

PROGRAM SPECIFICS - O-Dea Elementary School

May 29. This is a half day of school at Poudre School District and lunch is not served. We will pick up from schools and then take your children to lunch and play at Chuck E Cheese. We will return to O'Dea Elementary School about 4:00 for you to pick up from there up until 5:30.

Summer Safety Talk. This is when we explain the ground rules of our program. It is recommended for all kids to attend this day. We speak with the kids about various aspects of safety - strangers, bikes, swimming, sunscreen, staying with your group, dehydration, and general summer safety.

Theater Movies are children's movies presented on Wednesdays at the Cinemark theater.

Swim Lessons. Our lessons are at The Pulse. We have done this in an effort to strengthen the quality of the lessons and to accommodate a time which will interfere less with our daily schedule. Although they are optional, *we strongly encourage your child to go through these lessons if they are not yet very proficient swimmers.* A separate Registration Form is included. We charge you exactly what we are charged.

Jungle Quest is an indoor ropes course designed for younger children. It is located in Littleton.

Creative Dramatics. This fun program stresses personal creativity, teamwork, humor, and mental energy in a dramatics setting. These will be every other week on Friday from 9:30 - 11:00.

Rollerskating at Rollerland. If your child wants to, they may bring their own skates or rollerblades. No black brakes or uncovered bolts. And please make sure their name is in them and that they take them home each time. This will usually be between 1:00 and 4:00 on alternate Wednesdays.

Cardio Kids is an innovative gymnastics type program which has kids doing various individual and teamwork events like going through mazes and scenarios involving problem solving. It will be run by GK Gymnastics at 2026 Lowe St. in Ft. Collins from 2:30 to 4:00 on alternate Wednesdays.

Theme Activities will vary from week to week. The actual activities will be at the discretion of the camp staff but will be connected to the weekly theme. These could include arts & crafts, music, a storyteller, a special field trip, or games related to the theme.

Lake trips are only to organized beach areas. At some facilities the County and State no longer supply Lifeguards, so we will be hiring our own certified Lifeguard for these trips. The lakes are a nice diversion from the concrete pools and allow us more room to play different games too.

Mall Fun is a mixture of fun between The Buddy Factory, Glow Golf, and Auntie Anne's Pretzels.

Family Splash Party the night of August 6th. We rent the entire City Park pool just for YPLC families to use! We provide the drinks, bar-b-que beef, and hot dogs, and everyone brings a side dish or dessert. We swim and eat for an hour or so, then the camps provide entertainment - GREAT FUN!

Our Staff are well qualified. We are very happy to say that Carol Olson will be returning as Director again this year (her 4th), as will AJ Griffith and Trenton Anderson who work in our After School Program. Our final regular staff member is yet to be hired but rest assured she will be at least 21 years of age as required by our insurance company. All staff will have current CPR & First Aid training, and all will go through two State background checks. In addition, YPLC checks the references for each person hired.

We assume you know what the rest of the activities are about. If you don't and are concerned please feel free to call Janice or Dennis at 482-1212 to get the answers you need.

THE PROGRAM BASICS - O'Dea Elementary School

Our Fun Camp day camps are generally for children who have just completed first grade through fourth grade. (Most children who have completed 5th grade are ready for our Teen Camp program which is generally for 11 - 15 year olds.) We recognize the need for this age child to have more space and more physical challenge than we could provide by having a center-based program. We have designed this program to keep your child constructively active and happy during their summer break. As you look through the planned activities, we think you will agree your child will have a great, fun-filled, active summer with us.

Our staff will arrive at O'Dea Elementary School at 7:30 each morning. We will be in the playground area so please drop off on the **Tulane Drive** side of the playground. You may drop-off your child between 7:30 and 9:00. Besides the playground itself, we have plenty of bats, balls, frisbees, and board games to keep the kids busy. At 9:00 we will leave the park to start our day. (If you need to drop-off before 7:30 you may do so at 209 E. Plum Street and we will transport to O'Dea. That Center opens at 6:30 each day.) In the event of bad weather we expect to use the gym at the school for the morning drop off or afternoon pick-up.

Except on Thursdays, we will return to the playground by 4:30 where the kids can be picked up between 4:30 and 5:30. On Thursdays, because we have to travel such a distance and we want to get the most we can out of that activity, we will not be returning to the park until 5:30 where the kids can be immediately picked up. However, please note that occasionally we have been late due to traffic delays and bad weather. Each bus has a cellular phone and will notify YPLC of any significant delay. If we will be more than 15 minutes late, we will have someone meet the parents at the park and explain the delay.

Each week you will be given a detailed itinerary in case you ever need to find us. It will show hour by hour where we expect to be, including where we will be having lunch. If there are changes to this schedule (rarely, and usually only due to weather), the camp will notify YPLC, so please call us if you need to find them. We would like to email these to you each week so you can have them easily accessible at work or home. Please provide your email address on the Registration Form.

Children bring their own lunch and snacks each day, and we provide the drinks and the fun. Drinks usually are of lemonade, kool-aid, and water. We eat lunch at various parks around town depending on our schedule for that day.

DISCIPLINE AND DISCHARGE FROM CAMP

Our day camps are intended to provide a positive, fun, safe, structured program for your child. The nature of the program requires good behavior in order to work. As such, we reserve the right to discharge anyone from camp who is excessively disobedient, vulgar, or abusive to other campers or staff. Unless the problem is critical, we will work with you to correct the problem. In the event discharge from camp becomes necessary, you will be financially responsible for the full tuition for the current week and the next week your child was scheduled to attend.

REGISTRATION

To register your child you need to complete the Fun Camp Registration Form and return it along with the \$40.00 registration fee (or \$15.00 Registration Fee if you are currently enrolled on a regular basis) to Young Peoples Learning Center as soon as possible. The registration fee includes a Fun Camp T-shirt to be worn on our Thursday big trips. The reason to register as soon as possible is that we are limited to only 45 spaces per day. This location has been filled as early as May 1st in the past. It is likely it will be this year too. Last year we had to turn away several applicants. Registrations are accepted on a "first come - first served" basis. We will send a confirmation for all registrations received for summer camp. This will also include the additional information we need for including emergency information, permission slips, medical authorizations, and a copy of your child's Immunization Record and Health Statement. The confirmation will include a copy of your registration dates. Please be sure you are accurate about which days you register for as you are obligated for them regardless of sick days or other unexpected days off. (See details under *Financial Policies* on the back side of the Registration Form.)

CHAPERONING ON OUR THURSDAY BIG TRIP DAYS

Over the years we have found this is a great opportunity for parents to join their child for a fun filled day. Generally we split up on these days into smaller groups so we can get more done. If you chaperone, you will be paired up with your child and about 4 of his/her camp friends. We pay your way into these activities. You can ride on the bus with us or drive your own vehicle. You can come as many times as you wish. Please register for these days on the Registration Form so we can have a good expectation of how many to expect.