

Discovery Day Camp

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Dear Discovery Day Camp Families,

Summer is almost here!

The Discovery Parent Handbook can be found online (starting April 15) at [http://www.campdiscovery.com/ PA-2-parent_handbook.html](http://www.campdiscovery.com/PA-2-parent_handbook.html). Please refer to it throughout the spring and summer with questions that you have about camp.

Enclosed you will find a number of important papers. These forms are also available on the camp website: http://www.campdiscovery.com/_PA-2-forms.html. **All forms are due by May 15, 2009.** The earlier you return this information to us, the more time our staff has to learn about your camper.

HEALTH HISTORY FORM

Discovery Day Camp is required to have a health history form for all campers. For 2009, forms are to be completed and signed by a parent and doctor. If you have a recent printout from your doctor including current vaccination information and results from a physical it can be attached to the medical form in lieu of the doctor's portion. Families who are sending an Epi-Pen to camp need to call or email for an Allergy Action Plan form.

CAMPER INFORMATION FORM AND PICTURE

We would appreciate you bringing us up to date about your child's life and providing current information. Please email a picture to karen@campdiscovery.com.

Families are asked to name four measurable goals for each child this summer. Campers will have more fun and feel extra successful if they achieve personal goals. This will also help your child's group leader know what it is you value at camp.

You will notice that the Information Form includes questions requiring personal information. The more information that you give us, the better prepared we will be to serve your child's individual needs. All parents want to see their child have a good start at camp. We know how valuable information can be in assisting us to help your child make a smooth and happy adjustment to camp. No information is too trivial. A change in family structure, a parent working/not working, or the knowledge that your child takes a medication can make a difference in their camp experience.

The Camper Information Form is used for group placement; we cannot honor grouping requests received after May 15.

BUS/CARPOOL/EXTENDED DAY FORMS

You should find the appropriate form in your packet. This gives camp details on who has permission to meet/pick up your child and helps us plan accordingly.

CATERED LUNCH INFORMATION

Catered Productions will provide the catered lunches. The menu for this year's catered lunch is included. Feel free to call and ask questions about our lunches. To enroll, send in the bottom of the form (unless you signed up on your registration form).

SWIM CAMP

Discovery is offering a week of camp before the start of first session. This program, which meets the week of June 15-19, has some openings. Please call for more information or return the enclosed form (if you haven't already signed up).

SENIOR CAMP FORMS

Campers entering third grade and up are considered Senior Campers. If your child is a Senior Camper, please find the important forms clipped together. Please sign and return all permission slips so your child can participate in all senior camp activities.

CLOTHING

Discovery Day Camp will be offering an online clothing store, please see enclosed information. Note that the store will close on May 22. (<https://identitycustom.com/store.php?storecode=discovery>). As in the past, we will still be giving each camper 2 Discovery Day Camp shirts. The site offers fun additional clothing.

SWIM SHIRTS

As a camp, we try to be cautious in regards to the sun. We know that many families want their children to wear swim shirts (with UV protection for sun protection). Swim shirts can be found at a variety of stores. If your child would like a "Discovery" swim shirt, you can order one online from GRUVY wear. The brochure is enclosed. (<http://discovery.gruvywear.com>)

MARKING EQUIPMENT

Enclosures about camp stamps are included. Please remember that all of your camper's belongings should be properly labeled! We have found that *Stuck on You* labels stayed on difficult to label items such as goggles, water bottles, & sunscreen. Names written with permanent markers tend to fade or smear on these items. While pricey, *Stuck on You* might help your child keep track of his/her belongings. (<https://www.stuckonyou.biz/usa/index.asp>)

Thanks for taking the time to complete this information.

Warmly,
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