

LYNCHEs RIVER COUNTY PARK
2024 SUMMER CAMP
PARENT HANDBOOK



SUMMER CAMP

Environmental Discovery Center



Summer Camp 2024!

Location:

The Environmental Discovery Center is located at 5094 County Park Road, Coward, SC. When entering Lynches River County Park, make the first left into our parking lot. Follow the signs for the Environmental Discovery Center.



Hours of Camp:



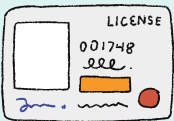
EDC Summer Camp is 9:00 AM-3:00 PM. Campers may be dropped off beginning at 8:30 AM and should be picked up no later than 3:30 PM. Please note the main park gate will open at 8:30 AM on days camp is in session.

Pick-Up Policy:



Designated individuals are expected to pick up children promptly at the close of the program. An overtime fee of \$1 per minute after 3:30PM will be charged, regardless of the reason for being late. Payment is due at the time of pick-up (cash or card), and a child may not participate again until the late fee has been paid.

Repetitive late pick-up or non-payment of late fees may result in suspension of camp privileges with no refund granted.



Sign-in/out Procedures:



All campers must be signed in and out each day by a parent or guardian. In order for anyone (other than those persons listed on your registration form) to pick up your camper, EDC Summer Camp staff will need written permission from the parent/guardian to include the person's name as well as the date(s) they are permitted to pick-up. Please let staff know if you are running behind for drop-off or pick-up.

A photo ID will be required (every day) before a camper can be signed out. There are NO exceptions to the sign-in/out policy.





Lunches/Snacks/Drinks:



Please send a water bottle with your camper every day. Campers will have access to cold drinking water and will be encouraged to stay hydrated throughout the day. Please provide a healthy lunch and drink for your child every day. Parents do keep in mind campers will not have access to a microwave during lunch.

An afternoon snack and juice/water will be provided by EDC Summer Camp. Please list all dietary restrictions on your camper's Health History form. Please contact Sarah Howard, EDC Supervisor, to discuss any concerns.



Medication:



Medications must be in their original container with only a one day supply. Medication must be labeled with the camper's name, name of medication, dosage amount, and the time(s) to be given. Medications should be packed in a plastic bag and given to EDC Summer Camp staff when dropping off your camper each morning.



Inhalers and/or Epi Pens will remain with your camper at all times; however, please notify staff when your camper is carrying these medications and whether they need assistance using these medications.



Attire and Personal Items:



Campers should come dressed in comfortable clothes that may get messy and shoes suited for outdoor/physical activities, (preferably sneakers with laces/Velcro) Crocs/flip flops will not be permitted except for days we visit the Splash Pad. Please label your child's water bottle, lunch box, and bag with their name. Each camper will be provided a cubby to store their belongings in while at camp. We ask that campers do not bring personal items such as cell phones, MP3 players, electronic games, jewelry, etc. Staff is not responsible for loss of or damage to any personal items brought to camp. Any items in the lost and found not claimed by August 1st will be given to charity.



EDC Summer Camp Staff:



For your campers' safety, all Lynch River County Park staff has been trained in First Aid and CPR and has undergone a background check prior to employment. Additionally, EDC Summer Camp staff has received training in positive discipline, program supervision, and safety procedures for all activities related to summer camp.

Camper Code of Conduct:

In order to ensure everyone's safety and enjoyment, campers are expected to follow the rules at all times. Staff praises and encourages desired positive behavior in hopes that campers will be aware that positive behavior will receive more attention than negative behavior. If inappropriate behavior is displayed, guidelines are in place to assist staff in correcting that behavior. Examples of inappropriate behavior include, but are not limited to:

- **Inappropriate language/actions:** The use of foul, abusive or unkind words, inappropriate gestures/actions towards others
- **Inconsiderate or disrespectful behavior** toward other campers or staff members
- **Discriminatory remarks, actions, or harassment** of any kind
- **Stealing**
- **Fighting or other acts of violence**



Summer Camp staff will take the following progressive steps to correct inappropriate behavior:

- **Inform the camper** what s/he needs to do to correct the problem and/or behavior.
- **Separate the camper from the group** and explain why the behavior is inappropriate (the standard time used is one (1) minute for each year of the camper's age).
- **Contact parent/guardian** to pick-up the camper.

Participants whose behavior endangers the safety of themselves or others will be immediately removed from the program.

NOTE: No refunds will be given if a camper is removed from the program for behavioral issues.

Refund Policy:

Refunds will be issued if withdrawal from a camp is received at least one week (five working days) prior to the start of the camp. Failure to attend a camp without notification or cancellation will not result in a refund. In the event that a camp is cancelled by the Environmental Discovery Center, a full refund will be issued. Refunds take approximately two weeks to process.

Park Contacts

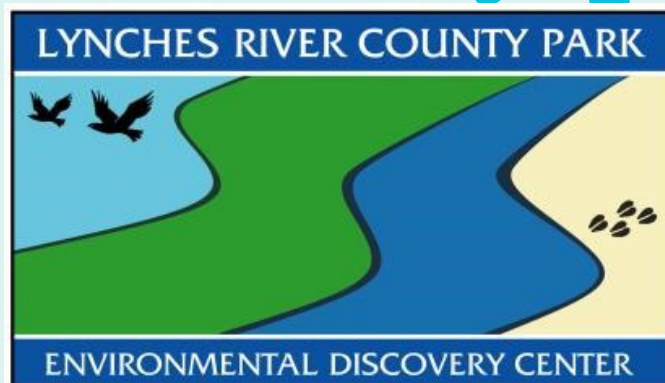
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