

NATIVE Kids Camp

JUNE 23 - 27, 2025

The 2025 Native Kids Camp will be held Monday, June 23, through Friday, June 27, at Meeks Bay Resort in Tahoe, CA.

Details

- Open to Ages 8-15
- Chaperone Opportunities Available for Ages 16-18
- Transportation & Meals Provided
- Educational Experience with Fun Activities!
- **LIMITED SPACE AVAILABLE!**

Contact your local NAS Case Manager for more details!

Register by:

Monday
May 19th



February 1, 2025

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Attached are the forms necessary for your child to participate in the annual Native Kids Camp, to be held June 23-27, 2025. There is no cost, but to participate, kids must have worked hard and exhibited good behavior during this school year. Please complete each of the forms and return them to your local NAS Case Manager no later than Monday, May 19, 2025; participant ages will range from 8 to 15 years old. Native youth that are interested in being a camp counselor and are 16-18 years old, can request an application to be considered. This year, we will be staying at the Meeks Bay Resort in Tahoma, CA, and we strongly encourage you to turn your application in early to ensure a spot on the trip. Since we have rented an allotted amount of rooms, this trip is limited.

If you turn an application in for your child and he/she is unable to attend, please let us know as soon as possible so we are able to invite another child.

This field trip will be a learning and social activity. Your child is expected to participate in all planned activities. Your child can bring a small amount of spending money if they'd like. Please don't overdo it, as some children may not have any.

We will be transporting children by car and passenger vans. Pickup locations will be Mariposa MACT Medical at 9:30 am, Sonora MACT Medical at 8:30 am, and MACT Administration in Angels Camp at 9:00 am. Kids coming from San Andreas and Jackson will meet in the Walmart parking lot in Jackson between 9:30 am – 10:00 am. Please do not be late. We will be returning to the same locations at approximately 6:00 pm on June 27, 2025. You will be expected to pick your child up at one of those locations.

We will be staying at the Meeks Bay Resort (530) 525-6946. There is a full schedule planned, so your child will probably return home exhausted. This is a good thing. I'm sure they will have many wonderful stories to share with you. If you have questions, please feel free to contact your local NAS Case Manager.

Sincerely,
Justin Baugh, Board Chair



Native Kids Camp
Monday, June 23, 2025 - Friday, June 27, 2025
Permission Slip and Medical Release

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Adult T-Shirt Size _____

School _____

Child's Address _____
Street Address City State Zip

Parent/Guardian's Name _____ Relationship _____

Work Phone _____ Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

I can be reached at work between _____ and _____ , at home between _____ and _____

Child's Medical Information (required)

Medical Plan _____ Policy Number _____

Child's Doctor _____ Doctor's Phone _____

Child's health conditions or allergies:

Can your child swim? Good Bad Fair

By my signature, I give permission for my child to participate in the Native Youth Camp. I understand transportation and supervision will be provided by MACT Health Board staff and Board Members.

If my child has repeatedly violated the Code of Conduct and needs to be sent home, I agree to come to Meeks Bay Resort to pick them up and drive them home.

In the event of a medical emergency during this event, I hereby grant my permission to MACT Health Board staff to secure emergency medical care for my child, and grant permission to medical personnel to treat my child as needed to preserve life and limb or restore health and well-being.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Print Name

Date



Native Kids Camp Waiver and Release Form

Liability Release and Parental Consent Form

In consideration of the acceptance of my application for the summer recreation program, I hereby waive, release, and discharge any and all claims for damages for bodily injury, personal injury, property damages or which may hereafter occur to my child as a result of their participation in said summer program.

This release is intended to discharge in advance the MACT Health Board, Inc., its officials, officers, employees, volunteers, and agents from liability, even though that liability may arise out of perceived negligence on the part of persons mentioned above. It is understood that some recreational activities involve an element of risk or danger of accidents, and knowing those risks, I hereby assume those risks. It is further understood and agreed that this waiver, release, and assumption of risk is to be binding on my heirs and assignees.

Consent of the Parent or Guardian

I give consent for my child, _____ to participate in the above summer program, and I execute the above liability release on my child's behalf.

Consent for Treatment

I hereby give my consent to have the above applicant treated by emergency medical personnel, a physician, or surgeon, in case of sudden illness or injury while participating in the above activity. It is understood that the MACT Health Board, Inc. will provide no medical insurance for such treatment, and that the cost thereof will be at my expense.

I have read and understood the foregoing registration liability release and parental consent form, and agree to all of its terms and conditions.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Parent/Guardian Print Name

Date

Child Signature

Child Print Name

Date



Native Kids Camp Code of Conduct

When we travel or participate in activities outside of our area, we do so as a community, a family. With this in mind, we strive to conduct ourselves in a way that will bring honor to our family. The behavior of any individual reflects on the group as a whole. If we assume responsibility for each other, we will have a good experience and will be well thought of by those we meet.

The following “Code of Conduct” applies. Please read it carefully.

- ◇ I will be respectful at all times and honor Mother Earth and all life she created.
- ◇ I will be respectful to the adults who give their time so I may enjoy this activity.
- ◇ I will honor time schedules and do my best to be ready when activities are planned.
- ◇ I will approach each activity with respect and be on my best behavior.
- ◇ I will not use foul language or put downs.
- ◇ I will do my best to be a role model for our MACT health Board family and others.
- ◇ I will not use my electronics/phone except during designated times.

The above “Code of Conduct” will be in effect at all times. Poor behavior by one can ruin the experience for all. Anyone violating the Code of Conduct will receive verbal warning. If the behavior continues, the student will receive a second warning along with a lecture on proper behavior. If the behavior continues, the student’s parent will be called and he/she will be required to drive to our location and retrieve his/her child. No exceptions.

I have read the above information carefully and agree to all conditions.

Child's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature



Native Kids Camp Lacrosse Waiver

As the parent or legal guardian of _____, the participant being registered in the MACT Health Board Native Youth Camp, I/we hereby give my/our child permission to participate in lacrosse. I/we have read this application and the program rules and regulations thoroughly and understand and agree to abide by all aspects of them. I/we understand that lacrosse is a contact sport in which injury, even serious injury, may occur and I/we assume all risks and hazards incidental to their participation in this program. I/we further release MACT Health Board, its staff, affiliates, and the host facilities from all liability associated with my child's participation in this program. I/we also grant MACT Health Board, its staff, and designees, permission to seek emergency medical care for my child. I/we certify that the insurance information provided is correct and current and agree to assume all responsibility for any medical expenses incurred. MACT Health Board staff is not liable for any injury a player may receive during play of the tryouts, practices, or games and they have the right to seek or administer proper medical attention if a player is injured.

I/we agree that I/we shall provide health insurance to cover any personal injury and/or property damage sustained by the athlete while participating in any activities or while on the premises of the host facilities. I/we assume all responsibilities for any and all risk of damage or injury that may occur to the my/our participant in any MACT Health Board lacrosse program, including practices, scrimmages, skills sessions, clinics, games, tournaments, and other activities related to the program. Additionally, I/we hereby release and discharge the program, its operators, employees, agents, supervisors, instructors, and other players from all claims, demands, rights, or causes of action present or future, whether known or anticipated and resulting from or arising out of or incident to my/our student athlete's participation in the program.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date



Native Kids Camp Packing List

Things to Bring

- ◇ A traveling bag
- ◇ A smile and a good attitude
- ◇ Comfortable clothing—plan on warm and cold weather (sweatshirt, windbreaker, comfortable sneakers)—please do not over pack, space is limited
- ◇ Extra blanket to sit by the campfire
- ◇ Bathing suit or shorts and a towel (one piece bathing suits are preferred, please no bikinis)
- ◇ Flip flops or sandals for the beach
- ◇ Toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, soap, etc.
- ◇ Hat, sunscreen, sunglasses, bug spray for outings

Optional Items

- ◇ Cell phone/cameras (phones to be used only during designated times)
- ◇ Spending money (do not bring a large amount)

Do Not Bring

- ◇ Drugs, alcohol, cigarettes
- ◇ Pocket knives or weapons of any kind
- ◇ Electronic gaming devices
- ◇ Bad attitude

Please note: Your items are your responsibility. MACT will not replace lost items.



Native Kids Camp Adult Chaperone Agreement

The MACT Kids Camp requires one chaperone for every five youth members. There is limited space for adult chaperones. One adult per household can participate.

Chaperone Name _____

Address _____
Street Address City State Zip

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Adult Sweater Size _____

Are you driving your personal vehicle? Yes No

IF YOU ARE DRIVING YOUR PERSONAL VEHICLE, you must provide a copy of a valid driver's license and vehicle insurance naming you on the policy.

Names of Passengers

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| 1. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

The following guidelines are designed to help chaperone's understand their responsibilities. Chaperones are expected to abide by all MACT Health Boards policies.

- ◇ Respect the individual rights, safety, and property of others and not use obscene or discriminatory language.
- ◇ Have a valid driver's license and carry proof of automobile insurance. If you are driving, it is your responsibility to ensure all passengers are wearing seatbelts.
- ◇ Not possess or use alcohol and/or illegal drugs (or be under the influence thereof).
- ◇ Make all reasonable efforts to supervise the team, account for members' whereabouts and not leave the site.
- ◇ Not allow any youth to leave the group or activities we are participating in.
- ◇ Keep the Youth Emergency Contact List on you at all times.
- ◇ Accept the responsibility to promote and support the vision, mission, and values of Kids Camp.
- ◇ Ensure there is no one on one contact between youth and chaperones.
- ◇ Participate in all activities to the best of your ability.
- ◇ Appreciate the value and role of youth.
- ◇ Complete a background check via Verified Safe.

Upon receiving your completed chaperone request, our Human Resources department will email you instructions to complete your background check. If you are not cleared through Verified First, you will be notified via email.

I have read this document, I understand its contents, and I agree to its terms. I also understand that if I do not follow the above guidelines, my participation will be terminated.

Signature

Date

Return completed form with a copy of a valid driver's license to Ashley Basinger.



Native Kids Camp 16-18 Chaperone Agreement

MACT is accepting applications for Native youth, 16-18 years old, to assist in chaperoning | the Native Kids Camp field trip to Meeks Bay Resort in Tahoma, CA.

Name _____

Address _____
Street Address City State Zip

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email _____ Adult Sweater Size _____

Do you have a driver's license? Yes No

IF YES, please provide a copy.

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Signature

Date

Return completed form with a copy of a valid ID or driver's license to Ashley Basinger.

BearWise Vacation Tips



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You are in bear country, so there's a good chance you'll see black bears here, even if you never go into the woods.

Don't Feed the Bears



- Don't leave food, trash or pet food outdoors when no one is around. A few seconds is all it takes for a hungry bear to swipe it.
- Feeding bears or using food to encourage bears to approach you is often illegal and always dangerous.
- Don't throw scraps or leftovers out the car window or into the woods behind your vacation rental.
- If trash container or dumpster is full, don't pile trash outside; take it with you when you leave.

Bear Viewing Guidelines



- Stay in your vehicle; even bears that seem comfortable around people are still wild animals.
- Never approach bears or entice them to approach you.
- Enjoy bears from a safe distance. Stay at least 50 yards or 10 car lengths away.
- Don't block the road to view bears. If permitted, pull over and take photos from the safety of your vehicle.

If you want to see bears, early morning and early evening are good times for viewing and photography.

Driving in Bear Country



- Stay alert, stick to the speed limit and scan the roadsides. If a bear crosses the road, watch for cubs before you drive on.
- Be especially alert at dawn and dusk when bears are most active; black bears are fast and hard to see.
- If you hit a bear, don't try to help it. Call 911 or report to authorities as soon as you can.

Wildlife collisions are not always covered by insurance.



Dogs and bears don't mix. **Keep your dog on a leash at all times when outdoors.** Letting your dog approach or lunge at a bear puts you and your pet in danger.

Discourage Break-Ins



- Lock vehicles; don't leave windows open even a crack. Remove anything with an odor (food, drinks, trash, pet food, scented products).
- Keep exterior doors closed, even when you're there.
- Don't stash food, beverages, trash or recycling on porches/patios/decks.

If You See a Black Bear



- If a bear comes around your place, try to scare it away by making lots of noise yelling or banging pots and pans together from a safe distance.
- If you see a bear near a dumpster or in a building, don't approach or corner it. Give the bear an escape route.

In the Woods

- **Carry bear spray and know how to use it.**
- **If you see a bear before it notices you**, don't approach. Stand still, enjoy, then quietly move away.
- **If a bear sees you**, back away slowly. Never run; running may trigger a chase response.
- **If a bear approaches**, hold your ground, wave your arms and yell "Hey Bear" until it leaves. Always stay with your group. **If it keeps approaching**, use bear spray.
- **If a black bear makes contact with you**, do NOT play dead; fight back aggressively.

Black bear is a species; common colors include black, brown and cinnamon.



Learn More:
BearWise.org

Helping People Live Responsibly with Black Bears





How to Be a BearWise Guest



Welcome to Bear Country

Black bears are curious, smart, resourceful and always looking for food. While seldom aggressive, black bears are powerful, unpredictable wild animals. Follow these BearWise guidelines to help keep people, pets and property safe, and bears wild.

Stash & Latch Trash



- Put all trash, food scraps and recycling in containers or enclosures provided.
- Make sure containers are **completely** closed and locked.
- Take trash with you if containers are full; don't leave it on the ground.
- Never store trash in a vehicle or on porch/deck/upper-level balcony.

Discourage Break-ins



- Keep exterior building doors closed, even when you are there. Lock doors at night.
- When you leave during the day, lock all windows and doors. Screens don't keep out bears.
- Lock vehicles; don't leave windows open even a crack. Remove anything with an odor (food, drinks, trash, scented products).
- Never store food, beverages, pet food, coolers on porches/decks.

Don't Feed Bears



- Feeding bears or using food to encourage bears to approach you is always dangerous and often illegal.
- Don't put out food to attract birds or small wildlife. You will attract bears, skunks and other critters.
- Throw food scraps into the trash, not "the woods." Even "harmless" scraps like apple cores teach bears to associate people with food.

Keep a Lookout During Cookouts



- Keep food and coolers within arm's reach; never leave unattended, even for a few minutes.
- Clean picnic tables after every meal. Remove all condiments and food.
- Store grill utensils inside and clean grill after every use.
- Never burn food scraps or trash in your fire ring or grill.

If You Encounter a Bear



- If a bear comes near your place, scare it away by making noise from a safe distance: yell, clap hands, bang pots together, use an air horn.
- Never try to get closer for a photo.
- Don't corner a bear; give it an escape route. Alert your host.

Outdoor Safety



- Hike in groups and stay together, especially kids.
- If you see a bear, watch quietly from a safe distance (at least 50 yards or 10 car lengths for black bears; 100 yards for grizzlies). Never approach.
- Never run from a bear. Carry bear spray (if permitted) and know how to use it. Learn more at BearWise.org.
- Be aware that bears are good swimmers and may enjoy the water, even with people around.

Traveling with Dogs?



- Keep dogs on non-retractable leashes at all times, or leave them at home. Don't force a bear to defend itself.
- Don't let dogs bark at, harass, chase or corner a bear.
- Keep pet food in your room/cabin. Feed dogs inside, if possible. Never leave food/water bowls outside.
- If your dog gets into an encounter with a bear, don't try to rescue it. You will get injured. Use bear spray; it works from 30 feet away.

Ask your host if bears have been active in the area. Follow any recommended special precautions and local regulations.

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