

## Diablo Day Camp

### **A Special Note Regarding Personal Information About Your Child**

You will notice that both our camper information form (below) and health history form contain space for personal information regarding your child. Let's take a moment to review the importance of these questions together.

Some parents or guardians, wanting to insure a fresh start at camp for their child unencumbered by past problems or difficulties, may hesitate to provide us with the personal aspects of their child's health or dietary needs, behavior, or past experience. Others may feel that a camp will not accept their child if they are open and candid about these situations. Some fear information misuse or that their child may be labeled, singled out or somehow treated differently.

As parents ourselves, we share these concerns. As seasoned camp volunteers, we know this information is an invaluable tool in helping us make your child's adjustment to camp as smooth and happy as possible. A safe and successful summer program begins with us working together to provide a positive experience to all girls.

Having advanced knowledge about a learning or physical difficulty, a recent loss or major change in a family or child's life, gives us the opportunity to be more sensitive to your child's need for extra patience, understanding, and reassurance especially in the first few days of camp! This is especially true for children who are nervous in new situations, have an attention problem, or those who may use their behavior rather than words to tell us that something is bothering them.

We encourage you to make us a full partner in planning your child's summer. The better prepared we are, the easier it is to assure you of a positive summer experience for your child. Remember, when faced with challenges, together, we can help your child have great success. Our commitment is to use the information you provide only to help your child adjust to camp. It will never be used at camp unless necessary, and then only with the greatest of discretion.

### **Please complete the information below and return it to your session director with your child's health form**

Camper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Girl Scout: Yes No Troop number: \_\_\_\_\_

Your Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your daughter attended Diablo Day Camp before? Yes No (If yes, when?) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Girl Scout or non-Girl Scout camp experience? Yes No (If yes, when?) \_\_\_\_\_

Please talk with your daughter about day camp and share with us:

Any concerns that she may have about attending camp: \_\_\_\_\_

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Two things that she looks forward to doing at camp:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any concerns about or expectations for your child's day camp experience?

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Besides the information listed on the health form (diet, allergies, medications, etc), is there anything else that you would like to share with us that might help us facilitate or enhance your child's camp experience? (Such as mobility or learning problems, shyness, hyperactivity, etc)

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Would you be available for a pre-camp site visit if we feel that your camper would benefit from a tour? Yes No

Please make additional comments and/or suggestions on the back and/or attaching sheets as necessary.