



Sandpipers FAQ PAGE!

What are the camp sessions? *Fridays are rain make up days

Session 1: June 25th – July 5th *Friday Make Up for July 4th

Session 2: July 9th – July 19th

Session 3: July 23th – August 2nd

Session 4: August 6th – August 16th

What are the age requirements?

Ages 3 – 10. You must be 3 by **4/1/2018** to attend camp (**NO EXCEPTIONS**)

How do I register?

Please go to our website: <http://bit.ly/2m6GDFr>

What forms do I need to fill out?

The following items/consent have been completed online during registration. Please call the office or email us if you have any updates and/or changes.

- Participant & Parent/Guardian Information
- Medical and Allergy information
- Authorization for the administration of non-prescription topical medication by camp personnel (for sunscreen & bug repellent)
- Island Beach Permission Slip
- Pick up authorization form

The following items need to be completed and submitted to the office.

- Health Exam/Record Form
- Authorization for the administration of medication by camp personnel (for regularly anticipated & prescribed medication ex. epi-pens, asthma inhaler, **ONLY if necessary**)
- If applicable, Emergency Health Care Plan (For severe allergies which require epi-pen and/or Benadryl; Medication **MUST** be in its original packaging)

Where can I find these forms?

All camp forms and additional information can be found on our website

<http://www.myogrcc.org/sandpipers>

What to bring?

- Camp T-Shirt (provided on the first day of the session)
- Water Shoes (No flip flops)
- Sneakers
- Water Bottle
- Lunch (please pack lunch in zip lock bags with their name on it. NO lunch boxes)
- Towel
- Sun Screen
- Sweat Shirt
- Extra T-Shirt, socks, underwear

What is the camper to counselor ratio?

The 3 years old are in their own separate group with 2 counselors to 7 children.

The 4 – 5 year olds will have 1 counselor to 6 – 8 children.

The 6 – 10 year olds will have 1 counselor to 8 – 10 children.

How old are the counselors?

All counselors are either graduating high school seniors or currently enrolled in college. We have our own designated Life Guard, First Aid Director as well as several Counselors-In-Training.

Our camp director has been with us for the past 10 summers and bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to our camp.

What are the camp hours?

9:30 – 2:30PM (Monday – Thursday) *Friday is rain make up

Where is pick up and drop off?

Camp pick up and drop off is in the picnic area right behind the main concession stand at Tod's Point.

**Once a session campers will go to Island Beach for a field trip. On that date only drop off and pick up will be at the Island Beach ferry dock.*

When can I drop my child off?

You may begin dropping your children off at 9:20am. Please do not drop your children off prior as counselors will be setting up camp at their will be limited supervision.

When can I pick up my children?

Pick up is at 2:30pm SHARP. There will be a \$15.00 late fee for any campers that are picked up after 2:45PM.

Sign in/Sign Out Policy

- Children must be registered with Sandpipers Beach Camp to participate in the activities.
- All children in this age group have a strict sign-in/sign-out policy.
- Children can only be signed in and out by the same Parent/Legal Guardian or authorized persons over the age of 18.
- Parents/legal guardian can authorize two other people (over the age of 18) on the Registration form to sign in/out their children from activities. This is the pickup release document on the website.
- For the safety of the child, there are no exceptions to this rule.
- Wristband
- Children need to wear their Sandpipers wristband daily. This helps distinguish our campers especially when we are down at the beach

What do I do if I need to pick up my child early?

Preferably the best time to pick up your child early is at lunch, as campers will be spread throughout Tod's Point during the day. If you need to pick your child up earlier in the day, please let the camp director and your child's counselor know.

Why is there a rain make up day?

Our camp is held strictly outdoors and if it rains we must cancel camp.

How do we know if camp is cancelled?

The camp directors will decide 1 hour prior to camp. Please visit the weather and field status page of our website at <http://www.myogrcc.org/weatherfieldstatus>

To received texts for camp cancellations please register your phone number by following the directions at <http://www.myogrcc.org/textalerts>

What happens if it rains during camp?

If it is light rain camp will still resume. The directors will assess the situation and then make the call whether to cancel camp. At this point counselors will contact parents/guardians to come and pick their children up.

I am concerned about my children's safety in the water, what are the guidelines?

We have our own designated camp life guard who is down at the water always. The town also provides their own set of lifeguards. Additionally, each age group will have 1 additional counselor who is trained in water safety.

The camp life guard will assess the child's swimming ability. For the younger children they will not be allowed to go in the water past their waist.

What is the bathroom protocol?

Campers age 3 – 5 will go to the bathroom under the supervision of counselor(s). Older children age 6 & up may go down to the bathroom but only with a buddy.

What is the sun screen/bug repellent protocol?

Only those parents who have given the counselors permission will have their children reapplied with sun screen. (Please provide your child with proper sun screen, the counselors will only use the sun screen that you have provided)

Bug repellent is provided by the camp and the tables and camp areas are sprayed down prior to the start of camp.

Are lunch/refreshments provided?

No, please pack your child a lunch. Must be in zip lock bags with their name on it. No lunch boxes as we store the lunches in cooler boxes which are mandated by the state of Connecticut. We do not have enough space for lunch boxes.

Can my child purchase items at the concession stand?

No, we kindly ask children to refrain from purchasing items at the concession stand.

What is your cancelation and refund policy?

All refund/cancellations requests ***must be made 2 weeks in advance***; NO EXCEPTIONS of the start of the session your child is attending. There will be a \$15.00 transaction fee.

What is your transfer policy?

All transfer requests must be made 2 weeks in advance of the start of the session your child is attending. If there are openings in the session you are wanting to transfer to we will be able to make this change.

What is the friend request policy?

Only 1 friend request per child and these must be submitted in writing to yuki@myogrcc.org
These friend requests are **NOT GUARANTEED. Children must be similar in age.** Deadline for friend requests are as followed

Session 1: Monday June 18th

Session 2: Monday July 2nd

Session 3: Monday July 16th

Session 4: Monday July 30th

NO friend requests will be taken at camp. Thank you in advance for your understanding.