

Parent Information :

# Sixth Grade Camp

**Dear Parents and Chaperones,**

We are so grateful for the opportunity to have your campers here with us this Fall. Indian Hills Camp was founded in 1960 by Bertha Watts and Ruth Folsom with the mission of reaching and teaching children for Jesus Christ through a traditional camp experience, and that remains our vision today. Our heart for Sixth Grade Camp is to teach your campers the wonders of science found in nature, and how it all points back to the Creator of it all. Our prayer for your camper is that they see and experience Jesus in a new and deeper way and that their relationship with Him will be forever changed.

In today's technology and media engrossed world, children need a chance to take a break from the distractions and overstimulation of screens. Sixth Grade Camp is a great way to focus their attention on the world around them and to engage their minds as they consider, perhaps for the first time, the wonder of creation and the One who created it all. Our classes are designed to view God through the lens of science and nature. They are structured to broaden your camper's view and awareness, teaching them to see Jesus in the big and small details from the vast expanse of the universe to the important role the tiniest ant plays in the ecosystem of camp.

Our staff are committed to teaching children for the purpose of Jesus. We are all Christians devoted to spreading the Gospel and raising up the next generation of believers. Many of our staff serve here as missionaries, raising support for the opportunity to impact campers just like your child. They will lead with biblical principles and godly character and will invest in your child beyond teaching them science. We hope your child sees great examples of living for Christ which they will carry home with them.

When your camper is not in classes, they will be playing games, riding the BMX track, zip lining, swimming, practicing archery, perusing the camp store, or whatever else they can dream up during their free time. In the evenings they will play exciting night games, sit around the campfire, or gaze up at the stars during astronomy night. We have many fun activities for your camper planned so they can bond with their teachers and classmates and be more open to the lessons they will be learning about God.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child for a few days. We are so excited to get to know them and see them grow here mentally and spiritually.

**Kindest Regards,**

*IHC Program Team*

**Indian Hills Camp**

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## Sample Camp Schedule

### Tuesday

11:00	Arrival
11:15	Orientation
11:45	Class 1/Counselor Meeting*
12:30	Lunch
1:15	Class 2*
2:15	Class 3*
3:15	Free Time**
5:10	Flag Lowering
5:30	Dinner
6:15	Playground Time
7:00	Campfire
8:00	Night Game
9:10	Evening Devotion
9:45	Lights Out

### Wednesday

7:00	Wake Up
7:45	Morning Devotion
8:10	Flag Raising
8:30	Breakfast
9:15	Barn Meeting
11:00	Class 4*
12:30	Lunch
1:00	Class 5*
2:45	Class 6*
3:30	Free Time**
5:10	Flag Lowering
5:30	Dinner
6:30	Astronomy Night
9:10	Evening Devotion
9:45	Lights Out

### Thursday

7:00	Wake Up
7:45	Morning Devotion
8:10	Flag Raising
8:30	Breakfast
9:15	Barn Meeting
10:30	Get ready for hike
11:15	Hike Class 1*
12:15	Hike Class 2*
1:15	Hike Class 3*
2:45	Free Time**
5:10	Flag Raising
5:30	Dinner
6:15	Playground Time
7:00	Campfire
8:00	Night Game
9:10	Evening Devotion
9:45	Lights Out

### Friday

7:20	Wake Up
8:05	Morning Devotion
8:30	Breakfast
9:00	Test
9:45	Final Contest
10:00	Barn Meeting
11:00	Game
12:00	Lunch
12:30	Depart

**\* Possible Classes:** Aware Class, The Web of Life, Animal Adaptations, Mighty Oaks, Rattlesnakes, Ancient People, Astronomy, and Survival Hike. See next page for class descriptions.

**\*\* Free time Activities:** Dirt boards, BMX, Obstacle Course, Sports, Farmyard, Game Room, Playground.

## What to Bring :

- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Daily Change of Clothes
- Pajamas or Sweats
- Bible, Pen, and Paper
- Towel & Washcloth
- Toiletries (shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, etc.)
- Tennis Shoes or Boots (closed toe)
- Warm Jacket/ Sweatshirt
- Shower Shoes – recommended for wearing while in the shower
- Modest Swimsuit / Beach Towel
- Chap stick and Sunblock
- Hat / Beanie
- Flashlight

## What NOT to Bring :

- Electronics including but not limited to cell phones, iPods, mp3 players, games, etc.
- Expensive items such as designer clothing, toys, electronic games, etc.
- Gum or Messy snacks
- Pocket knives, weapons, etc.

**\*\*\*Please be sure to label ALL of your belongings!\*\*\***

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q: What time is check in?**

Schools can check in between 10:00 to 11:00 AM on Tuesday.

### **Q: What time is check out?**

Check out is between 12:30 to 1:00 PM on Friday

### **Q: What is the weather like?**

The weather here is similar to Rancho San Diego. Check the weather online before you send your camper, but days can be warm here in October and nights can get chilly. Be sure to send your camper with layers and rain gear.

### **Q: Can parents pay for registration and/or activities online?**

Registrations are agreements made with the school, and as such can only be paid for by the school online. Any additions to the registration (i.e. additional activity fees) are also billed to the school. You should contact your child's school to find out how they would like to collect fees for registration and activities.

### **Q: The registration system is asking for credit card information. What is this for?**

The registration site will only prompt parents to add credit card information if they have selected to purchase a store card for their camper or an email package (both are not linked to the registration and therefore not billed to the school).

### **Q: What is a store card?**

Our camp store is cashless, meaning that all purchases have to be made via a store card. This makes the campers' store experience quicker and more enjoyable and eliminates any lost money during the week. The easiest way to purchase a store card is during the registration process. Any funds remaining at the end of the campers' time here can either be donated or refunded to further the ministry at IHC.

### **Q: How much money should I give my camper?**

We recommend \$30-\$50 for your camper's week at camp for snacks and small souvenirs in the store.

## **Q: What kinds of things can my camper purchase in the store?**

Our camp store sells treats – candy, soda, chips, ice cream, etc. – ranging in price from \$0.10 to \$4.00. We also sell souvenirs – rocks, arrowheads, small jewelry, sunglasses, shirts, hats, etc. Most items cost less than \$5.00 though walking sticks and hats can cost up to \$20.00. You may purchase some items in advance for your camper through our webstore.

## **Q: What is an email pack?**

Emails only work one-way. We print the emails that come in daily and deliver them to the campers. Only you and whoever you invite to send emails can send an email to your camper. There are no computers available for campers to email back on – and they'll be having way too much fun!

## **Q: Can my camper call home?**

We do not allow calls home unless there is an emergency in order to discourage homesickness. For campers missing home, hearing a parent's voice can often make the matter worse and the child is less likely to stay. We can deliver messages to your camper via their teacher if needed. Please do not send your camper with a cell phone, and remember that cell service is scarce in our valley.

## **Q: Do you have a camp nurse on site?**

Indian Hills Camp does not have a nurse on site all year round. We have first aid supplies available to teachers and parents to aid campers with any bumps and scrapes and medicines in the event of sickness. In case of emergency, we do have staff with medical training available and we are 25 minutes away from the nearest urgent care.

## **Q: Does your kitchen accommodate dietary restrictions?**

Yes, please include that information in your camper's registration form. If your camper has a serious allergy, please contact the office to speak with our food service supervisor. Our kitchen does not serve nuts of any kind.

## **Q: Can I send mail to my camper?**

Yes. Mail is delivered nightly before dinner. Remember to send your mail the week before your camper is due to arrive. Please address your camper's mail like this:

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School Name  
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