

CDF Freedom Schools Program® at the Samuel DeWitt Proctor Institute for Child Advocacy Ministry

Pre-registered children and youth ages 5-15 will participate in the abbreviated CDF Freedom Schools® program at Proctor. The program runs continuously throughout Proctor, beginning Tuesday morning and ending Friday morning.

Note: Proctor Institute does not offer childcare for children under the age of 5.

LOCATION, DAYS, AND HOURS

Monday

A required “Family Orientation” for all registered *CDF Freedom Schools* participants (aka “scholars”) and their parents/caregivers will be held on Monday from 4:15 p.m.–5:15 p.m. in the Haley Lodge. During orientation, parents/caregivers will hear about the Proctor *CDF Freedom Schools* program and can ask questions. Scholars will meet their Ella Baker Trainers (EBTs), who will lead their time together during the week. We will complete on-site check-in, reviewing the completed online registration to ensure all information is correct. Scholars’ name tags can be located in the packets their parents/caregivers received during registration.

Tuesday–Thursday

The Proctor Institute *CDF Freedom Schools* program begins at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, and Chapel concludes at 4:30 p.m. Parents/caregivers must sign in at the Chapel each morning and sign out in the Main Tent each afternoon.

The design of this schedule enables parents/caregivers to participate fully in the morning plenaries and afternoon workshops. Scholars will meet in the Haley Lodge in the morning from 8:45 a.m.–12:30 p.m., and join their parents or other caregivers for lunch. After lunch, the *CDF Freedom Schools* program will resume at 1:30 p.m. with a variety of field trips and other activities. Scholars are invited and encouraged to accompany their parents or caregivers to the late afternoon options and evening worship.

Friday

On Friday, scholars should sign in at the Chapel at 8:30 a.m. At 10 a.m., children and youth will return to the Chapel and sit together during the closing service of celebration, communion, and commitment. Scholars in the Proctor Institute *CDF Freedom Schools* program will prepare a presentation that will be included in the final closing program on Friday, which ends at 12:00 p.m.

What to Pack and What to Expect

The *CDF Freedom Schools* program includes outdoor activities and play. Please be sure your child has the proper sunscreen, hat, and clothing for the weather. The children may have the opportunity to play in the sprinkler or enjoy other water fun, so please send them with a bathing suit and towel or an extra set of clothes each day.

Proctor Institute’s *CDF Freedom Schools* program is led by servant leaders known as Ella Baker Trainers (EBTs). EBTs are an extension to the national staff and aid in the successful implementation of the *CDF Freedom Schools* program. EBTs help to facilitate training, especially on the Integrated Reading Curriculum, for Executive and Project Directors, Site Coordinators, and college-aged Servant Leader Interns. Your children will be in caring and capable hands for these rich and fun-filled days.

Cost

The cost to register a child for the Proctor Institute *CDF Freedom Schools* program is \$150. This covers the full cost of participation in the program, including all meals—beginning with dinner on Monday and ending with lunch on Friday—and all program materials.

Contact Us

For questions about the *CDF Freedom Schools* program at Proctor Institute, contact Dr. Kristal Moore-Clemons, National Director of the *CDF Freedom Schools* Program, at kmooreclemons@childrensdefense.org.