

SUMMER PROGRAMS INFORMATION 2019

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

Dear Walden West Parents,

We look forward to seeing you and your participants this summer! Please carefully read through the following information, it will help assist us in explaining the rules and guidelines of our summer programming. Feel free to call (408) 573-3060 should you have any questions.

REGISTRATION

All completed paperwork is due no later than the Monday of the week of the registered program, including any needed medication forms. Participants will not be permitted to attend the program until all necessary documents have been completed and filed. If unable to complete the registration packet at home, we will have blank packets available day of.

This year we will only be accepting [Registration Packets](#) via email or in person at Monday Check-In. Please do not mail or fax Registration Packets.

If space permits, participants may register late or for additional sessions. Please visit waldenwest.org/summer to check availability.

MONDAY CHECK-IN PROCEDURE AND TIMES

Please note all participants must be checked in at Walden West on Monday morning by 9:30am. Check-in times are staggered by program to encourage a smooth flow of traffic (volunteer counselors arrive before participants). Please arrive during your scheduled time. If you have multiple participants in different programs, you may check them in during either time slot. Park on our lower field and Walden West Staff will be in place to direct you (see camp map).

MONDAY CHECK-IN HOURS

| | Counselors | WOW Camp | Wild Things | Trail Blazers | LITs | Girls+ | Jr Counselor |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Time | 7 to 7:30 am | 8 to 9 am | 8:15 to 8:45 am | 9 to 9:30 am | 9 to 9:30 am | 8 to 9 am | 8 to 9 am |
| Location | Counselor Area | Basketball Court | Raccoon Cabin | Front Lawn | Front Lawn | Front Lawn | Shady Grove |

SIGN OUT PROCEDURES

At Walden West your child's safety is our priority. This summer, we are implementing the Walden West Camper ID Code system. All registered participants have been assigned an individual 5-digit Camper ID Code and parents/guardians will be given an official Code Card to be used during sign out with the participants name, program, and ID Code. The code on the card is unique to each participant and will be required at sign out each afternoon. If your participant is registered for more than one week of summer camp, their code will remain the same week-to-week.

During Monday morning check in, the Walden West staff will distribute a Camper ID Code Card to authorized person/s on the participant's registration form. If you are planning on having your participant carpool to camp on Monday, **please make sure to send a signed and authorized**

Pick-Up Form with the person your camper is riding with. Please also make sure a copy of your camper's ID Code Card gets to all you've authorized to pick up your camper. Blank Authorization Forms can be found [here](#). Walden West will have a copy of each camper's code on file, but it is the parent/guardian's responsibility to share the code with authorized persons who will be picking up their campers. **Campers will not be allowed to leave camp with unauthorized persons.** This system is for the protection and safety of your child.

During afternoon pick up at camp or at the Bus Stop, you must present the Camper ID Code Card to a Walden West Staff member at checkout each day. We will accept copies of code cards, pictures of code cards on smartphones, and cards presented in person. Walden West staff must confirm the code every afternoon in order to release your participants. Authorized persons will also be asked to print their name and date on a sign out sheet.

Sample ID Code Card:

| WALDEN WEST SUMMER PROGRAMS | |
|---|---|
| Name: _____ | |
| waldenwest ID Code: _____ | |
|  | <p>This code card, a copy of this code card, or a picture of this code card on a smart phone must be shown to Walden West staff when signing out the above camper.</p> |

PROGRAM HOURS (Tuesday-Friday) *Specific program schedules can be found [here](#) *

*Overnight for TB, LIT & Girls+ (Wednesday)

*Overnight for WOW & Jr. Counselors (Thursday)

* There is a 45 min. Pickup window after programs end. Aftercare will begin at 4:45pm, any participant not picked up at that time will automatically be enrolled & will be charged the \$35 fee.

| | Counselors | WOW* | Wild Things | Trail Blazers* | LITs* | Girls+ | Jr. Counselors |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| AM Drop off @ Camp | 7:30 am to 8 am | 7:30 am to 8:45 am | 8:30 am to 9 am | 9 am to 9:30 am | 9 am to 9:30 am | 8:30 to 9 am | 7:30 am to 8:45 am |
| AM Camp (at camp) | Not Available | 7:30 to 8:45 am | Not Available | 7:30 to 8:45 am | 7:30 to 8:45 am | 7:30 to 8:45 am | 7:30 to 8:45 am |
| AM Drop Off @ Saratoga High School | Not Available | 8:00 am to 8:45 am | 8:00 am to 8:30 am | 8:00 am to 8:45 am | 8:00 am to 8:45 am | 8:00 am to 8:45 am | 8:00 am to 8:45 am |
| Program Hours | Varies by Program | 9 am to 4 pm | 9 am to 3:30 pm | 9:30 am to 4:30 pm | 9:30 am to 4:30 pm | 9 am to 4 pm | 9 am to 4 pm |
| PM Pick Up @ Camp | Varies by Program | 4 pm to 4:45 pm | 3:45 pm to 4:15 pm | 4:30 to 5:15 pm | 4:30 to 5:15 pm | 4 to 4:45 pm | 4 to 4:45 pm |
| Aftercare (at camp) | Not Available | 4:45 to 6 pm | Not Available | 4:45 to 6 pm | 4:45 to 6pm | 4:45 to 6 pm | 4:45 to 6 pm |
| PM Pick UP @ Saratoga High School | Not Available | 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm | 4 pm to 4:30 pm | 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm | 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm | 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm | 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm |

*G+,Trail Blazers & LITs pickup at the Science Center *WOW pickup on Front Lawn *WT pickup in WT Room

WILD THINGS DROP OFF

Morning drop off at camp for Wild Things starts at 8:30 am. If you are not using the bus service, park in the main driveway circle and proceed past the main lodge to the Wild Things room to check in your participants. PROGRAM STARTS AT 9AM SHARP. If dropping off after 9am, the next good time is at snack time at 10:45.

PICK UP TIMES

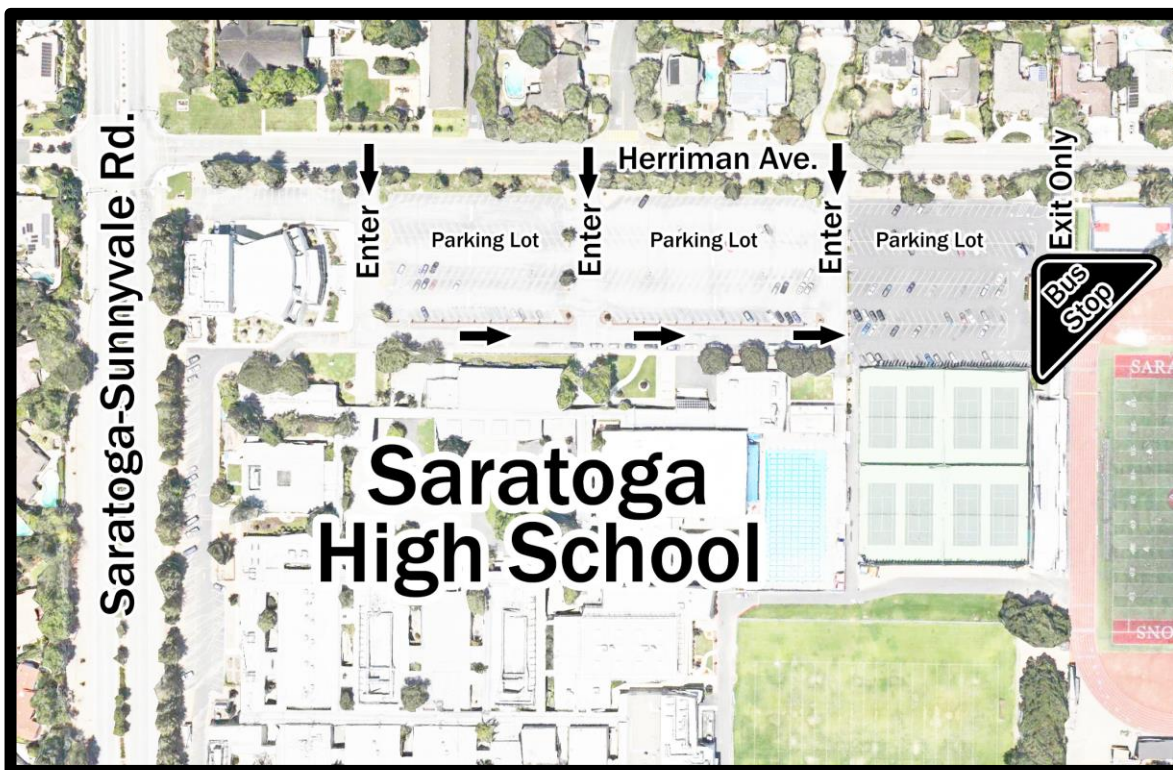
On non-overnight days (Monday-Friday) participants will be transported on the bus to Saratoga High School unless you have specified that you will be coming to pick them up at Walden West.

| | Counselors | WOW | Wild Things | Trail Blazers* | LITs* | Girls+ | Jr. Counselors |
|---------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| PM Pick UP @ Saratoga HS | Not Available | 4:15 pm to 5 pm | 4:15 pm to 4:30 pm | 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm | 4:45 pm to 5:15 pm | 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm | 4:15 pm to 5:00 pm |

BUSES

We are excited to welcome back our busing service to and from Saratoga High School. Please make sure you adhere to the bus times when you register, as the buses will operate during the scheduled times only. participants must follow all bus rules and safety directions as given by the bus driver or riding privileges will be revoked. **** (Bus location exception: the week of 8/5 - we will be at Saratoga Elementary school on Oak Street.)**

All participants, regardless of age, who do not wish to use our bus service may be dropped off or picked up at Walden West. If this is the case, please let us know at Monday Check-in



LATE DROP OFF

To check in at Walden West go directly to the Summer Camp Office (The Hub) and sign in your participants.

EARLY PICK UP

If possible, let us know at Monday check-in or call the Summer Camp Office (The Hub) at (408) 573-3060 when you need to pick up your child early. When you arrive at camp, please check in at the The Hub, and a Walden West Staff Member will call your participants to meet you there. Please make sure to have your Camper ID Code Card with for authorized pickup.

AM CAMP: 7:30 am to 8:45 am (free for all program participants)

AM Camp is directed to youth ages 7-12+. This interactive program takes early drop off to a whole new level of summer fun! AM Camp is intended for older programs and participants however, we do welcome Wild Things participants and/or siblings that can handle being in larger groups of differing age levels. **Please note:** There will not be any Wild Thing Staff running AM Camp so if your child needs extra supervision or does not do well in larger groups, please wait until 8:30am when Wild Things drop off begins.

AFTERCARE: 4 pm to 6 pm (not offered to Wild Things participants)

With programs ending between 4 pm and 4:30 pm, we understand that some parents need a little more time. If you are interested in utilizing our daily Aftercare Program participants can be registered during Monday morning check-in the week your child comes to camp. The Aftercare program is tailored to keep participants enthused and engaged after their day camp program ends. Our Walden West Aftercare Staff will facilitate camp activities and provide a daily snack of assorted fruit and crackers. There is a fee of \$35 for the week that will provide fun and engaging supervision to 6 p.m. daily.

Please note: *Any participants not picked up by 4:45 p.m. will automatically be enrolled in Aftercare at the rate of \$35 for the week. *All participants must be picked up by 6 p.m. from Aftercare. There will be a fee of \$1 for every minute that your child is here past 6 p.m. This additional charge will be collected before your child is allowed back at camp the following day.

PARKING

Parking for Monday morning check in and the Wednesday and Thursday evening Family BBQ and dinner show will be on the lower field. To get to there you will be directed around the side of camp on a dirt path and a steep hill. Cars with low clearance are not recommended. Please plan accordingly. Handicap spaces are available at the front of camp. Let the parking attendant at the front gate know that you will require one of those spaces. If you are dropping off or picking up participants during the week, you may park in the regular parking lot by the main office at the front of camp.

MERCHANDISE & CAMP PHOTO

All participants will receive a Walden West summer program shirt with registration. If you would also like a Limited Edition Walden West summer t-shirt, they will be available for purchase, along with other Walden West merchandise, during Monday check-in and Wednesday / Thursday night campfires. Camp photos must be ordered at Monday check-in and will be available for pick-up at the Dinner/Overnight (TB, LIT, Jr. Counselor, Girls+, and Wild Things photos will be given out Friday).

ICE CREAM

All participants (except Wild Things) may purchase ice cream or ice cream bars each afternoon (lactose free option available). Single scoop is \$1.00 double scoop is \$2.00 and ice cream bars are \$1-\$2, depending on which variety participants choose. Please provide your participants with the appropriate amount of money each day. Wild Things are provided with snacks each day.

WILD THINGS SNACKS

Wild Thing participants are provided with two snacks daily (see below). *Due to food allergies, please do not pack additional snacks.* Please contact our Health Tech (408) 573-3063 should your participants need a substitute snack item.

| Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------|--|------------------------------------|
| Goldfish Crackers & Strawberries | Ritz Crackers, Cheddar cheese, Oranges | Chex Mix, Watermelon | Graham Crackers, Homemade Fruit Popsicle | Pretzels, String Cheese, Ice Cream |

DRESS GUIDELINES

Clothing must be moderate and appropriate for camp, not too loose or too tight for normal participation in camp activities. All clothing must cover cleavage, midriff and buttocks. All images on clothing must be school appropriate.

LOST & FOUND

Walden West staff does our best to keep track of things, but are not responsible for lost or stolen items. To help prevent lost items, please clearly mark all personal items, especially towels and clothing. Any items found lost around camp will be stored on the shelf outside The Hub during the week. Participants may check for lost items at any time. Items not claimed throughout the week will be kept until the end of summer, when unclaimed items will be donated to charitable organizations.

ESSENTIAL CAMPER ITEMS

- A non-refrigerated lunch free of peanuts and peanut products is required each day (we strive to be a peanut free environment)

EXCEPTION: Days following an overnight, both breakfast and lunch are provided by Walden West at no additional charge.

- Appropriate closed toe shoes (flip flops are permitted during pool time)
- Appropriate swimsuit (no bikinis), towel, and sunscreen
- Reusable water bottle

RECOMMENDED ITEMS

- Backpack
- Extra layer for cool mornings
- Long pants or sweatpants (for challenge course and hikes)

RECOMMENDED ITEMS (CONT.)

- Hat/sunglasses
- Change of clothes

Note: Walden West provides all necessary safety equipment for the Challenge Course.

THINGS NOT TO BRING TO CAMP

- Anything electronic: cell phones, video games, etc.
- Sports equipment, trading cards, games, gum, **peanuts, and peanut products**
- Pets or any other living animal
- Matches and lighters
- Anything else not mentioned in Essential or Recommended Items above

STRICTLY PROHIBITED

Alcohol, cigarettes, tobacco, fireworks, drugs, drug paraphernalia, knives or weapons of any kind are strictly prohibited at camp. In the event a prohibited item is found, it will be confiscated and the participant along with the Program Lead will call the participant's parents for immediate pick up from camp.

CAMP CONDUCT

At Walden West, the physical and emotional safety of all our program participants is our top priority, and we strive to provide a comfortable and enriching experience for all. We recognize that the development of responsible participant behavior and conduct is fostered by proper role-modeling, guidance, and adherence to a set of policies and behavioral expectations; an expectation that we impress upon and hold our staff and volunteers accountable to.

Walden West is committed to creating an environment where the rights and dignity of all individuals are respected. Our goal is to promote a culture that fosters cooperation through open, honest, and civil discourse. We ask all camp participants to be mindful of each other's physical, emotional, and mental well-being, with the understanding that Walden West is responsible for establishing such an environment.

Incidents that may violate the rights and dignity of any individual, including participants, staff, volunteers, or parents, is regarded as a serious matter. Walden West will respond promptly and sensitively to determine the appropriate action.

CAMP RULES

1. Be respectful to each other, the staff, counselors, nature, yourself and the site
2. Keep camp clean
3. Stay within the boundaries
4. No running while on campus
5. Have fun!

DISCIPLINE POLICY

Walden West will not tolerate bullying. If a participant's behavior becomes disruptive or if there is a potential risk to the other participants, our staff will do everything possible to help the participant and communicate with the parents/guardians of the misbehavior.

If the issue continues or escalates, parents/guardians will be notified and the participant may face potential suspension or dismissal from the program.

If a participant is dismissed from the program as a result of his or her behavior, a refund will not be issued for days missed as a result of a suspension or dismissal.

Important: Please note that these are to serve as guidelines, and that the steps taken in each situation will be determined by the circumstances involved. If a participant's actions result in serious bodily harm to another individual, then he or she may be immediately dismissed from the program.

SAFETY POLICY

During any unforeseen crisis, such as a natural disaster, Walden West staff will cease regular day activities and follow the appropriate steps outlined in our emergency preparedness plan. Staff will evacuate the premises, if necessary, in which case participants will be transported to Saratoga High School (bus stop) for pick-up. Parents/guardians will be contacted for early release from the program. Walden West staff will notify the proper authorities in the event of any emergency.

COMMUNICATING DURING AN EMERGENCY

In an emergency, Walden West will attempt to contact the participant's parent/guardian. If the parent/guardian is unavailable, we will attempt to notify the emergency contacts listed on your child's registration. Walden West will take the necessary actions in the child's best interest until the parent/guardian or emergency contact has been reached.

VISITORS

Walden West is committed to the safety of the participants in our programs. We strive to foster a child's independence and growth while at summer camp. Therefore we require all visitors to check in at Main Office in the Walden West Lodge during camp hours. If you'd like to visit camp for a tour, please contact Marie Bacher, Director Environmental Education, at marie_bacher@sccoe.org to schedule a tour.

MEDICATIONS

If possible, please keep medication at home and take it before or after camp.

By law, all vitamins, supplements, over-the-counter, and prescribed medicine are considered "medication" on campus and must have a completed [WALDEN WEST MEDICATION FORM](#) signed by a parent/guardian and healthcare provider. Watch [this](#) video to learn more about how to prepare medication for camp. Medication will NOT be dispensed without a properly completed and signed form.

Medication must come in original packaging with manufacture/pharmacy label including:

1. Name of medication - Amount/dosage
2. Expiration date (must not be expired)
3. Placed in a gallon sized ziplock bag with completed WALDEN WEST MEDICATION FORM and name of participant.

It is recommended that parents who elect their minor to self-carry their rescue inhalers, epinephrine, or other emergency medications provide a backup (second one) to be kept in the camp program office where staff can find it in an emergency. Only albuterol inhalers/rescue inhalers, epi-pens, and insulin may be carried by minors. **All self-carry medications still require a guardian's and health care provider's signature.**

****Any expired medications will not be dispensed. This includes emergency medications. Any and all medication must be turned in to the Health Tech during Monday check-in.**

HEALTH CONCERNS

Our Health technician and designated and trained staff are available to dispense medication and care for other health needs while at summer camp. For more information, questions or concerns about health or medication while at Walden West, contact our Health Technician, Rob McDonnell, at waldenwest_healthaide@sccoe.org, (408) 573-3063, fax: (408) 573-3066.

ILLNESS

In an attempt to decrease the impact of an influenza outbreak at Walden West, students must be fever free, less than 100.4 degrees without the use of medications for 24 hours leading up to their first day of camp. If the participants has vomited twice within 12 hours, or is vomiting and has a fever, they must be free of these symptoms for 48 hours leading up to their first day of camp. Temperatures should be checked at home. Everyone with a sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, chills, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or are experiencing fatigue are highly encouraged to stay home.

Walden West reserves the right to release a child if they appear too ill to participate in summer camp or is considered contagious. Our Health Technician will notify the child's parent/guardian or emergency contact and request that the child be picked up within two hours of notifying a parent or guardian. If the child has not been picked up within the allotted time frame, Walden West reserves the right to take any action necessary to ensure the health and safety of the child. participants not healthy for arrival on the first day may join later in the week – once symptom free.

INJURY

Walden West reserves the right to release a child if they appear injured at a level that is deemed hazardous to their future health. At the time that a participants is sent home from injury, parents/guardians will be given instructions by our Health Tech depending on the type of injury and severity of the injury.

LICE AND DISEASE

Parents must inform Walden West within 24 hours or the next business day after a child or any member of the immediate household has developed any reportable communicable disease as defined by the State Board of Health, except for life threatening diseases which must be reported immediately.

Walden West is a lice and nit free zone! Walden West requires all participants are checked at home by parents/guardians for head lice before attending camp. If lice or nits are found, participants must undergo a lice treatment and nits must be combed out. Any participant found with lice/nits at Walden West will be sent home immediately. Parents/guardians are responsible for transportation of participant home. If one child has lice, it is almost guaranteed that more will have it.

SUNSCREEN

Please apply sunscreen before arrival. Participants are allowed and encouraged to apply their own sunscreen and may do so at any time. However, if your child needs help applying, Walden West Staff may assist in the application unless otherwise specified by the parent/guardian. Please keep skin products in their original container and labeled with the child's name.

A significant portion of our day camp activities take place outdoors. As a result, we do ask that participants bring a bottle of sunscreen for use during the day, and preferably report to camp having already applied one layer. Sunscreen sent to camp should be water-resistant, with SPF 30 or higher, and placed in a sealed plastic bag that is labeled with the child's first and last name. If a child forgets to bring sunscreen, or it is not readily available during activities, then our staff will have

water-resistant sunscreen with SPF 30 available.

Please review the proper steps to reapply sunscreen with your child, prior to the start of camp. Depending on the nature of the activity, participants may be asked to reapply sunscreen as frequently as every 2 hours. During the reapplication process our staff will take all reasonable and appropriate steps to monitor participants in the reapplication of sunscreen to exposed skin.

BEHAVIOR MANAGEMENT POLICY

Walden West staff takes a positive approach to setting and keeping clear boundaries with participants and treating all behavior issues with fairness. Behavior guidance conducted by our staff and volunteers shall be constructive in nature and intended to redirect participants to appropriate behavior through conflict resolution. Walden West staff and volunteers interact with participants and one another by providing the needed comfort, support and a sense of well-being for all.

It is expected that participants will respect others and their space, harmoniously participate in games, cooperate with staff and volunteers and be enthusiastic. Unacceptable behaviors include profanity, disrespecting others (harassment/bullying) and their space, failure to comply with a staff members' directions, excessive horseplay, inappropriate or violent physical contact, or possession/use of alcohol, cigarettes, tobacco, fireworks, drugs, drug paraphernalia, knives or weapons of any type.

Walden West staff may report incidents of unacceptable behavior to parent/guardian of all involved and we reserve the right to release any participant for unacceptable behavior. It is the parent's responsibility to pick up their child. No refunds are issued for released participants.

ACCREDITATION

Walden West is a member of the American Camp Association (ACA) and California Outdoor School Association (COSA) certified. Our program and staff undergo thorough accreditation processes where we meet or exceed nationally recognized criteria. We value all participants' experiences and hold ourselves to the highest standards.

STAFF

Your child's physical and emotional safety is our top priority. Our experienced staff and volunteers are carefully chosen to be positive role models who strive to empower your child to gain self-confidence, awareness and independence in a well-supervised environment.

Our campus is managed by skilled and knowledgeable staff with years of experience, degrees in higher education and a passion for the outdoors. Individuals hold certificates in First Aid (many also have Wilderness First Aid training) and Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR). Appropriate Challenge Course Safety and Lifeguard training certificates are held as activities require.

In addition to our staff, Walden West Summer Camp is host to hundreds of dedicated volunteers all summer long. Volunteers are typically teenagers and young adults ranging in age from 15 to 23 years old, most of whom have had prior experience as Walden West participants.

Volunteers are trained on how to be a positive role model, group management, child safety, and more and given the opportunity to gain leadership experience while working directly with participants during structured group time and fun free play. Summer camp volunteers gain valuable life skills such as becoming responsible for themselves and others, while learning effective communication and being open to new and exciting ideas.

RATIOS

According to ACA requirements, Walden West meets, and exceeds, current requirements for Staff Supervision Ratios. Current ACA requirements are as follows:

| Camper Age | Number of Staff | Day Campers |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| 5 years old & younger | 1 | 6 |
| 6 to 8 years old | 1 | 8 |
| 9 to 14 years old | 1 | 10 |
| 15-18 years old | 1 | 12 |

TRAIL TIME

Participants and volunteers will spend time on the trails of both Walden West and neighboring Sanborn Park. An experienced staff member, trained in CPR and First Aid, leads each trail group. Trail time may include exploring the creek, pond, forest, garden, and more. The staff will organize activities, games and hands-on exploration. All staff members are in contact with Walden West Headquarters via long-range walkie-talkie for any communications needs or should an emergency arise.

SWIMMING

Each participant, with parent/guardian permission to swim, will participate in our swim test. This mandated ACA accreditation requirement lets our lifeguards and camp staff assess each participant's swimming ability and identify who will require special attention (and possibly a life vest) during their swimming activity periods while at camp. Evaluation of each participant's ability is focused on keeping your child safe during their time at Walden West. Camper safety is our number one concern. Appropriate swimsuit is required (no bikinis), swim shirts are allowed. Participants who choose not to swim may participate in another activity.

CHALLENGE COURSE

The Walden West Challenge Course (The CORE) consists of numerous low and high ropes experiences including a climbing wall, zip line, low ropes challenges, and belayed high ropes climbing elements. The CORE was constructed in 1998 by Challenge Works and meets/exceeds the current Association for Challenge Course Technology (ACCT) standards and guidelines.

Every summer, a team of staff and volunteers known as The CORE Crew, facilitate the programs in the CORE. Our CORE Crew Staff is highly trained and possess a thorough knowledge of all high and low ropes course elements. Volunteers range from 8th grade to high school students that have all typically been a part of a Walden West Summer Program. Safety is the number one priority in the CORE and all staff is well versed in safety procedures and all volunteers go through a basic, in-house safety training at the beginning of each week.

Note: All climbing and safety gear, including harnesses and helmets, is provided by Walden West for participants. Please make sure your child comes to camp with close-toed shoes and long pants for climbing.

CHALLENGE COURSE GROUP BREAKDOWN

Groups 1-4 (ages 7 thru 9) will visit our Climbing Wall

Groups 5-8 (ages 10 thru 12) will visit both the Climbing Wall and our High Ropes elements.

ARCHERY

Walden West has adopted and follows policies and procedures set by the NASP (National Archery in the Schools Program). Staff and volunteers go through a basic, in-house archery and safety training at the beginning of the summer. All archery time is facilitated by trained staff who possess the knowledge of the procedures. Archery is offered to all campers ages 7 and up. **Safety is the number one priority at our range, all staff, volunteers, and campers will be well advised on safety.** All equipment is provided by Walden West.

DINNER/CAMPFIRE – WEDNESDAY/THURSDAY (Overnight)

On Wednesday (Trail Blazers/LIT/Girl's +) and Thursday (WOW camp/ Jr. Counselor) evening, families and friends are invited to join us for dinner beginning at 6 p.m. and a show from 7 pm to 8 p.m. Attendance is optional but strongly encouraged. Dinner is followed by a lively campfire presentation featuring songs and skits. Participants' dinners are included in the price of camp. Family members and other guests may purchase an all-you-can-eat buffet dinner for \$12 per person. After dinner and campfire, participants are invited to stay for our optional overnight camp-out with songs, stories, night hike, and marshmallow roast, followed by sleeping under the stars! Breakfast and lunch are provided to all participants and programs at 8 am the next day.

Note: During the Wednesday campfire, LITs will perform skits for the Trail Blazer Program campfire. LITs will not be staying for the overnight that follows the campfire, so LIT parents will need to be there to take them home either after the campfire or following the nighttime activity.

CAMPFIRE MENUS

➤Trail Blazers / LIT / Girls + (Wednesday)

- Pasta w/ meat or vegetarian sauce
- Dinner rolls
- Garden salad
- Fresh fruit and dessert

➤WOW Camp / Jr. Counselor (Thursday)

- BBQ chicken or veggie burgers
- Pasta/potato salad
- Dinner rolls
- Salad bar

BREAKFAST & LUNCH MENUS

(Following program overnights)

Breakfast:

Cheesy eggs
Coffee Cake
Sausage
Tater Tots
Water/Orange Juice
Milk & Cereal

Lunch:

Deli Ham & Turkey
Sunbutter & Jelly
Tuna Salad
White & Wheat Bread
Watermelon
Potato Chips
Mayo/Mustard/Pickles

WILD THINGS SIBLINGS

If you have a child in the Wild Things program with a sibling in Day Camp or Trail Blazers, your Wild Thing may stay, free of charge, for after-hours care until the dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. Please tell us at Monday check-in if you would like your child to stay and mark the appropriate box on the registration form.

SIGN IN & OUT (DINNER/CAMPFIRE)

After you have parked your car on the Lower Field, please proceed to the Front Lawn to sign out your participants. All participants will be waiting for sign out until 6pm. At that time, our staff will take anyone remaining to get dinner and have a seat near the registration table at the pool. After dinner, but before the overnight we will need you to sign your participants back in near the tarp area on the Lower Field after the campfire if they will be joining us for the overnight.

OVERNIGHT PACKING LIST

- Sleeping bag/Pillow
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Small tarp (optional)
- Brush/comb
- Pajamas/ warm clothes to sleep in
- Change of clothes for Friday
- Sleeping pad (optional)

LIT EXTENDED PACKING LIST (IN ADDITION TO OVERNIGHT PACKING LIST)

- Flashlight
- Extra layers
- Swimsuit for shower
- Soap/shampoo/toiletries
- Backpacking bag/duffle/pillow
- Pillow
- Pajamas

PARTICIPANTS NOT STAYING OVERNIGHT

Any participants not staying overnight may be dropped off at Walden West anytime between 7:30 – 8:45 a.m. the following morning after campfire. If you would like your participants to join us for breakfast on Friday morning, the meal begins at 8 a.m. and activities begin at 9 a.m. Please remember to sign your participants in at the Summer Camp Hub.

LIT THURSDAY OVERNIGHT

LITs will have their overnight activities on Thursday night. It is our hope to have 100% of the LITs participate in this memorable overnight, as it is highlight of the week. Let us know ahead of time if your LIT will not be able to attend the evening. Please email Big Brown Bat at Robert_Stolberg@sccoe.org.

CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS

Walden West requires a written request by email to wwsummercamp@sccoe.org for refunds at least 21 days prior to the session you wish to cancel. There is a \$150 non-refundable fee for each cancelled week. There is a \$250 charge for switching or transferring weeks. Request to transfer prepaid week is dependent on availability.