

Astro (half-day) Readiness Statements For Kindergarten and 1st Graders

We are excited that you are considering a drop-off summer camp program for your child! Please read through the following statements to see if your child is ready for a drop-off camp at Adler Planetarium. We recognize that all children grow and develop at their own pace; these are guidelines to help ensure a good experience for all campers in the program. If you have questions, please contact us: summercamp@adlerplanetarium.org.

The Astro half-day summer camp for K & 1st Grade is a content-based camp. Your child should have an interest in exploring earth and space science.

My child cognitively:

- understands the concept of time (increasingly) and the order of daily activities.
- speaks in complete sentences.
- follows two to three step commands. For example, “put on your jacket and then put on your shoes.”
- recognizes several sight words while out or while reading books, such as “stop” and [see, am, and I].

My child physically:

- can use the potty on his/her own and is able to dress/undress self to use the potty.*
- copies shapes and other objects with a pencil or crayon and is beginning to form letters.
- uses scissors.

My child socially and emotionally:

- separates easily from parent or caregiver.
- is able to transition to other activities.
- takes turns, shares, and cooperates with others.
- negotiates (increasingly) solutions to conflicts.

*** Acknowledgement of a Potty Trained Child**

I state that my child, who is entering the Astro Summer Camp Program at Adler Planetarium, is potty-trained, wears underwear during the day, and has mastered the following functions:

1. Ability to recognize the sensation associated with needing to use the restroom;
2. Ability to verbally express the need to use the restroom;
3. Ability to control the need until he/she is on the toilet.

I understand that the above functions must be mastered in order for my child to attend the Astro Summer Camp Program, and that Adler Planetarium reserves the right to ask that the student be removed from the program if the above functions have not been mastered.

I understand that Adler Planetarium reserves the right to deny reimbursement for children who enter the Astro Summer Camp Program and do not meet the criteria for the described above.