



Camp Policies

★ PACKAGES:

In addition to letters and e-mails, we are aware that many parents like to send their child special packages from home while they are away at camp. While we have allowed packages to be sent in the past, we have found that campers have been receiving an excess of food and candy in their packages that has disrupted the cabin environment (bugs, critters, trash, etc.) and creates unnecessary tension between campers. ***If you send a package, please adhere strictly to the following rules/regulations:***

★ **LIMIT** the number of packages to **NO MORE THAN ONE PER WEEK.**

★ **LIMIT the amount of food and DO NOT INCLUDE CANDY** – any food sent will be “community” food and will be shared with the entire cabin. Because of common nut allergies, please **DO NOT SEND ANY FOOD CONTAINING NUTS.**

★ Do not include valuable items.

★ Be sure to **clearly print your child’s name and cabin number** on the package.

We reserve the right to store any excess items, including food, for campers and thank you in advance for your understanding!

★ CELL PHONES:

While at camp, campers are encouraged to communicate with friends and family through letter writing. Cell phones serve as a major distraction to this camp environment. ***Any cell phones found on campgrounds will be confiscated and returned at the end of the session.*** Parents may communicate with their camper through the Directors 24-hours a day at (661)724-9184. Please help us promote this policy and **DO NOT BRING CELL PHONES** to camp.

★ “BULLYING”:

Canyon Creek’s mission is to provide a safe, non-competitive environment where boys and girls build confidence and independence, learn teamwork and develop problem-solving skills. With your help, we can assure that this mission will be upheld and all campers will benefit from the camp program. All campers and families should be aware that Canyon Creek adheres to a strict **“Zero-Tolerance”** bullying rule. While at camp, we talk to campers about respecting each other and the camp environment on a daily basis but if the message begins with you at home, it will be even more powerful. ***Please talk to your child about bullying (physical, emotional, psychological taunting or abuse) and the negative effects it can cause to all parties involved.*** Campers should be made aware that they can depend on the Directors and staff to help them feel at home at Canyon Creek by knowing that they are safe and respected. **Our united mission must be to support all kids in all environments, including camp.**

★ CABIN DIRECTORY

Each summer, we are pleased to provide our campers with a Cabin Directory at the end of the session so that they can keep in touch with their new camp friends all year long. Thanks to your positive feedback, we will again be handing out a Cabin Directory to all campers this summer - each camper will receive a list of their cabin-mates, including address, phone number, parents’ names and e-mail address. We are excited about giving our campers this opportunity, however, we also respect your privacy – if you would prefer not to have your information included in the cabin directory, please call camp at (661) 724-9184 and we will gladly remove your name from the directory.

★ EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

At Canyon Creek Sports Camp, safety is our number one concern and that includes being prepared in case of an emergency. We have teamed up with E-Camp to provide you with the best possible service should an emergency (fire, earthquake, etc.) occur while your child is at camp. The service works as follows:

you will receive a phone call to each number you provided us (home phone, cell phone, work phone) with a personalized recorded message from one of the Directors. The recording will have up-to-the-minute information regarding the emergency and any actions we have taken if necessary. If you have caller ID, the number will appear as “(661) 724-9184 Canyon Creek Sports Camp.” As often as we record a message is as often as you will receive a call! This service is yet another way to assure you that you will be kept well informed of everything that happens at camp while your child is with us.

★ **RECORDING DEVICES**

To protect the privacy of all of our campers, Canyon Creek Sports Camp campers are prohibited from using recording devices while at camp. Recording devices include, but are not limited to, **camcorders and Video I-pods**. Any recording devices found will be securely stored by the Directors and returned on the last day of camp. Campers are however encouraged to bring disposable cameras to capture their camp experiences.

★ **LOST AND FOUND**

Any lost items while campers are at camp will be placed in the Canyon Creek lost and found which campers are encouraged to check each day. Once a session ends, Canyon Creek gathers all lost items and parents are encouraged to call camp to check if their lost item has been found. If found, we will mail the item to you and charge your store account for postage. To ensure that your camper returns home with all of the items they brought with them to camp, please be sure to include your child in the packing process so they know what they have with them and please be sure to **LABEL ALL ITEMS** (including socks, underwear, swimsuits, towels, etc.). Any unclaimed items after September 15 will be donated to charity.

★ **OUT OF TOWN PARENTS**

If you are planning to travel while your child is at camp, please send either your contact information or alternate emergency contact information to camp before the start of the session.

★ **AIRPORT SERVICES**

Canyon Creek Sports Camp offers a complimentary airport pick-up and drop-off service for campers flying in from out of town. Upon arrival, campers will be picked up in our camp van and brought directly to camp.

Please be sure to **forward your travel itinerary to camp prior to the start of the session or, if already booked, include a copy with the rest of the information in this packet.** When making your flight plans, please consider the following recommendations:

1. If possible, please arrange flights to Burbank Airport. If not possible, please arrange for LAX.
2. Please **schedule arrival time for as close to 10:00am** as possible on the first day of the session.
3. Please schedule **departure time between noon and 1:00pm** on the last day of the session.

★ **CCSC APPAREL**

Our CCSC Apparel line is currently available for viewing and purchasing through our webstore at www.canyoncreeksportscamp.com. Items range from hats, blankets and bags to shirts, shorts and sweatshirts. This summer, we will also have various selections from our line on display in our Camp Store. **All items will be available for purchase but we will not sell any items to campers without your consent.** All purchased items will be given to campers while they are at camp (if size/selection is available).