

LINDEN HALL

Summer



Aviation Camp

Summer 2026
Parent Guide

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WELCOME TO SUMMER AT LINDEN HALL 2026: AVIATION CAMP

Ready to clear the runway for an unforgettable experience? Linden Hall, in partnership with the experts at Aero-Tech Services, is thrilled to host a three-day intensive Aviation Camp this July 20–22. Designed specifically for rising 9th through 11th graders, this immersive program serves as a comprehensive introduction to the world of flight, and no prior aviation experience is required to join the crew. From 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM daily, students will split their time between two dynamic environments: hands-on instruction at the Lititz Airport and interactive, foundational experiences held right on the Linden Hall campus. Students will transition from the theoretical world of aerodynamics to the practical thrill of a cockpit simulator, gaining exclusive insight into flight mechanics, navigation, and the diverse career paths within the aerospace industry. Whether you're a future pilot or a STEM enthusiast, this collaboration offers a unique "birds-eye view" into aviation right in our own backyard.

LOCATION

Our picturesque 49-acre campus is situated in the heart of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, in the quaint town of Lititz. Listed as one of the nation's Top 10 Distinctive Destinations by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and named the Coolest Small Town in America for 2012–2014, Lititz offers an eclectic mix of specialty shops, cafes, and restaurants. It is also home to Wilbur Chocolate and Sturgis Pretzels, America's first commercial pretzel bakery. Linden Hall is ideally located between the cultural centers of Baltimore, New York City, Philadelphia, and Washington, DC, as well as the smaller city of Lancaster.

HISTORY OF LINDEN HALL

Founded in 1746, Linden Hall is the oldest continuously run girls' boarding and day school in the United States. Throughout our 276-year history, the principles of the Moravian Church – especially that a girl should develop a love of knowledge in order to reach her fullest potential – have provided the foundation of a Linden Hall education. This has evolved our school into a leading college preparatory institution for girls in grades 6–12. Ours is a diverse and inclusive community that graduates independent thinkers and globally aware citizens.



CONTACT INFORMATION

MAIN OFFICE
(717) 626-8512

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Please note that office numbers can only be reached during office hours, which may be shortened during the summer. For any after-hours needs, please call the Honeycutt cell phone. A camp residential staff member will direct messages to the appropriate party. Email is the best method to reach the Summer Programs Director.



AVIATION CAMP

DAY CAMP: July 20–22

TIME: 8:00 am–4:00 pm

PRICE: \$600

GRADES: Entering 9–11

Ever find yourself looking at the clouds and wishing you could get your feet off the ground? Ready to clear the runway for an unforgettable experience? Aviation Camp introduces students to the exciting world of flight through hands-on activities and real-world experiences. Campers will explore the basics of aerodynamics and aircraft systems while designing and launching their own gliders. They will have the opportunity to step into a professional flight simulator. Students will also dive into the world of rocketry, building and launching rockets while developing skills in design thinking, teamwork, engineering basics, and launch safety. Additionally, the program includes a tour of the Mid-Atlantic Aviation Museum and an introduction to aviation careers and the pathway to earning a Private Pilot License. Campers will practice essential pilot skills such as reading aeronautical charts, understanding weather briefings, and learning basic radio communication. Join us for an unforgettable aviation adventure and discover what it takes to take flight!

Aviation Camp Schedule

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Day 1: Build

- Aero-Tech Presentations (Aviation Systems & Career Progression)
- Wind Tunnel Lab
- Glider Engineering Build Workshop
- Aircraft Structural Engineering Lab
- Crash Scene Investigation

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Day 2: Test

- Aviation Museum Tour & Scavenger Hunt
- Glider Engineering Flight Workshop, Data Collection, & Design Iteration
- Crash Scene Investigation, Part 2 -Flight Data Recorder analysis

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Day 3: Experience

- Flight Simulator Experience
- Aviation Weather & Navigation Lab
- Air Traffic Control Communication Lab
- Crash Scene Investigation, Part 3 -Final Verdict

AVIATION CAMP DETAILS

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE

Campers should arrive between 7:45 AM-8:00 AM each day and be picked up between 4:00 PM to 4:15 PM. The drop off location is at the Evita M. Allen Center for Academic Excellence. Students who have their driver's license may drive to the camp and park by the Anne Sweigart Brossman Sports and Fitness Center and walk down the drive to the academic building. There are two entrances to the Academic Building, one on Main Street and one off of the Fountain Courtyard near the parking lot. For security reasons, the doors remain locked at all times, but staff will greet families during arrival and dismissal.

Parents or guardians must accompany campers to the main lobby each day to sign the campers in and out unless permission has been given on the pick-up authorization form for campers to travel by themselves. Camp staff reserve the right to request ID and will check pick up authorizations at dismissal.

EXPECTATIONS

Campers are expected to follow all camp rules and policies. For their own well-being, campers should follow the directions of any leader overseeing an activity, including camp staff, other school employees, and outside instructors. In the unlikely event that a camper chooses disruptive or harmful behavior, they may be required to sit out of an activity or be sent home.



WHAT TO WEAR

Because this is an active, hands-on aviation camp, students should dress for both outdoor activity and technical learning environments. Participants will spend time moving between classrooms, outdoor launch areas, museums, and airfields, so clothing should be comfortable, practical, and weather-appropriate. Closed-toe athletic shoes are required for safety around equipment and on the airfield. Students should wear lightweight, breathable clothing that allows for movement during building, launching, and simulator activities. A hat and sunglasses are recommended for time spent outdoors, and layers such as a light jacket or sweatshirt are helpful for cooler mornings or air-conditioned indoor spaces. Avoid loose accessories or clothing that could interfere with equipment during hands-on activities.

WHAT TO BRING

- Reusable water bottle
- Backpack or small day bag
- Notebook or journal for observations and flight notes
- Pens or pencils
- Sunscreen, hat, and sunglasses
- Light jacket or sweatshirt
- Hair ties for long hair
- Optional: small camera or phone for photos

Students should label personal items and bring only what they need for the day to keep their focus on learning, building, and flying.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Weapons of any kind, including pocketknives, cutlery, or guns
- Expensive jewelry or other valuables that may be lost or broken

TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Campers are not permitted to use cell phones, tablets, or laptops during camp activities unless approved by the camp staff for specific circumstances, such as adaptive technology or for a camp activity. Campers wishing to take photos with their phones should ask permission prior and only use them for that purpose or in case of emergency. Campers are not to be on social media, playing games, or using technology in any way that is a distraction from camp activities. Camp staff reserve the right to ask campers to turn in their devices during the camp day to be kept in a secure location.

MEDICATIONS AND ILLNESS

Campers are not permitted to carry medication, including over-the-counter medications, at any time. The only exceptions are epi-pens, inhalers, or other emergency medications. Medications are collected and secured. As needed, they are distributed by camp staff. It is extremely important that parents clearly fill out the medical forms required for camp and turn these in by June 1 in order to create a distribution schedule for staff. Any required medication, including regularly administered OTC medications (e.g., allergy medications), should be included on the form. All medications should be labeled with the camper's name and dosage instructions.

Any campers showing signs of illness during the camp day will be sent home. If campers show signs of illness at home, please do not send them to camp.

REGISTRATION, PAYMENTS, AND REFUNDS

REGISTRATION

Registration can be found online at www.lindenhall.org/summer. Registration must be completed online. Fill out all fields to the best of your ability. The registration deadline is June 15, 2026.

Additional required forms can also be found on the website and include medical, permission, pick-up authorization, and release forms. All forms are due by June 15, 2026.

PAYMENT

Full payments are made at the time of registration. The camp pricing reflects all fees, including credit card processing fees. Final payment is due June 1, 2026, along with all permission and medical forms. For questions regarding payment, please contact Meredith Renfro, Camp Director, at summercamp@lindenhall.org.

REFUNDS

Camp cancellations made prior to June 15, 2026, will be refunded less a \$50 deposit. Cancellations made after June 15, 2026, are non-refundable.

AERO-TECH SERVICES

Aero-Tech Services (ATS) is the flight school at the Lancaster Airport. In fact, after going through the flight school while a student at Linden Hall, an alumna is now one of the instructors for ATS. Staff from ATS will be doing a presentation for campers on Monday at Linden Hall, and on Wednesday students will visit ATS to experience their flight simulator and complete other activities on the ground while at the airport.

Aero-Tech offers many other services such as Discovery Flights so curious adventurers can determine if flying is the right fit. They also offer pilot training and testing, and they have a partner degree program with Eastern Mennonite University. For more information, please visit <https://aerotechservices.com/flight-school/>. Parents should contact Aero-Tech for a direct contract for these services.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

BUILDINGS

Some aviation camp activities will take place outdoors at the airport and aviation museum, while others will be held indoors in classroom and simulation spaces. Weather conditions may influence the schedule and location of certain activities; however, most components of the program are designed to adapt for indoor use in the event of rain or extreme heat. While some indoor areas may not be fully air-conditioned, fans and ventilation are used to provide air circulation. Students should dress comfortably and be prepared for both indoor learning and outdoor aviation experiences throughout the day.

SNACKS

All campers should bring a snack to have on hand for snack breaks. Pre-packaged snacks labeled with allergens are best. Back-up snacks will be available, but only if a camper forgets to bring one from home. Hydration at camp is important, and all campers should carry a water bottle. Water fountains are available in the gym to refill water bottles.

LUNCH

Lunch is provided each of the three days of camp. Aviation campers will join other Summer at Linden Hall campers in the dining hall during the designated lunch time. On the day campers visit Lancaster Airport, boxed lunches will be provided. Campers will be provided several options from which to choose, including vegetarian and vegan options. Please note any food allergies on the medical form due by June 1. The dining staff do their best to label all food on the lunch line with known allergens and will provide a separate meal option for only those with dietary requirements as needed.

CAMP T-SHIRTS

One camp t-shirt is provided for each camper based on the size indicated on the registration form. Additional shirts may be purchased for \$10 each. Campers do not need to wear the camp shirt each day, but it is encouraged that they wear it at least once per week, especially for photos. A designated day to wear the t-shirts may be provided by camp staff.

PHOTOS

Camper families will have access to photos taken during camp through SmugMug. Further directions for how to find the photos will be provided closer to camp.

It is assumed that Summer at Linden Hall has permission to use camper photos for both internal and promotional purposes unless a parent says otherwise on the Permission Form prior to camp. If a camper opts out of photos, they will not be permitted to be in any photo and will be asked to step to the side when photos are taken. When photos are used for promotion, names of campers are never included.

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