Information Slides for Parents

Young Writers’ Camp 2017
Young Writers’ Camp

• The San Diego Area Writing Project offers Young Writers’ Camp (YWC) programs for students entering grades 3-10 each summer.

• This year we will offer our 10-day program on the UC San Diego campus (grades 3-10) and at Cardiff Elementary School in North County (grades 3-7).

• Dates: July 17 – July 28 8:30am-12:00pm and August 5 8:30am-10:30am (Parent Day)
Drop-Off/Pick-Up

• You may drop your camper off between 8:15am-8:30am each day. Pick-up is from 12:00pm-12:15pm. Please observe these times. You will be waiting in a line for both drop-off and pick-up. Please be patient!

• You will receive information two weeks prior to the program start date that details these procedures, including a map with directions. You will remain in your car at all times. Students will exit/get in on the driver’s side in front of the Student Services Building. Please follow the directions of the teachers and TAs supervising your children so that they arrive and depart safely each day.

• Campers will be greeted each day by our Teacher Consultants and Teaching Assistants (TAs). TAs will take attendance as the campers arrive and then walk their group to their classroom.
YOUNG WRITERS’ CAMP ATTENDEES
DROP OFF BEGINS AT 8:15am
PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE SOONER
THANKS
Attendance

- We expect your child(ren) to attend each day of our 10-day program. If your child is ill, please call our office at 858-534-2576 and leave a message so that we know they will be absent.
A Typical Day at Young Writers’ Camp

• Campers will write each day in a relaxed community environment designed to inspire creativity, build self-confidence, and encourage growth as a writer. Beginning with journaling time each morning, campers will fill their Writer’s Notebooks with their writing. Each day our teachers and TAs will offer demonstration lessons on a variety of topics and genres to engage your children in writing.

• They will receive individual attention in small groups from our writing teachers and teaching assistants (Writing Response Groups). Enriching opportunities during camp include outdoor experiences such as walking field trips and observational writing.

• Campers will engage in process writing—drafting, writing, revising, editing, and publishing—and will write and share with young writers from throughout the county.
What Should My Camper Wear/Bring to Camp?

• Please make sure your camper wears appropriate clothing/footwear, sunscreen, and a hat if desired. It is often cool in the morning and warms up during the day—layers are best!
• We do not provide snacks due to food allergies. Please feel free to send a snack and a water bottle with your camper each day for the mid-morning snack!
Guest Speakers

• Each summer we invite local authors and poets to share their writing and their craft with our campers.
Anthology Publication/ Cover Design Contest

• Each camper will have a piece of writing published in our YWC Anthology. This is limited to one page (one side only) and can be handwritten or typed. The staff will work with your camper on their finished piece, which is due on Wednesday, July 25, at 8:30am. Anthologies will be given to each camper on the last day of Camp.

• Campers are invited to submit a drawing for our Anthology Cover Design Contest. A design template will be given to any camper interested. All submissions must be in black pen or pencil (no colored drawings); no violent themes will be accepted. The deadline for submission is Tuesday, August 2, at 8:30am. They will be collected in class.
Reading at Barnes and Noble

• Each year we host an open mic reading at Barnes & Noble Mira Mesa (UC San Diego YWC) and at Encinitas (Cardiff YWC). This is an opportunity for your camper to read a piece of their writing to an audience of campers, parents, siblings, grandparents, and friends. This is also a benefit for our YWC Scholarship & Transportation Fund. A percentage of the funds raised from sales makes it possible to offer needs-based scholarships to students each year.

• B & N: Mira Mesa 10775 Westview Parkway, SD 92126
• B & N: Encinitas 1040 N El Camino Real, Encinitas 92024
Final Day Activities

• Families are invited to attend Camp on Friday, July 28, from 8:30am-10:30am. This is your opportunity to write with us and hear our campers share their writing. Information about parking will be sent home the last week of Camp.