



Special Reminders

**Camp Hours:
9:30 AM - 4:00 PM**

- Medical forms must meet DOH requirements, include all inoculations, and have the signature of a doctor before starting camp.
- We require registration and payment for our "Extended Day Program" one week in advance.
- Go to www.actprograms.org for forms and weekly newsletters.
- We encourage families to re-read our "*Welcome Newsletter*" posted on our website.
- Please send lunch in disposable bags not in lunch boxes.
- Don't forget to register on the "*MyCampLink*" App. See article (inset)
- It is important that everyone sign on to "*MyCampLink*" App to receive notices this year. Newsletters will only be two pages and contains updated information applicable to all families.
- Camp Calendar of events and theme descriptions are posted on our App.

2017 SUMMER CAMP

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There is no better time than now to embrace tolerance and diversity. Our theme of "*Around the World*" in eight weeks will expose campers to new and sometimes familiar events and activities. This summer we are going to embark on a world-wide excursion to many countries. We will study different cultures, myths, traditions and customs. Encourage your child to tell you all about their travels! **Monday, June 26 the journey begins!**

The "**Young Preps**" counselors are so excited for the summer to begin! Young Preps are going to be exploring the neighborhoods around NYC, the "Melting Pot of the World"! Small group activities will include sports, art, music, dance, all focusing on NYC! We may travel around to Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx and right here in our own neighborhood. It's going to be a great summer!

We hope your passports are ready for an incredible summer at ACT traveling around the world. We cannot wait to meet all of the "**Preps**" campers and their families at the Pulpit Lawn. Camper Clubs will be offered Thursday and Friday! This week we will be featuring Clubs on STEAM Egg Drop-Palooza, Line-Dancing, Pair it up! and many more.

We will kick off Monday AM with a "Modes of Transportation" relay race. Summer 2017 is going to be amazing as we travel the globe. All of the counselors have been busy this past week preparing exciting activities and routines to make your child's summer extra special and memorable. Our **Unit Event** is on Monday. Campers will experience the comedy and humor of "Improv4Kids", a child-friendly *Whose Line is it Anyway?*

Voyager counselors are eager to meet campers as they have planned group songs, handshakes and a group dance move. Please make sure you introduce yourself to the counselor and ask them to see their group handshake. This year Voyagers will start their week traveling around the world and back. During Theme ACT, some campers will make canoes, trains, cars, and buses. You might see campers traveling around the in their cardboard made art projects. During Clubs, campers can choose between a Ninja obstacle course, Bollywood dancing, science experiments, soccer and Pokémon. We can't wait to see you.

The **Voyager Unit Event** on Friday, June 30 will be Roller-skating / Blading with "*Kids on Wheels*".

The **Pioneer** staff eagerly await the arrival of their campers! This week campers will be tested on their knowledge of New York City. The Pioneer 1s and 2s will be racing through the subway system and across two of our city's famous bridges. The Senior Pioneers will be navigating their way through our neighborhood while solving scavenger hunt clues. On Friday, our Pioneers will show off their coordination, smarts, and acting skills in our variety show game challenge! It's going to be an incredible first week of camp. Return trip form for new trips by Wednesday.

ABOUT *MyCampLink*

Families were invited to join "*MyCampLink*" App. Our unique Camp ID code is **14849.**

This will allow you to access the App. It is a mobile friendly App for I-Phone and Android users. The message system will allow us to immediately contact you in the event of an emergency, major change in schedule, late arrival of a bus, etc. Our Division Heads will be able to send unique messages so be sure you choose your child's division when registering. Important calendar dates are listed and easily transferable to your personal calendar. Links to forms, Newsletters, our website, social media pages, staff contact info, pictures and videos of campers in "**ACTion**" are all available. Questions or concerns should be expressed in person or by e-mail.



THINGS EVERYONE NEEDS TO KNOW:

All of our events this week focuses on our summer theme: *“Around the World”*, with a focus on Transportation.

TRIPS: ACT T-shirts will be handed out the day before the trip.

Monday, June 26th: The Preps - special performance by “Improv4Kids” at 2pm . CIT transportation fair from 2:45-3:30

Wednesday, June 29th: Preps trip is to Victorian Gardens. Meet on the Pulpit at 9:30. Wear **A.C.T. T-shirt**, bring backpack with lunch, **HAT**, suntan lotion. *We will begin boarding buses at 11:15 and leave promptly at 11:30.*

Thursday, June 29th: Voyagers & Pioneers to Bear Mountain. Meet in Front Gym at 9:25 wearing A.C.T. t-shirt & bathing suit. Bring your backpack, lunch, change of clothes, hat and suntan lotion. *Please label your child’s belongings.*

Friday, June 30th: Morning “Camp-Wide” Assembly. Our fantastic Counselors and CITS will be having a “Talent *Show*”. At 2:30 Voyages will have roller skating. Counselors have worked hard on their talents during orientation. We can’t wait to see what the judges will think of their talents.

ACT is closed on Tuesday, July 4th.

SUPERVISORY TEAM :

EMAILS CAN BE FOUND ON OUR MYCAMPLINK APP

Co-Camp Director:
José V. Torres
Co-Camp Director:
Marie Del Tejo
Associate Camp Director:
Brian Morris
Assistant to the Director:
Christian Robles
Admin. Coordinator:
Sharen Mercado
ACT Registrar:
Tanya Glenn
ACT Receptionist:
Ana DeJesus
Sunrise Supervisor:
Alex Garcia
Sunset Supervisor:
Siobhan Goddard

CANTEEN ACCOUNTS:

Campers, parents, and Cathedral staff enjoy stopping by to purchase goodies and necessary supplies from our camp store (“Canteen”). Operating hours will be posted. Back packs, A.C.T. T-shirts, desserts, ice cream, popsicles, Snapple, OJ and other special treats are available for purchase including gluten-free products. *Young Preps* do not have a scheduled Canteen visit.

Accounts are required for campers who wish to purchase items (5.9-13.9 years old). Campers visit the Canteen two or three times per week. We welcome any suggestions.

Cash purchases by campers during program hours are not permitted.

GROUP STAFF ASSIGNMENTS AND COUNTRIES OF FOCUS:

“Young Preps”: Marie Del Tejo, Coordinator

Investigators: Counselors: Laurie, Mairead, Laqueena & CITs Catherine / Emma
Navigators: Counselors: Gloria, Marjorie, Ayanna and CIT Ande
Focusing on “The Melting Pot” of New York City

“Preps”: Eileen Jonas, Coordinator

Wanderers: Counselors: Natalia, Amelia and CIT Kyle – GREECE
Seekers: Counselors: Nasha, Iris and CIT Emma – IRELAND
Scouts: Counselors: Kate, Star and CIT Patrick – ITALY
Adventurers: Counselors: Sakia, Mariyah and CIT Katherine – FRANCE
Pathfinders: Counselors: Emma, Aliyah and CIT Josiah – RUSSIA

“Voyagers”: Orissa Woods, Coordinator

Discoverers: Counselors: Janet, Elizabeth and C.I.T Samuel – EGYPT
Trailblazers: Counselors: Brianna, Shakira and C.I.T Gilad – INDIA
Challengers: Counselors: Aaron and Shade – BRAZIL
Travelers: Counselors: Syeda and Alisha – GHANA
Surveyors: Counselors: Faralynn, Ralph and Ethan – COLOMBIA

“Pioneers”: Chelsea Katz, Coordinator

Pioneer 1: Counselors: Siobhan, Jordan and CIT Catherine – JAPAN
Pioneer 2: Counselors: Clarissa and Jonathan – SAMOA
Pioneer SR: Counselors: Janice and Justin – AUSTRALIA

ACT Specialists: Brain Morris, Coordinator

ART: David, Eleanor and Rachel
Sports: Alex, Howard and Marcus
Nature: Robin
ACT-ion: Rebecca

MEDICINE AT CAMP:

Our camp is not certified to administer medication other than over-the-counter topical ointments, sunscreen or insect repellent. If your child needs to take prescribed medication during camp hours, please call our Health Director, Marie Del Tejo, for assistance. Key staff are trained in CPR/First Aid (Lay Responder level). Unit Coordinators are certified at “Professional Rescuer” level. The Heath Director and limited staff are certified in administering Epinephrine.