Weather-related updates (e.g., outdoor vs indoor activity changes)
- ← These updates help you engage with your child about camp and ensure they are always prepared for the next day.

6. Donations

As a youth-led nonprofit powered entirely by volunteers, we've already committed over \$1,800 to create a safe, creative, and meaningful camp experience. We're asking each family to consider giving back through a suggested donation of \$100 or more, to help cover real costs and make this program possible for everyone.

Here's what we've already covered:

- 🏠 Venue rental (5 full days) \$570
- 🔰 Insurance & safety supplies \$200
- 🎨 Art, STEM, and activity materials \$600
- 🚳 Daily snacks & drinks \$150
- • Friday pizza lunch (goal) \$200+
- Printing, signage & admin extras \$100+

Your donation helps us:

- Cover real program costs (venue, supplies, snacks, insurance)
- * Support families who cannot afford to give
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- Donate to other community-focused charities
- Sustain high-quality programming for future summers

We kindly ask each family to contribute a recommended donation of \$100 per camper.

If we receive more than we spend, any remaining funds will be donated to RoundAbout — an organization that provides essential resources like clothing, education, and medical aid to refugee and under-resourced families. • RoundAbout is the same charity our founder Cindy supported when she did her first reading group back in China. Giving back is a core part of our mission,

and we're proud to continue that tradition.

Ways to Donate:

• Online: empoweredutheduconnect.org/donate

• At camp: QR code at check-in

Payment methods: PayPal, WeChat Pay, Apple Pay, e-transfer

Your support helps us keep this program free, meaningful, and community-driven!

Thank you for believing in what we do.

We deeply appreciate your support. Together, we can create something meaningful,

not just for your child, but for the entire community.

Thank you for being part of this with us.

Contact Us!

If you have any questions at all, please don't hesitate to reach out. We are here to help and want to make sure you and your child feel fully prepared for camp.

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During camp week, our staff will also be available in person at the check-in and check-out desk each day if you'd like to speak directly.

Thank you so much for your support and for preparing with us. We're truly excited to welcome your child to EUEC's Summer Camp 2025. Together, we'll create a safe, fun, and meaningful experience for every camper.

→ See you soon!