

Summer 2009

FAMILY CAMP: Sunday, June 21st to Monday, August 17rd

Make Oakland Feather River Camp one of your family traditions!

Discover Oakland Feather River Camp – a vacation destination for families, children and adults seeking relaxation, recreation, fun and friendship since 1924!

Mornings offer activities led by recreation staff and guest Artists-in-Residence. Start with a morning yoga/stretch class or a quiet nature walk. After breakfast try arts & crafts, group games, tie-dye, a hike, or other special programs.

Each morning we also offer an *Acorns* program in the Tot-Lot for 2 – 5 year olds while 6 – 9 year olds meet up with our energetic and caring *Seedlings* staff, and the *Sprouts*, aged 10 – 11 have their own fun program.

Afternoons are family time. Swim, read, nap, finish your art project, take a field trip or go tubing down Spanish Creek.

We also have weekly car-caravans to great local spots for added fun! Nighttime activities include campfires (with *s'mores*, of course!), sensory hikes, ping-pong tournaments, lawn games, ice-cream socials, disco bingo, scavenger hunts, talent shows, music, dances, and more!!

2009 Family Camp Daily Rates

Come for as long (or short) as you like!

Category	Oakland Residents	Non Oakland Residents	4 nights or less
Adult [18+]	60	65	70
Teen [13-18]	55	60	65
6-12 yrs	50	55	60
2-5 yrs	35	40	45



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www.FeatherRiverCamp.com

Summer 2009: Summer at a Glance

Senior Camp (For info: Joe Melancon – 691-8063)	6/18-6/23
Adult Art Camp (For info: www.featherriverartcamp.com)	6/21–6/28
Family Camp WEEK 1: Space & Sky	6/21–6/28
Family Camp WEEK 2: Creative & Expressive Arts	6/28-7/5
Family Camp WEEK 3: Roots: Earth & Her People	7/5-7/12
Youth Camp: Camp Kidd & Camp Sierra For youth aged 7 – 11	7/6-7/11
Youth Camp: Wrangler Camp For youth aged 10 – 13	7/12–7/18
Teen Camp: Girls For youth aged 13 – 15	7/12–7/18
Family Camp WEEK 4: Family Garage Band Week	7/12-7/19
Teen Camp: Boys For youth aged 13 – 15	7/18–7/24
Family Camp WEEK 5: Folk Dancing Week	7/19-7/26
Family Camp WEEK 6: African Dance Week	7/26-7/31
Family Camp WEEK 7: County Fair & Storytelling Week	8/10–8/17

Family Camp Theme Weeks

Science, Space & Sky Week: (June 21 – June 28): Gerald McKeegan, volunteer with Oakland's Chabot Science Center, will lead groups in star gazing through his mighty telescope each evening and fun stuff like rocket making or planet walks during the days. Feather River Camp offers an awesome night sky for stargazing ... so if you ever wanted to learn the constellations, or simply deepen your appreciation of a star studded sky, this may be the week for you!

Creative & Expressive Arts Week (June 28 – July 5): Celebrate this week through a montage of the expressive arts. Dance, movement, song, photography, painting, nature-art and all sorts of creative expressions! We also celebrate the Fourth of July this week by replacing the morning activities of Acorns, Seedlings, & Sprouts with face painting and dressing up as we create a Feather River Camp parade followed by lawn games. Imagine joining the three-legged race or balloon toss with your son, daughter, friend, husband or wife! Lloyd's BBQ tops off the day with a huge feast!

Roots: Earth & Her People Week (July 5 – July 12): Did you know that Feather River Camp was once considered Maidu Sacred Ground? Listen to stories of the Maidu people, sing with the Drum, and discover ways of the Maidu Culture. Strolling down-river to Vickie's mining claim and panning for gold in Spanish Creek or learning to harvest local plants for basket weaving are just some of the ways we will explore 'All Our Relations' the indigenous peoples way of relating with the earth. Nature-walks, bird-watching, and learning from local and camp Naturalists will be extra features of this week.

Family Garage Band Week (July 12 – July 19): What a great week! All musicians and music lovers are welcome. Whether you just want to have fun, learn a new song or have a chance to play or learn basic and intermediate guitar, you will find the opportunity here. *So bring your instruments!* For those new to guitar, a limited number of guitars will be available at camp. Beginners will feel at home learning, and intermediate or advanced players will have many opportunities to contribute.

Folk Dancing Week (July 19 – July 26): Every village has its own style of dancing. We, up at Oakland Camp, have our own Feather River Village dances as well as others from around the world. We enjoy a comfortable blend of international folk dances, country-western line dances, and even the Macarena and Cha-Cha Slide! In the morning you can learn a few of the more intricate dances. In the evenings, dance under the stars for a special community experience of the Feather River Village.

African Dance Week (July 26 – July 31): Lavelle Kenny returns this year, with her friends, for five days of Congolese dancing and drumming. In honor of their deeply-respected teacher, who lived and taught African Dance in Oakland before his death, Lavelle and her assistants carry on the tradition, showing us how to tell a story through our feet, hands, arms, and hips. At the end of the week we will strut our powerful stuff in the camp talent show with camper performances as well as a performance from the professionals. In the evenings, dance under the stars for a special community experience of the Feather River Village with a continuation of Ginny's International Folkdancing interspersed with the beat of the African drum. If you don't like to move your feet, and sweat, this is not the week for you!!

County Fair & Storytelling Week (August 10 – August 17): We are bringing back the longtime favorite – County Fair Week. We'll create a float for the Quincy parade and Diane Ferlatte, professional storyteller and long-time Feather River Camper will lead the float like the pied piper that she is! Diane will weave her stories to charm, entertain, and enthrall us every evening of this week. Maybe she will even tell a scary story at the campfire? Who knows, maybe Oakland Feather River Camp will win a prize and you can be a proud participant in that!

Children & Youth Camps

A limited number of camperships are available. Call to receive an application.

Wrangler Camp

Campers aged 10-15 • July 6-12

Cost: \$700

Transportation included

Ride, groom, feed and care for a team of horses! Learn about all aspects of equestrian culture while enjoying the fun activities of camp. Riding games, trail rides, arts and crafts, swimming and all around camp fun will fill your days! All campers must have prior riding experience and be comfortable around horses.

Kids: Come and celebrate your connection with horses!

Camp Kidd & Camp Sierra

Campers aged 7 – 12

July 6 – 12 Cost: \$400

Transportation included

At Camp Kidd/Camp Sierra, girls and boys, ages 7-12, participate in traditional camp activities such as river-swimming, arts and crafts, music, drama, campfires, storytelling, toasting marshmallows over the fire to make s'mores, nature hikes, games and high-energy events like scavenger hunts or the challenge course. Campers are encouraged to try new things, experiencing themselves and others in brand new ways.

Kids: Create skits, sing your hearts out, laugh hard, discover the great outdoors, get your fill of sports, make new friends to last forever, show up at the Camp Talent Show to strut your stuff and generally have a blast!

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BOYS Teen Camp

Campers aged 12-15

July 18 – July 24 Cost: \$500

GIRLS Teen Camp

Campers aged 12-15

July 12 – July 18 Cost: \$500

Transportation included / Camperships are available

TEENS: Discover your Inner-Adventurer and bring him or her out! Hike to the Cascades or to the top of Poop-Out Ridge, go tubing down Spanish Creek and get your fill of the rope swing. Sleep outdoors under the stars, build a campfire, take a trail ride, and do a high ropes course!

BOYS: Get your fill of three-on-three basketball, ping pong, night hikes and making up stories around the campfire.

GIRLS: Get your fill of night hikes, morning meditation, tea by the campfire and more. Make music, dance your heart out, create skits, and laugh yourself silly!

Teens: Challenge your limits, experience wild nature, and come home strong, happy, and full of great memories!!

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