

Creature Feature Summer Camp
August 5-8, 2024
9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Kings Landing Park- Huntingtown, MD



Dear Parents and/or guardians,

Welcome to Creature Feature Summer Camp! This camp will be spent learning about and interacting with the wide variety of animals that call our parks home. The following guidelines will help prepare you and your camper for the week.

Drop off and pick up: Drop-off and Pick-up will be at the barn by pavilion 1, which is on your right upon entering the park. Kings Landing Park opens at 9:00 a.m. but occasionally the gate will be open earlier because of events at the pool. If you arrive before 9:00 a.m. please take some time at your car to make sure you have everything, apply sunscreen and bug spray, etc. We will not be ready to check in campers until 9:00 a.m.

Inclement Weather: Our camps are mostly outdoors, and camp will be held rain or shine. Please check the weather forecast every morning before camp begins and dress your child appropriately. If rain is in the forecast, please send campers with a rain jacket- no umbrellas. In the case of severe weather, campers will be brought to an indoor shelter.

Bullying: We want all of our campers to feel safe. Any campers who are bullying others will be permanently expelled from all CCNRD camps.

Medication: If your child will require medication at camp (this includes ALL medication, both prescription and over-the-counter things such as tylenol and allergy medicine) you must complete the appropriate medication authorization forms. Medication must be sent **in its original packaging**. Otherwise, your child will not be allowed to have medication while at camp. Please contact me if you have questions.

Health/Safety: We will not be doing daily health screenings at check-in, so we ask that you use best practices when deciding whether your camper is well enough to attend camp. If they are feeling sick or have any new symptoms of a possible illness, please keep them home.

- While we are out having fun and exploring nature, I will make every effort to minimize your child's exposure to things like poison ivy, ticks, jellyfish, etc. However, you should still carefully check your child for ticks after camp every day. If you notice any unusual symptoms that may have been a result of something that happened at camp, please report it to me immediately.

Daily Camp Packing list:

Campers should have a backpack containing a towel, sunscreen, bug spray, lunch, snack, and a refillable water bottle. Other items campers can use to keep cool like small fans, spray bottles, cooling towels, etc. are welcome. See additional packing details below.

- **Sunscreen and Bug Spray:** Campers should arrive in the morning already wearing sunscreen and bug spray. Please send your preferred brand of these items with your camper and we will reapply in the afternoons.
 - **Lunch & Snacks:** Pack campers a lunch every day and include an additional snack in their backpack for the morning. Campers will be offered popsicles in the afternoon- please let me know if you do not want your camper getting a popsicle.
 - **Water:** Be sure campers have a large refillable water bottle, even if they have a separate drink in their lunch box for the day.
 - **Appropriate Clothing:** Campers should wear a hat to protect themselves from the sun every day and they may wear or bring sunglasses if they like. Each day of camp will involve walking outdoors, crafts, and possible water games. Please make sure campers are wearing clothes that are comfortable, weather appropriate, and can get messy.
 - **Shoes:** Shoes should be comfortable but snug. Flip flops and crocs are not appropriate footwear for this camp. Sandals with straps such as chacos or tevas are ok.

I'm looking forward to seeing everyone in a few weeks! Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

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