



CAMP CARMEL CREEK

SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA



FAMILY HANDBOOK

OUR CAMP PHILOSOPHY

We are on a mission to fill childhood summers with joy, curiosity, adventure and community.

Camp Carmel Creek is a unique specialty camp with a classic camp feel, which is to say that our campers can expect to have all the experiences they love in a day camp, while getting to choose the activities they are most passionate about doing each day.

We also know summer camp isn't just for kids. Parents are always in-mind as we create our summer camp experiences. We provide flexible scheduling, a state-of-the-art safe facility and top-tier staff and camp leadership. San Diego parents have many camp choices and put hours of thought into planning summer activities. We want to make that choice a little easier - you won't even need to pack a lunch!

OUR VALUES



WHAT MY CAMPERS NEED EACH DAY

Camp provides lunch and snacks every day



For everything your child needs throughout the day, it's a good idea to send them with a backpack so they have all their stuff together.

Campers should bring a refillable water bottle with them each day, this helps us be keepers of the earth. Campers are encouraged to hydrate all day long and are given plenty of opportunities to refill their bottles.



We ask you to apply sunscreen prior to sending your child to camp each day. Our staff are trained to reapply throughout the day. If there's a specific type of sunscreen you'd like your child to use, you can bring it with them.

Campers are encouraged to wear hats while at camp as additional sun protection



Sneakers are a must at camp! Campers are running all day long and injuries occur without the proper footwear.

LABEL EVERYTHING YOU SEND TO CAMP

HOW TO CONTACT US

Main Camp Phone Number - 858-704-3804

Camp Director - Adam Benmoise

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Attendance

Keeping attendance is important to insuring camper safety. We ask that if you know your child is going to be absent, that you please email us to let us know so that we can note it and keep records appropriately.

If you plan to drop off your camper later than the typical start time or you plan to pick them up earlier than normal, please also let us know by calling the camp office so we can make sure to be prepared.

Authorized Pick-Ups

We understand that from time to time there may be other people picking up your child from camp. To insure safety and security, please be sure to let us know of additional authorized pick up people so that security is aware and allows them access to campus.

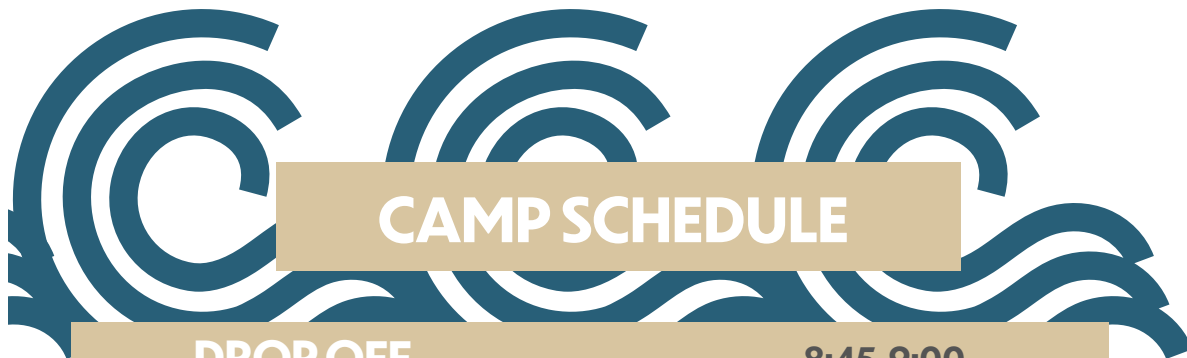


A TYPICAL DAY AT CAMP

DROP OFF - 8:45 - 9 am (please do not arrive before 8:45)

ADDRESS - 11860 Shaw Ridge Road (North Entrance to Campus)

Each day, campers are placed in the adventure tracks of their choice in order to participate in the activities they are passionate about. Their entire morning is spent in one track for the week, and their afternoon is spent in a different track for the week. In the end campers get to do what they want and build the summer of their dreams.



DROP OFF 8:45-9:00

KICK OFF - BOKER TOV 9:00-9:25

START YOUR ADVENTURE 9:30-9:50

ADVENTURE TRACK #1 10:00-10:45

ADVENTURE TRACK #1 10:55-11:40

LUNCH BREAK 11:45-12:30

ADVENTURE TRACK #2 12:40-1:25

ADVENTURE TRACK #2 1:35-2:20

CLOSING CIRCLE 2:30-2:50

CHUGIM/CLUBS 3:00-4:15

PICK UP 4:30

ADVENTURE TRACKS



The Arts adventure track gives campers the opportunity to express themselves in countless ways through our performing a visual arts programming. We encourage experimentation and improvisation. We build self confidence and teach campers to just go for it!

Campers hone their skills and develop their physical capabilities in our Athletics Track. Regardless of your skill level, this track will provide you with the fundamentals to grow and achieve your best. Our approach is less about competition and more about teamwork and community. We teach confidence, camaraderie and healthy lifestyles through the vehicle of sports.



Our campers are planet protectors and we stress the Jewish value of "Tikkun Olam" (Hebrew for repairing the world). Through our experiential nature programming campers are led on new adventures every day. Whether spending time in the garden, cooking the food we harvest, or getting active outdoors through adventure sports..



The Sci-tech adventure track is the perfect mix of cutting edge technology workshops and outdoor summer fun. The program is taught through hands-on workshops by professional instructors with your child's curiosity and innovation in mind. Campers will be able to create and build in entirely new spaces and at entirely new levels. Whether they're designing a robot, building a website or learning to code.



General Health and Safety

The health and safety of our campers is always paramount, which is why our staff go through an extensive training program in all areas of supporting campers in order to be ready for anything that comes their way during the summer. Many are also trained in CPR and First Aid, and in addition, camp will always have one nurse on-site each day to help in the event of any injuries or to administer any medication as needed or regularly to campers. If your child needs an epipen, we will ask that you send two, one that stays with the nurses, and one that stays with them at all times.

Behavior & Discipline

Every camper should feel that camp is a safe space, and our staff work hard to ensure that campers feel physically and emotionally safe. Fighting, foul language, bullying, and other inappropriate behaviors are NEVER tolerated at camp. We always hope to resolve conflicts and negative behavior at camp, we also look to camp parents as our partners in dealing with any disciplinary issues. If a behavior issue is persistent, we will contact the parents to help manage the issue. Depending on the seriousness of the situation, a conference with the camper/parents, a day's suspension from camp, or expulsion may be necessary. Please understand that we take the safety of our campers and staff very seriously, and have to make decisions based on maintaining this safety. The full behavior policy can be viewed and signed in your camper forms on the parent dashboard.

Security at Camp

Every entry to our campgrounds is staffed by highly trained and skilled security guards. The camp team meets with security prior to the start of camp to review all the routines and procedures. During the day, there is a roving guard who monitors all areas of the facility. All parents will receive a parking pass in order to have access to the facility, and all visitors are vetted prior to entry on campus. Camp also has a good relationship with the local authorities who routinely check in on us.

Photos & Communication

During the camp day we take plenty of photos and videos of all the action. Some photos will appear in our weekly newsletters, some will end up on our social media platforms and many others will be posted to the parent dashboard which is password protected.

In Addition to photos, newsletters will go out every week so make sure you're checked into your email to get all the news and events coming up each week.