



Destination Recreation Summer Camp

Frequently Asked Questions

What happened to Vacation Zone?

- While making the programmatic changes to this summer's camp, we decided it was a great time to rebrand our camp. Our new name embodies our commitment to offering a dynamic and engaging recreational experience for our campers. Our new camp is your one-stop-shop for all of your child's recreational needs!

Who are your staff and what training do they receive?

- Our staff members are a diverse group, consisting of responsible adults, highly capable young adults, as well as competent and reliable high school students.
- We staff our camp with a 10:1 camper/staff ratio
- We are pleased to report that a great deal of last summer's staff will be joining us again this summer!
- All of our staff must complete thorough training to ensure they are well-prepared to create a safe, engaging, and enriching environment for our campers.
 - All staff are CPR and 1st Aid certified
 - Our training covers various aspects such as safety protocols, activity planning, communication skills, and child development principles, and more.
 - We take great care in equipping our staff with the necessary tools and knowledge to deliver a positive and memorable camp experience for all participants.
 - In addition to pre-summer training, during the 4th of July week that we are closed there will be further staff development and an opportunity for us to evaluate programming and staffing.

What if I need longer hours?

- Regular camp hours are from 9a-4p.
- Extended Camp Hours run from 9a- 5:30p.
- Please Note: This Extended Camp Hours option is an additional \$60/week per camper and needs to be purchased at the time of registration.
- If the minimum is not met, Extended Camp hours will be canceled and those who registered will be notified and issued a refund.

Why was Theodore Judah Elementary School chosen to hold camp this summer?

- We have found that conducting camp on a school campus provides us with all of the amenities we need in one safe space.
- Theodore Judah is centrally located here in town and offers spacious outdoor areas, multiple indoor facility options for us to use that are designed for children, and our safety will be enhanced by being the only user group on campus.

Why aren't you going on field trips?

- Due to new insurance regulations, School District Transportation Departments are no longer allowed to provide transportation with their school buses to outside users. Motor coaches and Charter buses would raise the weekly cost of camp so significantly that we decided to bring the fun to camp with special guests and tasty treats, instead.
- Summer CAVE Teen Camp will be utilizing both public transportation and Chartered buses for their field trips. They have less campers as well as a higher staff to camper ratio that allows for this option.

What kinds of things will you guys be bringing into camp to replace field trips?

- Please see the Summer Guide pages that list all of the fun things we will be doing each week. Some examples of visitors and tasty treats are: Handles Ice Cream, Chick-fil-A, Pizza Guys, Mini Donut Shack, FairyTale Town, Family Slime Company, Amazing Animal Adventures, and much more!

What if I don't want my child walking to the Aquatic Center/What if my child doesn't want to swim?

- Each week parents can choose to have their child stay at camp rather than walk to the Aquatic Center. There will be a way to inform us each week with a form we will email the Friday before the next week begins.
- If campers are showing that they are having difficulty making the walk to the Aquatic Center or are not adhering to safety standards, they will no longer be permitted to make the walk and will need to stay at camp during pool hours.

How can I get more info about program specifics including the Discipline Policy and Parent Handbook?

- Our Parent Handbook, Discipline Policy, and Camper Code of Conduct is available under the tab below. Additionally, it is available in ePACT.

When does registration begin?

- Registration begins at 9:00a on Wednesday, April 17th
- The Summer Rec Guide with the entire catalog of summer program offerings will be available for all members of the public to view beginning Wednesday, April 10th.