



EcoCamp 2016 Registration Information YOUR COPY

Registration Policies

- 1) Full payment and completed forms are due two weeks prior to your child's camp week. Camp spots will be reserved only after a completed registration packet (all 3 pages, not just first page) with a non-refundable deposit is received (mailed or dropped-off at the office) or, faxed or emailed along with a photocopy of the deposit. Reservations cannot be made over the phone. Payment must be cash or check.
- 2) We will send an email to confirm registration. Please make copies of the registration forms for your records. If we cannot fit your child into the requested week, we will contact you.
- 3) The \$80 registration deposit is non-refundable. If attendance is cancelled, the remaining camp payment may be refunded or applied to another week of camp provided the Camp Director is notified one week before the start of the canceled week.
- 4) The registration packet must be filled out completely or your child will not be allowed to attend camp. This is for the health and safety of your child.
- 5) Any special requests must be submitted with registration materials. We will do our best to honor requests, however age groups cannot be mixed. We cannot make adjustments to camp groups at drop-off time.

Financial Assistance

Pickering Creek has a scholarship program that covers a portion of camp tuition for *children in need*. If you are granted a scholarship, a deposit is required to reserve your camp spot. If you would like to apply for a scholarship, please call to check availability and visit our website (pickeringcreek.audubon.org) to download an application.

Arrival and Departure

Pickering Creek EcoCamp starts promptly at 9 am and ends at 4 pm each weekday (Guardians are given the option to end a Fledgling camp at 2 pm or 4 pm). The Twilight Village week (Aug. 1-5) will start at 2 pm and end at 9 pm. *Staff is not available for campers to be dropped-off earlier than 15 minutes before the start of camp.* The campers should be dropped-off and picked-up at the front of the property at the Welcome Center. Campers must be signed in and out at the beginning and end of each day. Please adhere to the 15 mph speed limit when driving within Pickering Creek and stay on the gravel, the ditches can be unforgiving. Your child will not be leaving the premises at any time. They will only be able to leave with the adults listed on the registration paperwork under "Camper Pick-Up Information". If a new carpooling arrangement develops, a note, email, or call to the Camp Director needs to be provided beforehand.

Transportation

We offer limited transportation from Easton to Pickering Creek Audubon Center during three weeks of camp. Spaces in our van are first come, first serve. Please register early to reserve your child's space. Available weeks are listed on the first page of the registration packet and can be found on our website (pickeringcreek.audubon.org).

Camper Equipment List

Please dress campers for outside activity. Clothing should be able to get dirty and keep your child warm/cool and dry. Please do not bring anything to camp that you are afraid of losing, especially electronics – Pickering Creek is not responsible for items lost during camp. It's recommended that you write your child's name on their extra clothing, lunch bag, water bottle, etc. One week before the start of camp, a parent letter will be emailed that lists the week's activities and any special equipment (ex. swimsuit) that may be needed during that upcoming week of camp.

The following items should be brought to camp each day:

- ☆ Refillable water bottle
- ☞ Hat
- Sunscreen & insect repellent (lotion preferred)
- 🍷 Healthy lunch and snacks – we have a Pack-in/Pack-out policy, we collect compostable and recyclable items but ask the campers to throw their lunch trash out at home
- ☂️ Raingear (poncho, rain jacket)
- ☆ Good shoes for hiking and running
- ☆ Swimsuit, towel, and water shoes for Water Days (days listed in parent letter)

Important Notice Regarding Insect Stings

Any child or adult attending Pickering Creek Audubon Center or its educational programs who has a known allergy to insect stings should have their own emergency insect bite medications including Benadryl and an Epi-Pen. For their own protection, they must be able to administer its contents to themselves, and must provide a written statement from their physician stating that they are personally able to use the Epi-Pen for themselves without assistance. Pickering Creek Audubon Center and the National Audubon Society cannot accept any responsibility for administering medications or for the effects of using them.

Registration Checklist

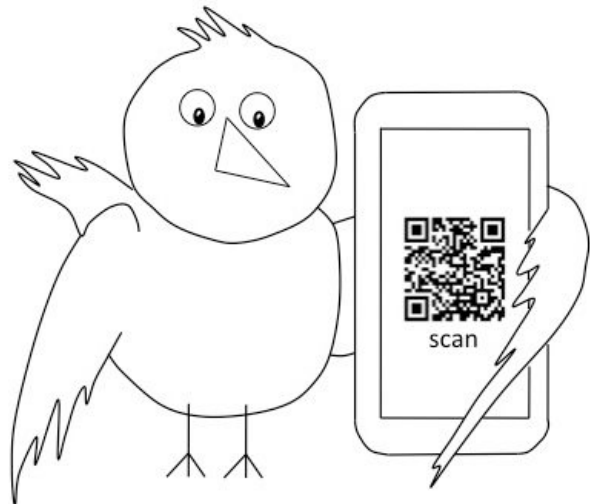
- Call the Camp Director, Krysta Hougen, to check availability, request scholarship availability, and answer questions: 410-822-4903
- Reserve camp spots with a deposit and completed registration packet by any of the below methods:
 - **Mail** or drop-off deposit (check or cash) at Pickering Creek office
 - **Fax** completed packet and scanned copy of deposit to 410-822-5041, then mail deposit
 - **Email** completed packet and scanned copy of deposit to Krysta Hougen at khougen@audubon.org, then mail deposit
- Mail final payment 2 weeks prior to camp week

Mail Registration material to:

Pickering Creek Audubon Center
Attn: EcoCamp Director
11450 Audubon Lane
Easton, MD 21601

Like Pickering Creek Audubon Center on Facebook to keep up-to-date on our year-round programs and be the first to know about EcoCamp registration.

Scan the code below with your smart phone or find us at www.facebook.com/pickeringcreek



***Help us design this year's
EcoCamp t-shirt!***

Have your camper draw a nature-themed picture for the EcoCamp 2016 t-shirt. Take a picture of the drawing and email it to Krysta at khougen@audubon.org. We'll have our teenaged Junior Naturalists, who volunteer as Assistant Counselors during EcoCamp, vote on their favorite.

Questions? Please call Krysta Hougen at 410-822-4903 x 22 or email at khougen@audubon.org

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Child's Name: _____ Birth date: / / Age by start of camp: _____ Grade in Fall: _____

Name of Guardian(s): _____

Address: _____

Daytime Phone(s): _____

Email(s): _____

*The email will be used to send a Registration Confirmation when forms are received and, at the end of each camp week, pictures from the past week will be sent to guardians.

I would like to receive upcoming Pickering Creek public program emails: Twice a year Monthly No, thanks

Sign-up for the grade your camper will enter in Fall 2016. Please check the week(s) that your child will attend in the box

Grades K-1: Fledglings

Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24 (Summer Solstice) 9 am – 2 pm, \$130 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

~~Monday, June 27 – Friday, July 1~~ (EcoArt) 9 am – 2 pm, \$130 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

~~Monday, July 11 – Friday, July 15~~ (Where the Wild Things Roam) 9 am – 2 pm, \$130 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

~~Monday, July 25 – Friday, July 29~~ (Calls of the Wild) 9 am – 2 pm, \$130 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

Request transportation to and from Easton, 9 am and 4 pm only, no transportation at 2pm (if space available)

Sold Out

Grades 2-4: Larks

~~Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24~~ (Summer Solstice) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

~~Monday, June 27 – Friday, July 1~~ (Nature Photography) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180 **Sold Out**

4th graders only **Thursday, July 7 (Rain date: July 8)** (A Day on Wye Island) 9 am – 4 pm, \$50 *\$25 non-refundable deposit

~~Monday, July 11 – Friday, July 15~~ (Mad Scientist) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

~~Monday, July 18 – Friday, July 22~~ (Fort Builders) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

Request transportation to and from Easton (if space available)

Sold Out

~~Monday, July 25 – Friday, July 29~~ (Outdoor Adventurist) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

Request transportation to and from Easton (if space available)

Monday, August 1 – Friday, August 5 (Twilight Village) 2 pm – 9 pm, \$180

Request *Afternoon only* transportation from Easton, no evening transportation (if space available)

Grades 5-7: Shrikes

Monday, June 20 – Friday, June 24 (Summer Solstice) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

Thursday, July 7 (Rain date: July 8) (A Day on Wye Island) 9 am – 4 pm, \$50 *\$25 non-refundable deposit

Monday, July 18 – Friday, July 22 (Survivor Village) 9 am – 4 pm, \$180

Request transportation to and from Easton (if space available)

Monday, August 1 – Friday, August 5 (Twilight Village) 2 pm – 9 pm, \$180

Request *Afternoon only* transportation from Easton, no evening transportation (if space available)

****Multi-camp incentive:** Register your camper for a week of EcoCamp and receive 10% off each additional week (**\$80 deposit does not change**). After full payment for 1st week, \$18 deduction for weeks costing \$180, \$13 deduction for weeks costing \$130. The Multi-camp incentive *does not* apply to the “A Day on Wye Island” camp day.

PAYMENT OPTIONS - please make checks payable to **Pickering Creek Audubon Center**

I enclosed a \$80.00 **non-refundable** deposit per week (or \$25 deposit for “A Day on Wye Island”). Full payment is due 14 days prior to the start of each week.

I enclosed a full payment (\$130 or \$180 per week or, \$50 for “A Day on Wye Island”) ****Multi-camp incentive** (see above)

I enclosed \$12 for EcoCamp 2016 cotton t-shirt in size (circle) youth: S M L XL adult: S M L XL (order must be placed by May 16th to secure the appropriate size) ****Don't forget to submit a drawing for the t-shirt!!**

I would like to **donate** to the camp scholarship and transportation fund to support families in need. I have enclosed \$ _____

Total Amount Enclosed: _____

CAMPER HEALTH HISTORY

Child's Name: _____

The following information is required:

1st Emergency Contact
(Parent or Legal Guardian): _____ Phone: _____

2nd Emergency Contact
(Other than Parent Above): _____ Phone: _____

Child's Physician: _____ Phone: _____

HEALTH INFORMATION:

1. Are there any health problems including physical, psychiatric, or behavioral problems of which we need to be aware? YES NO

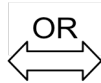
YES, Explain: _____

2. Are there any medications, dietary restrictions, allergies, or special needs that we need to be aware of to ensure that your child's camp experience is positive? YES NO

YES, Explain: _____

IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION:

For campers who reside **within** the United States, a United States territory, or the District of Columbia:



For campers who reside **outside** the United States, a United States territory, or the District of Columbia:

1. State/territory in which child resides:

2. Is this child exempt from any immunizations? YES NO

YES, List them: _____

1. Country in which child resides:

2. Attach Department form DHMH-896 (record of vaccination or immunity)

Parent or Legal Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

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CAMPER PICK-UP INFORMATION

_____ may be picked up by the following people:
(Child's Name)

Check if the Camper Pick-up list includes: [] Guardians [] Emergency Contacts

Other people with permission to pick-up your child (include Relation to Child):

MEDICAL AUTHORIZATION

I hereby give permission to the medical personnel selected by Audubon to order x-rays, routine tests, treatment; to release any records necessary for insurance purposes; and to provide or arrange necessary related transportation for me or my child. In the event I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give my permission to the physician selected by Audubon to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization, for the person named above. I agree that I will be solely responsible for paying any costs associated with medical treatment. This completed form may be photocopied for trips.

Any directions to the contrary should be specified below and signed.

Parent's/Guardian's signature: _____ Date: _____

BENADRYL AND EPI-PEN POLICY

If a camper is aware of an allergy to insect stings they must come with their own medications including Benadryl and an Epi-Pen and be able to administer their medications themselves. See "EcoCamp 2016 Information". Please include on this form under "allergies".

If a camper is not aware of his or her allergy to insect stings, EcoCamp staff are trained by our camp medical supervisor to give campers 25mg of Benadryl if they begin to show signs of a reaction to an insect bite (itching or hives). If a camper is not aware of his or her allergy to insect stings and has a severe reaction (widespread hives, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, trouble breathing, coughing, wheezing, lightheadedness, dizziness, or disorientation), EcoCamp staff is trained by our medical supervisor to administer an Epi-Pen, take 25 mg of Benadryl if not already taken, and call emergency services.

By signing below you acknowledge these policies and verify that your child has no known allergy to Benadryl.

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ **Date:** _____

PERMISSION TO PARTICPATE IN WATER ACTIVITES

This child has my permission to take part in water activities including swimming (all ages) and canoeing (Larks-Shrikes) at Pickering Creek Audubon Center EcoCamp. All participants will wear Personal Flotation Devices during water activities and be supervised by a certified lifeguard.

Signature of parent or guardian: _____ Date: _____

RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND USE OF IMAGE

As the child's parent and/or legal guardian, I understand that my child will be participating in Audubon's EcoCamp at Pickering Creek Audubon Center (the "Program"), which will include classroom and outdoor field trip experiences. I understand there are possible dangers associated with the Program, including but not limited to hiking, swimming, and canoeing. I understand that my child's participation in the Program may involve sustained physical activity. My child is in good health and I am aware of no physical problem or condition that will limit or interfere with my child's ability to participate in the Program.

I agree that my child is participating in the activity at my own risk, and acknowledge that Audubon has made no warranty or representation, expressed or implied, regarding the safety of conducting the Program.

I hereby grant permission to Audubon to reproduce my child's appearance, name, likeness, voice and biographical information in connection with the Program in any and all manners, including promotional materials, and any and all media, including the Internet, throughout the world and in perpetuity.

I expressly release Audubon and Chesapeake Audubon Society, its officers, directors, employees, agents, licensees, successors and assigns from and for any and all claims, demands or causes of action which I have or may have for (i) libel, defamation, invasion of privacy or right of publicity arising from Audubon's use of my child's appearance, name, likeness, voice and biographical information, including but not limited to, the distribution, broadcast or exhibition thereof or (ii) on account of any loss, damage, or injury to person or property suffered or incurred by my child, except by Audubon's negligence, in connection with any aspect of my child's participation in the Program or in any Program-related activity, including any transportation arranged by, paid for or provided by Audubon.

This release shall be binding upon me and my heirs, next of kin, executors, administrators and assigns. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have thoroughly read and understand this form and that the statements I have made are all true.

(CALIFORNIA RESIDENTS:) I expressly waive all rights under Section 1542 of the Civil Code of California, which reads as follows: A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

Parent's/Guardian's signature: _____ Date: _____