



2018 Summer Day Camps

Experience, Discover & Explore the Great Outdoors!

These three day and week-long day camp sessions focus on different nature-related themes with hands-on science investigations!

Limited scholarships available.

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Camp Dates & Themes:

Date	Theme	Time
June 11&12	Counselor Training (13 plus)	8:30am-11:30am
June 13-15 (3 days)	Dirt Made My Lunch (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
June 18-22 (5 days)	Flutterbys (ages 6 –12)	9am to 1pm
June 26-28 (3 days)	Mammal Mania (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
July 09-14 (5 days, plus Star Party on 14th)	Sunlight, Starlight and Orbs (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
July 16-20 (5 days)	Geology Rocks (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
July 23-27 (5 days)	Water Wizards (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
July 31—Aug 2 (3 days)	Wings (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm
August 7-9 (3 days)	Dinosaur Discovery (ages 6-12)	9am to 1pm

Camp Fees: Due at the time of registration!

General admission -

5 day class \$165, 3 day class \$115.00

PNC members -

5 day class \$150, 3 day class \$100.00

For each day of camp:

Make sure your child

- is dressed appropriately for playing outside, clothes that can get dirty and are comfortable, closed-toed shoes for light hiking and running around
- has a reusable, durable water bottle
- has a sack lunch

Small Groups:

Only 4-5 campers per camp counselor.

Inclusive Environment:

Each camper gets individualized attention and encouragement.

Fun Learning:



Camp Descriptions:



Dirt Made My Lunch (Ages 6-12) June 13-15 9-1 pm (3 days)

How do plants affect our lives? Learn about the environment and us! We will explore different plant parts, how plants transform solar energy into chemical energy, and how you can grow plants in a sustainable way.



Flutterbys, (ages 6-12) June 18-22 9-1 pm (5 days)

Do you know the order of the honeybee hive? Or what their dance means? Get your insect nets and bug viewers because we're going on a scavenger hunt! See like an insect and learn about compound eyes, metamorphoses and all the different types of insects. Don't forget, what's a bug without the parts of the flower? We'll trap specimens to study but will always do an insect release ceremony!

Mammal Mania (ages 6-10)

June 26-28 9 - 1pm (3 days)



Can you howl like a coyote or walk like a fox? Explore our local foothill mammals! Learn to identify animal trails, tracks, scat and more! Investigate different mammal skulls, teeth and adaptations. Check out the fur of our mammals big and small!

Sunlight, Starlight and Orbs, (Ages 6-12)

July 9-14, 9 - 1pm (14th evening only) (5 days plus star party on 14th)



Examine how the sun drives Earth's natural systems and makes our planet suitable for life. We will explore how the sun's energy can be harvested and utilized to sustain our modern world. Learn about stars, planets, constellations and galaxies as we expand our understanding of the universe and beyond!



Geology Rocks (ages 6-12) July 16-20 9 - 1pm (5 days)

Dig into the earth and explore rocks! Learn about the rock cycle, fossils and tools used by geologists. From earthquakes to exploding volcanoes, meteorites to crystals, rocks and minerals are all around us. See how geology rocks your world and affects plants and animals every day!



Water Wizards (ages 6-12) July 23-27 9 - 1pm (5 days)

Explore the water cycle and our connection to and influence on Earth's most limited resource. Learn why water is so special to life. Gain knowledge and understanding of our local watershed and ways we can help conserve and maintain clean water.



Wings, (Ages 6-12)

July 31- Aug 2 9-1 pm (3 days)

How do birds fly and what are barbules? Why do birds migrate and how? We're pulling out the binoculars and going birding! From songbirds to raptors, we'll look at flight patterns and use tools to explore how different beaks and feet are used and all about bird camouflage!

Dinosaur Discoveries (ages 6-10)



August 7-9 9 - 1pm (3 days)

On the land, in the sea, and in the air - dinosaurs everywhere! Come and learn about their different sizes, names, behaviors, adaptations and habitats on ancient

Earth.

Teen Volunteers Needed!

Placer Nature Center is looking for teens to help at our Summer Day Camps!

- Do you want to enrich your leadership skills?
- Do you want to earn community service hours?
- Do you want experience working with children?
- Do you want to have fun and learn at the same time?

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, then consider helping out at Placer Nature Center this summer.

Teen camp counselors guide the camp participants through nature investigations, nature games and crafts and lead nature songs and puppet shows for the children. We will explore the foothill ecosystems so we can share Earth's natural phenomenon with younger generations!

Teen Training for 2018:

June 11th & 12th, 8:30am - 11:30am (required) Learn about camp activities, the nature trail and your role as camp counselor.

2018 Summer Camp: Registration Form

Please fill out a separate form for each child. Photocopies are acceptable.

Child's Name _____

Child's Age _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (_____) _____ Work/Cell Phone (_____) _____

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Circle the session(s) you would like to attend

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Payment Type:

Volunteer Counselor

My check/money order is enclosed, made out to PNC in the amount of \$ _____

We accept PayPal payments as well. Please log in to your PayPal account and choose the "send money" option. Please send the money to the following email address: programs@placernaturecenter.org
Please make sure to include the camper name, program name, and date of camp in the "add a message" section. Note \$3.00 service fee for Pay Pal
PayPal Confirmation# _____

RELEASE & EMERGENCY MEDICAL FORM

I, the parent or guardian of _____ agree to have my child participate in Placer Nature Center's Summer Camp. I assume all risks to my child associated with the program held at the Placer Nature Center (PNC). The program may include hiking and other outdoor activities. All natural areas contain animals, poisonous plants as well as other hazards. I agree to hold harmless PNC, their Board of Directors, staff, any cosponsors or volunteers leading this activity, both personally and in their respective capacities, from and against all liability for accident or injury to my child or his/her

belongings arising out of participation in Summer Camp. If my child should become sick or injured, and either of his parents cannot be contacted, a licensed physician has my permission to treat the sickness or injury. I also understand that if my child is unable to attend camp, I must request the refund within 72 hours of the start of camp.

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Phone Numbers _____

Date _____

*Please note any allergies, physical limitations or special condition your child has that program leaders should be made aware of:

I AUTHORIZE I DO NOT AUTHORIZE my child to be photographed or videotaped during activities for promotional materials (press releases, brochures, newspaper articles) PNC may send out to local media and schools.

In case I can not be reached, my child's Emergency Contact Person is (mandatory):

Name _____ Relationship to child _____

Phone (_____) _____ Work/Cell Phone (_____) _____

PNC Staff Use Only

Date Received: ____/____/____ Initials _____ Paid Y/N? _____