Summer Camp- FAQs

1. What do I need to bring?

Each day of camp you should bring a packed lunch (or money to buy lunch on the days in which that is an option- see #7), water, cell phone (if you have one), sunscreen, an umbrella in case of rain and a book to read for longer bus rides.

If you are attending the week we are going to Hershey Park, you should also bring a swimsuit and a towel. Extra money is optional if you want to buy a souvenir or a snack on our trips.

2. Is there before or after care options?

Unfortunately, there is not. The camp day will run during the times scheduled- there is no early drop off or extended day options. There is also a charge for late pick up as outlined in the registration packet (\$5 for every 15 minutes).

3. If I drop out, can I get a refund?

Unfortunately, there are no refunds if you need to drop out. We need to pay the bus companies and the locations in which we will be traveling; and therefore, since reservations will be made, refunds cannot be provided. The only exception would be if the trip is sold out and the spot can be filled by another paying participant from the wait list.

4. How do I get on the waiting list?

Because of limited bus capacity, each week can only have a maximum of 44 participants. Anyone registered beyond the 44th participant will be placed on the waiting list in the order in which they registered.

5. How can I get in touch with directors or my camper during the day?

Each camper is encouraged to bring a cell phone if they have one, in case they need to be reached by a parent or guardian. Additionally, you may contact the Chester County Night School at 610-692-4468 during office hours (9 am to 1 pm). Prior to camp, you will also be provided the cell phone number of the Camp Counselors for direct contact.

6. Are snacks provided?

No, but you are more than welcome to bring your own!

7. Is lunch provided?

No. Most days you will need to bring your own lunch; however, when we are in some locations you may have the ability to buy a lunch- consult the camp calendar to see which days this may be an option. Note: <u>no</u> <u>refrigeration is available for packed lunches</u>; please pack foods that do not require cooling.

Note: You will not need to bring a lunch on the Dave and Buster's day as lunch is included in the cost that day.

8. What are sign out procedures?

In order to increase safety for your child, each camper will need to be signed out by a parent or authorized adult. You will need to show a **picture ID in order to pick up a camper.** We will be checking IDs every day. Please make sure to fill out the registration packet with the names of those authorized to pick up your child. If a person not on our list or someone without an ID tries to pick up your camper, we will call you for authorization.

9. What if I need to pick-up my child during the day?

Unfortunately, because of the nature of the camp and the travel that we will be doing, early pick up will not be an option.

10. How will my child be identified as a camper?

Each camper will receive a camp shirt that will make them easily identifiable as a member of our camp. Make sure you fill out your camper's shirt size in the registration packet. We request that your child wear the t-shirt on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. This will help us identify the camp group when we are off-site.

11. What are camp hours?

Camp will run from 8-4 most days, but due to the nature of the camp, some days will need to be extended because we will be traveling further away. The longer days will be as follows:

July 7th- 8 am to 8 pm July 9th- 8 am to 6 pm July 14th- 8 am to 6 pm July 21st- 8 am to 6 pm July 23rd- 8 am to 6 pm July 29th- 8 am to 5 pm July 30th- 8 am to 5 pm

12. Can I bring a backpack?

Absolutely- in fact, it's encouraged that you do! Be aware, however, that we may need to go through security bag checks in some of the locations that we visit (ex.- Naval Academy in Annapolis).

13. What if my child takes medications?

If your child takes medications, make sure to note this on your registration packet so that we are aware. If your child can take the medication on their own, you are more than welcome to provide it with them to administer on their own.

14. What are the age limits for this camp?

This camp is for kids ages 9 to 14. Additionally, a camper must be at least entering 4th grade, or at most exiting 8th grade in order to participate.

15. Are children grouped by age?

There will be many opportunities for all campers to be together, but for a lot of activities we will need to separate into our "Amazing Race" teams to complete tasks and challenges. These teams will not be grouped by age, but instead will be mixed-age groups.

16. What if it rains?

Camp will run each day rain or shine!

17. Are scholarships offered?

No, not at this time. We tried to price the weekly camps so that they are affordable for our camper families.

18. What is the counselor to camper ratio? No greater than 1 counselor for every 9 campers.

19. Can parent chaperones attend the field trips?

As much as we love parent involvement, the field trips are limited to the campers and the counselors.

20. What type of transportation is provided for the field trips?

School and Activity Buses.