

# Camp OCEAN at OdySea Aquarium®

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs):

- **What are the hours for Camp Ocean?**

Camp Ocean will begin at 9am and end at 3pm each day for all grades.

- **What time can I drop off and pick up my Camper?**

Morning drop-off is between 8:45 and 9am each morning. Pick up is from 3:00 to 3:15 each afternoon. On the Monday of each Camp week drop off will begin at 8:30 to allow parents/guardians a little extra time to navigate the drop-off and check-in process.

- **Are masks required to attend Camp Ocean this summer?**

Masks are not required to attend Camp Ocean this year but remain an option for any parent or Camper choosing to wear them. As always, our Camp Ocean team maintains excellent standards in cleaning and disinfecting all Camp Ocean areas and supplies.

- **My children are not the same age. Are they able to attend Camp Ocean together?**

We will offer Camp Ocean for grades 1 – 8 throughout the summer, but all ages will not necessarily be offered simultaneously. Our summer schedule will offer two different varying age groups per week, providing parents many options to choose from to facilitate different aged children within the same household. Separating our Camps into different age brackets allows us to not only maintain a safer number of Campers at one time, but also supports age-appropriate learning through grade-specific curriculum and activities. The breakdown for Camp Ocean age ranges is:

- 1 – 2: Fins, Feathers, and Fur: All About Animals
- 3 – 5: Land, Sea, and Sky: Habitats of the World
- 6 – 8: Junior Marine Biologists: Care & Conservation

- **Is there only one date for my child's age group?**

No, there are multiple offerings of Camp Ocean throughout the summer for each age group. Please see our website at [www.odyseeaquarium.com/education](http://www.odyseeaquarium.com/education) for specific Camp dates for your child or children.

- **The first day that Camp Ocean is offered is May 30, which is a holiday. The same is true of July 4. Is there Camp on Memorial Day and on the Fourth of July?**

Camp Ocean will be offered Monday through Friday of each week. We will still have Camp Ocean during the holiday weeks of Memorial Day and Fourth of July. Should you choose to keep your child home on Monday to observe the holiday, they may still join Camp Tuesday through Friday. Camp Ocean does not offer pro-rated fees for Campers that choose to not attend on Monday.

- **Is there before or after Camp care offered this year?**

Camp Ocean does not offer before or after-Camp care.

- **Will my child have to be outdoors in the summer?**

No. OdySea Aquarium offers the COOLEST summer camp around, both literally and figuratively! While we may take brief trips outdoors to visit animals or do activities, your child will enjoy the comfort of indoor, air-conditioned fun throughout Camp Ocean.

- **What should my child wear to Camp Ocean?**

Your Camper will be provided one Camp Ocean t-shirt to be worn daily. Additional t-shirts will be available for purchase. Please dress your Camper in whatever bottoms they feel best in. Closed toe shoes are mandatory, as many of our Camp excursions will be behind-the-scenes or in/around animal areas. We recommend a light jacket or hoodie, as the bulk of your Camper's day will be indoors in air conditioning.

- **Are you offering lunch for purchase as an option?**

Lunch purchases from our Lighthouse Café will not be permitted during Camp Ocean. Each Camper should bring their own packed lunch. We ask that you send your Camper with one morning snack and a reusable water bottle along with their packed lunch in a thermal lunchbox. Your Camper's lunch will remain in their lunchbox until lunch time. A healthy afternoon snack will be provided for your Camper(s). Gluten-free options will be available.

- **What if my child or a family member gets sick during their Camp Ocean week?**

If your child or an immediate family member is exhibiting symptoms of not feeling well, we ask that you refrain sending them to Camp Ocean for the day and contact an Education team member for rescheduling options.

- **Can I send my child with their phone or camera?**

Your Camper is welcome to bring their phone in the event you need to contact them but it will only be available to them during restroom breaks and lunch period to check messages. Cameras will not be permitted. We want your Camper(s) to be present in immersing themselves in all that Camp Ocean has to offer, so the Camp Ocean team will be taking pictures of our Campers and their excursions all throughout the week and provide a photo link for all parents at the end of Camp Ocean. OdySea Aquarium is not responsible for lost or damaged phones or personal belongings.

- **My child is on medication. Can I send their medication in with them?**

While our Camp Counselors do not administer over the counter or prescription medication to your Camper, should your Camper require a medication during their time at Camp Ocean, please note it on their medical record. We ask that you try to schedule the administration of your child's medications to before or after Camp Ocean if possible.

- **My child carries an epi-pen. Can I send that with them to Camp Ocean?**

Yes. Campers are permitted to bring their prescription epi-pens with them to Camp Ocean as long as the epi-pen is an auto injector. It will be secured and retained by a Camp Counselor and accompany your Camper with them wherever they go.

- **If we cannot attend Camp Ocean after registering, is it possible to get a refund?**

Camp registration that is withdrawn prior to May 1, 2022 will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be issued after May 1, 2022. In the case of an unforeseen emergency or illness, we will work with you to reschedule or refund your Camp Ocean experience.

- **Can I switch my Camp date after booking?**

Rescheduling dates from one week to another will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. Please contact us if this need arises. We cannot guarantee the ability to accommodate scheduling changes.

**For any additional questions, please contact us at:**

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