

NIHERST Vacation Camps

IN-PERSON Vacation Camps

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What are the camps about? What are the topics/themes for each camp?

Ultim8 STEM! One-Day-Fun-Day camps use hands-on activities to inspire and educate about phenomena in the natural and physical world. All activities are designed to stimulate campers' curiosity in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) and to build critical 21st century skills.

The following camp themes will be available during this camp cycle:

5 – 6 years	
Scary Species	Enter the world of weird, scary plants and animals and learn about their adaptations and features. Are you brave enough?
Dino Day	Calling all Dino-fans! Come have fun with your favorite dinosaurs and learn about DNA on the way!
Space Cadets	Welcome young cadets! Take off into space and explore the Milky Way on this journey through the stars.
Science vs. Magic	All magicians and scientists welcomed! Try to debunk our tricks and answer 'Is it magic or science?'
7 – 9 years	
Mad Science	Become a 'Mad Scientist' as you delve into the world of physics and identify STEM concepts all around you. See just how crazy science can be!
Fear Factor	Beware! Only brave ones enter here! Explore science behind the scary, the spooky, the gross and the icky and dare to take our Fear Factor Challenge!
AstroKidz	Join us on a journey through the galaxy and investigate telescopes and space technology along the way! It's an Astro-venture!
Feel the Beat	Uncover the exciting world of science hidden behind your favorite songs and make your own instruments! Don't stop the STEM Beat!
10 – 13 years	
Coding Zone	Come have fun with Strawbees and Quirkbot as you program your way through the Coding Zone! Can you crack the code?
Virtual World	Enter a whole new world as you explore virtual reality systems and their applications. It's a virtual world out there!
Space Academy	Welcome to Space Academy! Come explore our Solar System and investigate the pull of gravity.
Sea to Sea	Dive into our world's oceans and encounter all the amazing sea creatures and their methods of survival. It's gonna be a splash!

2. What are the camp times?

Camps run from **9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Your child can be dropped off as early as 8:30 a.m. and must be collected no later than 3:00 p.m.

Late fees will apply for any pickups after 3:00 p.m.

3. What are the camp venues?

Camps will be conducted at selected NALIS venues across the country. The schedule is as follows:

<u>Library Location</u>	<u>Dates</u>
Port of Spain	3 rd – 5 th August
Rio Claro	8 th – 10 th August
St. James	11 th and 12 th August
St. Helena	11 th and 12 th August
Couva	15 th – 17 th August
Tunapuna	18 th 19 th and 22 nd August
Sangre Grande	18 th 19 th and 22 nd August
Point Fortin	18 th 19 th and 22 nd August
Barataria	23 rd – 25 th August
Maloney	26 th August

4. How can I register?

The registration process is done entirely online.

You can register using the Registration Link [HERE \(click\)](#) or on our website and social media platforms ([Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) or [Twitter](#)). Once the registration formed is submitted, you will receive instructions for payment. ***Please note that your child's spot is not guaranteed until proof of payment is received.***

Once proof of payment is received, your registration is complete and you will receive a confirmation email.

5. Is there a registration fee?

The following fee structure is applicable to the ***In-person One-Day-Fun-Day*** camps.

All camp themes will be offered in the format of 1-day camps for each age grouping. Multiple themes can be booked as content varies for each camp.

Materials and supplies are included in the basic camp fee.

Price for each 1-day camp: \$100

6. How can I pay the registration fee?

Upon submission of your completed online registration form(s), you will receive an email with instructions on how to make payment. We will be accepting direct deposits ONLY (over the counter bank transactions, fast deposits, online banking transfers).

Please note it is required that you retain a proof of payment to submit to us via email as this is what will be used to confirm your spot in camp if space is available.

7. Can I register outside of the age range?

Registrations outside of the age ranges will not be permitted.

8. Can I register for more than one location?

Yes. You can register for camps at different locations once the themes are different. You will have to complete a new registration form for each new location.

9. Will the same content be taught at each camp or can I register for multiple sessions?

Each differently themed One-day-Fun-Day will cover different content. You can register for multiple different themes.

10. Can I register on the same day as the camp?

Registration on the same day of the camp will not be facilitated. Registration for each camp will be closed at noon two (2) business days before each camp's date, or earlier as necessary if the camp becomes full.

Please note that the registration process is only complete after proof of payment has been received.

11. Is my spot confirmed once I submit my registration form?

No. Submission of the registration form creates a "Pending Registration" status for your child/children. Your spot is only confirmed upon verification of proof of payment.

Because spaces are limited, we will contact you once you submit your registration form with instructions on how to pay. Once your payment is confirmed, your registration status will be updated to "Confirmed".

12. Are lunch and snacks provided?

Lunch and snacks are not provided.

13. What should my child/children walk with to camp?

Campers can walk with lunch as well as sufficient snacks and water as necessary. Campers should bring a jacket as the camp venues are air-conditioned.

14. Will there be any field trips?

No field trips have been scheduled for this camp cycle. Campers and facilitators will remain at each location for the entire day.

15. Are parents allowed to attend field trips?

There are no field trips.

16. Are parents allowed to remain on the camp site?

No. Parents are kindly asked to leave campers in the care of the camp facilitators once dropped off at the camp venue.

17. How many campers do you take in for each camp?

The number of campers depends on the venue and the specific camp.

18. What is the ratio of facilitators to campers?

1 counsellor : 5 campers.

19. Are background checks conducted on facilitators?

Facilitators for these camps are experienced, trained NIHERST staff. Any additional facilitators are interviewed and based on their performance are hired accordingly.

20. Can I get the facilitators' contact information?

No. Contact information for each NALIS location is publicly available.

21. Can I get a refund?

Please refer to the Refund Policy for Cancellations outlined on the [Registration Form](#).

