



HILLER AVIATION MUSEUM

27 May 2010

Dear Parent,

We look forward to having your child attend Aviation Camp or Camp Skyhawk this summer. We have planned an exciting week of hands-on activities, flight simulation, aircraft encounters and more. Here are some important things to know about our camps.

Before Camp Starts

- Fill out the [Camper Information and Medical Form](#) prior to camp start date. Be sure to indicate all individuals authorized to pick up your child and complete the medication information if medication is to be brought to camp.
- Turn in the form to your child's Camp Instructor on the first day of camp. For campers attending multiple sessions, it is only necessary to turn in one copy. Please do not mail or fax the letter to the Museum ahead of time.

What to Bring to Camp

- Half Day campers should bring a snack to eat during morning break. Full Day campers should also bring a lunch. Drinking fountains are available, but campers may wish to bring a water bottle.
- We'll spend some time outdoors almost every day, so sunscreen is recommended.
- Each camper will be issued one T-shirt at the beginning of camp which should be worn every day. The camper T-shirt helps distinguish campers from other Museum visitors. Extra T-shirts (including designs from previous years) can be purchased in the museum's gift shop. Returning campers may wear t-shirts from previous years.
- Some projects are messy, so campers should wear clothes that can get wet and dirty.
- Do not send valuables to camp, including electronic games. The Hiller Aviation Museum is not responsible for personal property lost, stolen or damaged at camp.
- For safety reasons, roller shoes such as Heelys are not permitted at camp.

General Camp Information

- Camp check-in for all campers begins at 8:50 AM. Bring your camper to **FRONT PARKING LOT** and enter through the front doors unless otherwise noted. Sign your child in on the camp roster when you drop off your child.
- Those campers pre-enrolled for Extended AM hours may be signed in beginning at 8:00 AM. Bring your extended-hour camper to the rear parking lot and enter the Museum through the small gate near the 747 exhibit.

- Pick-up is at 12:00 PM for Half Day, 4:00 PM sharp for Full Day. Please sign out on the roster when you pick up your child. Late pick-ups are subject to a late fee of \$15 per 15-minute interval for children not enrolled for Extended PM hours.
- Those campers pre-enrolled for Extended PM hours may be signed in anytime between 4:00 PM and 4:50 PM. Park in the front parking lot and enter the Museum's front doors to reach the sign-out area. Extended PM campers must be signed in no later than 4:50 PM daily.

Special Field Trip Notes for Air & Space Camp and Camp Skyhawk

Campers enrolled in the Air & Space camp or Camp Skyhawk will build a model rocket. These rockets will be launched using solid rocket motors and will attain altitudes of 200+ feet. Due to the nature of this event, rockets cannot be launched at the Museum. Campers will go on a Friday field trip to launch at one of two different locations:

Encinal High School (Sessions 1, 4 and 7/June 18th, July 9th, July 30th)
210 Central Ave.
Alameda, CA 94501

Earhart Elementary School (Session 10, August 20th)
400 Packet Landing Rd.
Alameda, CA 94502

Transportation will be provided by charter bus. Campers should be signed in at the Museum as usual. The buses will leave from the front of the Museum at approximately 9:30 AM, arriving at the launch site by 10:30 AM. Sunscreen and a hat are highly recommended as rocket launches are sunny, outdoor events.

Following each launch, campers will be transported to the USS Hornet Museum for a lunch break and a tour of the ship and its space-related exhibits. Buses will return to the Hiller Aviation Museum by 3:30 PM on Launch Day and campers will participate in additional activities at the Museum until sign-out time.

Parents are welcome to attend the rocket launch event but must provide their own transportation. The rocket launch itself will last approximately 1.5 hours. Please advise camp staff if you have limited time available to observe your child's rocket launch. Parents may also join the Aviation Camp group aboard ship at the USS Hornet Museum, but must pay regular individual admission.

We'll see you soon at Aviation Camp!

Sincerely,

Jon Welte
Education Programs Manager