



## Youth Conservation Camp 2020 Procedures

**Final/Full Payment and Forms** All forms are due no later than **June 5, 2020** in order for your child to attend camp. All applications and payment must be received prior to camp. Payment of \$140/camper must be made before camp begins on June 9, 2020 unless other arrangements have been agreed upon by the camp director.

If not registering with a credit card online, please provide payment in the form of a check made out to: **Rio Grande Watershed Conservation & Education Initiative Memo: Youth Conservation Camp 2020**

Mail: P.O. Box 142 Monte Vista, CO 81144

In person: 125 Adams Street Monte Vista, CO

You must sign and return the following forms which are available for download on the registration site and at [www.rgwcei.org](http://www.rgwcei.org):

- Risk Liability Waiver & Medical Authorization Form
- Signed Code of Conduct
- Copy of the Child's Health Immunization Record or a Letter of Exemption
- Front and Back Copy of Medical Insurance Card

These forms may be turned in as follows:

- uploaded through the [campnetwork.com](http://campnetwork.com) portal
- Scanned and emailed to [rgwcei@gmail.com](mailto:rgwcei@gmail.com)
- Mailed to PO Box 142 Monte Vista, CO 81144 (received no later than June 5, 2020)

All questions and concerns should be directed to **Bethany Howell**, camp director, by calling **719.480.4864** or email [rgwcei@gmail.com](mailto:rgwcei@gmail.com).

**Check In and Pick Up** Please be aware of the camp check in and pick up times. All campers must be signed in and out of camp by a parent/guardian or designated pick up person unless other arrangements have been made ahead of time.

Camp Check In: **8:00 AM Tuesday, June 9th**

Camp Pick Up: **6:00 PM Thursday, June 11th**

**Contacting Your Camper** In case of emergency, you may call **719.480.4864**; **719.480.4851**,



or [719.873.5311](tel:719.873.5311) and a message will be given to your child. Campers are not permitted to make calls unless approved by a counselor or staff. Cell phones are permitted but cannot be used without approval from a counselor or staff. Cell phones will be kept in the custody of the camp director to avoid any problems. *Please allow your child at least 24 hours to adjust to camp life before you call, unless it's an emergency.*

**Homesickness** For many children, the first time away from their parent/guardian can be somewhat traumatic. Sometimes, it's harder on the parent than the camper! But, most children quickly adjust after a day. You can help us by letting us know of any unusual situations at home (death of a relative or pet, separation of parents, moving to a new home, etc.). Please be positive and DO NOT suggest that he or she can come home early if it does not get better. That may encourage them to not let it get better. Our staff will help your camper work through this transitional time, so unless you have a reason for concern, please trust our judgement in determining if your child is thriving or not. Most campers do adjust to camp life and have a wonderful time with old and new friends.

**Medical Care** A medical release and authorization form is available for download on our website and on the online registration site. *Parents must fill out and sign the medical form every year, regardless of former camp attendance.*

**Medication** If medication is brought to camp, it must be in its original container with prescription directions and MUST be checked in with the camp nurse upon registration. This includes over the counter pain relief.

### **FAQ's/Packing Suggestions**

#### **What To Pack:**

- ✓ Any necessary medication(s)
- ✓ Proper outdoor attire (bring clothes that can get dirty, wet, and sticky!). Clothing that is lightweight, breathable, and dries quickly is best. **If your child likes jeans, please provide another type of clothing to change into in case they get wet, sweaty, or uncomfortable.**
- ✓ Sleeping bag and pillow
- ✓ Shower items and toiletries
- ✓ Towel for showers
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Lip balm
- ✓ Bug spray
- ✓ Ball cap or hat



- ✓ Sneakers (an extra pair or two are suggested)
- ✓ Clothes for warm and cool weather (please include a lightweight sweater or jacket)
- ✓ Rain jacket
- ✓ Flashlight

*\*If you do not have these items or need help finding them, please contact Bethany Howell and we will gladly work with you to help your child be as prepared as possible.*

**What NOT to Bring:**

- **Halter tops**
- **Tube tops**
- **Bare Midriff or Cut off tops**
- **Inappropriate/Vulgar images on Tshirts**
- **Short shorts**
- **Fireworks, knives, or weapons**
- **Candy or Other Food**
- **Expensive Electronic Devices**
- **Lighters or Matches**
- **Valuable Items**
- **\*Cell Phones** (these will remain in the custody of the camp director, to be used only for emergencies or with staff approval)

**Directions to Camp: *From the East*** Go west on Highway 160 through South Fork towards Pagosa Springs. Just outside of South Fork, there will be a green sign that says, "National Forest Access Beaver Creek Road," turn left and cross the creek. Follow Beaver Creek Road for 3 miles and you will come to a brown sign that says, "Beaver Creek Youth Camp" and points to the right. Take the road to the right that immediately follows it. Follow this road down the hill and up and around the curve to the left. There will be another brown sign that says, "Beaver Creek Youth Camp" to the left. Follow the road up the hill to the camp.

***From the West*** Go east on Highway 160 toward South Fork and Alamosa. Just before arriving in South Fork there is a green sign that says, "National Forest Access Beaver Creek Road." Turn right and cross the creek. Follow Beaver Creek Road for 3 miles and you will come to a brown sign that says, "Beaver Creek Youth Camp" and points to the right. Take the road to the right that immediately follows it. Follow this road down the hill and up and around the curve to the left. There will be another brown sign that says, "Beaver Creek Youth Camp" to the left. Follow the road up the hill to the camp.



## **Final Checklist**

- Medical Authorization/Risk Liability waiver
  
- Immunization Record or Immunization Exemption Form
  
- Front and Back copies of Health Insurance Card
  
- Signed Code of Conduct
  
- Payment