



*“Developing Tomorrows Leaders with Christian values in a fun, safe environment.”*

### **A NOTE FROM THE DIRECTOR**

Dear Parents,

I am excited to offer your child a high quality school age care experience for the summer months. You can relax while you are at work knowing that your child is being tended to by well-trained professional staff, who will love and care for them in your absence.

The Summer Peach Factory program has been designed to provide a variety of daily experiences with themes of art, literacy, games, and STEM. While at Peach Factory, your child will have the opportunity to participate in sports and games, water play, arts and crafts projects, and other enriching activities. Your child will develop positive relationships with the staff as well as with their peers. Our days are balanced with indoor and outdoor times that provide social distance and small group activities.

My staff and I look forward to providing a successful summer experience for you and your child.

You can contact me by email at [mwilliams@desertchristian.com](mailto:mwilliams@desertchristian.com) or leave a message with the receptionist at 661-948-5071. I will get back to you as soon as I can.

*Maria Williams*

Peach Factory Director

### **WHAT IS SUMMER PEACH FACTORY?**

Peach Factory is a school-age childcare program located at Desert Christian Schools for children entering *first through eighth grade*. ***All non DCS students will only be admitted with director approval.*** Children will participate in activities such as sports, arts & crafts, music, stories, drama, science, and much more, all within a Christian environment.

### **HOURS AND DATES OF OPERATION**

#### **When is Peach Factory open?**

Summer Peach Factory is a full-day program open from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. ***There is NO care before 6 a.m. and children are not allowed to wait outside the door unattended. There is NO care after 6 p.m. Any parent who is late picking up their child will be charged a late fee.*** The Summer Peach Factory program is open Monday through Friday, June 15 through September 4 (Summer Peach Factory will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of Independence Day). Children need to arrive no later than 10:00 a.m.

### **STAFF**

#### **Who works with my child?**

Summer Peach Factory currently functions with a 1:12 teacher-child ratio. Each staff member loves children and many have chosen to pursue an educational career. All teachers are involved in pre-summer training, as well as additional staff training during the summer. All employees are Christians involved in local Bible-believing churches.

### **ACCIDENTS/ ILLNESSES**

#### **What if my child is sick or hurt?**

At times, children get hurt while playing. For minor incidents, the teachers will provide first aid. This will be communicated verbally or by email to the parents. For more serious incidents, parents will be called. If you have any questions about what happened or what was done, please discuss it with the classroom teacher. In the event that the child's injury needs more than basic first aid, the Peach Factory Director will assist the child in any way possible. For



this reason, it is especially important to keep work phone numbers and emergency contact information up-to-date with the main office.

If your child becomes ill while at Summer Peach Factory, the staff will contact you to have your child picked up. A general rule is, if your child is too sick to be outside, they are too sick to be at Summer Peach Factory.

We are taking precautions and cleaning classrooms, playgrounds, and high touch areas. Health screenings will take place each morning at drop off. We will continue to wash and sanitize hands.

### **Medication**

By state law, the school cannot administer any form of medication without a Medication Authorization form (provided by the front office) signed by the parent. Prescribed medications need to be in a prescription container with an Rx label matching the child's name. Children are not to carry any type of medication (e.g. Tylenol, inhalers, decongestant tabs) in their lunch, backpack, or on their person.

### **WHAT TO WEAR AND BRING**

Your child should be dressed for plenty of play and hot weather. We recommend that children wear tennis shoes instead of sandals. If sandals are chosen, closed toed sandals are a good choice to avoid accidental injury. Shoes or sandals worn must have a back. Because of the amount of time we spend outdoors each day, we recommend that you apply sunscreen to your child each morning before arriving.

Some activities will be wet and/or messy; therefore, a swimsuit (or extra set of clothes) and towel can be brought. Girls need to wear a one-piece bathing suit. Clothing with emblems or logos that do not reflect wholesomeness are not acceptable.

Toys or electronics may be brought from home to be used at designated times.

Please label all belongings clearly. A water bottle and lunch should be brought daily.

*Some activities may have an additional incidental fee, for instance, special snack or club fees.*

### **DISCIPLINE**

#### **What happens to children who are misbehaving?**

The overall goal of the Summer Peach Factory staff is to teach children to be self-disciplined in their behavior. This takes away the need of the staff to be the "policeman" and encourages children to settle their own situations properly. To help children achieve this goal, the staff uses some or all of the following techniques in dealing with children:

- If a child is misbehaving, they are first spoken to. If the problem persists, the child is asked to choose a different activity. With continued misbehavior they may lose the privilege of future participation in that activity. The child may be given a simple work project or asked to sit in a control space. The child may also be asked to see the director.
- At this point, if the child's behavior has still not changed, the director contacts the parent. We desire to resolve as much of the problem as we can, and will only contact parents when we feel the child is not responding to our directions.
- Another system used by the staff is to reward positive behavior. In this case the teacher would contract with a child the behavior to be changed and how and when the reward is going to be given, upon changed behavior.

If you are concerned about your child's behavior or the discipline received, please contact the director by emailing [mwilliams@desertchristian.com](mailto:mwilliams@desertchristian.com). We have a hands-off policy. Physical violence is unacceptable regardless of the situation and will be handled with the director's involvement. Our philosophy emphasizes self-discipline and this cannot be achieved with a revengeful attitude. Such attitudes are dealt with accordingly.

### **RIGHT TO TERMINATE AND REFUSE SERVICE**

DCS reserves the right to terminate service to a student at any time. There are two basis for this. First, as a Christian school, DCS has educational and religious objectives, as well as beliefs, which guide its actions and efforts. It is reasonable to expect a student to cooperate with these objectives and beliefs.

Second, it is reasonable for parents to cooperate with and support the school as they know and understand the objectives and rules of the school, and have signed a document to certify their agreement. Therefore, when a student or family refuses to support DCS, the right to terminate enrollment will be reserved.

As DCS has no obligation to provide service, it also reserves the right to refuse service. If a potential student is not believed capable of meeting academic, belief, or behavior standards, service may be refused. Similarly, if a parent is not believed to be cooperative and supportive or willing to meet financial obligations, service may be refused.

# 2020 Summer Peach Factory Registration

● Please Print in Ink ●

Child's Name	Grade in the Fall	Birth Date	DCS Student	
_____	_____	_____	M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	_____	M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	_____	M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>
_____	_____	_____	M <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	Y <input type="checkbox"/> N <input type="checkbox"/>

Director approval for non DCS students? Y  N

## PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SECTION FOR NON-DCS STUDENTS

*All Non-DCS Students Are Accepted ONLY By Director Approval*

Home ph# \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Child lives with:  Mother  Father  Both Parents  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ph# \_\_\_\_\_ Wk ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Father's e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's name \_\_\_\_\_ Cell ph# \_\_\_\_\_ Wk ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Place of employment \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate pick-up person \_\_\_\_\_ Daytime ph# \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anyone who, by court decree, is restrained from taking the student from DCS?  NO  YES\*

\*If yes, list name \_\_\_\_\_

*\*legal documentation to be kept on file in the school office.*

***DROP OFF STUDENT EACH DAY ATTENDING BY 10:00 A.M.***

**Summer Peach Factory is from Monday, June 15 through Friday, September 4, 2020.**

Desert Christian Schools begins the new school year Tuesday, September 8, 2020.

### Fees:

Registration for DCS students is \$30 per student or \$50 per family, due at the time of registration.

Registration for non DCS students is \$80 per student or \$100 per family, due at the time of registration.

Tuition is \$178 per week, per student or \$40 per day, per student. You will receive a weekly invoice for tuition, payable on receipt. All tuition questions need to be directed to student billing.

There is a late fee for children picked up after 6 p.m. **Any portion of 10 minutes after 6 p.m. is and additional \$10. After that there is an additional fee of \$1 per minute over. Being repeatedly late for pick up might result in families not being able to use the program.**

### Medical Information:

Are there any health conditions that would keep your child(ren) from participating in normal outside activities?

YES  NO If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Allergies?  YES  NO To what? \_\_\_\_\_

**MEDICAL RELEASE:** My child has my approval to participate in all activities. In the case of sickness or accident, Desert Christian Schools has my authorization to secure medical attention as is deemed necessary, if unable to communicate with me immediately. **DCS has my permission to dispense:** Tylenol  YES  NO, Tums  YES  NO, Bee Sting Kit  YES  NO, Benadryl  YES  NO, cough drops  YES  NO.

**FINANCIAL AND HANDBOOK AGREEMENT:** I acknowledge that by registering my child(ren) for Peach Factory, I take ultimate financial responsibility for tuition and any other expenses relating to my child(ren). I acknowledge that I have read and agree to the terms of the Summer Peach Factory Handbook.

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:**

Reg. fee paid \_\_\_\_\_ Cash/Ck# \_\_\_\_\_ Received By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Handbook Given  1<sup>st</sup> Child  2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Child