YOUNG EXPLORERS 2019
Camper Guide
2019 SCHEDULE
Young Explorers takes place Tuesday - Thursday mornings.

- Week 1: June 11-13
- Week 2: June 18-20
- Week 3: June 25-27
- Week 4: July 9-11
- Week 5: July 16-18
- Week 6: July 23-25
- Week 7: July 30-August 1
- Week 8: August 6-8

WHERE TO GO
Young Explorers spend their day at the River Center (11605 Old Friant Rd). Check in takes place from 8:45 – 9:00 am each morning. Check out takes place from 12:00-12:15 pm each afternoon. Young Explorers must be signed in and out by a parent or ‘authorized pick up’ each day of the camp session.

WHAT TO BRING
Each Young Explorer should wear the following to camp each day:
- Swimsuit worn under clothing (there are no changing rooms available)
- Shoes that can get wet (no flip flops or other backless sandals)
- Sunscreen and a hat

Each Young Explorer should bring the following to camp each day:
- Full, reusable water bottle (labeled with your last name)
- Towel
- Extra sunscreen
- Extra snack, if desired

Young Explorers Camp will provide:
- All activity supplies and equipment
- A River Camp t-shirt
- Ice water/Gatorade
- Morning snack (typically fresh fruit, pretzels, goldfish crackers, etc.)

Please label your child’s belongings with their name in permanent marker.

FAMILY PARTICIPATION
Parents and grandparents are welcome to stay and join in the fun, but are not required to do so. If you choose to stay with your camper, let the Young Explorers staff know you will be remaining on site at morning check-in. If there is a younger sibling that will be remaining on site with you but is not a Young Explorer, please be respectful of camp activities and excuse yourselves from the immediate program area if the younger sibling is becoming disruptive.
A DAY AT CAMP

Each day at Young Explorers Camp is different, but every day is fun! A typical Young Explorers schedule includes:

- Check in and free play
- Large group time (all camp morning introduction)
- Small group games/environmental education activities
- Morning snack
- Small group song, story, and craft time/nature walk
- Large group water play*
- Check out

*Young Explorers will not be swimming or playing in the River in 2019

CAMPER GROUPS

As the maximum enrollment in Young Explorers is 20, campers spend much of their day as one large group. For more hands-on activities, campers may be broken into smaller groups of 8-10 campers led by a counselor and 1-2 Junior Leaders. Groups are decided by camper age to create an environment conducive for children to thrive socially and emotionally with those in a similar developmental stage.

JUNIOR LEADERS

Junior Leaders are high school aged volunteers who assist River Camp staff in leading daily activities while developing leadership skills. For more information on the Junior Leader program visit our website at www.riverparkway.org.

CANCELLATIONS

Full refunds (less the deposit amount) will be given if the cancellation is made at least 7 days prior to your camp session’s start date. For cancellations made less than 7 days prior to your camp start date, refunds will only be given for medical or family emergencies. To cancel you registration, please contact Molly Schnur-Salimbene at mschnur-salimbene@riverparkway.org or (559) 248-8480 ext. 104.
CAMPER EMERGENCY FORMS

All Young Explorers must have a completed Emergency and Additional Information form, signed by their parent or guardian, on file 7 days prior to the beginning of their camp session. The Emergency and Additional information form may be completed and signed electronically as part of your online registration.

If you prefer to complete and submit a physical copy of the form you may access a printable copy through your UltraCamp account under ‘Additional Options ➔ Document Library ➔ Emergency and Additional Information (Printable Form)’. Instructions for submitting a physical copy of the form are included on the form.

Information on the Emergency and Additional Information form is shared with Young Explorers staff at the beginning of the week. If your child has any allergies, medications, or other health concerns please list them on this form. **Please note that the San Joaquin River Parkway and Conservation Trust, Inc. does not administer any medications without specific written instructions. Instructions must be sent with your child to camp.**

CAMP CONTACTS

Young Explorers Phone—(Number TBD)
Community Programs Director—Molly Schnur-Salimbene—(559) 248-8480 ext. 104

“It feels as though there aren’t very many places left in our world where a kid can truly be just that: a kid. River Camp provides that opportunity unlike any other place or experience I have ever seen. Instilling a passion for the San Joaquin and our earth as a whole through fun, friendships, and activities is what River Camp is all about.”

-Katie Kincaid
River Camp Scout Island Director

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