

# ISHCMC SUMMER CAMP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS





### **ISHCMC Summer Camp 2020**

### Q: WHAT ARE THE DATES OF THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: The summer camp dates are 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020 to 24<sup>th</sup> July 2020:

Week 1: 22 – 26 June Week 2: 29 June – 03 July Week 3: 06 – 10 July Week 4: 13 – 17 July Week 5: 20 – 24 July

### Q: WHERE WILL THE SUMMER CAMP BE HELD?

A: The summer camp will be at ISHCMC Secondary Campus at:

1 Xuan Thuy Street | Thao Dien Ward | District 2 | Ho Chi Minh City

### Q: WHAT AGE STUDENTS CAN ATTEND THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Summer Camp is open to students from all schools from 5 to 13 years old.

### Q: DO YOU SEPARATE CHILDREN BY AGE AND GRADE?

A: Yes. During the registration process, you'll be asked to enter your child's age. This will select their age group and they will be placed as below:

- 5 years old
- 6/7 years old
- 8/9 years old
- 10/11 years old
- 12/13 years old

### Q: DO YOU HAVE TO BE AN ISHCMC STUDENT TO ATTEND THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Not at all! We welcome students to attend from all schools.

### Q: WHAT ARE THE SUMMER CAMP HOURS?

A: Summer Camp will be Monday to Friday each week 8.30am to 3pm

### Q: CAN I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR ONLY PART OF THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Yes, you can register your child for any 2, 3 or 4 weeks of Summer Camp, or for the complete 5 weeks.

Registration and further information: <u>http://inspireeducamps.org/registration-fees/</u>

#### Q: HOW CAN I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR SUMMER CAMP?

A: 1: You can register and pay online at Inspire Educamps website <u>http://inspireeducamps.org/registration-fees/</u> either by bank transfer or Credit/Debit Card).

2: You can visit our office in Thao Dien, District 2 where you can register with our staff and pay by Credit/ Debit Card or Cash.

3: If your child attends school at ISHCMC, you may also register and pay at ISHCMC.

#### Q: WHAT ARE THE FEES FOR SUMMER CAMP?

A: The fees for summer camp are listed below:

(any) 2 weeks = 14,600,000 vnd (any) 3 weeks = 21,650,000 vnd (any) 4 weeks = 28,500,000 vnd (full programme) 5 weeks = 34,700,000 vnd

### Q: IS THERE AN EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT ON OFFER FOR THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Yes, there is an early bird discount in place for early registration for fees payment made before 15<sup>th</sup> April (please note that payment must be made on or before 15<sup>th</sup> April):

Early Bird Discount Price (any) 2 weeks = 14,100,000 vnd (any) 3 weeks = 21,000,000 vnd (any) 4 weeks = 27,700,000 vnd (full programme) 5 weeks = 33,350,000 vnd

#### Q: ARE LUNCHES AND SNACKS PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS IN THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Yes. Healthy snacks and lunch is provided daily for students in the summer camp. The lunch is 'buffet style' where students can select from Western, Asian & Vegetarian each day. Students can visit the food counter as many times as they choose which ensures children eat food that they like and they eat enough.

### Q: CAN I BOOK THE SCHOOL BUS FOR MY CHILD TO ATTEND SUMMER CAMP?

A: Yes. School bus service will be available for parents to book for their children to attend summer camp. Bus fees are displayed on our website and are calculated based on the number of weeks your child is attending summer camp.

### Q: WHAT SHOULD MY CHILD WEAR AND BRING TO SUMMER CAMP?

A: Your child should dress in casual/ sports clothes and bring the following:

- Hat/cap
- Water bottle
- Sun screen
- Change of clothes in their bag

### Q: WHAT KIND OF ACTIVITIES WILL MY CHILD DO IN SUMMER CAMP?

A: Our five-week summer camp is divided into weekly themes. Each theme stands alone as a unique project-based learning experience. Students will interact with the weekly theme through a fun mix of sports, team-building, activities, cooking classes, weekly projects and life-skills.

The goal of each weekly theme is to expose students to unique learning opportunities. These individual learning experiences will help guide students on their larger journey as lifelong learners.

For more details please visit our website: <a href="http://inspireeducamps.org/overview/">http://inspireeducamps.org/overview/</a>



### Q: WHO ARE THE STAFF INVOLVED WITH THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Please visit our website to learn more about our team and what we have to offer for your child this summer:

http://inspireeducamps.org/about/

### Q: IS THE PROGRAMME DIFFERENT EVERY WEEK?

A: Yes, our five-week summer camp is divided into weekly themes. Each theme stands alone as a unique project-based learning experience.

### Q: WILL I RECEIVE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT SUMMER CAMP AFTER I REGISTER?

A: Once you register and pay for your child's summer camp programme, you will receive a confirmation email for your own records. In addition to that confirmation email, you will receive email updates one week prior to the start of your child's summer camp. These emails will provide you with all necessary information to prepare your child for summer camp.

### Q: WILL THERE BE A NURSE ON DUTY DURING THE SUMMER CAMP?

A: Yes. There will be a full-time ISHCMC nurse on duty every day during summer camp.

### Q: CAN I REQUEST THAT MY CHILD BE PLACED IN A GROUP WITH ANOTHER FRIEND IN SUMMER CAMP (BUDDY REQUESTS)?

A: Absolutely! Buddy requests can be made during the registration process. We always do our very best to accommodate buddy requests as we know how important this can be to your children.

### Q: WHAT IS THE TEAM LEADER TO CHILD RATIO AT SUMMER CAMP?

A: In Summer Camp we always have plenty of staff closely supervising your children to ensure the safety of the students and the quality of the programme.

For Children 5 to 11yrs, we aim to maintain an in-group ratio of approximately 6-8:1. For our older children (12 to 13yrs) the ratio is 8-10:1. Depending on the activity at hand; the ratio will vary based on required staff level and supervision required.

### Q: WHAT DOES A TYPICAL WEEKLY TIMETABLE LOOK LIKE?

A:

Week 1 - 5		Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Morning		Students Arrive				
08:30 - 09:30	Session 1	Team - Building	Sports	Life Skills	Sports	Eco Project
09:30 - 09:45		Break				
0945 - 10:45	Session 2	Eco Project	Eco Project	Eco Project	Eco Project	Eco Project
10:45 - 11:00		Break				
11:00 - 12:00	Session 3	Sports	Cooking	Cooking	Eco Project	Activities
12:00 - 12:45		Lunch				
12:45 - 13:45	Session 4	Life Skills	Eco Project	Sports	Team - Building	Sports
13:45 - 14:00		Afternoon Break				
14:00 - 15:00	Session 5	Activities	Activities	Activities	Life Skills	Eco Project

### Q: HOW DO YOU HANDLE INCLEMENT WEATHER?

A: Safety is our number one priority at all times, and we are extremely mindful of the weather. If we see or hear a thunderstorm approaching, outdoor activities are immediately brought inside to an indoor facility suitable to continue the sporting or teambuilding activity.

### Q: WHAT PRECAUTIONS DO YOU TAKE TO HANDLE THE SUMMER HEAT?

A: We are aware that the summer heat can drain our student's energy throughout the day and week. Water is always available for students and they are encouraged to take water breaks approximately every 15-20 minutes. We take the heat, the humidity index, and the air quality index seriously. Daily, the on-site Programme Director will make decisions relating to the air quality and the weather with student health and safety in mind.

In addition, we plan the timing of outdoor activities in the cooler parts of the day and we ensure that students apply sunscreen and wear a hat whilst doing outdoor activities.

## Q: CAN SUMMER CAMP ACCOMMODATE CHILDREN WITH PEANUT OR LIFE-THREATENING ALLERGIES?

A: Families with children who have peanut or nut allergies can feel safe and comfortable at summer Camp. We are aware of the dangers and concerns with severe allergies and take our allergy procedures and systems very seriously. ISHCMC has a 'nut free' policy which is applied throughout the school.

### **Q: DO YOU HAVE AN INCLUSION POLICY?**

A: We certainly do! Summer Camp strives to provide a safe and supportive environment for each child as they work to discover and grow their personal best with us regardless of race, gender identity, ethnicity or background. Our goal is to create a space where children feel secure enough to expand their comfort zones, try and discover new passions and stretch themselves.

### Q: WHAT IS YOUR SUMMER CAMP DISCIPLINE POLICY?

A: Summer Camp staff use positive techniques of guidance, including logical or natural consequences applied in problem situations, redirection of children to more acceptable behavior, anticipation of and elimination of potential problems and encouragement of appropriate behavior rather than comparison, competition or criticism.

Consistent and clear rules are established. Staff members encourage children to solve problems rather than imposing solutions and help children to recognize and respect one another's feelings. Our staff encourage pro-social behavior such as cooperation, helping, taking turns and constructive verbal communication to solve problems. The goal is to help children internalize rules and become self-directed in their behavior.

### Q: IF I HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THE SUMMER CAMP THAT ARE NOT COVERED IN THESE FAQS, WHO CAN I CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:

A: We would be happy to answer any questions you may have about our summer camp programme. Please email to Inspire Educamps Managing Director, Mr. Steve Lanning <u>steve@inspireeducamps.org</u> and you will receive a prompt reply to your email.