

Summer 2021 Limited Family Days

In Person Volunteering at Camp

Overview of the Program

The Summer 2021 Limited Family Days provide an opportunity for a small number of families to attend Camp in Lake Hughes, CA and participate in several camp activities throughout the day. This is a one-day event and allows families to spend quality time together while experiencing activities unique to The Painted Turtle.

Volunteer Role

Volunteers will serve as Activity Pals during Limited Family Days, with one volunteer stationed at each activity area. Families will periodically rotate to the activity, and volunteers are expected to oversee the running of the activity, experience of the family, and overall safety of the area. Volunteers will be expected to do some cleaning in between rotations, and they will facilitate programming from a distance, maintaining the COVID-19 policies and protocols.

Please click here to review The Painted Turtle's COVID-19 Policies and Protocols.

Requirements to Volunteer

- Volunteers are eligible to apply for an onsite volunteer role if they currently reside in Los Angeles County **or** if they currently reside in California and are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 (2 weeks after receiving the last recommended dose of a vaccine).
- Volunteers must complete the full CampSite application.
 - New volunteers must also complete a phone interview and submit three reference checks.
- Volunteers must also be sure to complete several requirements following confirmation. For this information in full, refer to the Medical Requirements form on CampSite.
 - Medical forms/agreements, including health history, immunizations, and more
 - o A medical clearance form signed by your provider
 - Pre-camp screening including a phone call with TPT staff and usage of an app to track symptoms and exposure.
 - o Avoid high-risk activities in the 14 days before Camp.
 - o A PCR COVID-19 test, completed 48-72 hours before Camp.

How to Apply

- Log into your CampSite account Returning Volunteers Link, New Volunteers Link
- Fill out all parts of the application, including basic info, education, employment, etc.
- Be sure to indicate that you are interested in being a Program Volunteer and mark your position preference in the "Position Specific Questions" (Limited Family Day and/or Camp at Home Volunteer). If you have already applied in 2021, you may need to click back in your application to make this selection.
- On the "Forms" step, be sure to complete the following:
 - o 2021 Background Release and Authorization
 - o 2021 Medical Requirements
 - o 2021 Summer Limited Family Day Volunteer Questionnaire
- That's it for now! Volunteers that are confirmed will need to complete several other requirements including signing forms, filling out medical information, and COVID-19 precautions. Make sure to read through the medical requirements so you know what is coming!

Dates & Times (all times PST)

- Family Day 1 Saturday, June 12, 8:30am-5pm
 - o Virtual Orientation: Thursday, June 10, 6:30-8pm
- Family Day 2 Saturday, June 26, 8:30am-5pm
 - o Virtual Orientation: Thursday, June 24, 6:30-8pm
- Family Day 3 Saturday, July 10, 8:30am-5pm
 - o Virtual Orientation: Thursday, July 8, 6:30-8pm
- Family Day 4 Saturday, July 24, 8:30am-5pm
 - o Virtual Orientation: Thursday, July 22, 6:30-8pm
- Family Day 5 Saturday, August 7, 8:30am-5pm
 - o Virtual Orientation: Thursday August 5, 6:30-8pm

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Can I apply for more than one Limited Family Day?

A: Yes, we encourage volunteers to mark any/all dates that work for them and indicate if you are interested in more than one date. However, volunteer teams will be very small and selective, so we thank you for your understanding if there is not a spot for you this summer or we are unable to place you in more than one session.

Q: What is the "Limited" in a Limited Family Day?

A: "Limited" refers to the fact that we will have far fewer people on site than a typical Camp event. We anticipate a maximum of 8 families per event and volunteer teams of less than 10.

The Camp fun, however, will not be limited, and we'll be having as much fun as we can together!

Q: Why is there a virtual orientation if this program is in person at Camp?

A: We are having a virtual orientation for a few reasons. We want to go over precautions and pre-camp preparations together and have lots of time for questions and discussion. We also want to limit the amount of time we would need to spend as a big group going over policies. We will continue with some orientation Saturday morning, but it will mainly be getting settled with your activity role.

Q: What skills do I need to volunteer at a Limited Family Day?

A: We are looking for volunteers that want to provide a safe, fun, and memorable experience for our camper families. Safety should be a priority for you, and you should also feel comfortable overseeing a camp activity solo after being shown the basics. Volunteers should be adaptable, quick learners, and not afraid to ask for help when they need it!

Q: Can new volunteers apply for the Limited Family Days?

A: Yes, we are accepting applications from anyone that meets the eligibility requirements. Experience at our Lake Hughes location is important, so we expect our teams to be predominantly returning volunteers to help limit the amount of in person orientation that might need to happen day-of. Because of this, we encourage applicants to also apply for the virtual Family Weekends, as there are more available volunteer positions there!

Q: Will Camp be providing transportation?

A: Volunteers are responsible for getting to and from Camp themselves, and TPT will not be providing transportation. We prefer every volunteer to drive themselves to and from Lake Hughes. Specific questions about carpools and special circumstances will be handled on a case-by-case basis, you can follow up with Kylie at kylies@thepaintedturtle.org regarding your situation.

Q: I'm not sure if I'm eligible to apply/I'm confused about something! Who do I contact? A: We love questions and understand this is a lot of new information! Questions can be sent to Kylie Sedgwick, Volunteer and Recruitment Manager, at kylies@thepaintedturtle.org.

If Family Day volunteer opportunities do not work for you, please consider reviewing the Camp at Home Family Weekends, which are three-day virtual commitments!