**Camp Warm Beach** @ **Stanwood WA
Friday, April 26th** (after school) **- Sunday, April 28th, 2024** (mid-day) **Camp Tuition -** $275.00 per student

While the 5th Grade parents along with the Sunset Elementary PTA are planning to arrange this experience for our 5th Graders, we are most committed to the health, security, and safety of our kids. As such, overnight 5th Grade Camp 2024 will only happen if it's deemed safe to do so. The 5th Grade Camp will be parent-volunteer-driven and funded by participating parents. We ask for patience as we navigate the specific details for camp. If there are any additional questions, please **email** us at sunsetsockeyecamp@gmail.com

**Frequently Asked Questions**

**1. Does my student have to participate in the overnight 5th Grade Camp?**
No, participation and attendance at Camp is entirely OPTIONAL. 5th Grade Camp is fully funded by participating parents and will be held off-campus and outside of district/school time and requirements.

**2. Why is the Sunset PTA organizing the overnight 5th Grade Camp in 2024?** **Isn’t 5th Grade Camp usually planned by the school and the Issaquah School District?** The overnight 5th Grade Camp was a long-standing tradition prior to the Covid pandemic and is a much-celebrated event for Sunset students. Issaquah School District has decided to make overnight camp optional. The decision being made by each school’s administration. For the 2023-2024 school year Sunset Elementary is hosting a separate one-day outdoor experience.

As such, parents at Sunset Elementary are coordinating a parent-sponsored 5th Grade Camp, organized and led by parents. This is independent of ISD and supported by the PTA.

**3. Will the teachers be attending the overnight 5th Grade Camp?**
We will be inviting all 5th Grade teachers to join in some or all camp activities, but they are under no obligation to attend. Once again, 5th Grade Camp is NOT a District supported event this year, so it will require our already hard-working teachers and staff to give up their personal time. We will do our utmost to support those teachers and staff who can attend this year.

**4. Will the school nurse be attending the overnight 5th Grade Camp?**
No, but we will have a Sunset parent who is a doctor attend and we will have the support staff at Camp Warm Beach.

**5. How do I register and pay?**
In February 2024, we will send a registration packet home with every 5th Grader. An electronic version of the registration will be also available on the PTA website.
In early April 2024, we will send out the final camp schedule along with a suggested packing list for those who have registered and paid.

**6. When is the deadline for registration?**
March 1st, 2024

**7. What is the cancellation policy?**
In general, there will be no registrations or refunds after March 2024, but we will do our best to provide partial refunds if you have to cancel for personal/health reasons or due to the change in registration requirements.

**8. How much does Camp Cost and what is included?**
Tuition for camp this year is $275 and covers the following:
• Round trip transportation from Sunset Elementary to Camp Warm Beach and back • 2-night lodging in Mini-Lodges with shared bathrooms
• Use of group meeting spaces
• 6 Meals at Camp and daily snacks and refreshments
• Activity fee for recreational activities such as mini-golf, archery, climbing tower, etc.
• Camp Sweatshirt
• Miscellaneous supplies and health care staff/teacher support

**9. Can my student just attend for the day(s) and not stay overnight?**
We believe staying overnight is a quintessential part of this all-inclusive experience, so we do expect all camp attendees to stay overnight. If it causes undue hardship, we will support early departure from camp per parent’s request.

**10. When will you select parent chaperones?**We will begin reaching out to parent chaperones in March 2023 as registrations come in (you will need to formally indicate your interest in being a chaperone in the registration packet). We are planning to have 1 chaperone for every 5 kids and all chaperones will need to be validated as an ISD volunteer. For those selected to chaperone 5th Grade Camp, we will hold a Chaperone Meeting in late March or early April 2024. Please note that all chaperones will be required to pay their own way (costs will be similar to the students' fee).

**11. When will I know my child’s room assignment at Camp Warm Beach?**
Since room assignments can be a sensitive topic for many of the kids, we will not be sharing room assignments prior to Camp. Your student will find out which room they are in when they check-in to board the bus to Camp.

 **12.** **How are you assigning rooms/groups for the kids? My kid is worried that he/she will not be with any of her friends.**We are taking great care to put each child with at least 1 of their requested campmates (if that information was provided in the registration form). In addition, we are reviewing the room assignments with all the 5th Grade Teachers so that we can do our best to make camp a great experience for all the kids. At this time, we can share that all the majority of girls will be in one mini-lodge and the majority of boys are in another mini-lodge. Each mini lodge has 3 connected sleeping rooms with a shared common area and bathroom so kids will have lots of opportunities to socialize. Our activities will also be held in larger groups so kids will have lots of opportunities to mingle with friends.

**13. Are cellphones allowed?** No, cellphones, ipads, gaming and electronic devices are not allowed. Please leave all electronics at home. Kids can use chaperone’s phones if they need to reach their parents.

**14. Are the cabins heated?**  Yes, all of the lodging has heat as well as bathrooms in the same building.