



# SPRING BREAK CAMP 2017 CAMP NEWS...

## TINY WONDERS

Welcome to the City of San Luis Obispo Parks and Recreation Department's Spring Break Camp. It is the goal of staff to provide fun, enriching and a safe day camp experience for all Campers while meeting the needs of families with ease and convenience. Through planned activities, guests and trips, Campers will get to explore all the tiny wonders under their feet. From ants to ladybugs to dirt and worms, this Camp will have it all. Please read the following policies and procedures. If there are any further questions or concerns, please contact the Parks and Recreation Department at 781-7300.

**April 17 - April 22, 2017, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m.**

Hawthorne Elementary School  
2125 Story St, San Luis Obispo  
Grades TK-2 in Childcare Room  
Grades 3-6 in Room 21

### **DRESS:**

Campers are asked to wear comfortable clothing that allows for exercise, movement and potentially messy projects. Campers are required to wear **closed-toe shoes**. To ensure safety, Campers who do not wear closed-toe shoes may be limited on activities. Wheelies (shoes with wheels) are not permitted; if worn to Camp, Camp staff will remove the wheels and return to parent/guardian at the end of the day. There are several times throughout the day when Campers have the opportunity to go outside and it does get chilly; please send a lightweight jacket or sweatshirt for Campers. Please mark all clothing with the Camper's name.

### **CAMP EVENTS:**

Registration and payment for Spring Break Camp includes a week full of activities including art exploration, indoor and outdoor discovery, cooking, science experiments, group games, two trips to the SLO Swim Center (rain will cancel), to South Hills, An Earth Day Celebration at Meadow Park and much more.

### **SIGNING CHILDREN IN AND OUT:**

Parents/guardians must physically sign their Camper(s) in and out of Spring Break Camp. Anyone picking up a Camper must show photo identification.

### **SICK CHILDREN:**

A Camper who has (or has symptoms of) a fever, vomiting, pinkeye, head lice or nits, diarrhea, or any communicable disease cannot attend Spring Break Camp. Campers must be free of any symptoms for at least 24 hours prior to attending the program. In the case of a Camper who gets sick or shows symptoms of illness at the program, the parent/guardian will be called immediately to pick up the child.

### **CHILD ABUSE:**

By law, each staff person working at the Spring Break Camp program is a Mandated Child Abuse Reporter; which means any suspected abuse will be reported to the appropriate authorities immediately.

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### **AUTHORIZED PICK-UPS:**

If someone other than the person(s) listed on the Camper's registration forms will be picking the Camper up from the program, **SPRING BREAK CAMP MUST HAVE WRITTEN PERMISSION PROVIDED IN ADVANCE.** The note must include the person's name, the date, and parent/guardian's signature. Upon pick-up, that person will be required to show photo identification. Phone, fax, or email authorization is NOT accepted for pick-ups. This is for the safety and welfare of the children.

### **GUIDANCE POLICY:**

Parks and Recreation staff aim to provide the best day camp experience for each Camper attending the program. The Youth Services philosophy is to encourage, guide, and promote a positive and enriching environment. Each Camper and each behavior warrants individual action; however, the goal is to set examples of positive communication and the use of conflict resolution skills. Logical and natural consequences are used when unsafe or unhealthy choices are made.

### **MEDICATION:**

If a Camper needs to take medication while at Spring Break Camp, please be aware of the following guidelines: prescription medication can only be dispensed if there is a note from the parent/guardian giving permission for the Camper to take the medication, along with a note stating the times the medication is to be given and dosage amount; the medication must also be in its original bottle with the prescription label; over the counter medication can be dispensed at the program only if accompanied by a doctor's note.

### **FOOD:**

Please provide a healthy, bagged lunch for your Camper. Families will be notified if Campers arrive without a sack lunch; a healthy lunch must be provided immediately. **GUM, SODA, AND CANDY ARE NOT PERMITTED.** If these items are sent in a Camper's lunch, they will be returned home at the end of the day. Please do not send items that need to be refrigerated (or microwaved) as space is limited. Nutritious snacks are provided twice a day: once in the morning and once in the afternoon.

### **REFUNDS:**

Due to the limited number of spaces available, once a Camper has registered and paid for the Spring Break Camp, a space has been reserved and refund will not be issued.

### **FIELD TRIPS AND CAMP EVENTS:**

**All Campers attending Spring Break Camp on scheduled field trip days will go on trips. NO STAFF OR CAMPERS WILL STAY BACK AT CAMP.** To ensure that there is plenty of time to go over field trip guidelines families are asked to drop off campers at the program at least 30 minutes prior to the schedule departures. **Families will need to pick up campers from Sinsheimer Park before 6 p.m. on swim trip days. Please refer to Camp Highlight Sheet for specific trip details.**

### **CAP-SLO/CCRC SUBSIDIZED CARE:**

CAPSLO-Child Care Resource Connection recipients will need to contact C.C.R.C. to ensure coverage for **SPRING BREAK CAMP** A contract may need to be amended (add/change form) to include **SPRING BREAK CAMP**. If there is a change, the recipient will need to have C.C.R.C contact the San Luis Obispo Parks and Recreation Department (781-7300) and provide a written confirmation of the change in contract.

