



2011 Camp Information Kit



DEAR CAMP KSC PARENT AND/OR GUARDIAN: Thank you for enrolling your child in Camp KSC 2011. We promise an exciting, safe summer camp program for your camper, full of fun and enriching activities that are sure to inspire future space explorers. Below you will find information that should answer many questions and help you prepare your child for Camp KSC.

CAMP HOURS: Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

CAMP LOCATION: U.S. Astronaut Hall of Fame Museum
6225 Vector Space Boulevard
Titusville, FL 32780

CAMP PHONE NUMBER: Education Department (321) 455-7036.

WEEKLY CAMP SESSIONS:

June 13-17	June 20-24	June 27-July 1	July 4-8	
July 11-15	July 18-22	July 25-29	August 1-5	August 8-12

CAMP REGISTRATION:

Camp Registration is offered on the Sunday before your registered week of camp from Noon to 3:00 p.m. at the US Astronaut Hall of Fame Museum. You may attend registration any time during these hours. If you are unable to attend registration on Sunday, we will host another registration session on Monday from 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Camp KSC staff will collect your permission forms, provide you a Camp KSC t-shirt, share any necessary information and answer all questions or concerns you may have. The camper does not need to attend registration, just a parent or guardian.

At registration, please be prepared to provide the following information and sign the required permissions and releases:

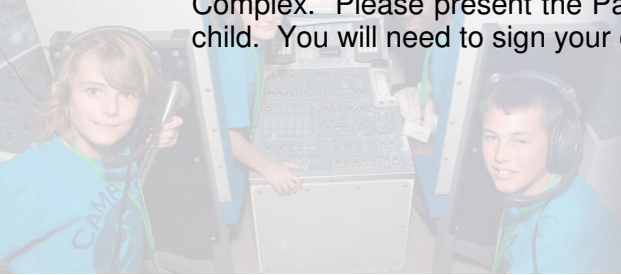
- 1) COMPLETE CAMPER CONTACT INFORMATION (including residence during camp if different from home address)
- 2) MOTION BASED SIMULATOR, MINOR CONSENT TO PHOTOGRAPH, MEDICAL RELEASE AND MEDICAL INFORMATION, (food/environmental allergies, dietary or medical restrictions)

CAMP DROP OFF/CHECK IN:

Hours are 8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Monday – Thursday drop off is at the Astronaut Hall of Fame parking lot pavilion. Friday drop off is at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex - Center for Space Education. At registration you will receive a "Parent Pick Up Pass". Please place this in the window of your vehicle and follow all directional signs. Camp KSC staff is available to safely assist your camper.

CAMP PICK UP/CHECK OUT:

Hours are from 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday – Thursday pick up is at the Astronaut Hall of Fame parking lot pavilion. Friday pick up is held after graduation ceremony at the KSC Visitor Complex. Please present the Parent Pick Up Pass to Camp KSC Staff in order to pick up your child. You will need to sign your child out of Camp KSC.



EARLY/LATE CARE OPTIONS:

Early care is available Monday – Friday 7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. Late care is available Monday – Thursday until 5:00 p.m. Due to the Graduation ceremony no late care is available Friday. Early and late care offers the option for supervised activities before/after camp hours. Please contact Reservations at 1-877-436-9620 if you would like to add this option to your reservation for an additional fee.

CAMP TEAMS:

The Camp KSC 2011 theme is **EXPLORERS WANTED**. In addition to the many popular activities that all Camp KSC campers perform, each camp team has a unique curriculum, grade specific activities and missions, and trained instructors. This curriculum aligns with new National Standards, and follows a curriculum process that encourages engagement and experience in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) concepts and careers. Your camper will be assigned to a team based on the grade level he/she is entering during the 2011-2012 school year. Below you will find a description each Camp KSC team:

ENTERPRISE TEAM – Campers entering 2nd-3rd grade.

To explore our solar system, astronauts must keep their bodies healthy in extreme conditions. Our Enterprise campers suit up and examine the challenges that our brave astronauts must overcome to explore space. Campers perform activities such as designing their own space suit for a Moon and Mars mission, using teamwork to design and test a long-duration astronaut fitness plan.

ATLANTIS TEAM – Campers entering 4th-5th grade.

Space Ships and Space Stations must provide astronauts with many important resources, including food, oxygen, and water. These resources are currently brought with us from Earth, but taking these resources with us can limit just how long and far we can travel and live in space. Atlantis campers step into the role of future NASA engineers as they work together to identify unique solutions to providing for astronauts on long-duration missions to the Moon, Mars and beyond. Atlantis campers work together to design future space ships that can take our astronauts further into space than we've ever gone before.

ENDEAVOUR TEAM – Campers entering 6th-7th grade.

We're Go for Launch. Endeavour campers become rocket scientists as they examine the basics of rocketry by designing and testing different rocket designs for heavy lifting and payload bearing. Endeavour participants explore many different rocket designs, and ultimately they build and launch high altitude model rockets. Endeavour campers learn about new commercial space ventures that will make access to space more safe, reliable and economical.

DISCOVERY TEAM – Campers entering 8th-9th grade.

Discovery campers step into their future roles as our next generation of space engineers and innovators. Team and individual projects and activities are designed to challenge them with the same issues that current NASA engineers are facing today, including managing climate change, utilizing space resources to explore further, discovering life beyond Earth, and designing new engineering tools of scientific discovery. Discovery Team challenges are centered in STEM, and will expose them to many different STEM careers. Discovery campers also meet and talk with an actual KSC Engineer.

ROBOTICS I TEAM – Campers entering 5th – 6th grade.

ROBOTICS II TEAM – Campers entering 7th – 9th grade.

Robotics is for campers interested in robotics and computer programming. This camp explores NASA's efforts to explore space through robotic spacecraft. No previous computer or robotics experience is necessary. Robotics team space is limited on a first come-first served basis. Please note on application form or when speaking with a reservation agent if you would like to enroll in the Robotics program. If we

don't have space in robotics we will enroll your camper in the appropriate team based on his/her grade level.

GRADUATION CEREMONY:

You are invited to attend a graduation ceremony for your Camp KSC camper. This ceremony will take place in the Astronaut Encounter Theater at the Kennedy Space Center Visitor Complex. You will receive details regarding graduation admission during the week.

Enterprise and Atlantis ceremony 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Endeavour, Discovery, and Robotics ceremony 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Kennedy Space Center is a working space flight facility. Ceremony times are subject to change due to daily operations. We will notify you ASAP of any changes.

TRANSPORTATION OPTION IN BREVARD COUNTY:

Transportation will be offered for a nominal charge according to the information below:

June 27 – July 1 - Holland Elementary, 50 Holland Court, Satellite Beach, FL

July 11 – 15 - Max K. Rhodes Elementary, 3000 Minton Road, West Melbourne, FL

Morning drop off: Please drop your camper(s) off at 7:30 – 7:45 a.m. KSC buses will be leaving the location at 8:00 a.m.

Afternoon pick up: KSC buses leave the Astronaut Hall of Fame at approximately 3:45 p.m. Depending on the traffic, buses will arrive at the location at approximately 4:30 p.m.

Please look for the KSC bus and Educator in the parking lot. Please do not leave your child unattended. Please contact Reservations at 1-877-436-9620 if you would like to add this option to your reservation for an additional fee. If you are using the transportation option you must attend Sunday registration. Please read registration details below.

WHAT TO BRING: These items are optional:

Camera (disposable is preferred), Hat, Sunglasses, Cinch bags, fanny packs, and waist packs are permissible. Please ensure that your campers' name is on all items brought from home. Most Camp KSC activities are inside, and campers are typically outside for no longer than 30 minutes at a time. Campers are provided with regular water breaks.

WHAT NOT TO BRING:

Sharp objects, Purses and back packs, Hard sided coolers, Personal electronics. If your child carries a cell phone, usage will be limited during activities. If they are using it at inappropriate times, parents/guardians will be contacted. We are no longer offering gift shop time during camp hours. Please do not give your camper cash. Camp KSC is not responsible for any lost or stolen cash. You will have the opportunity to shop with your camper and receive a 10% discount Monday – Thursday after camp hours at the Astronaut Hall of Fame gift shop or Friday at the Visitor Complex Space Shop following Graduation.

DAILY MEDICATION:

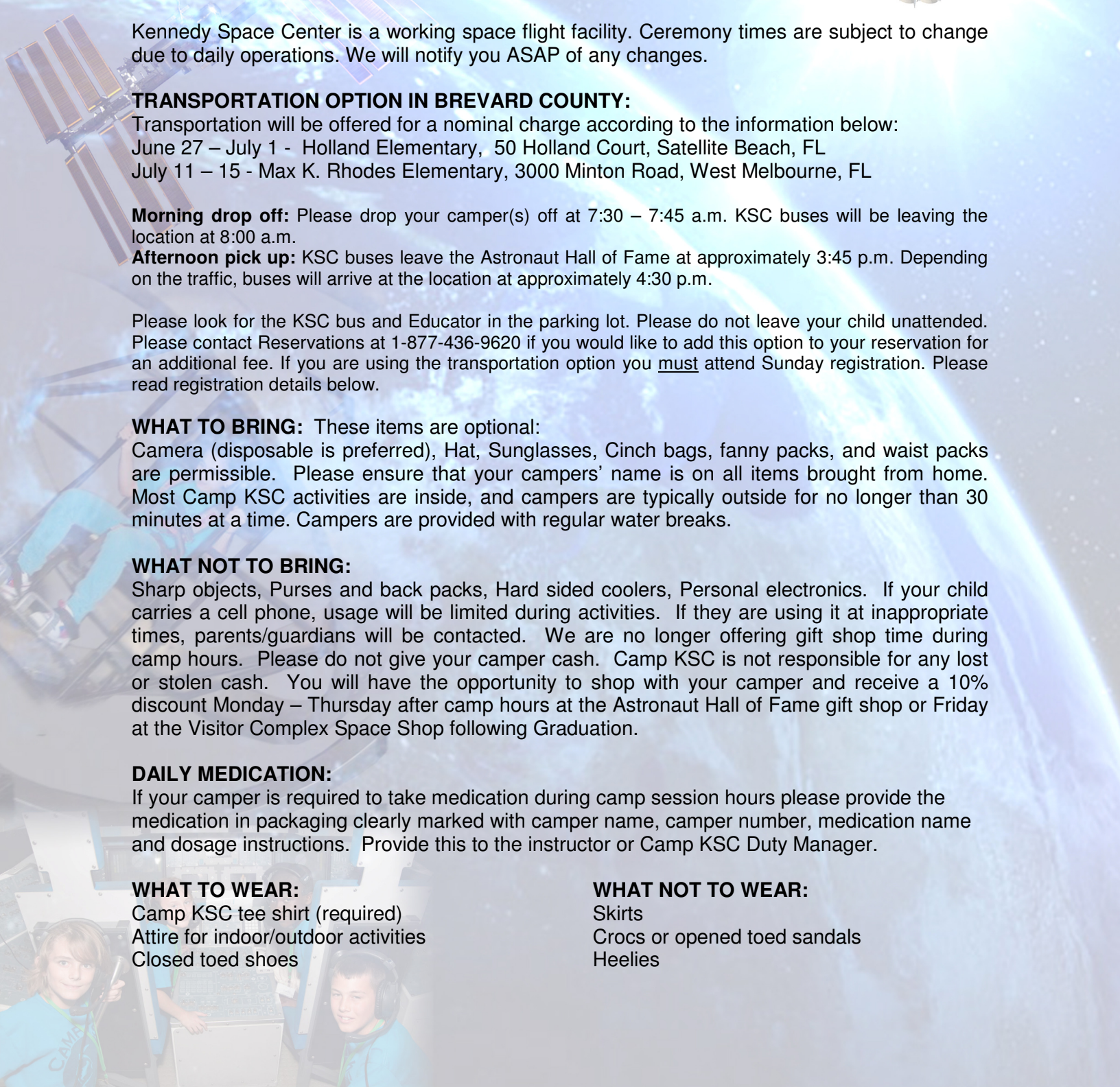
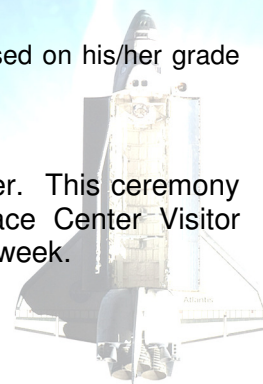
If your camper is required to take medication during camp session hours please provide the medication in packaging clearly marked with camper name, camper number, medication name and dosage instructions. Provide this to the instructor or Camp KSC Duty Manager.

WHAT TO WEAR:

Camp KSC tee shirt (required)
Attire for indoor/outdoor activities
Closed toed shoes

WHAT NOT TO WEAR:

Skirts
Crocs or opened toed sandals
Heelies



Sun block
(Please put sun block on prior to arrival at camp)

STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS:

Camp KSC is for ALL kids interested in space exploration. We are in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accommodation. Please contact us in advance or at Registration to discuss any concerns you have about accessibility.

REFUND/RESCHEDULING POLICY:

Every effort is made to accommodate families who need to reschedule or cancel; however, a \$50 fee will be charged if a rescheduling or cancellation occurs less than 3 working days before camp begins. The deadline for rescheduling/canceling is 3 p.m. on the Wednesday prior to your camp week.

ILLNESS OR INJURY AT CAMP KSC:

The safety and security of campers is our TOP priority at Camp KSC. However; illnesses or injuries may occur while at camp. Injuries requiring basic first aid will be handled by our trained staff. Parents/guardians are notified at the end of the day if minor first aid was administered (e.g.: band-aid or ice pack). If a more serious injury occurs which may interfere with the camper's ability to participate in camp, a phone call will be placed to discuss the camper's options with the parent/guardian.

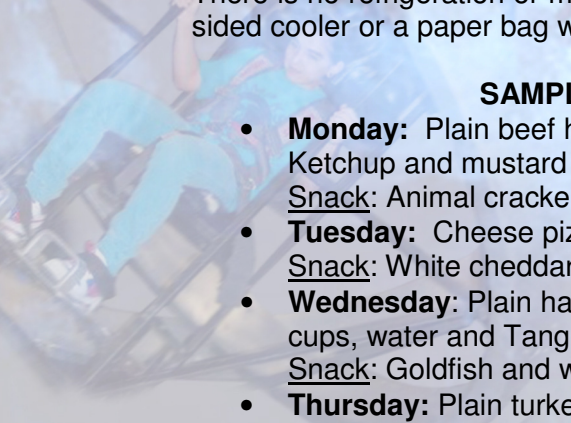
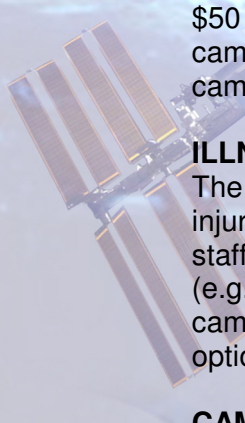
CAMP KSC FOOD SERVICE:

CAMP KSC provides campers a lunch and a snack daily, prepared by the Visitor Complex Catering Department. Campers have access to drinking water at every meal and throughout the program. If your camper has special or specific dietary restrictions, including vegetarian options*, please note this on the release forms and confirm it at registration. Parents are welcome to send food substitutions if your child cannot or will not eat the items on our menu. There is no refrigeration or microwave oven available. Please pack your campers lunch in a soft sided cooler or a paper bag with his/her name on it.

SAMPLE CAMP KSC MENU * Subject to change

- **Monday:** Plain beef hot dog in bun, chips, pasta salad, banana, water and Tang.
Ketchup and mustard packets available.
Snack: Animal crackers and water.
- **Tuesday:** Cheese pizza, chips, apples, water or soda.
Snack: White cheddar cheese popcorn and water.
- **Wednesday:** Plain hamburger or cheeseburger on bun, chips, macaroni salad, fruit cups, water and Tang. Ketchup, mustard and mayo packets available.
Snack: Goldfish and water.
- **Thursday:** Plain turkey with cheese sandwich, chips, pasta salad, carrot sticks, and water and Tang.
Snack: Fruit roll-ups and water.
- **Friday:** Chicken fingers, celery and carrot sticks, macaroni and cheese, corn dogs, cookies and brownies, water, tea, or soda.
Snack: Special K bars and water.

* Vegetarian options may consist of veggie burgers/wraps, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and salads. Vegetarian option is at the discretion of the catering staff.



CAMP KSC EDUCATION TEAM:

Camp KSC is led by trained and certified teachers and educators. Our camper-to-staff ratio is 12:1 or better. Camp KSC has rigid standards for hiring and training qualified camp instructors. All of our educators have college degrees or are pursuing degrees in the science and/or education field. Every educator must pass an extensive background check, drug screening, and comprehensive interview process prior to employment.

Our educators receive special training on space program facts and history, simulator safety and operation, proper discipline techniques, and age-specific behavioral characteristics and teaching strategies. In addition, all educators are CPR, AED, and First Aid certified through the American Red Cross.

CAMP KSC BEHAVIOR POLICY:

Camp KSC is an exciting environment where campers are encouraged to work together in teams and cooperative groups to share in exciting activities designed to teach about the exploration of space. All Camp KSC participants are expected to follow certain guidelines to ensure a safe, fun, and respectful environment. Our Camp KSC Behavior Policy is simple - we expect our campers to:

Have fun
Follow instructions from all camp staff
Respect themselves and others

The **Camp KSC** education staff is required to maintain a safe and respectful environment for every camper. If a camper is not following the guidelines above, a series of steps will be taken to correct their behavior:

- Step 1 – Verbal reminder & review of behavior policy.
- Step 2 – Time-out from an activity.
- Step 3 – Removal from group, phone call to parent, and dismissal for remainder of day.
- Step 4 – Dismissal from the remainder of camp.

Tuition is NOT refunded if a student is dismissed from **Camp KSC**. Thank you for your cooperation and support of a safe and respectful camp environment.

DIRECTIONS TO THE U.S. ASTRONAUT HALL OF FAME:

Eastbound: SR 528 (Beachline Expy) E to SR 407 N to SR 405 E.

Southbound: I95 to Exit 215, to SR 405 E.

Northbound: I95 to Exit 212, SR 407 N to SR 405 E.

The entrance to the US Astronaut Hall of Fame is on SR 405 just east of US 1.

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US DURING CAMP KSC 2011

