

DESIGN N' INNOVATION

SUMMER CAMP

Teaching Kids to N' Vision The Possibilities

A Creative Approach To Summer Camp

Design N' Innovation Camp, (Camp DNI) is an action packed, four week exploration of Science, Technology, Engineering, & Math (STEM) with a dash of art, through engaging & challenging hands-on experiments. Each year Camp DNI offers a different theme & task to match our big challenge ideas of design and innovation. Camp DNI is a full day summer camp created for participant's ages 6-12yrs old.

What is Camp DNI's Mission?

Our mission is to promote original, critical & creative thinking through STEM investigations in a fun and safe environment.

A Typical Day At Camp:

9:00-9:30 | Morning Gathering
9:30-10:30 | Session Challenge
10:30-11:00 | Snack
11:00-12:15 | Session Challenge
12:00-12:30 | Lunch | campers bring their own lunch
12:30-1:00 | Book Club | campers read their own book
1:00-1:45 | Creative Arts
1:45-2:30 | Gamer's Edition
2:30-2:45 | Clean Up
2:45-3:00 | Closing Meeting

What Are the Camp Dates?

***Session I:** July 5th –July 15th
***Session II:** July 18th –July 29th

Our Innovative Program Design:

Camp DNI offers a unique theme & task to match our design and innovation challenge ideas with the goal of engaging campers in creative thinking. Campers then work in teams to complete the task teaching kids how to N'Vision the possibilities, by being innovative, and designing never before seen answers to each session challenge.

Design [dih-zahyn] – The design challenge encourages students to dream up, sketch, and construct with unconventional tools to build something fresh and never before seen with the goal of bringing something radically different to the table.

Envision [en-vizh-uhn]- Students are taught a wide range of idea creation techniques and strategies to generate fresh concepts. Students then learn how to elaborate, analyze, refine, and evaluate their ideas in order to improve and maximize their creative efforts.

Innovation [in-uh-vey-shuh n] – The innovation challenge inspires participants to challenge their assumptions, think outside the box, engage in lateral thinking and ask "what if" in order to reconfigure ideas and solve problems.

2011 Session Challenges –

***Session I:** July 5th - July 15th, 2011

Theme: Flip the Script: & Write Your Own: Lights, Camera, Action...

Challenge: Design

Calling all actors, directors, costumers, set designers and writers to embark on a ten-day challenge to write, shoot and edit a 5-10 minute television show. Each crew will use a Flip Video Camera to capture their story. The biggest challenge is to create a never before seen show. It's totally up to you to decide if you want to have costumes scenery and props. Lights, Camera, Action...!

***Session II:** July 18th- July 29th, 2011

Theme: The Idea Workshop: Turning Trash into Treasure

Challenge: Innovation

This workshop is overflowing with reusable resources, inviting campers to explore the depths of their imagination. Fiddle with different ideas and tinker with open-ended materials. Investigate, explore and freely move about to make visual expressions of your greatest ideas. Make something new and never before seen, using unique shapes, textures and manufacturing leftovers. With all the ideas in this workshop we are sure spark a firework show!!! There are no limits or boundaries, this workshop is sure to have you feeling creative & powerful!

Summer Camp Calendar Crazy Days

Session I

July 8th

Camp BBQ

July 15th

Annenberg Community Beach House

Session II

July 22nd

AMF Bowling Lanes

July 29th

Castles & Kites Challenge
(Santa Monica Beach)

Wild & Crazy Wednesdays (*Kids Decide)

***July 6th**

***July 13th**

***July 20th**

***July 27th**

Each session will participate in Christmas in July to give back to kids who are less fortunate. We will be making bracelets & cards to give to organization of campers' choice.

What Else Does Camp DNI Offer?

Our afternoons are bubbling over with two exciting blocks consisting of Creative Arts & The Gamer's Edition. Below is a sneak peak of what an afternoon might look like:

Creative Arts: Students can embark on a summer filled with, visual, fine and performance arts. Can't you just see it? Splattered paints, fabrics, textures, costumes, camper created plays, music and movement, the total "arts" experience!

The Gamers Edition: We don't keep score. Sometimes we change the rules. We laugh out loud and it's plain fun. Campers running, chasing, jumping, and hiding are a sneak peak into the Gamer's Edition. Do you want play?

Camp Essentials

Time: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm | before care 8:00-9:00 am | Aftercare 3:15-5:00 pm

Location: Venice Lutheran School | 815 Venice Blvd Venice, CA 90291

Camp Tuition: \$100 non-refundable one time registration fee plus *\$245 per week =~~\$8~~/hr
(*Must sign up for full session, covering two weeks)

*Camp tuition covers materials, talented staff and insurance fees. Before and Aftercare available for an additional \$15 per day

***Returning campers receive a \$20 discount per week (welcome back)**

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Distinguished Learning Group, LLC (DLG) 2011 Registration and Admission:

During the registration process, please complete the following:

- Read all Day Camp policies and procedures in the Day Camp Policies section. Make sure you sign the Camp Code of Conduct.
- Complete entire registration form (forms with blanks will not be accepted)
- Provide correct address and phone numbers of all persons authorized to pick up your child.
- Provide current and updated shot record and physical records along with a copy of child's health insurance card.
- Fees are to be paid prior to start of camp (A \$35 payment fee will be assessed to your account if payment is late.)
- All campers must arrive by 9:00am; Failure to comply may result in your child not being able to attend that day.
- Campers may be picked up between 3:00 3:15, after care starts at 3:15 until 5:30pm
- If your child has a scheduled appointment and needs to be picked up early, please notify the Camp Director prior to appointment.

Mail completed packet to:

Distinguished Learning Group, LLC
C/O Camp DNI
727 West Seventh Street Suite 525
Los Angeles, CA 90017

Do You Have a Question

Phone: (323) 439-0074

Website: www.distinguishedlearninggroup.com

Email: info@distinguishedlearninggroup.com

Camp Policies 2011

Conditions of Admissions

Tuition and Refund Policy

I understand that my child may not attend camp if the entire tuition bill is not paid by June 15th, unless special arrangements have been agreed to in writing by the camp director and that my camper's enrollment may be cancelled if a balance remains after June 24th, and that spot given to a child on the waiting list. I understand that if my account is overdue for more than 5 days, I will be responsible for a monthly finance charge of 1% (an annual rate of 18%), plus any collection costs.

No refunds will be given after July 8th. All paid fees are non-refundable. Refunds are not available for vacations, special events, short-term illnesses of four days or fewer, or other personal commitments that prevent attendance. Following this deadline refunds will only be given for the following exceptions:

All refunds will result in a processing fee of \$75.

Extended illnesses - A refund may be available for an extended illness of five or more consecutive days. A doctor's note and written note from the parent or guardian explaining the situation must be received within eight working days from the first day of camp. Upon review, participants may receive a full refund for the unused days with the exception of the \$75 non-refundable registration fee.

Dismissal from Camp- On occasion, dismissal may be necessary for disciplinary reasons. Parents/guardians will be notified immediately concerning this action and an opportunity will exist to discuss this action with parents/guardians, the camper and the camp director/administrator. This action will take effect only after consultation among the parents, camper and the camp director/administrator. If a camper is dismissed for disciplinary reasons, there will be NO REFUND for the unused days. There are also times when the camp must dismiss a child due to a psychological, emotional or physical disability that precludes the child from participating safely or effectively in a group. Dismissal will take effect only after consultation among the parents/guardians, camper and the camp director or administrator. Dismissal for the aforementioned reasons will result in a complete prorated refund for the unused days except for the \$50 non-refundable registration fee.

Waiver & Liability- We agree that Distinguished Learning Group™, First Lutheran Church of Venice and Venice Lutheran School are not responsible for the loss or damage to the camper's personal belongings by fire, theft, laundry, etc. We understand that DLG™ recommends against campers bringing along expensive items including: clothing, watches, cameras, jewelry, or the like. We hereby release and agree to indemnify and hold harmless, DLG™ and all its directors, employees, agents and representatives whatsoever from any and all losses, claims, damages, liabilities, costs, and expenses (including attorneys fees) which they or any of them, or camper may sustain or incur in any way arising out of or in connection with camper's participation in any and all camp activities

Media Release- I agree that camp may use footage, photographs and comments of my camper(s) and myself in camp publications and promotional material (including DLG's website), and for media coverage of camp events.

Field Trips- Each year campers take the City Bus to Santa Monica Beach, AMF Bowling Lanes & Annenberg Community Beach House. I hereby grant permission for my camper to participate in all camp programs and activities. Parents may join us on all trips.

Health Medical- Exams must be no more than 1 year old. Any camper coming to camp without properly signed forms will not be allowed to remain. Attach copies of complete forms to registration. All campers with pre-existing conditions such as allergies, chronic ear and/or throat infections, asthma, etc. must bring necessary medication in sufficient quantity for camper's stay. All medication must be properly labeled in its original container with complete doctor's instructions for dispensing. Any medication not properly labeled WILL NOT be administered. Please do not bring vitamins for the campers. If a camper is unable to participate in activities for more than 24 hours due to illness, arrangements will be made for the camper to return home.

All parents will be notified of serious accident or illness of their camper.

Sunscreen- I give permission for camp to administer sunscreen and first aid treatment to my child and, if necessary, to have my child transported to a local hospital for medical treatment. I understand that I will give permission and specific instructions for camp staff to administer medication that I request to be given to my child during camp. I understand that DLG takes reasonable precautions to assure the safety and well being of my child, and that even after taking such precautions, accidents or injuries may occur. I recognize the risks and agree to assume the risks by allowing my child to attend DLG camp and participate in these programs. I hereby release, discharge, and agree to indemnify DLG, DLG camp, their officers, directors and employees from all damage and injury to my child or his or her property related to or arising out of my child's attendance at DLG's summer camp.

Camp Conduct -A high level of positive conduct is expected of all participants, both campers and adults alike, that require self-control, individual decision-making, responsibility and adherence to a code of conduct that is appropriate for the summer camp experience. Just as campers have rights, they also have responsibilities. All campers have the responsibility to utilize self-discipline to support a fun and safe camp environment, and to respect the rights of all individuals. While at camp all participants are expected to model positive, responsible behavior and conform to the standards of the DL (G) Code of Conduct. Campers and parents will be held responsible for understanding and complying with the Camp Code of Conduct. Campers will be held accountable for their own actions. Participants are encouraged to inform staff of any behavior they witness that violates the General Rules and the Camp Code of Conduct.

Violation of any of the following rules may result in Leader, Staff or Program Director intervention, parental contact, or in a camper being sent home at the expense of their parents. The camp participant may also be referred to the local law enforcement agency, if applicable.

- Possession of alcoholic beverages and/or illegal drugs is strictly prohibited.
- Weapons, of any kind, and items that could cause injury or damage to participants and/or property are strictly forbidden.
- Theft of any items from the camp facility, staff or other campers is a crime and will be treated as such.
- Possession and/or the use of any tobacco product are not permitted.
- Activities that endanger the health and safety of yourself or others are prohibited.
- Inappropriate and uninvited physical contact between any camper, leader or staff member is prohibited, including bullying, physical/sexual harassment and hazing.
- All participants are expected to act in a respectful manner, both in language & action, when interacting with staff, leaders or other campers. This includes verbal assault or threat.
- All participants will obey all rules from staff and program adults (camp staff, volunteers)
- Any act of vandalism, arson, destruction or misuse of property of the camp facility, staff, or other campers may be a crime and will be treated as such

Code of Conduct is binding for all campers, volunteers and staff. The intent of the Code of Conduct is to hold each participant accountable for his/her actions. The Camp Director has the authority to interpret the Code of Conduct and administer any disciplinary action deemed necessary. The Camp Director has the authority to delegate his/her disciplinary powers to any staff person deemed appropriate.

I have read, and fully understand the DLG Camp Code of Conduct and I agree and I accept the responsibility for my child's adherence to it. I also understand that if my child violates the Code of Conduct and is asked to leave camp, I am fully responsible for his/her immediate transport home from camp.

What to bring every day

Please send your child with a water bottle each day. The bottle should be labeled with your child's last name.

Lunch & Snacks- Each child should bring a sack lunch Monday-Friday. Snacks are not provided so participants should bring their own snack if they choose to have one during the camp day. Please inform the camp director by note if there are any foods or drinks your child should not consume.

Sun Block- Many activities will take place outdoors. We recommend applying sun block on your child prior to arrival and sending sunscreen so that your child can reapply as needed.

Gym Bag/Backpack- A gym bag or backpack is recommended for your child's belongings. Please label the bag with your child's last name. Please include a change of clothes & shoes.

Money/Items- of Value Personal equipment such as CD players, walkmans and hand held electronic games should not be brought to camp. Children should also leave all sentimental, monetary or items of personal value at home (i.e., games, toys, etc.) Camp staff can assume no responsibility for the safeguarding of such equipment that is unrelated to the purpose of the camp.

2011 Application

Applicant INFORMATION

Name:		
Date of birth:	Age:	School:
Current address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Contact Phone:	Email Address:	

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent Name:		
Parent address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Parent Phone:	Work Phone:	Cell Phone:
Parent Occupation:	Email Address:	

EMERGENCY CONTACT OTHER THAN PARENT/GUARDIAN

Name of a relative not residing with you:		
Address:		Phone:
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Relationship:		

CAMP DATES

(4-WEEK SUMMER CAMP)
GRADES K-8TH
SESSION I: JULY 5TH - JULY 15TH SESSION II: JULY 18TH - JULY 29TH (MUST SIGN UP FOR AT LEAST ONE SESSION)
MONDAY – FRIDAY 8:30 (Before care) 9:00 AM – 3:00p.m (after care available) available 3:30-5:00

CAMP LOCATION

Venice Lutheran School
815 Venice Blvd Venice, CA 90291

CAMP FEES

The total cost of each session is \$490 + **registration fee of \$100**. The total cost of both sessions is \$980 + **registration fee**. Please Include weekly aftercare fees (\$15/day) in payment. We will accept checks or money orders. Please make checks or money orders payable to: **Distinguished Learning Group, LLC**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Pay in Full o 50% upon registration o My child will be in aftercare for each additional child | <p>*Other: My child will attend: Session I or Session II (Circle Session Date)</p> <p>Summer Enrichment hours _____ (total hours)</p> <p>Sibling Fee _____ (1 child @ full price / \$50 off)</p> <p>Returning Camper(s) _____ (\$20 of each week)</p> |
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SIGNATURES

As the parents or guardians, we hereby register the camper, whose name appears on this registration, in the DLGTM summer camp. In doing so, we acknowledge that we have read and that we agree to all of the camp policies and code of conduct and have reviewed them with your child.

Signature of applicant:	Date:
Signature of Parent/Guardian:	Date:

Parents: Does your child have any food allergies? If yes, please explain: