

## **Frequently Asked Questions About Swim Camp**

### **My child can't swim, can they still attend this camp?**

*\*Please note that we do not offer swim lessons during swim camp.*

Our camp is intended for swimmers of all skill levels. Campers will take a swim test in order to group them appropriately based on skill level. During this evaluation, we also assess what areas of the pool each camper will be allowed in during the afternoon free swim.

### **What safety precautions are in place to keep my child safe during the free swim?**

The safety of our campers is our number one priority here at Rancho Rinconada Swim Camp. We ensure that all of our campers are in areas of the pool that are safe for their ability and comfort levels. All campers are supervised by 3 camp staff members as well as our lifeguards during the free swim time.

### **Can my camper wear a flotation device/vest?**

While campers are allowed to wear flotation vests during free swim, we have often found that campers do not need them after the first few days. Rancho Rinconada is not responsible for lost or stolen property, so we advise that you send your campers with only what they absolutely need, as it gives them fewer items to keep track of throughout the day.

### **How many kids are in the pool during free swim?**

There will be approximately 40-45 max swimmers in the water which will include the other campers, staff and will be open to the public. There will be three certified and trained lifeguards on duty, each being assigned 15 swimmers to watch over.

### **How do I register?**

You may register by coming to our facility during our facility hours (located on our website) to fill out the registration forms and make your payments. **We only accept cash or check.**

### **What is the target age range for this camp?**

While our camp allows campers in grades K-5, our activities are targeted toward the predominant age range of campers, ages 6-8.

**When can I register for swim lessons and how can I ensure I will get a spot, I know it is competitive and slots fill up immediately?**

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Swim lessons for spring registration will be held sometime in April and summer registration around May so check our swim lessons page for new updates right before or at the beginning of the month of April for spring registration and right before or at the beginning of the month of May.

**Is this camp equipped to work with special needs campers?**

We are able to accommodate high functioning special needs campers. Please keep in mind that there are 25 campers and 4-5 staff members and our staff needs to spread their focus equally between all campers. When deciding if Rancho Rinconada Swim Camp is the right camp for your child, please ensure that your child will be able to abide by our rules while here at swim camp. We do reserve the right to remove any campers from camp at any time if they violate our zero-tolerance policies.

**Are masks still required for my child(s)?**

Yes, we are still going to enforce children to wear masks due to some campers who may not be eligible to be vaccinated or whose parents have chosen not to vaccinate their children with the Covid-19 shot. We just want to ensure the safety of everyone's health within the facility, therefore, we would greatly appreciate it if you had your children wear their masks right as they walk into the facility. If they end up forgetting their mask, we will gladly provide them with one but please provide your child with their own masks. A gentle reminder as well to provide your child with child-size masks if possible because we have noticed that children wearing adult sized masks will frequently slide off their face or they are constantly fixing their masks.

**Can I sign up my child(s) for one week of the session (each session is 2 weeks)?**

Yes, you are more than welcome to sign up your child(s) for one week of the session. We will charge you half of the original price of the session. If you signed up for early bird registration, it will be \$375 and if you signed up during our regular registration, it will be \$400

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**Which park will you be taking our kids to, what should my child(s) wear, and what should they bring?**

Every Friday around 9:30 am we will walk the kids to Sterling Barnhart park which is about a 10 minute walk from the facility. We will be walking at a completely safe enclosed back road trail where there will be three camp counselors including a manager on duty who will be guiding the children down the path and closely supervising them at the park. We will be having snack time at the park at around 10:15-10:30 am so please pack your children with snacks and more water than a usual summer camp day. As for attire, have your children wear their camp shirt with comfortable pants or shorts suitable for walking and playing at the park as well as comfortable running/tennis shoes. Have your child(s) wear and bring sunscreen and a hat is recommended to avoid direct sun and heat exposure. We will be returning to camp at around 11:15-11:30 am for lunch and then free swim afterwards so do make sure your child(s) bring their swimsuit and sandals/swim shoes for the day as well.