

# 2023 Camp Guide

Director: Allie Harman

Assistant Director: Ryan Bell

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# IMPORTANT NUMBERS

Camp Horizon Cell Phone 443-235-4414

CH Supervisor's Cell 443-477-9527

Recreation & Parks Office 410-250-0125

## CAMP HORIZON MSSION STATEMENT

At Camp Horizon our mission is to provide campers an opportunity to grow mentally, physically, and socially. We strive to encourage campers to be themselves, and accept others for who they are. We accomplish this through our highly qualified staff that is dedicated to creating an environment that maximizes each camper's potential. Camp Horizon campers will gain self-esteem and self-confidence, learn from new experiences, make new friends and create memories that will last a lifetime!



Camp Horizon will be held at

### **Ocean City Elementary School**

12828 Center Drive, Ocean City, Maryland 21842

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. June 19-August 4, 2023

And based out of the Convention Center for Field Trip Week August 7-11, 2023

4001 Coastal Hwy, Ocean City, MD 21842



### Balances are due TENDAYS prior to the first day of each camp week

\*\*\*If balances are not paid by the end of the day, ten days prior to each week of camp, registration will be forfeited and we will call the waitlist.\*\*\*

Session Adue by June 9, 2023

Session Bdue by June 16, 2023

Session C due by June 23, 2023

Session Ddue June 30, 2023

Session Edue by July 7, 2023

Session Fdue July 14, 2023

Session Gdue by July 21, 2023

Session Hdue by July 28, 2023

### Payments may be made:

- 1. Online at rec.ococean.com
- 2. By calling 410-250-0125 with a credit card or
- 3. In person at Northside Park Recreation Complex (200 125th St Ocean City, MD 21842 East Entrance)

# DROP-OFF/SIGN-IN

Camp Horizon begins at 9:00 a.m. <u>Campers will not be allowed to sign in prior to 8:50a.m.</u>
Sign-In will conclude at 9:10a.m.

If you arrive later than 9:10a.m. campers will need to report to the Camp Office to be signed in.

An email will be sent out the Friday before camp to notify you what group your camper is in for the following week.

When you arrive at camp look for your group's counselor to sign in.

Campers should have already applied sunblock, be wearing closed toed shoes, and have a water bottle, beach towel, a snack, and their lunch when checking in.

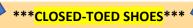
If a camper is not well, please do not send them to camp, they will not be able to sign in.

Campers must be wearing closed toed shoes to check in, even on beach or water park days! They can bring flip flops in their bag to change into once we are at the water location.

We recommend having your child pack a backpack so their belongings can easily be kept together.

Please DO NOT allow your child to pack personal items as they may be damaged or misplaced (ie Pokemon Cards)





If a camper is **NOT wearing closed-toed shoes,** they will not be allowed to sign-in to camp in the morning. Flip-flops or water shoes may be packed in bags to wear once we arrive at the beach or waterpark.



All children must be picked up **NO LATER than 4:00 p.m.** You will have to sign your camper out with their counselor before they are allowed to leave. Only authorized adults will be allowed to pick up a camper. If you are not able to pick up your child, please fill out the Consent Pick Up and Release Form. This form can be kept on file all summer and may include anyone allowed to pick up your child.

#### Change in Routine

It is the parent/guardian's responsibility to notify Camp Horizon staff if your child...

•Will be absent that day

- •Will be absent for multiple days
- •Will be picked up early or dropped off late •Is being picked up by someone else
- You MUST call for early pick-up so your camper can be brought to the camp office.
   You may text or call our camp phone 443-235-4414 with this information

#### **Medication**

Camp Horizon staff will <u>not</u> be administering medication to any campers. If your child requires medication during the hours of Camp Horizon, we require that you administer the medication to your child, or allow your child to administer their own medication under the supervision of the Camp Supervisor, Director or Assistant Director. If your child requires medication, please notify the Director or Assistant Director to receive the proper paperwork. Summer camp is NOT a good time for a med vacation! If your child is usually on meds, please continue them for their time at camp, and if possible, do not make changes less than 30 days before camp. There are so many changes and stresses of coming into a new social environment, that chemical changes can really complicate things.

#### **Camp T-Shirts**

Your camper will be given a Camp T-Shirt the first day they attend camp.

Camp T-Shirts must be worn on Wednesday (beach days) and Thursday (field trips).

Additional T-Shirts may be purchased for \$10

#### Follow us on Facebook

We update our Camp Facebook Page weekly

Facebook page <u>"Camp Horizon & Scamper Camp – Ocean City, MD</u>

#### Lunch

- Bring a packed lunch and water bottle everyday
- Lunches will not be refrigerated, please have an icepack or insulated lunchbox
- Please be sure to label all water bottles and lunch boxes
- Please include a snack for your camper
- Sharing of food <u>is not permitted</u>
- Any food allergies or intolerance should be noted on the medical forms sent to camp
- \*\*Ice Cream will be served on Fridays and Freezer Pops may be served Daily\*\*

#### **Beach Days**

- ✓ Camp Horizon will be taking a trip to the beach at North Division St every Wednesday (weather permitting).
- ✓ Campers will be transported via school busses.
- Campers MUST wear their camp shirts to the beach. Each camper will be given a bracelet labeled with the Camp Horizon name and phone number. Their swim levels you indicated on their paperwork will also be marked on their hands. OCBP will verify these levels by conducting tests with each camper according to the level they are marked.
- ✓ There will be counselors assigned to different locations both on the beach and in the water to ensure that all children are being closely monitored.
- ✓ Head counts are performed constantly to keep our campers safe.
- ✓ Ocean City Beach Patrol ropes off a section of the beach for Camp Horizon only and provides us with our own team of life guards.
- ✓ Should any emergencies occur, all staff members are CPR and First Aid certified and always have a first aid kit on hand. Beach Patrol and Surf Rescue are also readily available should there be an emergency. Every attempt will be made to notify the parent/guardian or emergency contact if a child is seriously injured.
- ✓ Check out our video on Beach Days on our Face Book page for an illustration
  - Face Book Group: "Camp Horizon& Scamper Camp Ocean City, MD"

#### **Field Trip Days**

- ✓ Camp Horizon will be taking a field trip every Thursday (weather permitting).
- ✓ Campers will be transported via school busses.
- ✓ Campers MUST wear their camp shirts on field trips. Each camper will be given a bracelet labeled with Ocean City Recreation and Parks logo and our phone number.
- ✓ Headcounts are performed constantly to keep our campers safe.
- ✓ Should any emergencies occur, all staff members are CPR and First Aid certified and always have a first aid kit on hand. Every attempt will be made to notify the parent/guardian or emergency contact if a child is seriously injured.

\*\*Field Trips are subject to change if unforeseen issues arise\*\*

Each week at camp we
will have a different theme. And every
Friday we will have a "fun day".
We highly encourage camper
participation!

#### **2023 Camp Horizon Themes!**

Week A: Luau / Crazy Hat Day

Week B: Fairy Tales / Silly Sock Day

Week C: Winter Wonderland / Mismatched Day

Week D: Land Down Under / Crazy Hair Day

Week E: Pre-Historic / Pajama Day

Week F: Wild West / Group Color Day

Week G: Animal Planet / Water Day

Week H: Field Trip Week

#### **Rules and Expectations**

- Listen and follow directions
- Respect others
- Play safely
- Respect OCES and personal property
- Camp Horizon is a BULLY FREE ZONE

Campers will sign a Camper Contract on their first day of camp and our expectations will be explained.

We are confident that our campers will follow the rules and respect their fellow campers and their counselors. However, we do have a strike system in place that will be implemented if rules are broken. Campers will receive an immediate strike if they physically harm another camper or counselor, are repeatedly insubordinate when given a direction, or if they are determined to be bullying another camper.

- Strike One: When a camper's behavior is determined "out of bounds" by his/her counselor, he/she will be sent to the camp office. The camper will be informed of his/her behavior and the rules will be reviewed. The camper's parent/guardians will receive written or verbal notice of the child's offense.
- Strike Two: The second time a camper misbehaves; the Camp Director or Assistant Camp Director will again discuss the rules and appropriate behavior with the camper. *A second "strike" will be issued* and the Camp Director will contact the child's parent/guardians. Also, the camper will be excluded from any in-camp activity/special event or from an out of camp trip.
- Strike Three: Should a third "strike" be issued, the camper will be removed from camp for a period of one to five days. No refunds will be issued due to this action.
- Out at the Plate: If, after the camper returns to the camp, his/her behavior continues to be offensive, his/her parent/guardians will be contacted and the camper will be removed from camp for the remainder of the program. No refunds will be issued to the due to this action.

THE CAMP SUPERVISOR RESERVES THE RIGHT TO "EXPEL" OR "SUSPEND" A CAMPER FROM CAMP HORIZON, AS SHE DEEMS NECESSARY.

DEPENDING UPON THE NATURE OF AN OFFENSE, IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL MAY OCCUR WITHOUT GOING THROUGH THE ABOVE PROCEDURE.

We look forward to <u>Discovering an Ocean of Fun</u> with your camper this summer!

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**Recreation Supervisor** 

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# Summer Schedule 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Session A June 19 <sup>th</sup> –23 <sup>rd</sup>	19 First Day of	20 Chris & Pete musements	21 Beach Day	<u>22</u> Eastern Shore Lanes	Ice Cream!
The state of the s	Camp! In Happy Juneteenth!				Hat Day Wear your favorite hat!
<u>Session B</u> June 26 <sup>th</sup> – June 30 <sup>th</sup>	What stories will you be able to tell	27 Library Program	28 Beach Day!	29 Jolly Rogers	Ice Cream!
Fairy Tales	after an enchanting week at Camp?	STEM			Silly Sock Day Wear a silly pair of socks!
Session C  July 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 7 <sup>th</sup> Winter	3 Take a break from the summer heat as we chill out at	4 No	<u>5</u> Beach Day!	6 W Delmarva	Ice Cream!
Wonderland 💐	Camp! We will have Snow-much fun!	Camp Happy 4th of July		Discovery Museum	Mismatched Day Wear Clothes that don't match
Session D  July 10 <sup>th</sup> - 14 <sup>th</sup> Land Down Under	<u>10</u> G'day Mate! We will be	11 Petting 200	12 Beach Day!	13 Jolly Roger Pier	Ice Cream!
Edild Estationer	honorary Aussies this week at Camp!			The state of the s	Crazy Hair Day Wear your hair in a crazy way
<u>Session E</u> July 17 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup>	17	<u>18</u> Magician	19 Beach Day!	20 Altitude	Ice Cream!
Rre-Historic	Travel back in time and explore a dino-namic week at Campl	**		Trampoline Park	Pajama Day Wear your Favorite PJs
Session F  July 24th – 28th  Wild West	24 Saddle up for a Wild	25 Animals visit Camp	26 Beach Day!	27 Frontier Town	Ice Cream!
	week at Camp!	200		22.2	Group Color Day Wear the color assigned to your group
<b>Session G</b> July 31 <sup>st</sup> – 4 <sup>th</sup>	Last week at	1 Police Horses	2 Beach Day!	3 Northside Park	Ice Cream!
Animal Planes	OCES	Visit Camp		With Inflatables	Water Day Come ready to get wet
Session H August 7 <sup>th</sup> – 11 <sup>th</sup>	2 Altitude Trampoline Park	<u>8</u> Eastern Shore Lanes	2 All Day Beach Day	10 Crown Sports	11 Jolly Rogers
Field Trip Week!	Transcine Fair	<b>Miles</b>			See you next summer!