



2010 Cool To Care Camp

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The Adoption Facility

Location:

All camps are held at the BAAC facility and NHES national office, located in Charles Town, WV. [Please click here for directions.](#)

Tours & Visitations:

We welcome the public to tour the BAAC facility as both potential adopters and supporters of our center!

Please Note: The significant increase of human activity and change to normal shelter routine during the camp weeks can cause stress to the BAAC animals. We seek to reduce the impact of this stress by limiting camp related tours (campers *and* their families) to the last day of each camp.

On the Friday of each camp week, we will be happy to provide tours to small groups of camper families after the graduation ceremony!

If your family would like to meet the animals as a potential adopter, the BAAC adoption staff will be glad to walk you through the facility during normal business hours.

Drop-Off & Pick-Up

Parents and guardians must drop-off and pick-up children according to the camp session schedule; the BAAC and NHES do not offer before- and after-camp child care.

Schedule Considerations:

Drop-off your child no later than 5 minutes prior to the start of the daily camp session.

Pick-up your child no later than 5 minutes after close of the daily camp session.

Call ahead if drop-off or pick-up will be more than 10 minutes early or late.

Interested in a BAAC tour while you're at the center? [Please see the blue box on the left.](#)

Camper Safety:

Designated parents/guardians must initial a sign-in/out sheet each day during drop-off and pick-up.

Call ahead if someone different than the designated person will be picking up the child.

Appropriate Dress

Most daily camp sessions will include at least one outdoor activity. Sunscreen and cool-aid drinks will be available to campers during these times. To help ensure their comfort and safety,

Please Have Your Child:

- Dress appropriately for the daily weather and bring a light jacket/sweatshirt (the building air condition can get chilly for some kids).
- Wear close-toed shoes only; no open-toed shoes.
- Wear clothing that is permitted to be soiled with paints and other art materials (we'll try to be neat!).



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Snacks & Drinks

Light foods such as crackers and juice are provided each day.

Campers are welcome to bring their own snacks from home, especially those with specific dietary needs.

Kind Choices:

The Cool To Care Camp education program includes an age-appropriate, non-judgmental introduction to humane food choices. Select vegetarian foods, such as tofu chicken nuggets or "rice cream" dessert treats may be offered to campers to enjoy at their discretion (in addition to the daily light snacks).

Graduation

On the Friday of each camp week, we will hold a 15 minute graduation ceremony for the campers during which they receive a graduation certificate, animal activity packets, and other fun items..

You're Invited!

The NHES and BAAC welcome your attendance during this ceremony and invite you to bring along family members, friends, and neighbors.

Small groups are welcomed to tour our adoption center afterward!

Welcoming Atmosphere

Our mission at NHES is to foster a sentiment of kindness to animals in children and adults. While our focus is animals, we feel kindness to people is important too.

The camps are conducted with a positive, welcoming atmosphere in which campers are safe to share their experiences, ideas and values.

Campers are expected to follow basic rules to ensure their physical and emotional well-being and safety, as well as that of facility staff and animals. This includes treating each other with politeness and respect at all times.

Inappropriate or disrespectful behaviors will be addressed immediately and shared with parents as necessary.

About Us

The [National Humane Education Society \(NHES\)](#) and its program service, [The Briggs Animal Adoption Center \(BAAC\)](#) are nonprofit animal welfare organizations located in Charles Town, WV.

Through our education department, NHES and its Humane Educators (animal welfare teachers) work to "foster a sentiment of kindness to animals in children and adults" with hands-on learning and live animal interaction. Our Humane Educators work both locally and nationally to this endeavor through the year-round school programs, the annual summer camps and other programs.