

## **CAMP POLICIES**

### **Special Needs Policy**

SCA does not have staff or facilities to properly care for children who, in camp's judgment, have medical, social, behavioral, or psychological disorders. SCA reserves the right to refuse enrollment, or to send home any camper who (1) has a condition beyond camp's capability to provide proper care; or (2) poses an unreasonable threat to the health or safety of themselves, other campers and staff. Disclosure of health history is crucial to SCA's ability to provide a supportive, safe and healthy camp environment for your camper. Failure to do so may result in your camper being sent home with forfeiture of your registration fees.

### **Managing Medical Needs of Campers**

It is our goal that every camper can feel safe, secure and well cared for in the day camp setting. If your child has a medical condition that the camp needs to accommodate, please make the camp aware of those needs on the camper health history form that you will fill out at the time of registration. Please be aware that should the extent of medical needs not be fully divulged on the medical emergency form at the time of registration to camp, the camp reserves the right to suspend admittance into camp until an effective camper medical management plan can be established. Science Camps of America, its counselors and staff may not be trained to provide for all physical, mental, emotional or otherwise medical needs of all children. Should a physical, mental, emotional or otherwise medical condition of a camper be above and beyond what is deemed typical for this type of camp or such care be beyond that which the camp, camp counselor or staff member be specifically trained for, the parents may need to provide, at their expense, a one-on-one assistant.

The camp has the services of a registered nurse on call. Camp staff hold and dispenses all medication except for inhalers which may be kept by the camper but the camper must notify their counselor whenever the inhaler is used.

Please be aware that a nurse may not always be available when a situation with a camper arises. When the nurse is not available, the parents, camp director or emergency medical assistance (911) will be notified depending on the circumstances.

Should you have concerns regarding your child's health and/or participation at camp, please contact the Director who can put you in touch with the camp nurse.

### **Food Allergy Notice**

Science Camps of America does not normally provide or prepare special diets, though accommodation for some diets, for example vegetarian or gluten-free, is usually possible. Some allergy producing foods, such as peanut butter, are often made available during meals.

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## **CAMP POLICIES (continued)**

### **Photo Release Waiver**

I understand that photographs of my child may be used by Science Camps of America for the sole purposes of advertising, or in audio-visual presentations, parent gatherings, promotional literature, or in other similar ways. Except for the occasional special event that may be highlighted by a newspaper reporter in a local newspaper, and in accordance with the parent's permission, my child's name will not be used or published in any way.

### **Permission to Transport Off-Site**

Many of our camp activities take place outside of our host facility. By registering your child for a Science Camps of America camp you acknowledge that for these trips your child could be riding in a van or a bus to and from these scheduled events.

### **Absences & Withdrawals**

The Directors reserve the right to dismiss any camper whose influence and conduct becomes detrimental to the best interests of the program. No refunds will be made for dismissed campers or withdrawals. The only exception is for a withdrawal on doctor's orders, in which case \$90.00 for each remaining day will be refunded.

### **Other Camp Policies**

We reserve the right to refuse acceptance of any applicant who in our judgment will neither benefit from nor contribute to the camp experience. The camp director also reserves the right to dismiss from camp a camper whose behavior is detrimental to the best interest of the camp.

THE USE OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, OR NON-PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IS NOT PERMITTED AND WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL. If your camper requires prescription drugs, please bring them to camp in the prescription bottle from the pharmacy and leave them with the camp director at check-in.

Bills for accidents and illnesses requiring outside medical attention will be forwarded to you for submission to your insurance company. In event of an emergency or the illness or injury of your child, the camp director will contact you.

Appropriate Camp Attire: While we do not have a dress code, everyone is expected to wear appropriate non-suggestive camp attire. For girls, camp-appropriate two-piece bathing suits are permitted (not "string bikinis").

Telephone: Cell phones are not permitted. Campers may use the camp telephone to return emergency calls to immediate family. Cell phones will be collected upon check-in, stored by the camp director, and returned at the end of camp.