



Parent Handbook

Summer 2015

Welcome Campers and Parents!

Hello and welcome to an exciting summer at Dunham's Summer Central! We are thrilled you are here to enjoy this sunny summer with us! We strive to provide a quality summer camp that includes learning, playing, exercising, and fun, fun, fun! We will be experiencing field trips, water slides, arts and crafts, educational activities, sports, and much more!

Please read the following information and let us know if we can answer any questions for you. We look forward to communicating with you throughout the summer through Tiger Tales, our weekly electronic newsletter and through our blog www.summercentral.blogspot.com. We are so glad you have chosen our program and welcome you to an exciting fun-filled summer!

Sincerely,

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Carpool Times/Hours of Operation:

- Carpool will take place in front of the Lower School. Morning carpool takes place from 7:30-8:00 and afternoon carpool takes place from 3:00-3:30 p.m.
- Camp hours are from 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and Extended Camp hours are from 3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Extended Day campers will be picked up in the front office of the Dunham Lower School.
- Please note students picked up after 6:00 p.m. will be charged \$1.00 per minute until they are picked up.

Summer Central Fees:

- Registration Fee: \$40.00 and is non-refundable
This fee includes a camp T-shirt
- Regular Day Camp (7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.) is \$155 per week
- Extended Day Camp (7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.) is \$185 per week
- Half-Day Camp (7:30 a.m. -12:30 p.m. OR 12:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.) is \$90 per week
- Optional Fees:
Lunch and afternoon snack daily provided by Sage Dining is \$40 per week
OR students may bring a lunch, drink, and snack from home.
Extra Camp T-shirts also available at \$15.00 per shirt

Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Tiger Tales Newsletter and Our Summer Central Blog:

Our weekly newsletter is called “Tiger Tales.” It will include our theme, special events and field trips, and other important information. Please be sure to ask your camper about it! If you have questions about the week’s activities, please contact us. Please visit www.summercentral.blogspot.com to see photo updates and information about all the fun activities we are doing at camp.

Things to Bring Each Day:

- a snack, drink, and lunch (unless the camper is signed up for Sage Dining services)
- a bathing suit and towel—**please wear these under clothes every morning**
- a change of clothes to change into after the waterslide/water play
- the best way to send these items is in a bag or backpack
- please put sunscreen on your child each morning as we will be spending a

- lot of time outdoors
- o summer reading books or books to read for pleasure (please make sure your child's name is written in them)

Things NOT to Bring:

- o Campers should NOT bring iPods, cellular phones, iPads, computers, or other gaming devices
- o Please refrain from bringing toys, cards, etc. as there will be plenty of fun things to do at camp each day
- o Summer Central is not responsible for lost or stolen items so please keep all valuables at home

Sick Children/Administering Medicine:

Any child that becomes ill while at camp will stay with a staff member until an authorized to release person picks up the child. If your child is sick or has a fever prior to arriving at camp, please do not send them to camp.

If your child needs medicine administered to them, please see Laura or Leigh to fill out the appropriate paperwork.

Code of Conduct/Parent Conferences:

Sumer Central strives to provide a positive environment for all children. The general practice at camp is to encourage and reward positive behavior and re-direct misbehavior. In the event a behavior problem occurs, parents will be notified. Although we will make every attempt to work with children, while teaching and modeling proper behavior, we will suspend or terminate children from the camp as a last option in order to allow all children to enjoy a positive camp environment.

Our Camp Rules are:

1. Take care of yourself
2. Take care of others
3. Take care of our things.

In the event of a behavior problem, below is the order of steps that will be taken:

1. Child will be warned
2. Child will be given an age-appropriate time out
3. Child will be brought to the director for a conference
4. A phone call will go to a parent
5. A parent will be required to pick up the child

Please note that for continually repeated offenses, we reserve the right to suspend or dismiss the child from the program with no refund.

Any physical, emotional, or mental harm/threats to ones self or another person may result in immediate dismissal from the camp with no refund.

Paperwork:

Camper's enrollment forms must be completed fully before camp begins. Please see Laura if you need help or have questions. We must also have a copy of your child's immunization records. Any pertinent information regarding your child should be given to counselors throughout the summer (i.e. additional carpool pick up information).

Field trips:

Field trips are included in camp fees and are during camp hours. Students in grades 2-6 will go off campus for field trips. These students will ride a bus to and from the locations. Students in grades Pre-K -1 will stay on campus and have vendors come to visit. More information will come home about field trips through Tiger Tales, our weekly newsletter and can be found on our blog at www.summercentral.blogspot.com.

Students in grades 2-6 will go swimming every Friday, where there will be a supervised lifeguard on staff. Again, please send a towel, bathing suit, and change of clothes as well as apply sunscreen daily to your camper before arrival.

Let's have a great summer! ☺

Weekly Themes:

Session 1 May 26-29	Water, Water Everywhere
Session 2 June 1-5	Around the World in Five Days
Session 3 June 8-12	Reptiles and Amphibians
Session 4 June 15-19	Story Tellers
Session 5 June 22-26	Superheroes

Session 6 June 29-July 2 (closed July 3rd)	Party in the USA
Session 7 July 6-10	Spy Kids
Session 8 July 13-17	Animal Planet
Session 9 July 20-24	Last Blast