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Program Hours

Monday-Friday

8:30am- 4:30pm

Drop-Off: 8:30 am- 9am

Pick-Up: 4pm-4:30pm

Day Camp Site Phone Number

808-637-4615

NEWS & PROMOTIONS

Limited Time YMCA Membership
 Promo: Save \$99 on New Y

Y Family Memberships save you up to 20% on camps, programs, swim lessons, plus free Child Watch while you work out or take a class.

Use coupon code "FREE" when you join online.

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Camp Erdman Day Camp Newsletter

Week 2: June 10th-14th

Weekly Theme: Empathy

KICKOFF

Day Camp officially kicked off with a full roster of 60 wonderful Day Campers at Camp Erdman this past Monday. On behalf of all the staff at Camp Erdman, we are so thrilled to see camp so full and booming with all the camp magic energy! Everywhere you turn there is so much silliness, friendship, and joy to be had. We love it!

Though Day Camp is mostly comprised of what the overnight campers like to refer to us as "the littles" because of the young age and stature of our adorable campers; we definitely encompass the phrase "small but mighty". A special shoutout to those day campers who passed their swim test for the first time, gave it their all during battle challenges, and conquered their fears on the Alpine Tower. YOU MAKE US SO PROUD.

It is a privilege seeing our returning campers progress and grow year after year. Welcoming new families and friends every summer is also such an honor knowing we get to add even more amazing individuals into our Camp Erdman 'Ohana. The summer has only just begun and we can't wait to see what other memories and magic moments are in store for us.

WEEKLY ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

Mon June 10th	Tues June 11th	Wed June 12th	Thurs June 13th	Fri June 14th
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival/Get in Groups • Name Games/Ice Breakers • Opening Ceremony • Swim Test/ Swim • Summer Showdown • Lunch • Rest Period • Program Activity • Battle Challenge • Battle Challenge Initiations • Snacktime/Hang out • Departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival/ Get in Groups • Morning Oli • Program Activity • Swim • Summer Showdown • Lunch • Rest Period • Program Activity • Battle Challenge • Paint & Play • Group Picture • Snacktime/Hang out • Departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival/ Get in Groups • Morning Oli • Program Activity • Swim • Summer Showdown • Lunch • Rest Period/ Movie • S'mores • Battle Challenge • Paint & Play • Snacktime/Hang out • Departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival/ Get in Groups • Morning Oli • Ropes/Human Foosball • Summer Showdown • Lunch • Rest Period • Program Activity • Battle Challenge • Paint & Play • Snacktime/Hang out • Departure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrival/ Get in Groups • Morning Oli • Battle Challenge • Paint • Battle Challenge Relay • Burn On Bracelets/ Yearbook Signing • Lunch • Movie • Belly Flop Friday • Beach Party • Awards/Snacktime/ Departure

DRESS FOR SUCCESS

In order to set the pace of having a more successful day at Day Camp, we strongly encourage having campers already dressed in their swimsuits underneath their regular clothes if possible during Monday-Wednesday morning drop-off. Rather than having our campers miss out on swimming time in the pool, coming ready to go allows them to maximize that time instead.

Additionally, closed-toe shoes are required in order to be able to participate in all the activities being offered. To maintain a high level of safety, Crocs and slippers are not permitted on the alpine tower or archery range.

Mahalo for your kokua.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **DROP-OFF: 8:30am-9am** and **PICK-UP: 4pm-4:30pm**- If you will be dropping off or picking up your child(ren) outside of the times listed above, please notify us at **808-637-4615** so we can meet you curbside.
- **100% ID CHECKS** – For SAFETY purposes, please have your ID ready to present when picking up your child(ren).
- Please pack 2 snacks- one for AM and one for PM. We are a NUT-FREE program, please do not pack snacks containing nut products.
- Please send your child(ren) with a reusable water bottle.
- Swim Days: Monday-Wednesday from 9:30am-11:30am. Please send your child(ren) with sunscreen, a towel, extra clothes, a bag for extra clothes, closed toe shoes, and slippers on their swim day(s).

DAILY PACKING LIST

- Water Bottle
- Closed-Toe Shoes in order to participate in all activities
- Slippers for the pool
- Sunscreen
- Chapstick
- Bug Spray
- Hat
- Sunglasses
- Towel
- Change of Clothes
- Trash bag or Ziplock bag for wet bathing suit
- Snacks (NUT FREE)
- Backpack/Bag to transport items

CAMP ERDMAN GLOSSARY

- **Battle Challenge**- During Battle Challenge, the entire camp is divided into four teams: Akau, Hema, Hikina, & Komohana. Each team is led by a Battle Challenge Captain and engage in sports and games in a session-long battle. Campers remain in the same team from year to year.
 - *Akau*- land, mountains, green, north
 - *Hema*- water, ocean, blue, south
 - *Hikina*- sun, light, yellow, east
 - *Komohana*- fire, lava, red, west
- **Belly Flop Friday**- Every Friday, campers vote for their favorite counselors to participate in a belly flop contest.
- **Burn on Bracelets**- It is tradition on the last day of each session that campers receive a burn- on bracelet. This bracelet represents the endless bond that campers have with Camp Erdman and one another. As campers go back home to their communities and schools, they can always look at their wrist to remind them of the values learned and memories made at Camp Erdman. The bracelet is made by burning two ends of a p-cord together and then fitting around a camper's wrist.
- **'Ohana**- A Hawaiian term meaning family in an extended sense of the term, including blood-related, adoptive, or intentional.
- **Oli**- A chant or song-like way to honor ancestors and celebrate the beauty of land, water, and mountains.
- **Program Activity**- Structured and purposeful activities provided at Camp Erdman. Activities being offered for Day Camp: nature, sports/gaga ball, mauka hike, archery, arts & crafts,
- **Ropes/ Foosball**- Regarding ropes, campers will be able to participate in our Alpine Tower. The Alpine Tower is a 50-foot tall, self-supporting structure that provides unique challenges and team-oriented experiences. We also provide giant human foosball, which is a life-sized version of the popular foosball game. Participants take on the roles of the foosball players and move side to side while holding onto ropes to kick a soccer ball into the opponent's goal.
- **Summer Showdown**- Group-wide activities with all of day campers.

HEROIC JOURNEY

This week the children will learn how to understand others to work together. The topic is "Empathy." Check out what the Heroic Journey staff have to say:

[Parent Video](#)

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HAWAIIAN WORD OF THE WEEK

'Ike Pono

To feel, understand, and know.

SUMMER PROMOTIONS

Join our free [Summer Bucket List Challenge](#) where completing just 20 activities could win you a grand prize of \$2000, along with weekly Y swag and Y Bucks. Open to the public—register online or visit any YMCA location and start your adventure with the whole family!



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Plus, [save \\$99 on new Y memberships](#) and enjoy up to 20% off camps, programs, and swim lessons, with free child watch while you work out, and 10% off personal training.