

FAMILY HANDBOOK

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO WELCOME YOUR CAMPER TO ECDC THIS SUMMER! OUR FAMILY HANDBOOK IS DESIGNED TO HELP YOU AND YOUR CAMPER PREPARE FOR THEIR SESSION!

LET'S GET STARTED!



EMERALD COVE DAY CAMP

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PARENT CHECKLIST

Forms are due one month prior to the start of your camper's session. To access your camper's forms, [log in to your parent account](#) and you will find all of the required forms on the homepage under Forms and Documents.

REQUIRED FORMS

- Camper Photo
- Health History
- ECDC Friend Request
- ECDC Camper Code of Conduct
- ECDC Personality Profile
- ECDC Water Activities
- [Shea Center Form Waiver](#) (1st - 4th grade)
- Camper Covid-19 Agreement

HELPFUL HINTS

- Review what to wear & pack for camp each day.
- Hand medications and Epi-pens (in original containers) to our Office Manager upon Check-in.
- The outcome of a good night's sleep is a healthy and happy camper. Please make sure your camper has plenty of sleep each night during the session.
- Make sure your camper is hydrated in the morning. Pack a reusable water bottle to rehydrate throughout the day.
- Please have your camper arrive with sunscreen already applied. Pack sunscreen for your camper, our staff will help reapply.

DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

LOCATION

Del Obispo Elementary School
25591 Camino Del Avion
San Juan Capistrano, CA 92675



DROP-OFF

Camper drop-off is between 8:45am - 9:00am, and campers must be signed in upon arrival. In order to ensure safety and relieve congestion in the parking lot, please follow staff and designated signage. Please do not linger past their campers' entrance into camp.

PICK-UP / SIGN-OUT

Occurs at 2:45pm, please be prompt. Campers will be with their counselor and Pod Group awaiting the sign out process. Campers must be signed out by a parent/guardian or by the person you placed on your ***Camper Release Form***.

If your camper requires special drop-off/pick-up arrangements or must miss a day of camp, please email or call the camp office one day prior to notify us. There is no tuition reimbursement for days missed.



STAYING IN TOUCH

SUMMER OFFICE

Days Open: Mon - Fri

Hours: 8:00am - 3:30pm

Lunch: 12:30pm - 1:00pm

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OUR OFFICE MANAGER WILL BE AVAILABLE DURING THE DAY, ANSWERING CALLS AND EMAILS.

ANY CALLS OR EMAILS THAT COME IN AFTER-HOURS WILL BE RETURNED THE FOLLOWING CAMP MORNING.

CAMP PHOTOS

A great way to get a glimpse into the world of camp! We will be posting photos from camp periodically. To access the photos, log in to your parent account.

LOST AND FOUND

Parents, we ask that campers leave valuable items at home. ECDC will not be held responsible for the loss or damage of personal articles. Any items found around camp will be available at the Lost and Found Table near check-in each day. These items will be held until the end of your session. If not claimed, all items will be donated. Please reach out to our office if your camper has a lost item.

WHAT TO BRING



Camp is a place to play hard and likely get wet and dirty! So, we ask that you send your camper in clothes that can get a little dirty. The happiest of campers come dressed in comfortable play clothes with a swimsuit underneath and closed-toe shoes on. Dressed like this, they will be ready for any adventure! Hats are also helpful on hot days. Please mark all belongings with your camper's name.

Pack in a backpack each day:

- Lunch
- Refillable Water Bottle
- Towel
- Swimsuit
- Sunscreen (Apply before the camper arrives at camp)
- Flip-Flops (For Beach Day and Splash Day only)
- ECDC Rash Guard (Required for Beach Day)

LUNCH

Campers bring their own snacks and lunches to camp each day. Please label clearly with the camper's name. There is no refrigeration or heating equipment available for camper use. Sharing of food is discouraged due to allergies. Please remember to pack a reusable water bottle.

WHAT NOT TO BRING

We are a no-tech day camp. Please no cell phones, smartwatches, iPads/Tablets, electronic games, or other tech items at camp. Other toys, stuffed animals, collections, and trading cards are strongly discouraged. We have all the fun and more at camp!

OFF-SITE ADVENTURES

We provide off-site outings 2-3 times per week. Transportation is provided by chartered school buses. You will receive an **Event Schedule Handout** on the first day of camp that will provide you with the dates your camper's pod group is scheduled for any off-site outings. Booster seats are not required for transportation on chartered school buses.

HORSEMANSHIP PROGRAM

We have the opportunity to partner with the Shea Equestrian Center, just down the road in San Juan Capistrano. On the days your camper is scheduled for horsemanship, please arrive early at 8:30am and send them to camp wearing long pants and closed-toe shoes. We recommend that campers pack shorts to change into for the remaining afternoon activities.

BEACH DAY

Each Thursday we will be heading to Del Mar Beach at Camp Pendleton for sandcastle building and splashing around in the ocean. All of our programs are safe for non-swimmers, including this outing! Please send your camper with a towel, sunscreen on, and in their swimsuit with their ECDC rash guard on top. These will be handed out during the first week of camp. **Camp will provide beach toys and boogie boards.**

TIDE POOL HIKE

Campers will get the opportunity to go for an exploration hike at the Dana Point tidepools led by trained staff members. On the day your camper is scheduled for tidepools, please send them in closed-toe shoes and clothes they can get slightly wet in.

SPECIAL EVENTS



SPLASH DAY

On the first Friday of your session, campers will be participating in water activities throughout the day at camp. From blow-up slides to Kona Ice, it is a day full of water fun. If your child is riding horses in the morning, please send them to camp in pants, with trunks or suit to change into.

CLOSING PROGRAM

On the second Friday of the session, parents, join us at camp for our closing program at 12:15pm. Campers will have their lunches before the program. Plan for campers to leave camp by 100 p.m.

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