

13 April 2016

Dear Parent,

We look forward to having your child attend Aviation Camp this year. 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

- If you did not enroll online, fill out the <u>Camper Information and Medical Form</u> 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.
- If you enrolled online through ActivityHero, it is only necessary to fill out the shorter <u>Camper Medical Form</u>. Blank forms will also be available at camp check-in.
- Turn in the form to your child's Camp Instructor on the first day of camp. 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 may be worn every day. Extra T-shirts can be purchased in the Museum's gift shop. Returning campers may wear t-shirts from previous years.
- Campers are required to wear camp t-shirts on field trip days for Air & Space and Advanced Camp. Field trip days are announced in advance during the week.
- Some projects are messy, so campers should wear clothes that can get wet and dirty.
- Do not send valuables to camp, including electronics. The Hiller Aviation Museum is not responsible for personal property lost, stolen or damaged at camp or on field trips.
- 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, 3:50 PM—4:00 PM 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 out anytime between 4:00 PM and 5:30 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 out no later than 5:30 PM daily.

Special Field Trip Notes for Camps Including Field Trips

Campers enrolled in Air & Space and Spaceflight Tech will build a model rocket. These rockets attain altitudes of 200+ feet and cannot be launched onsite. Campers will go on a Friday field trip to launch at Encinal High School in Alameda.

Transportation will be provided by CYO school 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 recommended as rocket launches are outdoor events. Following each launch, campers will be transported to the USS Hornet Museum for lunch and a tour of the ship.

Campers enrolled in Robo Mechanic and X-Plane Pilot camps will go on Thursday field trips to aerospace destinations around the Bay Area. Additional information about these experiences will be distributed at the beginning of each session.

For all field trips, buses will return to the Hiller Aviation Museum by 3:30 PM and campers will participate in additional activities at the Museum until sign-out time.

Parents may attend rocket launches but must provide their own transportation. Rocket launches last about 1.5 hours. Please advise camp staff if you have limited time to observe your child's rocket launch. Parents may join the group aboard ship at the USS Hornet Museum, but must pay regular individual admission. Parents may or may not be able to participate in other field trips depending on space limitations. Information will be distributed at the beginning of the camp week regarding these opportunities.

We'll see you soon at camp!

Sincerely,

Education Department Hiller Aviation Museum