

Eagle's Nest Camp



Important Information for Registered Campers

Summer 2018

CAMP SESSIONS

Session I (& Paleo Experiment)

June 9 - June 22

Session II (& Huck Finn)

June 24 - July 13

Session III (& Sea islands)

July 15 - August 3

Session IV

August 5 - August 12

JC SESSIONS

Session I JC—June 8 - June 22

Session II JC—June 23 - July 13

Session III JC—July 14 - August 3

Session IV JC—August 5 - August 12

HANTE ADVENTURES

Hante Trails—June 9 - June 22

Hante Rocks and Rivers—June 24 -
July 13

*Hante Austria—June 24 - July 13

Hante AT Trek NC—July 15 - August 3

*Hante British Columbia—July 15 -
August 3

Summer Mailing Address:

Eagle's Nest Camp

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for young people;
promoting the natural world and
the betterment of human character.*

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Dear Eagle's Nest Parent or Guardian,

Welcome to Eagle's Nest Camp and Hante Adventures. We're so excited that your family will be joining us for summer 2018—our 91st season!

We look forward to a safe summer filled with joy, laughter, friendship and growth. To help you start to prepare for the summer, please take a moment and read through the information in this booklet.

In our continued efforts to provide the best care to our campers, and to make preparation for camp easier for our families, **this year all camp families will be able to complete camp forms online.** Eagle's Nest has partnered with CampDoc.com, an online electronic record system that helps us consolidate and integrate health and other information into a centralized and secure location. This system provides our staff with instant access to camper health information. It should also be convenient for you to complete and then update in future years.

At this point you should already have received an email requesting that you complete your camper's forms by April 1st. Many of you have already started or completed your forms. The information we request helps us plan and provide care for your child. If you have any questions, please call our camp office (336-761-1040) or email Molly, our camp registrar, at register@enf.org. We are available and eager to help you!

If you have not yet purchased trip/travel insurance for your child's camp experience, we HIGHLY recommend that you consider doing so. Eagle's Nest does not refund tuition for withdrawal, illness or dismissal, regardless of the situation. Trip insurance is inexpensive and could save you a great deal of money.

Later in the spring we will send additional information for your final camp preparations, including a packing list, tips for preparing your child for going to camp, directions to camp, and much more.

Thank you for taking the time to complete camp forms and prepare for camp. As parents or guardians of our campers, you are our partners in creating a successful summer.

Best,

Paige Lester-Niles
Camp Director
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CAMP TUITION

Camp fees are due March 1st unless special arrangements have been made in the form of a payment plan or your invoice states otherwise. Families whose payments are returned for insufficient funds will be charged \$20 to cover bank and administrative fees. JC's and Select (*) Hante participants have different payment due dates; please consult your invoice. Pay online or mail payments to PO Box 5127, Winston-Salem, NC 27113-5127.

The deadline for deposit refunds is February 1st. **The deposit is non-refundable after February 1st, and all tuition payments are non-refundable after March 1st, regardless of the reason for cancellation. All cancellations must be made in writing.** We strongly urge you to consider travel insurance.

To enable more campers to share in our community, a limited number of our campers receive financial aid. **Applications for financial assistance must be completed by February 25th.** To learn more about our financial aid program, please see the financial information section of our website. Payment plans are available via the Account tab on your camper's CampDoc.com profile.

Eagle's Nest Foundation is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, and gifts to the Campership Fund are fully deductible under the law. When sending in your tuition check or paying online, please consider making a donation to the Campership Fund. Donors will be sent a separate receipt for tax purposes. Thank you for helping us further our mission!

IMPORTANT POLICIES AND PRACTICES

Eagle's Nest Camp provides a community-centered camp experience for our campers. It is very important that the parents and campers commit to the following policies and procedures to ensure that the camp experience is a happy and healthy one for all members of our camp community.

Reasons for being expelled immediately and without refund:

1. Any camper or participant who is found in possession of or using illegal drugs or alcohol during a course or camp session or Hante will be asked to leave the Eagle's Nest program. The student will be removed from the program and expelled at the participant's expense, without refund of tuition.
2. Any camper or participant involved in inappropriate sexual behavior, harassment, or bullying of any kind is liable for expulsion from the program without refund.
3. Any camper or participant found to be using tobacco products, e-cigarettes, or vaporizers is liable for expulsion. Tobacco use by campers is illegal and is not tolerated at Eagle's Nest. The Eagle's Nest campus and all Eagle's Nest sponsored programs are smoke free for all staff, students, campers and guests.
4. Any camper or participant who is in possession of any firearm is liable for expulsion without refund.
5. Any camper whose therapeutic or health needs that Eagle's Nest determines cannot reasonably and safely be supported by camp.
6. Any camper or participant who disregards ENF regulations is liable for expulsion from the program without refund. Any conduct that jeopardizes safety, causes injury to the camper or others, is illegal, or could damage ENF's reputation may result in expulsion from the program without refund.

MEDICAL FORMS AND HEALTH INFORMATION

Your child's health and well-being is very important to the staff at Eagle's Nest Camp. From planning nutritious meals and age-appropriate activities, to stocking our Health Hut, we keep the unique needs of children and teens in mind. To plan well, we need to be aware of your child's allergies, dietary restrictions, or preferences, and medical history **in advance** of your child's arrival.

- **Proof of Medical Insurance:** All campers must have medical insurance. Please upload a copy of your child's medical insurance card - front and back - to your CampDoc account. If your child is not covered by insurance, you must obtain temporary insurance for the time period they are attending Eagle's Nest programs. Many insurance providers offer inexpensive temporary coverage - see our website for more information.

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- In case of an accident or illness that requires medical care, prescriptions or supplies beyond the services provided by our Health Hut, the family's insurance will be billed. Any co-pays, prescription costs, or charges not covered by insurance are the responsibility of the camper's family.

CAMPER TRAVEL INFORMATION

Travel: Your child may travel to and from camp by car or commercial airline. **All campers must arrive and/or depart between 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. on Opening and Closing Day of their session.** Driving directions are available on our website, and will be mailed to you in April.

Information for campers traveling by plane: When booking tickets, please select the Asheville Regional Airport (AVL) or the Greenville/Spartanburg International Airport (GSP).

Your child's flight must:

- Arrive between 9:00 and 11:00 AM on Opening Day
- Depart between 9:00 and 11:00 AM on Closing Day
- JCs must arrive between 2:00 and 4:00 PM on the day before the session starts (excluding Session IV when JCs arrive on opening day of camp). JCs may not fly into GSP.

Once travel is booked, please upload a copy of your child's itinerary to your CampDoc account.

Unaccompanied Minors: Most airlines have a mandatory Unaccompanied Minor (UM) program for children under 15 years-old and traveling without an adult. The age limits and rules and fees vary from airline to airline. Depending on the airline, the UM ticket may not be available through online reservation; you may need to call the airline to set up the UM arrangement. Please pay all UM fees (both ways) directly to the airline.

Airport Shuttles: Eagle's Nest provides a shuttle to and from the Greenville/Spartanburg Airport (GSP) and the Asheville Airport (AVL). The shuttle fee is \$40 per camper each way (\$80 round trip) for the Greenville/Spartanburg Airport. The GSP Shuttle Fee can be paid as an "Add-on" via the Registration tab on your camper's profile on Camdoc.com. There is no charge for the shuttle to or from the Asheville Airport. **Please note:** the Greenville/Spartanburg Airport is about 1.5 hours from camp, and the Asheville Airport is 45 minutes from camp. Depending on the arrival/departure times of other campers, your camper may need to spend a couple hours in the airport accompanied by our staff, then incur travel time in the van.

If your child is flying, we strongly recommend shipping your camper's trunk to and from camp. This way, your child only needs a carry-on bag, which saves time at the airport waiting for luggage and avoids fees for baggage.

We suggest that campers who are flying wear an Eagle's Nest t-shirt at the airport. Our staff will wear Eagle's Nest t-shirts as well.

Travel Money: We recommend adding \$20 in Travel Money to the Canteen Account for camper's who are flying. This can be done as an "Add-on" via the Registration tab on your camper's profile on CampDoc.com. Travel Money is intended to be used by campers to make purchases (e.g. snack, call home) at the airport while traveling.

Stay-Over Program: Campers attending two consecutive sessions may remain at camp for the extra day between sessions if prior arrangements are made with Eagle's Nest. The charge for the Stay-Over program is \$200.00. *This service is ONLY for campers, JCs, and Hante participants staying for TWO consecutive sessions.*

Photograph: Please upload a recent photo of your child to your CampDoc profile. Photos help us recognize your child on opening day and greet them with familiarity.

Teen/Pre-teen Questionnaire: Parents of children 12 years old or older will need to complete a questionnaire that asks additional information about your child. Some of the questions are sensitive in nature. We ask them so that we can be aware of any challenges your child is facing. As caregivers, we want to give your child the most thoughtful guidance possible. The questionnaires are reviewed by the full-time leadership and kept confidential. Pertinent information will be shared with cabin counselors on an individual basis and only when deemed necessary.

Shipping:

- **To Camp:** Luggage and trunks may be shipped one week prior to the opening of the session via UPS or FedEx. The camper's name should be marked clearly on the outside of the item. **Please do not store return shipping labels inside the trunk.** Shipping labels should be uploaded to your CampDoc account (see "Home From Camp").
- **Home From Camp:** Eagle's Nest will arrange with UPS and FedEx to pickup trunks (and other luggage) for campers who provide pre-paid shipping labels. Parents who wish to ship their camper's trunk, but do not provide a return shipping label, must make arrangements with the Camp Office to have the trunk shipped home through a local UPS shipper. The deposit to ship without a pre-paid label is \$100. This can be paid as an "Add-on" via the Registration tab on your camper's profile on Camdoc.com. After the trunk has been shipped, we will send you an invoice or refund depending on the final cost of packaging and shipping through the store. **Please Note: Eagle's Nest is not responsible for any luggage lost or damaged in transit to or from camp.**
- If you plan to ship luggage, please complete the *Camper Travel Information Form* on CampDoc. If you have a pre-paid UPS or FedEx return shipping label, please upload it to your CampDoc account. Using a pre-paid return label is a great way to make sure your child's trunk is shipped to the address you want, with the insurance coverage you need, and by the carrier you prefer. Detailed instructions for creating return labels are available on the UPS and FedEx websites, or by calling their customer service lines.

Canteen Accounts:

Each camper has a canteen account, through which he or she may purchase camp memorabilia and t-shirts, postage stamps, needed toiletries, or get small amounts of money for special outings. We encourage parents to deposit funds into their camper's canteen account prior to the start of camp. We can accept cash, check, or credit card deposits (via CampDoc.com as an "Add-on" on the Registration tab of your camper's profile– if you have any trouble accessing these add-ons please contact Molly by email at register@enf.org or by phone at 336-761-1040).

The deposit amount is optional, though we recommend:

- **\$30 for one week session**
- **\$60 for two or three week sessions**
- JCs: an additional **\$40** for the JC outing (except for Session IV)
- An additional \$20 for travel cash (if flying)
- An additional \$100 if planning to ship a trunk without a return label

We will do our best to ensure campers do not exceed their parents' initial canteen deposit. If you do not want your child to purchase more expensive items (ex: Crazy Creek camp chairs, Hoodies), please check the appropriate box on the *Camper Travel Information Form* on your CampDoc account. **Please note: Charges incurred by Eagle's Nest for items like shipping and prescriptions/medical co-pays are also handled through camper canteen accounts, and are considered over and above the amount deposited for general canteen purchases.**

Refund checks and invoices for balances due on accounts that are not settled on closing day will be mailed several weeks after the close of the summer. Outstanding balances are due upon receipt of invoice. Refunds of \$10 or less will be donated to the camp scholarship fund unless otherwise requested.



Camp Forms Timeline and Checklist

- **March 1st—final tuition payment due (non-refundable)**
- **April 1st—Camp forms due on CampDoc.com***
 - Policies and Practices
 - Medical forms
 - Copy of insurance card
 - Travel information
 - Picture of camper
 - Teen/Pre-teen questionnaire
 - Canteen Deposit

**You should have access to forms online through CampDoc.com. You do not need to complete the forms in one session, and may return to the site to complete information as it is available (i.e. the doctor's signed medical form).*

Helpful links, information about camp supply companies, our camp blog, and summer program photos can all be found on our website at www.enf.org.