



Hayward Area Recreation and Park District

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Thank you for registering for **Vida Nueva Leadership Camp** this summer! We look forward to creating a memorable summer for your child. Our fun-filled camp is located on the Greenbelt Trail in the Hayward hills at the 140 acres East Ave. Community Park, 3221 East Ave. (Download map from www.haywardrec.org). Vida Nueva is a two-week program and there will be no programs on Mon. July 5.

Because we are a very popular camp and we are located in a community neighborhood, we are committed to being a good neighbor and ask you to help us in doing so. This especially applies to those who will be driving to and from our camp, so we ask you to help us with the following:

- Please minimize traffic and street congestion by checking your camper in and out at the preferred times listed below. NOTE: We have staggered the daily pick up and drop off times to ease traffic congestion.
- When parking, please *use the park parking lot as a first option* -- Look for our parking lot sign. Legal street parking is an alternative. However, please **do not** double park or block driveways. This is illegal and violators will be cited. Also, it is illegal and unsafe to do "U" turns on East Ave.
- Please do not speed or have children walk between cars. Our campers' safety is at risk!
- Use the parking lot entrance to walk into camp. The registration booth will be close to this entrance again this year to help minimize congestion.
- Bring your completed emergency form with you on the first day for faster registration. (Form and map are available online at www.haywardrec.org).
- Help us to "Keep Camp Green!" by carpooling or walking to reduce the number of cars.

Your efforts in helping us address traffic congestion issues are *greatly* appreciated. THANK YOU!

Preferred Check-in and Check-out Time:

First day registration:	8:30 a.m. – 9 a.m.
Check-in (other days):	8:45 a.m. – 9 a.m.*
Checkout:	3:00 p.m.
*(Check-in times will vary for sleep out nights.)	

Important Information: Daily camp activities include hiking, songs, crafts, and outdoor games. Also, there is a sleep out each of the two weeks for Vida Nueva campers (Thurs. - week 1; Tues. - week 2). The "Monday Morning Letter" given at registration will describe the specific activities of the week and special clothing needs (i.e. swim/water days). On all days, please be sure your camper: 1) Brings a snack and a lunch; 2) Brings water; 3) Wears sunscreen; 4) Wears clothing to hike and get dirty in; and 4) Brings a labeled backpack. If your child uses an inhaler, please be sure your camper brings it each and every program day. He/she will not be able to attend camp without it. Please contact me if you have additional questions or concerns.

Monday morning is registration day when you turn in your completed emergency form, receive the "Monday Morning Letter" and your camper meets their counselor and camper group for the week. Please feel free to address any concerns or questions with the Director at this time.

Our stellar staff is ready, willing, and able to provide yet another safe and adventurous summer for your camper. We look forward to developing your future leader! Thank you for supporting Camps.

Sincerely,

Jennifer "Pickleweed" Koney, Camps Supervisor