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Children's Trust Scholarships Available for SF's College for Kids

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May 21, 2021 – Santa Fe College's [College for Kids \(CFK\)](#) is partnering with the [Children's Trust of Alachua County](#) to offer a limited number of full and partial scholarships for the summer programs. The Children's Trust of Alachua County, a special district created by Alachua County voters in 2018, funds and supports a coordinated system of community services that allows all youth and their families to thrive. This year, CFK, which has been awarded funding from the Trust, will hold a series of three one-week sessions beginning Monday, July 12. The camp is open to children between the ages of 10-14, and registration is currently underway.

In order to qualify for the scholarships, you must be a resident of Alachua County. Full scholarships are available for children from families at or below 200% of the 2020 federal poverty level, children with Individualized Educational Plan (IEP), and/or children from families receiving SNAP benefits. Partial scholarships are available for children from families between 200-400% of the federal poverty level.

To request a scholarship application, email comm-ed@sfcollege.edu or call 352-395-5193. Completed applications received by June 11, will receive the highest priority.

Additional information is available at sfcollege.edu/cfk/scholarship.html.



Children's Trust of Alachua County has partnered with CFK to offer scholarships to CFK students in need.

Free Cuscowilla Day Camp Registration Now Open

May 19, 2021



Press release from Alachua County

Cuscowilla (formerly Camp McConnell, 210 S.E. 134th Avenue, Micanopy) has begun registering children from second to eighth grade for summer day camps. The summer day camps are Monday through Friday, starting on June 21, 2021. Thanks to a grant from the Children's Trust of Alachua County and fundraising efforts from the Friends of Cuscowilla, the 2021 summer camp season will be free of charge.

Camper drop-off is from 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m., and pick-up is from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

"Day Camp is the perfect opportunity to get comfortable at camp," says Cuscowilla Manager Lexi Green. "From archery to canoeing, interactive education to silly songs, we strive to create a memorable experience that allows your young person to develop relationships, experience achievement, and create a sense of belonging. Each week is different from the last, so come for a week or stay for the entire summer."

[Register for one or more of the Cuscowilla Day Camps online.](#)

Cuscowilla is a summer camp where youth in elementary and middle school experience an atmosphere of caring and acceptance at every turn, learning to play, laugh, and grow together.

Cuscowilla is also a 211-acre retreat where groups are invited to connect, refresh, renew, and grow all year long. Guests at Cuscowilla can enjoy comfortable climate-controlled lodging, easy access to the interstate, historic Micanopy, and Gainesville, and an atmosphere of bringing Alachua County's mission "where nature and culture meet" to life. It is a resource for residents to utilize to enhance and strengthen their local community, to nurture and learn about Florida's natural ecosystems, and to provide the community with opportunities to connect, learn, and grow year-round.



Over 2,000 free and reduced-priced summer program seats approved for Alachua County kids



By [Amber Pellicone](#)

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GAINESVILLE, Fla. (WCJB) - The Board of the Children's Trust of Alachua County approved funding of over 2,000 free or reduced-price seats for Alachua County summer programs.

[Over 20 programs](#) in Gainesville, Waldo, High Springs, Newberry, and Alachua are included. They range from nonprofits and cultural organizations to arts and sports camps.

The children's trust has been collecting funds since October of 2019 to fund various programs, but the Executive Director says devoting 1.1 million dollars to a summer initiative is a first.

“These provide opportunities for kids to feel safe and supported, to interact with caring adults, and to really get them ready to re-engage the world in a normal way come next fall,” said murphy.

Parent income levels determine whether the program will be partially subsidized or completely free.

Each agency is designated a certain number of slots and applicants are expected to contact each one individually. See below for participating programs and phone numbers:

- ACES IN MOTION 352-514-9975
- BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF NORTHEAST FLORIDA 352-377-8003 & 352-373-6639
- CADE MUSEUM FOR CREATIVITY & INVENTION 352-371-8001 X1110
- CITY OF ALACHUA 386-462-1610
- CITY OF NEWBERRY 352-472-5663 X149
- CITY OF WALDO 352-258-6921
- CULTURAL ARTS COALITION 352-219-5793
- CUSCOWILLA-ALACHUA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS 352-213-4796
- DAYSPRINGS MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH OF GAINESVILLE, FL 352-380-0075
- DEEPER PURPOSE COMMUNITY CHURCH, INC. 352-474-9040
- GAINESVILLE CIRCUS CENTER 352-214-2017
- GAINESVILLE SPORTS CAMP 352-275-2698
- GIRLS PLACE 352-373-4475
- GOOD NEWS ARTS 706-254-6750 & 352-359-6032
- GREATER BETHEL AME CHURCH 352-222-3554
- GREATER DUVAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION 352-519-2743
- I AM STEM 352-372-1004
- JUST FOR US EDUCATION 352-448-6087
- KIDS COUNT 352-244-9723
- NORTH CENTRAL FLORIDA YMCA 352-374-9622
- SANTA FE COLLEGE 352-430-8292
- STAR CENTER CHILDREN’S THEATRE 352-378-3311
- TRAVELING ART CAMP FOR KIDS 858-692-7303

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