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Camp Chico Creek

An environmental education day-camp for children ages 5 to 11



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CHICO CREEK
Nature Center



Supported by funding from the City of Chico

Summer 2008

New Time: 8am-1pm daily
8 weekly sessions
June 9-August 8

REGISTRATION FORM-SUMMER 2008

CHILD'S NAME (above) CHILD'S AGE

PARENT OR GUARDIAN NAME

ADDRESS STATE ZIP

HOME PH# PARENT WK# CELL PH#

Emergency and Pick-Up Information

List persons below who are authorized to pick up your child from camp. They will be contacted if parent/guardian can't be reached.

NAME (above) PHONE # RELATIONSHIP

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Please circle the Session(s) you would like to enroll in. Camp is 8am-1pm each day.

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| Session 1
June 9-13 | Session 2
June 16-20 | Session 3
June 23-27 |
| Session 4
July 7-11 | Session 5
July 14-18 | Session 6
July 21-25 |
| Session 7
July 28-Aug. 1 | Session 8
August 4-8 | |

MEDICAL EMERGENCY RELEASE

I, the parent/guardian of _____ agree to have my child participate in Camp Chico Creek. I assume all risks to my child associated with the program held at the Nature Center and in Bidwell Park. The program may include wading and/or swimming in the creek, hiking, and other nature, craft, and outdoor adventure activities. All natural areas contain poisonous plants and animals as well as other natural hazards. I agree to hold harmless the Chico Creek Nature Center and their officers and employees and any co-sponsor of the activity, from and against all liability for accident or injury to my child arising out of participation in this program. I understand that if my child should become sick or injured, and her/his parents can not be contacted, a licensed physician has my permission to treat the sickness or injury. I give permission for counselors to apply sunscreen to my child as needed.

List any allergies, physical limitations, or special conditions your child has which we need to be aware of:

CHECK IF CHILD DOES NOT KNOW HOW TO SWIM

Photograph Release Form

Program participants may be photographed for Nature Center publicity materials. **If you DO NOT want your child included in these photographs, please check this box.**

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE DATE

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION SUMMER 2008

A limited number of scholarships are available for economically disadvantaged children (must be eligible for free or reduced-fee school lunch or equivalent status.) **To apply please fill out this scholarship application and the registration form, and turn it in to the Chico Creek Nature Center. Scholarships are awarded on a first come first serve basis.** Support for this project is provided by The Jason Richard Memorial Fund.

Child's Name (above) Child's Age

Parent/Guardian Name

Address Zip

Home Phone # Work Phone # Cell Phone #

Is the scholarship applicant receiving free or a reduced fee meal at their school?

YES NO*

*If no, please see the Director about providing more information for this scholarship application.

Recipients are awarded one session (one week) of Camp Chico Creek. Please list the top three summer camp sessions your prefer. We will make every effort to give you the first choice.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Theme Descriptions

Note New Session Times

Aquatic Adventures

This week campers will explore the water cycle and different water ecosystems, such as ponds, lakes, rivers, wetlands, and oceans. We will be doing catch and release of aquatic insects, searching the creek for turtles, frogs, and fish, and hiking through the exciting riparian habitat of Big Chico Creek.



Session 1: June 9-13

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Session 5: July 14-18

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Earth Island

Earth is an island of life in the vast sea of the universe. This week we will learn about how we can live with other creatures on earth in a sustainable way. Campers will learn about positive impacts people can have by recycling and using alternative energies. We will use a solar oven to cook our very own snacks, make recycled paper, and hike through Bidwell Park to learn about the plants and animals we share the earth with.



Session 2: June 16-20

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Session 6: July 21-25

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Native Ways

The history of this area goes much further back than the founding of the City of Chico. This week we will be exploring native cultures, including local Mechoopda Maidu. We will learn how they survived in a world without our modern conveniences, examine actual Maidu artifacts on loan from the Chico Museum, and take informative hikes through Bidwell Park.



Session 3: June 23-27

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Session 7: July 28-Aug. 1

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

June 30 through July 4: No camp offered this week

Where The Wild Things Are!

Few things characterize wilderness as well as wild animals. Our little patch of wilderness here in Bidwell Park is host to some of our wildest fellow mammals. This week campers will learn about animals like bears, mountain lions, beavers, and coyotes.

The children will become animal detectives by looking for clues to animal activity and investigating animal skulls.



Session 4: July 7-11

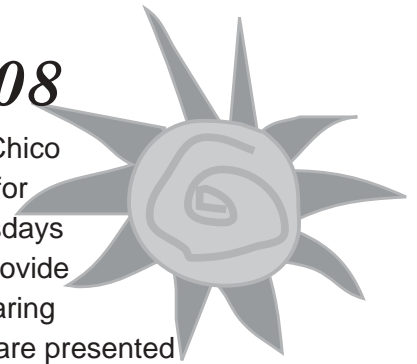
\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Session 8: August 4-8

\$75 for the week, 8am-1pm daily

Camp Chico Creek - Summer 2008

Centered at the Chico Creek Nature Center, in the heart of Bidwell Park, Camp Chico Creek is eight, one-week sessions of environmental education-based day camp for children 5 through 11 years old. **Camp is held 8am -1pm each day.** On Wednesdays campers will spend the day in upper Bidwell Park. The program is designed to provide outdoor recreation activities and foster awareness of nature in a fun, safe, and caring setting. Themes covering the Park's habitats and its natural and cultural history are presented to the campers periodically throughout selected weeks. All sessions include short nature walks, animal habitat exploration, presentations using the CCNC's living animals, art activities, and swimming in Big Chico Creek. Our camp encourages respect for Bidwell Park, its animals, and its visitors. Our trained staff and interns promote fairness and encourage a spirit of cooperation in play. We think you'll find that Camp Chico Creek offers a healthy and convenient way for kids to make friends and enjoy Naturalist-led summer fun in beautiful Bidwell Park.



Tuition per Weekly Session

\$75 per child

8am-1pm, Monday-Friday

Registration Process

To register, please fill out the registration form and submit along with payment. Registration deadline is the Thursday prior to the session you want your child to attend. You can register in person, or over the phone with a credit card.

Tuition must be paid to reserve a camp slot for your child. Payment can be made by cash, personal check, Visa, or Mastercard. Please carefully consider your choice(s) of camp sessions as we do not offer refunds for summer camp once registration fees have been paid.

What to bring to camp

Please bring the following items for your child in a backpack. Children will be assigned a cubby to put their belongings in the first day of camp.

- bottled water
- bag lunch- at 11:30am
- snack -at 10am
- swimsuit and towel
- hat, sunglasses, extra clothes
- SUNSCREEN- please remember to send sunscreen with your camper. The spray kind works best. It is also helpful to staff if you apply it to your child before arriving for camp. Counselors will re-apply as necessary.**
- water shoes-children will not be able to swim in the creek without them.
- bug repellent



At the end of each week any clothes, backpacks, etc. left at the Nature Center will be donated to local charities.