



Thursday, May 21, 2020

Dear Parents,

We are sorry to announce that, due to restrictions regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, we have decided to cancel our summer science camps this year. We did not make this decision lightly. We love teaching your kids about science and watching them thrill at the discoveries they make with us at camp each week. Your child's safety is our highest concern. Given the interactive nature of our science camps and the team learning approach we use, we just don't think it's feasible to deliver the quality experience your child deserves.

We know you may be disappointed with our decision. Frankly, we are too. However, with the uncertainty that still surrounds all of us, we don't see a viable way to make our traditional science camps meet our expectations or yours.

Although we will not be able to teach your children science in person this summer, the learning doesn't need to stop. We have been providing science lessons as part of our Daily Science Dose on our website and through our social media. These lessons have been created by our instructors as a way to do science at home, using household materials. With over 50 lessons available on our website, your children will have the ability to explore a range of topics, just as they would in our camps. You can download all the lessons at <https://eisca.org/science-at-home> and be on the look out for new ones each week day through June 5th.

We are currently exploring alternatives for some virtual science camp activities that would be delivered via Zoom this summer. Additionally, we are investigating setting up a series of outdoor nature walks to explore topics such as geology, marine ecology, botany, and other subjects. We hope to have an announcement about these opportunities within a couple of weeks. In the meantime, we will be in touch with those who already registered for our summer camp regarding refunds early next week. Again, we're sorry for any inconvenience this is causing and we are grateful for your understanding.

Sincerely,
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