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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to the City of Chandler's Signature Camps! We have worked very hard to create educational, enjoyable, and memorable programs while your kids are out of school. To ensure the success of these programs and the safety of our campers, we ask that all parents and campers read through the information provided in this guide.

Though each week of camp and the trips are unique unto themselves, our overriding policies and guidelines are not. In this parent guide you will find a list of policies and guidelines that we ask all parents, campers, and staff to follow. Please take a few moments to read it over and then sign the Policy Acknowledgement and Emergency Forms provided in this guide.

If you have any questions please contact me directly or my assistant, Sarah Phillips.

Thank you for your cooperation and we look forward to another fun session of camp!

Sincerely,

#### **Marissa Barreras**

Chandler Building Blocks Coordinator 480-782-2912 marissa.barreras@chandleraz.gov

## **Sarah Phillips**

Recreation Leader III 480-782-4339 sarah.phillips@chandleraz.gov





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# **POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**



#### **REFUNDS**

- If the Recreation Division cancels a session, a full refund or transfer will be issued.
- Program fees paid by credit card, check, or cash will be refunded within two to four full business weeks after approval by the Program Coordinator.
- Refunds will be made only to the original payee or credit card holder.
- Participants are enrolled in the program on a weekly basis.
- 100% refunds will only be granted if requested 48 hours, or more, in advance of program start. This policy is enforced so that we can plan supplies and activities properly.

## **ABSENCES**

Refunds are not available for vacations, special events, short-term illnesses of four days or less, or other personal commitments that prevent attendance.

# **EXTENDED ILLNESSES**

A refund may be available for an extended illness of five or more consecutive program days: and a doctor's note and written note from the parent or guardian explaining the situation must be received within eight working days from the first day of absence. Upon review, participants may receive a prorated refund for the unused days.

#### INCLUSION AND PARTICIPATION

The Department welcomes the participation of children and adults, including those with disabilities. A reasonable accommodation should be requested two (2) weeks in advance. Contact Collette Prather at 480-782-2709 via voice or AZ Relay at 711. Staff is not able to provide services of a personal nature, such as assistance in eating, toileting, or dressing. Participants are welcome to bring a caregiver or aide, if they need assistance with these activities.

# **CODE OF CONDUCT AND SAFETY**

The City of Chandler Community Services Department strives to maintain an atmosphere of camaraderie, courtesy, and respect. To ensure the safety and enjoyment of everyone in our recreational facilities, classes, programs, and activities, participants are expected to conduct themselves in an appropriate manner, at all times.

Appropriate behavior includes the ability and willingness to follow instructions and to interact positively with other individuals. Staff will discuss behaviors of concern with a participant and his/her family, when necessary.

Unsafe or unacceptable behavior will not be tolerated from anyone visiting a facility or participating in any City of Chandler class, program, or activity. Any person acting inappropriately may be subject to Progressive Discipline Action Steps, which may include revocation of the privilege of using department facilities or participating in departmental activities, classes, or programs for a period of time (including a permanent ban), as determined by staff, based on the circumstances of a specific incident.

Please inquire at the front desk to view the Code of Conduct and Safety in its entirety.

## **SAFETY CONCERNS**

- Parents/Guardians are responsible for the welfare of their child(ren) prior to and after the program in which the child is enrolled.
- Participants should not be dropped off before the program start time nor should the parent/guardian leave the participant past the end of the program hours.

# **COMMUNICATION WITH PARENTS**

- The program staff is committed to communicating with parents about their child's positive and/or negative behaviors. There may be a form attached to your sign-out sheet at the end of the day.
- If at anytime you do not understand the comments on the form, please talk with the Program Coordinator or program staff about the incident.

## PROGRAM DRESS CODE

- Participants should wear comfortable clothing such as a t-shirt and jeans. We play active games and explore the outdoors. Your child will get dirty, wet, painted, and/or messy. Do not send them in their best clothes.
- Athletic or soft soled shoes (NON-MARKING with CLOSED TOED, LACED, BUCKLED, OR VELCRO CLOSED) are required for all program activities. NO sandals, flip flops, or Crocs.
- To reduce the amount of lost and found, please have your child(ren)'s clothing marked with their name on it.

# **RESTROOM**

Participants must be able to use restrooms independently. Staff is not permitted to assist a child in the bathroom. After three accidents, the participants will be removed from the program.



# **BEHAVIOR POLICY**

- Our purpose is to provide recreation for youth of various ages. Since we're here to have fun, we take problems seriously.
- We log all behavior incidents, and if incidents are serious and/or frequent, we will talk to the parent/guardian, either on the phone or in person.
- After each incident that warrants parent/guardian contact, we will consider it a "strike." After a first strike, a Behavior Contract will be established and/or reviewed. After three strikes, participants will be asked to leave the program for the session and will not be given a refund. At the discretion of the program coordinator, campers who are asked to leave the program may not be permitted to enroll in future sessions.
- Incident Report of Child Abuse-Arizona State Law/Code Section 13-3620, 8-201 states mandatory reporting required by a physician, resident, dentist, chiropractor, medical examiner, nurse, psychologist, social worker, school personnel, peace officer, parent, counselor, clergy/ priest. The Recreation Division will notify the Chandler Police Department Victim Services Unit at 480-782-4535 of all issues relating to the Arizona State Law of Child Abuse.
- This policy is set in place in order to ensure safety and to prevent behavior problems for all participants and staff members. If you have any questions, please speak to camp staff.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHING**

- Photographs and videotaping of youth participating in the program is discouraged by parents/guardians, and/or visitors due to the confidentiality of the child(ren) present.
- Photographs and video footage taken of your child(ren) as a result of participation in activities of the program may be used in promotional materials. Please inform program staff before your child attends, if you do not want your child's photo or video to be taken.

# **MEDICATION ADMINISTRATION**

- Recreation staff and representatives are not trained or permitted to provide medication administration services to program participants.
- If you require assistance with medication administration during participation in one of our programs, you will need to make arrangements to have a caregiver provide such services for you.
- Participants' self-administration of medications will be permitted only in accordance with an approved, in advance, Request for Reasonable Accommodation.
- Medications covered by this policy include, but are not limited to, all prescription and over-the-counter drugs, inhalers, and epinephrine auto-injectors (e.g., EpiPens).
- Any questions regarding the administration of medications should be directed to your site's Program Coordinator.

#### HEALTH

- Each participant is required to wear a face covering to camp until further notice.
- If your child is experiencing a fever, cough, muscle aches, runny nose, or sore throat please keep him/her home until they have no symptoms. If a child comes to camp with any of these symptoms, a parent will be contacted and required to pick up the child immediately.

# **LOST AND FOUND**

Lost and found is located at the Guest Services Counter. Two weeks after the program ends, unclaimed lost and found items will be given to charity. The program is not responsible for any items lost during the program.

#### **NO TOYS OR ELECTRONICS PERMITTED IN CAMP!**

Toys, electronic games, and cell phones are distracting to the program. If they need a cell phone, it should remain in a backpack and no one should know they have it. Staff will confiscate items for parent pick-up ONLY!

#### PARTICIPANT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

- Our signature camps are a drop-in program. Children may come and go under their own volition.
- Please refer to your camp site's detail pages for specific drop-off and pick-up times.
- A participant may be dropped off or picked up any time between their scheduled program times, depending on the session for which they are registered for.
- After three incidents of early drop-offs or late pick-ups, your child will be removed from the program with no refund.

## **DROP-OFF**

- Parents are to walk their children in and out of the building during drop-off and pick-up.
- Staff will have a table with sign in/out forms inside of the camp facility. Please sign each child in and out properly.

#### LATE DROP-OFF/EARLY PICK-UP

- Please notify the Program Coordinator when you will be dropping off your camper after the start time or picking up prior to the established pick-up hours.
- Although we try to have someone in the office at all times, occasionally we are away from the sign-in area.
- For late drop-offs you will be asked to remain with your child until the group returns or arrangements can be made to meet up with the group. For early pick-ups there may be a delay

## **ALTERNATE PICK-UPS**

- If someone will be picking up your participant who is not a parent or legal guardian, we ask that you list that person as an "alternate pick-up" on the Emergency contact form.
- All employees reserve the right to ask for identification and refuse a pick-up to unauthorized individuals.

#### LUNCH/SNACK

- Please make sure your child(ren) eat a well-balanced meal.
   The program does not provide breakfast, lunch, or snack.
- Participants must provide their own non-perishable lunch and snack. Please refer to each site's daily schedule for lunch and snack times.
- Refrigeration and microwave use is NOT available for individual lunches.
- Please notify staff of any food allergies your child(ren) may
- Parent/Guardians are welcome to have lunch with their child(ren).

# **EMERGENCY CONTACT**

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Summer	Fall	Winter	Spring

l,	, the parent/legal gu	ardian of the participant(s) listed below:
<u>Child's Name</u>	<u>Prog</u>	ram child will be participating in
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give permission for emergency medical service to be that the City of Chandler does not carry accident ins harmless the City of Chandler from all losses or inju permission for any photo/video taken of my child/pa	surance for these progra ries sustained during m	ims. I agree to indemnify and hold y child's/youth's participation. I also give
Parent/Guardian Signature:		Date:
Parent/Guardian email address:		
In case of emergency, please contact: (Please prin	nt)	
PARENT/GUARDIAN CONTACT	SECONDARY C	
Name:		
Cell Number:	Cell Number: _	
Home Number:	Home Number:	
Relationship: Relationship:		
In case of emergency, please list child's address:		
The City of Chandler intends to cor To request a reasonable accommodation, please con		
List any physical or learning disabilities/condition	ns:	
List any allergies to food or medications known:		
Doctor's Name:	Phone Nun	nher:
Staff cannot administer any medicatio		
is not responsible or liable	e for any medication yo	ur child requires.
Alternate Pick-ups: (Please list the names and cont If someone other then myself will be picking my chil be required to show photo ID before my child will be Name	d up from class I will no	ple permitted to pick-up your child.)  tify staff in writing and that person will  Phone Number
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# **POLICY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

**PARENTS:** Please read the attached information regarding our program policies. When you have read them, please sign this acknowledgement sheet.

l,	, the parent/legal guardian of the participant(s)
listed below:	
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policy, Drop-off/Pick-up policy, and	It Guide, <b>Inclusion and Participation, Code of Conduct and Safety, Behavior d the Refund policy.</b> My child(ren) and I will adhere to these policies/guidelines for to the fact that my child is of the appropriate age to attend the camp I am registered
Parent/Guardian Signature:	Date:





# **ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER** (EEC)

# SITE SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL DETAILS

# **NATURE CAMPS**

Nature Camps are designed and offered as one-week (M-F), all-day sessions to showcase a particular nature theme. Some traditional learning takes place but the majority of camp is comprised of hands-on activities such as games, crafts, hikes, and experiments.

Nature camp is designed to give participants a safe place to discover, imagine, and grow during the weeks that the Chandler School District is not in session.

# **DAILY SCHEDULE**

CAMP DAILY SCHEDULE (Ages 5-12 yrs)		
7-8:30 a.m.	Drop-off and Free Play	
8:30–9 a.m.	Daily Introduction	
9–10:30 a.m.	Morning Session One	
10:30–10:45 a.m.	Snack Break	
10:45 a.m.–noon	Morning Session Two	
Noon-1 p.m.	Lunch and Movie	
1–3 p.m.	Afternoon Session One	
3–3:15 p.m.	Snack Break	
3:15-4:30 p.m.	Afternoon Session Two	
4:30-6 p.m.	Pick-up and Free Play	

# ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES

	NATURE <b>CAMP</b>
Doors Open	7 a.m.
Activities Start	8:30 a.m.
Activities End	4:30 p.m.
Latest Pick-Up	6 p.m.



# TUMBLEWEED RECREATION CENTER (TRC)

# SITE SPECIFIC ADDITIONAL DETAILS

# **DAILY SCHEDULE**

YOUTH PROGRAM (AGES 5-12)		
7–7:55 a.m.	Free Play	
8-8:25 a.m.	Large Group Activity	
8:30-9:20 a.m.	Morning Breakout Session One	
9:25–10:15 a.m.	Morning Breakout Session Two	
10:20–10:35 a.m.	Snack Break	
10:40–11:30 a.m.	Morning Breakout Session Three	
11:35–11:55 a.m.	Large Group Activity	
Noon-12:55 p.m.	Lunch/Free Play	
1–1:25 p.m.	Large Group Activity	
1:30-2:20 p.m.	Afternoon Breakout Session One	
2:25-3:15 p.m.	Afternoon Breakout Session Two	
3:20-3:35 p.m.	Snack Break	
3:40-4:30 p.m.	Afternoon Breakout Session Three	
4:35-4:55 p.m.	Large Group Activity	
5–6 p.m.	Free Play	

# **FACILITY MEMBERSHIP/PASSES**

- Enrollment in the program does not entitle the parent(s) or child(ren) use of the Tumbleweed Recreation Center facility for any purposes other than the program.
- Participants and/or parent(s) may purchase daily passes as needed at the Guest Services Counter for youth ages 8 and older. Participants under the age of 8 may not remain in the building without adult supervision.
- To become a pass holder at the TRC, please call Guest Services Counter at 480-782-2900.

# PARTICIPANT DROP-OFF & PICK-UP

- Youth Program will meet in the Cotton Room South
- Tween Program will meet in the Classroom D.

# ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE TIMES

YOUTH CAMP	FULL DAY
Doors Open	7 a.m.
Activities Start	8 a.m.
Activities End	4:55 p.m.
Latest Pick-Up	6 p.m.