



## 2022 Summer Camp FAQs

### **1. How do I register my camper?**

- a. **Via Mail!** Fill out the Registration Packet and include your required deposit. Feel free to email me a photo of your stamped envelope so I know it is on the way! Address: Attn: Summer Camp, PO Box 500130, Marathon, FL 33050
- b. **Email!** Send Education Director Casey your campers Registration Packet to [Casey@pigeonkey.net](mailto:Casey@pigeonkey.net). Once your Registration is confirmed, Casey will approve availability and have you pay the deposit over the phone with our Gift Shop at 305-743-5999. This transaction does include a 5% surcharge.
- c. **Gift Shop Drop Off!** Bring your form of payment and Registration packets to 2010 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050. The shop is open 7-days a week from 9:30am-4pm.
- d. **Final payment will be required** 3-weeks prior to the start of camp.

### **2. What is the cost of camp for the week?**

- a. We will be offering a Returning Camper Rate and a New Camper Rate.
- b. Day Camp: New Camper - \$475.00; **Returning Camper** - \$425.00
- c. Overnight Camp: New - \$1,100.00; **Returning** - \$1,050.00
- d. Deposits are non-refundable and required to register your camper. Day Camp Deposit: \$150.00; Overnight Camp Deposit: \$300.00.

### **3. How fast does camp fill up?**

- a. Typically, our Overnight Camp fills up faster than our Day Camp sessions. Since our transportation to the island is via ferry boat (trolley in the future), we can only accommodate a certain number of campers for each week.
- b. We urge you to register sooner rather than later to secure your camper's spot!

### **4. What does a typical day of camp look like?**

- a. **Day Camp:** After a short morning meeting, we jump right into our marine science programs followed by a hands-on activity. After lunch, we either have a free swim or a field activity. Each day is a mixture of marine science programming and island fun!

- b. **Overnight Camp:** An extension of Day Camp, campers who stay overnight can expect more free time to swim, snorkel and explore the island. Nocturnal tide pooling, field games, fishing and more!

**5. What should my camper pack for their week?**

- a. Both Day and Overnight campers will be provided with a packing list to aid in being prepared for their island experience. A water bottle, sunscreen, swimming gear, a change of clothes, hats and sunglasses are the minimum.
- b. Snorkel gear will be provided to each camper to use for the duration of the week. Campers also go home with a Pigeon Key water bottle, t-shirt and program packet at the end of the week.

**6. Are meals included? Can you accommodate those with food allergies or restrictions?**

- a. You will receive a menu ahead of time for your camper's week with us. We try to accommodate as best we can with food restrictions, but you are more than welcome to pack your camper with their own food for both Day Camp and Overnight Camp.
- b. **Day Camp:** Lunch & snacks are provided. We suggest if you have picky eaters, to send them along with their own food.
- c. **Overnight Camp:** all meals & snacks are provided. Contact Education Director Casey to discuss any allergies and the best way to proceed.
- d.

**7. What COVID-19 protocols will be in place this summer?**

- a. We will be following local, state and CDC guidelines when it comes to your campers safety this year. Masks will be required when social distancing cannot be achieved or indoors and all programs and activities will be held outside.
- b. We were able to run five successful weeks of summer camp in 2020 and 2021 with the use of temperature checks, smaller group sizes, staggered pick-up/drop-off times, handwashing stations and social distancing.
- c. Summer camp staff are trained on the prevention and recognition of signs of COVID-19 in others, as well as precautionary, safety, and disinfecting procedures.
- d. Camp protocols may change once it gets closer. We will keep everyone updated in a timely manner.

**8. Who do I contact if I have any questions?**

Our Education & Summer Camp Director Casey! She can be reached at 860-961-1982 or [Casey@pigeonkey.net](mailto:Casey@pigeonkey.net).