



High Meadows Happenings

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This Week's News

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Thank you for joining us this summer!

We had a great time and hope you did also, and that we'll see you next year! Please let us know how you and your child enjoyed camp and what we can do better by completing an online survey at:

<https://adobeformscentral.com/?f=Fd4gt%2A4MNaZ3awA-yDHddw>

- **Last chance for Lost-N-Found!** We can't hold on to it much longer! Claim your items at the Community Center under the porch or it will be donated to a local charity by the end of next week.
- **OREGON TRAIL**

Today we all gathered in our Cherokee/Creek Square Grounds on our low meadow at the easternmost part of camp. We listened to a Native American story and then began our journey west, stopping at a trading post where we had the opportunity to pan for gems and gold, barter for snacks and tattoo-brands, and try our luck at capturing bison. We ended our migration on the High Meadows with stories and ceremony at the tipi. A great way to end an outstanding summer!



Place Highlight: Shadowfox Trail ~Shadowfox Trail is the main path that snakes through the forests near Senior Camp and the Pool. Along this path are many famous High Meadows landmarks, such as Merlin's Pond, Lake Avalon, the ropes courses, Wampus Cat Springs, and Old Stonehenge. Shadowfox Trail is named for Mark Warren, the first head of Senior Camp (whose Native American name is Shadowfox). This trail is a favorite destination for Senior-level nature, pioneering, and native lore classes as well as nature hikes for Grasshoppers, Juniors and Super Seniors.



High Meadows by the Numbers:

- Approximate number of Gallons of water used for the misting systems = 300
 - Hot Dogs served at Friday Cookouts: 1728
 - Number of Automatic External Defibrillators (AEDs) on campus = 3
 - Pounds of clay used in arts and crafts = 150
 - Approximate number of pony rides = 2,340
 - Approximate number of arrow shots at archery classes = 20,205
 - Approximate number of projects built at woodworking = 350
 - Average number of cars greeted daily by Chad = 115
 - Approximate Age of Grandfather Tree, the Oldest Tree on Campus = 457 years
 - Number of Staff Members Who Have Achieved the Level of Knight as a Camper = 11
- This week our featured camp value was **Reflection**. We hope that you take the time to discuss this and the other previously-highlighted values of the week with your camper.

High Meadows campers take time to reflect on the values and experiences of camp.

High Meadows campers observe and experience nature without harming it.

High Meadows campers focus on the process as a tool for discovery.

Grasshopper Gazette! ~ Marli

- Our Unit Choice on Wednesday was Wacky Tacky/ 90s Day, as we went way back in time!
- We made our Unit Banner, with the handprints of our campers leaving a mark!
- We decorated our Grasshopper T-Shirts
- We cooled off on the JELL-O Slide today!
- We performed the old favorite, “Hey Bo-Diddly Bop” at Livestock today!!



Junior Journal! ~ Allison, Olivia and Avery

- We cooled off on the JELL-O slide today!
- Our Unit Choice on Wednesday was Disney Day, and to celebrate we made Mickey’s pants for snack!



Super Senior Shout Outs! ~ Jennifer and Jake

- This week, many of our campers and counselors completed the No TV Challenge!
- On Monday, we went to the mud pit at Lake Avalon and got all icky and muddy!
- Our Unit Choice on Wednesday was Book Character Day! Everybody came dressed up as characters from their favorite tales and legends!



Senior Quest Quips & Legend Lore! ~ Cristina and Andy

- Senior Quest had a wonderful Lake Trip on Monday and Cookout Night on Tuesday. Tuesday's cookout activities were a real hit! We especially enjoyed the Quest Superhero Challenge.



- Our Unit Choice on Wednesday was Pirate/ Ninja Day, as we enjoyed visitors from Faraway lands!
- Senior classes and cabins organized many of the Oregon Trail events and ceremonies.
- Senior Castles battled it out in Greasy Watermelon Contest!!
- We hosted a Livestock for the whole camp on the High Meadow, featuring a mosaic of talented campers, counselors, and CITs alike!
- Our Knighthood Awards Ceremony was today, where campers were honored for the milestones they achieved this session in their activities!





Thanks for joining us this summer!

We hope to see you again next year.

Discounted, early registration will begin in December.

Please keep us updated with any address changes.

Summer 2015 dates:

Session 1: June 1 – June 19

Session 2: June 22 – July 10

Session 3: July 13 – July 31