SUMMER QUEST 2015
Day Camp

Week 1 June 22 - June 26
Space Camp
Space, the final frontier... campers will boldly go where no campers have gone before. We will put on our space suits and journey into the world of pulsars and binary moons. We will learn about the universe and what humans are doing to explore its vastness. BLAST OFF into a week of interstellar exploration without ever leaving the ground! While being “grounded” we focus on all that is above our heads.

Week 2 June 29 - July 3
Aquatic Life in the Pacific NW and Beyond
Our world’s oceans are still mostly unexplored and this week we will focus on the aquatic life that calls the local waters of the Pacific NW home and how we can/do live together. We will learn about ocean life from around the world too! There will be some low tides this week so get ready for a week of exploring tide pools, visiting our waterways, and learning about ocean creatures! Plus, we welcome local and internationally recognized ocean advocate, film maker Annie Crawley!

Week 3 July 6 - July 10
Journey of Food
We will spend the week exploring and learning where food comes from and how it is made. Also, we will explore the history of food production and restaurants in Washington state. The on-campus culinary projects, plus our fieldtrips to local food-centric locations, will be a recipe for fun and learning all the while tasting old favorites and discovering new treats along the way! Bring your imagination and get ready to dig in. You won’t want to miss it!
Family BBQ #1, Friday, July 10 at noon.

Week 4 July 13 - July 17
Community Involvement
Everyone can do something to make the world and our community a better place. We will explore volunteerism, community service and making a difference both locally and globally. Additional arts and crafts will also incorporate these themes. The goal of this week will be for each student to get engaged in the community at large.

Application deadline is Friday, May 1st. Each week of the Summer Quest 2015 Day Camp includes three field trips. The “core activity day” is from 9 AM to 3 PM, yet the summer program hours are 7 AM to 6 PM. We request your child be here by 9 AM each day for our daily group “kick-off” in the gym. Always send a lunch and healthy beverage with your child.

The Day Camp weekly fee is $245 (Extended Care included for day camps ONLY) and total cost for all weeks MUST BE PAID in full at registration. 10% early bird discount applies to day camps ONLY until Friday, March 27th 2015. There will not be any refunds after May 2nd for Day Camp unless The Meridian School has to cancel a program.

Special requests for group assignments are accepted. We will make every effort to accommodate a request for group assignments up to May 1st.

Call Doug Coppinger at 206-632-7154 x308 or visit our website for application or more information.

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Week 5 July 20 – July 24

Animals all Around Us

Animals come in all sizes and shapes just like us. From your cuddly house pet to a water buffalo, or the tiniest arthropod to the blue whale. We will explore the creatures big and small, near and far, on land or in water, that share the planet with us.

Week 6 July 27 - July 31

Free Range Kids

Run, day-dream, make-believe, build, get dirty within a minimally structured yet highly engaging setting is the focus this week. Play is learning. During the week we celebrate the importance in a child’s development to have the freedom to play, play, and play some more! Outdoor and indoor games will be bountiful, and we will go out in search of the bounciest, silliest, and friendliest of activities.

Week 7 August 3 - August 7

Weird in Washington Week

This week we are going to explore what makes Washington a unique, interesting, and in some cases, a weird place. Youth will explore and visit urban legends that have been around for generations, strange attractions that will mystify us, and information that will just leave us thinking “Huh? So prepare to take a walk on the wild and weird side of Washington, who knows what we will discover! Family BBQ #2, Friday, August 7 at noon.

Week 8 August 10 - August 14

Into the Woods

This is our week to focus on our famed and coveted forests in Washington state. Group hikes will be a must as we go looking for local trails and natural treasures. Test your knowledge and experience in the outdoors in a fun-filled setting. Learn with others about Washington’s trees and plants, and get busy with some nature arts and crafts! Lace up your shoe strings and get ready to find out what’s over the next hill.

Week 9 August 17 - August 21

Outdoor Journeys (grades k – 2)

We have to be off campus all day, every day—and we love it! We are going outside to explore the nooks and crannies of our beloved region. Finding and enjoying the little known/used city parks and beaches will be our primary objective! Maximum of 20 youth.

Urban Explorers (grades 3 -5)

The Puget Sound area has so much to explore within less than a two hour drive. This small group of 12 explorers will set out each day for a more rigorous activity to old favorite locations and discover new places that make our region fantastic. Maximum of 12 youth.

“Thanks so much for all the wonderful years at Meridian....”
~ Youth participant

“I wanted to commend your staff for their friendliness, enthusiasm, and overall organization. It must be very difficult to have a whole bunch of new kids each week, but they were very professional. They took time to learn the children’s names and made an effort to be very welcoming in the mornings. My daughter was thrilled with the field trips and the art projects. Thanks again for the great experience....”
~ Parent

“My son has had a great week, and has gone happily to camp each day and returned with lots of stories.”
~ Parent

“You do a great job! My child looked forward to each day at Meridian. Great staff, fun field trips....”
~ Parent

“This camp is GREAT! My son loves to be here. I have told numerous parents about (the activities) and they are impressed—fantastic job!”
~ Parent

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