

Camp Jack Hazard

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Camp Jack Hazard

2024 Parent Guide

Resident Camp Sessions - \$930 (*\$855 Reduced Session)

(1-week program)
Session I: June 22 – June 29
Session II: June 29 – July 6
Session II: July 6 – July 13
Session IV (REDUCED): July 13 – July
19 AGES 8-15

Leaders-in-Training - \$1035 (2-week Teen Leadership program)

Session I: June 22 – July 6 Session II: June 29 – July 13 Session III: July 6 – July 19 AGES 15-17 Rookies Sessions - \$620 (4 day program)

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Especially helpful for parents of first time campers

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Parent Packet

Welcome!

This packet is your guide to a safe, fun, characterbuilding experience for your children at Camp Jack Hazard.

In order to help us provide the best experience for you and your children, please review this packet carefully. This packet has everything that you need to register and prepare for Camp. If you have any questions that aren't answered here, please call (209) 965-7CJH or email us at campjackhazardadventures@gmail.com.

Registration Requirements

- Completing the CJH Registration Form along with a \$100 deposit is sufficient to complete an initial registration. (If you are applying for Financial Assistance, you are responsible for a \$50 nonrefundable deposit at the time of registration.) If approved, remaining payments will be adjusted to reflect the award amount.)
- 1 month before the start of the session, all of the enclosed forms must be received and fees paid.
- One parent or guardian of new-to-CJH campers must attend the Orientation Meeting online:
 Zoom Meeting: TBA

If you cannot attend orientation, you must make alternate arrangements with a CJH staff member.

Cancellations

If your child cannot go to camp as planned due to illness, please let Camp Jack Hazard management know as soon as possible. We may have a waiting list of other campers desiring a chance to go. All sessions require a \$100 deposit, which is non-refundable. The rest of the session fees will be refunded. Refunds will not be granted for any cancellations made fewer than 10 days in advance of departure. We are able to reschedule campers for another session if there is available space, and we encourage this as an alternative to cancelling if possible.

Departure and Transportation

Departures: Campers and their guardians must arrive by 8:30 am on the day or departure at Great Valley Academy, 3200 Tully Rd., Modesto CA 95350. **The bus will leave at and 10:00 am.**Remember, we conduct health screenings (lice check and med form review), process all medication, and make sure all registration materials are complete, so please arrive with ample time.

Returns: Return times vary with traffic conditions, but campers are scheduled to return between 3:00 and 4:30 pm.

Safety: The well-being of our campers is our first and foremost concern. To find out more about how we protect our campers on bus trips, please visit www.campjackhazard.org/transportation-policies.html

Letters and "Goodies" from Home

All care packages and letters can be sent to:

Camper's Name - Session #

Camp Jack Hazard, Highway 108

Dardanelles, CA 95364

Please keep letters positive! Children who are having a good time can suddenly get homesick when they read about how much their families miss them. We recommend writing about what's happening at home and how excited you are to hear all about camp when they return.

We love it when parents send care packages! When you do, though, we ask that you send some items for your camper to share with the rest of his or her cabin and a note asking him or her to do so. This can prevent jealousy and tension from damaging your child's experience.

You can bring one (1) package with you when you drop off your camper and CJH staff will include it with daily mail mid-session (saving you postage and ensuring that it "arrives" while your camper is at camp).

Visits During CJH Sessions

While visits from parents and visitors are allowed, we ask that you give CJH staff 24 hours notice before your trip. Please call (209) 965-7254 to make arrangements.

CJH Packing Guide

Important Information about Overnights and Backpacking

All **Resident Camp and LIT** session campers can expect to go on a two-night overnight backpacking trip to a location in one of the pristine wilderness areas near camp. Depending on interest and ability, this may take campers several miles away from the nearest road, phone, building, television, or X-box. To assure your child's comfort, we recommend a backpack with an internal or external frame, which can carry a sleeping bag, personal items, and some food. **Rookie Campers will not be traveling far, so a good daypack will work just fine.**

Temperatures at the higher altitudes (campers over 10 can expect to camp at altitudes as high as 8,000 feet) can get chilly! We recommend a warm, lightweight sleeping bag. Please pay attention to the temperature rating of the bag – a temperature rating of 35°F or lower will protect against the fickle mountain weather.

Above all, please be assured that while the overnight is an experience in roughing it without many of the material comforts of the modern world, we provide a safe, comfortable environment in the woods for your child to enjoy their camp experience. The overnight is the centerpiece of Camp Jack Hazard's program, and it is also the part of the program which seems to have the most dramatic impact on camper's growth in confidence and social skills. We look forward to providing this priceless and enriching experience for your child as we have for so many thousands of others.

Preparing for Camp

Please remember that Camp Jack Hazard is about getting back to basics. Be practical and only bring the absolute necessities. On the backpacking trip, your camper will be carrying all of their own gear, so please keep it light. At camp, everything gets dirty so don't bring anything too nice. Be sure to mark EVERYTHING with your camper's full name. We try to keep careful track of lost and found, but with the large number of campers who come through camp each session, things inevitably get lost or mixed up. CJH is not responsible for anything lost or stolen. If you mark your child's belongings with a permanent marker, it becomes much easier for camp staff to return lost items to the right person.

Medication

All medication – including over-the-counter drugs – MUST be given to the Camp Director or Health Specialist prior to departure.

Please clearly indicate, for each medication: 1) who the medication is for, 2) proper dosage, 3) when it should be taken.

Camp can only dispense prescription medications when they are in their **original container**, **and only by the instructions on the bottle**. If the label on a prescription bottle is incorrect, this must be changed by the pharmacy prior to attending camp. The camp health specialist will be responsible for any medication that is to be taken to camp.

Packing List

- Sleeping Bag
- Backpack internal or external frame backpacking backpack
- Thin, lightweight sleeping pad for backpacking
- Extra pair of shoes
- Clothes: Warm sweater/jacket, t-shirts, shorts, long warm pants, socks, underwear and a poncho or waterproof jacket
- Hats
- o Bathing suit and towels
- o Toiletries
- Sunscreen, chapstick and bug repellent
- Flashlight
- Water bottle (preferably 32 oz.)
- Positive attitude

Additional Optional Items

- Small pillow
- Disposable camera
- Fishing gear
- Books/writing materials
- Sunglasses
- Costumes

Things to Leave at Home!

Electronics, including cell phones and mp3 players and headphones, food or candy, knives/firearms, weapons, any sports equipment, pets, fireworks, aerosol sprays, hair dryers, curling irons, money, alcohol/drugs and cigarettes.

Getting Ready for Camp!

A CJH Preparation Check-List

Send in (or register on-line) non-refundable \$100 deposit and registration form to secure your camper's spot prior to the 2-week registration deadline. (don't forget about our Early Bird and Refer-a-friend discounts!)

If you reserved the camp session with a deposit, be sure payment in full is received 2 weeks before the session starts.

Complete and return all required forms within 30 days after your child enrolls for camp, including:

- Registration Form
- Health History Form with current immunization records, doctors signature and copy of health insurance card (if applicable)
- Parental Consent Forms
 - Transportation Release
 - Photograph Release
 - Pick-up Authorization
- Waiver of Liability for Camp Activities
- Responsible Conduct Agreement prepare camper for time at CJH; discuss behavioral expectations.

Attend new-to-CJH Orientation via ZOOM. Meeting times TBA.

Mark all packed clothing and equipment with Camper's name

First Day of Camp!! **Bring sack lunch**, luggage, and medications (in original container), to be given to the Health Administrator at check-ins. Please pack **ANY** medication separately – it should NOT go to CJH in your child's luggage.