SPARTAN ALLSTARS SPORTS DAY CAMP



PARENT HANDBOOK

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PLEASE SHARE THIS WITH ANYONE WHO MAY BE PICKING UP/DROPPING OFF YOUR CHILD

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01- CAMP DROP OFF

MORNING/FULL DAY DROP OFF TIME: 8:00-8:30 a.m.

DROP OFF LOCATION: La Cañada High School (4463 Oak Grove Drive) Camper drop off is in the main parking lot on Oak Grove directly in front of the outdoor basketball courts. You may enter the lot from the north entrance (at the light) or south entrance (by the pool). We will have two drop off lines for maximum efficiency. All cars will leave out of the center exit across from the North Gym. Please follow staff instructions. Staff will wear bright green shirts.

- Please have your campers already sunscreened and ready to pop out of the car. PARENTS STAY IN YOUR CAR. Staff will help kids get out of cars. Please do NOT walk up (the staff is doing the car line.)
- <u>Please print out each of your Camper(s) QR Code from Funfangle</u>. Staff will scan these to sign in each child.
- When exiting, please turn RIGHT onto Oak Grove.

If you arrive after 8:45am. Please park and walk your child to the Camp Office. Bring your QR Code! We'll get your Camper to their

Group!



02-CAMP PICKUP

K/Ist HALF DAY MORNING PICKUP: 12:15-12:30 p.m. at the Outdoor Basketball Courts. (The same place as Drop Off.)

GENERAL PICKUP TIME: 4:30-5:00 p.m. at the **LCHS NORTH GYM** (or in the Cafe depending on the week- but will will let you know!)

- Enter the LCHS campus via main parking lot along Oak Grove at the light or the entrance by the pool.
- Park and walk up main entry steps.
- Bring your Camper(s) individual QR Codes with you to pick up (on a piece of paper or on your phone.) *Please give anyone that is picking up your child this code. This is your "permission slip" to pick up.* After you get scanned, walk around the building to greet your child at the side door of the gym. Follow staff instructions, we're here to help!
- Don't forget to check out Lost and Found along the way.
- We do pickup in the North Gym so the kids can stay in the air conditioning.

LATE PICKUPS:

Camp ends at 5 p.m. There is no aftercare. If a camper is picked up late, a \$20 late pickup fee will be charged (you can pay with cash, or credit card). If a camper is picked up after 5:30 p.m., a \$50 late fee will be assessed.



03-EARLY PICKUPS

PLEASE GIVE US AT LEAST 2 HOURS NOTICE & NO EARLY PICKUPS AFTER 4 P.M.

Early pickups disrupt the camp experience. However, if you have to pick up your child up early, **please schedule an early pick up using the Funfangle App.** Please give us at least 2 hours notice.

Your camper(s) will be at the Outdoor Basketball Courts Pick Up Tent.

We will NOT honor any early pickups between 4-4:30 p.m. The staff will be transitioning to the North Gym and have other duties to perform. No one will be available to help you.

WE APPRECIATE YOUR PATIENCE!

Mondays are always a little rough as campers get settled in and everyone gets used to the carline and pickup situation, so please be patient and plan for extra time. It can be overwhelming the first couple of days. But please reach out with your concerns... we want campers AND parents to have a great experience.



04-WHAT TO BRING

1) FOOD & WATER

All campers should bring snacks and a labeled water bottle. Ice water jugs are placed at activities to refill water bottles. All full-day campers should bring a lunch packed with food that meets their dietary needs and that they will eat. Please do NOT PACK NUTS as we do have campers with severe nut allergies. We recommend a sack lunch and disposable water bottles to avoid loss/misplacement of lunch boxes. We donate 100-150 unclaimed water bottles and lunch boxes at the end of each summer.

2) SPRAY SUNSCREEN

Please send them with a spray sunscreen for touch-less application. Please apply the first layer of sunscreen BEFORE you drop off your child for the day. We do reapply at breaks and lunch.

3) SWIM GEAR

Check the <u>schedule</u> to see if your child's group has a swim session! Campers are not forced to swim. If you/they choose to sit out, please send them with a deck of cards to play with on the side. (No Pokemon!) If swimming, bring a swimsuit, towel, and goggles.

For water games, no swimming suit is necessary, but you may send one if desired.

4) CAMP STORE MONEY (Optional)

Parents may send cash in an envelope with name and group on it or add funds through Funfangle.

5) CHANGE OF CLOTHES (For Younger Campers)

If your child has had a potty accident within the past year, please send an extra set of shorts, underwear, and wipes in a ziplock bag in their backpack.

WHAT NOT TO PACK!

No ELECTRONICS, CELL PHONES, POKEMON CARDS, weapons or other expensive items that can be lost or stolen.



Card games (Uno, deck of cards, etc.) are okay for breaks or if sitting out of swim. You don't need to bring any equipment, it will all be provided. We don't want your child to lose anything while here.

05-FUNFANGLE

WHAT IS FUNFANGLE?

Do not sign up for Funfangle, we will email you a link to join! Funfangle is a new addition to Camp in 2025. It will be used for:

Camp Store Portal

Parents can add money to their camper(s) Camp Card, view transactions, place a daily spending limit, see card balance, and transfer monies between siblings. Note, that Campers may bring cash and we can add it to their Card Balance. Just send them with a labeled envelop.

Attendance & QR Code

Parents will receive a unique QR code for each child. Print it out to streamline drop off and pick up. Give this QR code to anyone picking up/dropping off. It can also be used to view attendance logs.

Schedule Early Pick Up Requests

Submit an early pick up. Please give us 2 hours notice with the latest pick up time being 4pm.

Order & Pay for Camp Lunch Online

Parents may order and purchase lunches for camper(s) daily or for the entire week. Parents may also pay in cash. Please do not order until you know your child's group for the week.

MEDIA AND PHOTOS

Throughout the week, our amazing media team will be capturing photos and videos of the campers in action. Follow us on <u>TikTok</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u> to see what's happening each day. We will send out links to our <u>Camp Video</u> and photos on <u>GeoSnapShot</u>. In addition, during our busier weeks, we have a scheduled activity called "Media Minute." Please check the <u>schedules</u> to see if we are offering "Media Minute" the week your child is attending.

Spartan Allstars primarily uses camper photos for the end of camp slideshow, which is posted on the website. Photos may also be posted on the website, social media or on marketing materials. If you do not want your child photographed, please email us at office@spartanallstars.com.

With so many campers (some more camera shy than others), we cannot guarantee that your child will be photographed!

06-CAMP STORE

The Camp Store has baked chips, fruit snacks, water, gatorade, rice krispy treats, popsicles, etc. for sale. **We DO NOT sell candy.** Camp Store is not intended to replace lunch. **Optional lunches can be <u>purchased/ordered</u> separately from Camp Store.**

On Tuesdays and Fridays, we will offer a variety of Mini Melts® (like Dippin' Dots) at Rest Hour. There is a dairy free option of Mini-Melts.

Group Leaders will have a Camp Store Card for ALL Campers. Parents may choose to add funds or not. The Card will have the Camper's unique QR Code and name. When the card is scanned, the Camper photo will pop up to verify ownership. **Please let your Campers know if you've given them money to spend.** We hate to have disappointed Campers, or Campers that don't know they have money.

For parents that purchased a Camp Store Card during Registration. These funds will be automatically added your camper(s)' store account.

Parents may add funds at any time on Funfangle or by sending Cash in an envelope with camper(s) name and group. Cash funds will be added to their camp account. Parents can login to Funfangle to see balances, transactions, transfer money between their children, and place a spending limit on camper(s) accounts.

Cards cannot be redeemed for cash... so use them up! Any leftover funds will be donated to our scholarship funds. Note- We will have a dedicated "Cash Only" cart if parents want to send their Campers with cash and not have it go on their account, but note that Camp is not responsible if cash is lost or stolen.

Campers may use their Camp Store Card to purchase Mini Melts® or any other Camp Store item. On Fridays only, they may use their Camp Store to purchase the Pizza Lunch. You may always send them with cash. Monday-Thursday lunches MUST be purchased in advanced.

07-LUNCH PROGRAM

Spartan Allstars is facilitating an optional lunch program for the convenience of Campers and families. Please wait until you know your Camper(s) Group before you order! Groupings are emailed out the Friday before Camp starts. You can order the meals for the whole week or by 8pm the night before. How can you order your meals?

- 1) Online- Place your order through the FunFangle app before 8pm the night before.
- **2) Cash-** Submit order via <u>Google Doc</u> by 8pm. Send your child with cash in an envelope with their name and group. Please hand it to an Office Staff at Drop Off.

We offer a meat and vegetarian option each day. Some days we can offer gluten-free meals. Unfortunately, it is not possible to meet all allergen needs. NO SUBSTITUTIONS. We have provided as much allergen and nutrition material as possible.

Mondays- Luna Grill (\$12.50)

Tuesdays- Jersey Mike's (\$12)

Wednesdays- Teri & Yaki (\$13)

Thursdays- Los Gringos Locos (\$12.50)

Fridays- Round Table Pizza (\$7, \$10, or \$15)

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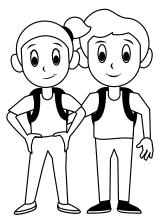
08-SCHEDULES & FIRST DAY

SCHEDULES

Schedules can be found on our website at Camp Schedules. We follow schedules strictly and never leave the La Cañada High School campus. Everyday will be something different!

We have mixed up indoor and outdoor activities in the morning and afternoons so that campers are not out in the heat for extended amounts of time. Water is available at each activity to ensure and encourage hydration.





FIRST DAY

Please be patient the first day as everyone gets used to drop off and pickup procedures!

Make sure that your camper(s) are sunscreened, have their backpacks, appropriate footwear and clothing, and know their group name! (If they forget, we have staff who can help them.) Please pull ALL the way forward in the drop off area and follow staff instructions.

PLEASE remain in your car! Have your camper ready to jump out and have fun!

After campers are dropped off, they'll be escorted to their groups. Group leaders will have wristbands for campers when they arrive at their group. We will give Campers their shirts at Pick Up.

09-FRIENDS/GROUPINGS

If you made a friend request and it wasn't honored, there are many reasons why this could happen. For example:

- You forgot to hit submit (it happens... a lot).
- Someone misspelled a name.
- The age gap is too big (therefore not safe for campers; anything over 1year age difference).
- There were too many friends requested or a complex friend chains/webs. We ignore these and so does the computer.
- We messed up!

If we made the error, we will make every effort to fix it. Please send an email ASAP, no later than Saturday at 8 p.m.! When I'm at my desk, I'll send an email back acknowledging that I've received your adjustment request. I will make the adjustments on Sunday and let you know the outcome. Don't call or text, just email please, it keeps it all in one place.

DO NOT EMAIL ME IF:

- 1. You did not submit a friend request (emailing me 2 months ago doesn't count, I tell parents to look out for the request form).
- 2. The invitation email went to your SPAM.
- 3. You forgot to submit and your child will be mad at you.
- 4. You see your child's friend in another group and now you want them to be together.
- 5. You requested more than one friend or tried to do a friend chain.
- 6. You submitted the friend request AFTER the deadline.
- 7. You didn't check your email on time and you missed the deadline on Saturday night to request an adjustment.

Kids are resilient and they will have fun if you allow them. If you're upset, they'll be upset. Encourage them to make new friends and be stoked they get to go to the best camp in Southern California!

I love emails... just not about friend requests!

10-NO CELL PHONES

PLEASE, PLEASE... DO NOT SEND CELL PHONES TO CAMP!

There are practical and legal reasons why we don't want JCs and Campers to have phones at Camp. Parents, you are responsible/liable for your child; please support us in this matter.

WHY WE DON'T WANT PHONES AT CAMP:

- Damage to phone: damaged/dropped/or a dive in the pool.
- Potential theft.
- JCs/Campers will flock to see what is happening when someone is on a device and they stop participating. The parents have all paid for kids to play at Camp, not watch someone else on a phone.
- If a JC/Camper is on a phone, they cannot participate and won't gain anything from the program.
- Someone might take (or be accused of) taking pictures/videos of other minors that they do NOT have permission to record/photograph.
- Someone might share pictures/videos of other minors that they do not have permission to be in possession.
- Someone might (accidentally or on purpose) show images or content to other minors that could be deemed as inappropriate or illegal.
- Parents may text JCs and Campers to leave Camp without checking out properly.

ALL IN ALL, NOTHING GOOD CAN HAPPEN!

- If we see a cell phone, it will be taken it to the Camp Office and locked in a storage locker.
- We will notify the parents.
- The phone will get handed back to parents at pickup.

Tell your child that if they need to contact you to go to the Camp Office, and we'll help them contact their care givers.

Parents, you can contact us at any time to have a message relayed to your child. You can always AirTag your child if you want to know exactly where they are.

11- CONFLICTS & BULLYING

Our staff have been trained to recognize and address camper issues and handle them appropriately based on severity. We make it a point to contact parents after any significant/notable incidents or injuries. (either by email or phone call.) We will likely not notify you of every conflict or rude comment.

However, if you hear of something that should have been addressed that we didn't contact you about, please reach out asap.

CONFLICT	RUDE	MEAN	BULLYING
Occasional	Occasional	Once or Twice	Is REPEATED
Not planned; in the heat of the moment	Spontaneous: unintentional	Intentional	Is planned and done on purpose
All parties are upset	Can cause hurt feelings; upset	Can hurt others deeply	The target of the bullying is upset
All parties want to work things out	Based in thoughtlessness, poor manners or narcissism	Based in anger; impulsive cruelty	The bully is trying to gain control over the target
All parties will accept responsibility	Rude person accepts responsibility	Behavior often regretted;	The bully blames the target
An effort is made by all parties to solve the problem			The target wants to stop the bully's behavior, the bully does not
Can be resolved through mediation	Social skill building could be of benefit	Needs to be addressed/ should NOT be ignored	CANNOT be resolved through mediation

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We want to address your concerns as quickly as possible. Please don't wait until the end of the week to address an issue. If we don't know, we can't help!

EMAIL US:

If you have an issue/concern that you'd like to be addressed during camp, please email **office@spartanallstars.com**. This email will be received by all office staff and is monitored from 9am-4pm. If you'd like a call back, please leave the best phone number to call. After hours, please give us time to respond as we commute, eat, and take care of personal matters. Sometimes, a response is delayed as we try and gather more information. But, we will get back to you as soon as we can.

PHONE:

Email is best, but you can always call and leave a message if no one answers. Phone calls only go to one person, so emails will likely give you a quicker response time. (818) 473-0005

Want more info? Check out our FAQ Page.