



Downtown FAQs

How long does camp run?

- ❖ Camp starts Tuesday July 5th and runs until Friday, August 26th.

What should my child wear/bring to camp each day?

- ❖ Every day, campers should wear shorts, sneakers, and their Oasis t-shirt.
- ❖ Every day, campers should bring their backpack, water bottle, swimsuit RAIN OR SHINE, towel, a plastic bag for the wet suit, flip flops, sunglasses and hat (if necessary), sunscreen. Please label ALL belongings with your child's name.
- ❖ ESIC campers should bring a change of clothes in a labeled bag and may bring nap sheets and blankets.
- ❖ We ask that campers not bring cell phones, toys, iPods, or Nintendo DS. It's camp!

How are the campers separated into groups?

- ❖ Campers are placed in co-ed groups by grade.
- ❖ Division 1 consists of our lower camp groups and there are 3 counselors per group.
- ❖ Division 2 consists of our upper camp groups and there are 2 campers per group.

How many campers are in each group?

- ❖ We have a flexible enrollment. Campers can start at any time during the summer with the first two weeks being consecutive. There can be as little as 8 and as many as 16 campers depending on the week.

How many groups are in each Division?

- ❖ There are typically 4-5 groups in each Division. Each Division is led by a Division Leader, who is the director supervisor of the counselors and the parent contact person.

What time can I drop off/pick up my child?

- ❖ Arrival starts at 8:30 AM at Hillman Playground at P.S. 110 located on Delancey and Lewis Streets.
- ❖ Short Day dismissal is at 3:00 PM, Tall Day dismissal is from 4:30-5:30 PM. Both dismissals take place at Hillman Playground at P.S. 110 located on Delancey and Lewis Streets.
- ❖ Campers must be checked in by their Counselors and signed out each day by someone on the authorized pick-up list.
- ❖ On a rainy day, or if your child is enrolled in Early Drop Off/Late Pick-Up, please meet us in the Gym, using the main entrance located on Delancey and Cannon Streets.

What if I am running late to camp or need to pick up my child early?

- ❖ If you are running late or need to pick up your child early, please email us at Downtown@oasischildren.com or call the office at (646) 519-5058. You can then drop off or pick up your child in our office, located in room 208.
- ❖ You can also speak with your child's Division Leader.

What activities will my child participate in this summer?

- ❖ Each activity is led by an instructor. Each group's daily schedule is a combination of sports, creative arts and enrichment activities. ESIC campers get a special "Ready for September" activity block.
- ❖ Each week, "Choice Time" allow campers to choose an activity not listed on the daily schedule.
- ❖ Campers will have 2-3 field trips each summer.
- ❖ Each Friday, we have a special event that ties into our weekly theme. We also have special dress up days, color war, shows, and parent events.

How often will my child go swimming?

- ❖ Campers go swimming every day between 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM. Our Red Cross Certified swim program consists of swimming lessons as well as free swim.
- ❖ Campers are swim tested and put into swim levels on their first day.
- ❖ Swim lessons are led by swim instructors with counselors assisting.
- ❖ The Swim Directors oversee the instructors.
- ❖ Every other week, campers go home with a swim skills card with updates on their swim progress.
- ❖ Hamilton Fish Pool is approximately 2.5 feet deep in the small pool area and approximately 3.5 feet deep in the big pool area. Hamilton Fish Pool lifeguards on duty during swim.

When does my child eat snack/lunch?

- ❖ We have two community lunch periods: 11:30am-12:30pm and 12:30-1:30pm.
- ❖ Campers bring lunch in an insulated lunch box that remains in their backpack until lunch time.
- ❖ Hot lunch is available for an additional fee each week. Hot lunch orders are placed the Wednesday before each week.
- ❖ Campers get two snack periods a day. Morning snack before swim consists of Cheez-it Crackers, Animal Crackers and Pretzels (all peanut free) and afternoon snack is Fla-Vor-Ice frozen ice pops.

Who are the staff members you hire at camp?

- ❖ Oasis staff members are high school seniors, college students, graduate students, teachers, and coaches.
- ❖ Each staff member has a direct supervisor or "Leadership" staff member they report to.
- ❖ Leadership staff wear baby blue collared shirts so they are easily identified.
- ❖ All staff members are given background checks and references are contacted.
- ❖ All staff must attend training prior to the start of camp.

How are injuries, allergies, and camper safety managed at camp?

- ❖ Health Director is our nurse/EMT on site.
- ❖ We are not a peanut free camp but take every precaution regarding allergies.
- ❖ Campers are not allowed to share food. We do not allow outside food or snacks from parents without permission and relaying allergy information.
- ❖ If your child has an EPI pen and/or asthma pump we ask that you bring two.
- ❖ All Leadership Staff are CPR and Advanced First Aid Certified.
- ❖ Water breaks, bathroom breaks, and sunscreen reapplication occur regularly throughout the day.
- ❖ Campers must stay with their group at all times. Staff escort and monitor campers when going to bathrooms, water fountains, and changing areas.

Questions, Comments, Concerns

Feel free to contact us:

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