Eco Camp 2015

Frequently Asked Questions

GENERAL CAMP

1. Where do I register for summer camp?
   a. Please go to http://www.unf.edu/recreation/camps/Eco_Summer_Camp_Main.aspx
   b. Once you have gone to the website, click on the Register Online button.

2. When does registration begin?
   a. Registration began on March 2nd.
   b. If you are military or a UNF student, you must register in-person to receive the discounted rate.

3. Why am I not getting the correct price when I go to pay online?
   a. Make sure your child’s customer type matches your customer type in order to get the appropriate pricing. *If you are a UNF student or military you must register in-person to receive the discounted rate.

4. Why am I being charged an extra fee at checkout?
   a. This fee is a one-time convenience fee that ActiveNet charges. This is only a one-time fee and will NOT be deducted from your payment plan each week.

5. Can I drop off my child off late or pick up my child early?
   a. Yes. You can drop your child off late but please make prior arrangements with Jake, the camp Director, so he can get your camper to their group. His cell will be given out during the parent orientation, and at pick-up/ drop off on request.
   b. We allow early pick up too by calling the same number. Please try and arrange for this the day before, or the morning you drop off so we can plan for it.

6. What if I have to cancel a week of summer camp?
   a. If you signed up for a week and have to cancel, there is a $25 cancellation fee. If you have to change a week, there is no charge.

7. How many counselors are in each group?
   a. Each group has at least 3 camp counselors. Depending on the number of campers in each group the number counselors may change. A safe and appropriate ratio of counselor to campers is always maintained. We have additional counselors that float from group to group to assist as needed.
8. **How many campers are in each group?**
   a. Otters (6&7 year olds) 25 campers
   b. Bobcats (8-10 year olds) 30 campers
   c. Bears (11-14 year olds) 30 campers
      i. In previous years, these groups do fill up. To maintain a quality of camp, we will not be able to overenroll any group.
      ii. It’s recommended that parents who want their campers to attend with their friends coordinate early and sign up together.

9. **If I prefer that my 2 children are in the same group is this possible?**
   a. If both of your children are in the same age group they will be together. All age groups will have time together in the mornings, lunch and before pick up in the afternoon.
   b. Requests for campers to be together that are not in the same group are considered on a case by case basis. Please contact Jake FitzRoy, the camp Director, at jake.fitzroy@unf.edu. It is recommended to inquire before your register your campers.

10. **Where can I go to receive another summer camp T-shirt?**
    a. T-shirts can be purchased for $10. One shirt per camper is included with the price of camp. Additional shirts are available for purchase.

11. **What activities will they do each week?**
    a. There are some activities campers will get to do each week- though we sometimes vary how they are done to keep the variety up for campers who come multiple weeks:
       i. Zip lining
       ii. Rock Wall climbing (Friday’s)
       iii. Fishing
       iv. Archery
       v. Canoeing/ Kayaking/ Stand up paddle boarding
       vi. Two pool days
    b. There is environmental education every week, but those activities will vary depending on the age group and week. Examples include hiking, pond life exploration, shelter building, and activities derived from sources like Project Wild workbooks.
    c. On-campus tours depend on the age group, but most weeks this will include a visit to the organic garden. The Bear age group will often tour inside places like the biology building.
d. The Bear group (ages 11-14) will do a high and low ropes program every week as well- typically Tuesdays (http://www.unf.edu/recreation/occ/). If a camper is uncomfortable doing the high ropes program, we have alternative activities they can do that day.

e. Field trips are different week to week- they are listed on the website and in the brochure.

12. Will there still be pool time this year?
   a. Yes, we will be going to the pool twice a week for each age group. There are pools that are part of the housing on campus we will be using.

13. What do campers do during inclement weather?
   a. They usually are moved to indoor games and activities in the Environmental Education Pavilion. If there is no sign of lighting or severe weather, we will try and stay active outside.

14. What happens when I cannot register my child for a week and they are placed on a waitlist?
   a. The week before the waitlisted week, availability is checked to see if any cancellations have been made. If cancellations have been made, the parents/guardians are contacted to find out if they are still interested in enrolling their children in camp.

15. What do the children do between 7:30-9 am and 4-6 pm?
   a. They play games, do arts & crafts and/or watch movies.

16. What about food for the day?
   a. We provide a snack in the afternoon.
   b. We ask parents to pack a lunch for their campers each day, there is no meal plan offered this year for Eco Camp.
   c. Hydration is very important too- we give all campers a water bottle the first day. It’s important for campers to clean it and bring it with them each day to camp.