

2023 – 2024 5th Grade Science Camp

Location: Pali Institute in Running Springs, CA www.paliinstitute.com

When: Wednesday, May 22, 2024 - Friday, May 24, 2024

Cost: \$480.00 - covers transportation, lodging, food and t-shirt

Payment Schedule:

Plan A: Full Payment of **\$480 due by Dec 1st, 2023**

Plan B: Two Payments of **\$240 due by Dec 1st, 2023 and March 1st, 2024**

Payments can be made by cash or check, payable to DJAES PTA. Write your child's first and last name in the memo line. Bring payment to your child's teacher or the front office.

OR payments can be made online at www.djaespta.org. Go to the Science Camp section under Programs (fees apply).

Cabins: Boy & girl cabins are separated. Each cabin has its own private restroom and shower. Students will request 3 cabinmates and will be guaranteed 1 of those three.

Safety: All instructors are least 21 years old. They hold a minimum of a Bachelor's degree or 4 years equivalent experience with children. They are thoroughly background checked and their references verified. They are CPR/First Aid certified.

Are parents allowed to attend/visit? No. Pali Institute offers a 16:1 ratio of student to counselor at all times. Most, if not all, 5th grade teachers will be there as well. Please visit the FAQ section on Pali's website for more information.

Food: Kid friendly and able to accommodate specific dietary needs (i.e., vegetarian, gluten free, allergies, etc.)

Parent Resources: Information can be found on Pali's website: www.paliinstitute.com A Spring parent meeting will take place after open house.

Financial Aid: Limited resources are available, however if you would like information on how to apply for financial assistance, please email Ghislaine at GHMARIONLANDAIS@capousd.org

Questions? Please contact Katie Donnelly at kfischerpt@gmail.com

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Wednesday May 22 - Friday May 24 2024
Participation and Payment Plan

This form is due to your teacher by Oct. 23, 2023

Student Name 5th Grade Teacher

Parent(s) Name(s) Phone Number

Parent Signature Parent Email Address

YES, my child will participate in Science Camp and I agree to pay the tuition cost of \$480 by

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NO, my child will not attend Science Camp. I understand that he/she will attend school at DJAES those days in another classroom.

YES, I am willing to help with the following: (check all that apply)

Assist with departure/arrival of campers

Be a corporate sponsor for \$250 (logo included on t-shirt)

Science Camp is a wonderful opportunity that all our fifth-grade students should experience. We rely on donations to help families receive financial assistance. If you would like to provide a tax-deductible scholarship donation, see below.

Yes! I wish to donate (circle) \$20 \$50 \$100 \$240 \$480 to the scholarship fund. This can be added to your check or sent in separately with the note of scholarship in the memo line. Thank you!!!

Note to parents and guardians: Fees for field trips and excursions in connection with courses of instruction or school related social, educational, cultural, athletic, or school bonded activities are legally permissible, as long as no student is prevented from making the field trip or excursion because of lack of sufficient funds

Dear Fifth Grade Parents/Guardians:

We are very excited for our students to attend Outdoor Education at Pali Institute Outdoor Education to enhance and enrich their education as they work toward mastery of the science standards. Don Juan Avila Elementary School's 5th grade students will attend science camp at Pali Institute. We will provide information about the camp and give parents an opportunity to ask questions at our Science Camp Meetings for 5th grade parents. You can also learn more about science camp by visiting the Pali Institute website at: <http://www.paliinstitute.com/>.

The cost of camp includes food and lodging, bus transportation, t-shirts and educator stipends. **Please note that we provide a final headcount and make a full payment to Pali Institute 60 days prior to our camp dates. Once we give our final count to Pali, no refunds are given without a doctor's note, and with a doctor's note you will only receive a 50% refund. We are also unable to add additional students after we give our final count due to camp accommodations and transportation seating limitations.**

Here is some additional information about Pali Institute and our District field trip:

Pali Institute is accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and the Association for Experiential Education. Pali Institute staff must undergo reference and background checks (including fingerprinting and requirements similar to those required for District employees). While at Outdoor Education, just as when at any school function, primary responsibility for student supervision and safety falls on the District's certificated staff. During your student's field trip, 5th grade teachers from DJAES will be present, *in addition* to the Pali Institute staff. During Outdoor Education, students stay in cabins with private showers and bathrooms. The cabins are primarily supervised by Pali Institute staff in the evening.

Student Cabin Assignment: Students who attend Outdoor Education have the right to participate, and use facilities, consistent with their gender identity, irrespective of the gender listed on the student's record. (Ed. Code, § 221.5(f).)

Camp Staff Assignment: Similarly, the California Gender Nondiscrimination Law requires adults have access to facilities that align with their gender identity. (Cal. Civ. Code, § 51.) Privacy rights protect disclosure of information about an individual's gender to the public, and thus, information about other individuals in your student's cabin cannot be shared, other than to clarify that all individuals in the "female" cabin primarily identify as female, and all individuals in the "male" cabin primarily identify as male. To the extent an individual is non-binary, the individual must select a primary gender for the purpose of use of single-sex facilities.

We have a fabulous educational trip planned for your child to Pali Institute in Running Springs. In the event that your child feels uncomfortable or has questions while at camp, they are encouraged to speak to their teacher at any time. If you have questions or concerns about any aspect of 5th grade camp, please feel free to call me at (949) 349-9452 or email me at rifreda@capousd.org

Sincerely,
Richard Freda
Principal, Don Juan Avila Elementary School