



Dear Parent:

It is time again for the fun and excitement of Camp Sunshine Dreams. Camp Sunshine Dreams is a weeklong summer camp for children with cancer and their siblings (**ages 8-15 years**).

The camp will be held at Camp Keola, located at Huntington Lake, high in the Sierra Mountains. Camp Sunshine Dreams offers a variety of camping experiences including boating, hiking, nature, arts and crafts, music, campfire programs, a dance and many other fun filled experiences. The dates of camp this year are Monday, July 27- Saturday, August 1, 2026. There is no cost to attend camp.

Transportation to and from the camp will be provided by bus. The buses will leave from and return to Valley Children's Hospital. They will load and unload campers in the parking lot by the outpatient PT/OT Building (the first building on the left when you drive on campus). The buses will begin boarding at 8:00 AM on Monday, July 28, 2025. **They will depart for camp promptly at 9:00 AM.** The buses will return on Saturday, August 2, 2025, at 12:00 Noon. Parents must remain with their children until the buses depart and must be at Valley Children's Hospital to pick up their children when the buses return.

Camp Sunshine Dreams is designed to meet your child's special medical and emotional needs. We offer a memorable week of exciting camping experiences combined with the safety of a specially trained staff. An oncology physician and nurses will be in residence at camp at all times. Counselors and program specialists have extensive medical and camping training and experience. Many of our staff members are cancer survivors who have been participating in camp for many years & some are nurses/staff members from Valley Children's Hospital.

We ask that your child does not bring a cell phone to camp. If you need to contact your child or the staff during our week at camp, please call (559) 816-2116.

Camp is for a one-week period, and campers must be at camp from beginning to end unless there is an emergency.

When all camp forms are completed, signed, and returned, you will be mailed a packet of information including your child's boarding pass for the bus. Your child will not be added to the camp list until ALL the completed forms have been received.

If you have any questions prior to camp, please contact me at 559-816-2116

Sincerely,

Gidget

Yvonne Wood, RN (Gidget)
Camp Sunshine Dreams

Dear parents:

All completed camp forms **MUST** be turned in by Friday, **JULY 3, 2026**.

We will **NOT** be accepting any application forms after this date.

Each camper (patients and siblings) **MUST** have a health form completed by their MD. We will complete health forms on our oncology patients. Please **CALL YOUR MD** to get forms completed early for siblings.

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Dear Parent,

We're excited to invite your child to join us once again for **Camp Sunshine Dreams 2025**—a free, weeklong summer camp for children with cancer and their siblings, ages **8–15**.

Camp Details

- **Dates:** Monday, **July 27** – Saturday, **August 1, 2026**
- **Location:** Camp Keola, Huntington Lake (Sierra Mountains)
- **Cost:** Completely **free** for all campers

Camp Sunshine Dreams offers a wide variety of fun and memorable activities, including:

 Arts & crafts •  Boating •  Music •  Hiking
 Campfires •  A dance night •  Nature programs — and more!

Transportation Information

Round-trip transportation is provided by bus.

- **Departure & Return Location:**
Valley Children's Hospital – Parking lot by the **Outpatient PT/OT Building**
(*First building on the left as you enter campus*)
- **Departure Day – Monday, July 28**
 - Camper check-in begins at **8:00 AM**
 - Buses leave promptly at **9:00 AM**
- **Return Day – Saturday, August 2**
 - Buses return at **12:00 Noon**

Please Note:

Parents must stay with their child until the bus departs and be present to pick them up when the bus returns.

Medical Safety & Supervision


Camp Sunshine Dreams is specially designed to meet the **medical and emotional needs** of your child.

- An **oncology physician and nursing staff** will be on-site 24/7
- Camp counselors and program specialists are highly trained in both **medical care and camp activities**
- Many staff members are **cancer survivors**, and some are **nurses or staff from Valley Children's Hospital**

No Cell Phones, Please

We kindly ask that **campers do not bring cell phones or any other electronics.**

If you need to contact your child or staff during the week, call us at:


 **(559) 816-2116**

Required Forms

- Camp runs for **one full week**, and campers must stay from start to finish unless there's an emergency.
- Your child **will not be added to the camp list** until **all required forms are completed, signed, and returned.**
- Once we receive the forms, you'll receive a **packet in the mail** with your child's **bus boarding pass** and more camp details.

Have Questions?

If you have any questions before camp, feel free to contact me directly at:


 **(559) 816-2116**

We're looking forward to another unforgettable week at Camp Sunshine Dreams!

Warm regards,

Yvonne Wood, RN ("Gidget")

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