



Chula Vista Elementary School District

**Ella B. Allen Elementary School**

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Dear Families of Sixth Grade Students at Allen School,

Each year, our school strives to provide memorable experiences for our students in their final year at Allen Elementary. It has been an annual tradition to send our students to sixth grade camp as part of our district's commitment to provide a high-quality outdoor education experience for students.

### **Camp Dates**

This year, our sixth grade students will attend camp at the YMCA's Camp Raintree Ranch outside of Julian, CA. The dates of camp will be **Monday, April 11 to Friday, April 15, 2022**. Although it was previously announced that students would attend camp in May 2022, we had the opportunity to change dates and secure a lower price for our families for this year. The camp cost was \$299 and is now **\$259** per child for the week. If you would like to make an additional donation to help support another child in attending camp, please do so in the school office. We would also accept additional donations to help pay for buses.

Raintree Ranch offers a more intimate camp experience that we feel our students will greatly benefit from this year. Students will have a variety of experiences that may include hiking, archery, canoeing, and other outdoor activities.

### **Informational Meeting Date**

We would like to invite you and your sixth grade child to our Sixth Grade Camp Family Information Night at Allen Elementary in the MPR (auditorium) on **Friday, March 4, 2022** from 5 pm to 6 pm. If you cannot make this meeting in person, we will record it and share it via a private YouTube video link.

### **Health and Safety Notification**

There are also a number of significant safety guidelines that we must share with you due to the ongoing nature of the COVID-19 pandemic. **We will discuss these in detail at the meeting on Friday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. Students must take a COVID-19 test the morning of camp in order to attend.** We do NOT want students to test via a PCR test (including the COVID Clinic tests) before camp as it will likely have the unintended effect of preventing students from attending camp. **It is required for all students to test via an antigen test.** YMCA Camp Raintree Ranch recommends full vaccination, but it is not required.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out to our sixth grade team (Mr. Paul Manag, Ms. Lauren Linderman, and Ms. Becky Michel). Our school office staff and nurse will also be available for questions at (619) 479-3662.

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