



**HAVE
FUN!**

AGES 4-14!

TRAILSIDE DISCOVERY CAMP

PALMER CAMP

MAT - SU LAKES STATE RECREATION AREA
4376 GLENN HWY, PALMER, AK 99645

THE LOCATION

Trailside Discovery Camp's Palmer Program will be operating out of Mat - Su Lakes. There will be bathroom facilities and running water for washing hands. We will have access to the shelter but will not have any indoor space.

DROP OFF

Drop off will run between 7:30 am and 9:00 am to accommodate parent schedules. Please stay in your car during drop-off, and the instructors will conduct a brief health screening in a drive-through model. We will take your camper's temperature through the window and ask a few questions to ensure everyone is healthy. Once you pass the health screening, your camper is free to get out of the car and join us! A staff member will walk them to their check-in area. Pre care and after care available.

PICK UP

Pick up will run from 3:45 pm to 5:30 pm. Staff members will check in with parents before walking their camper to your vehicle. Please be prepared to show your ID to staff during pick-up. If a camper is going home with a friend or other family Trailside must be notified prior to that day.

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Palmer - Mat-Su Lakes State Recreation Area									
Ages		Week 3: June 7th - 11th	Week 4: June 14th - 18th	Week 5: June 21st - 25th	Week 6&7 June 28th -July 9nd	Week 8: July 12th - 16th	Week 9: July 19th - 23rd	Week 10: July 26th - 30th	Week 11: August 2nd - 6th
Ages 5-7	NO CAMP	Ocean Buddies *Make a whale of a flower pot. *Explore the food chain. *Learn about blubber.	Silly Science *Create super slime! *Blow giant bubbles. *Launch a rocket.	Woodland Wizards *Decorate magic wands *Leave No Trace principles *Build fairy houses in nature	NO CAMP	Out of this World! *Explore the Solar System through art. *Grow a garden. *Explore the world beneath us	The Fab Five *Observe nature with all 5 senses. *Create art you can touch from nature you find. *Taste wild Alaskan berries.	Alaska Allstars *Get moving with the Alaska Native Youth Olympics! *Create Alaska Flag crafts. *Meet a dog musher!	NO CAMP
Ages 8-10		AK Ocean Commotion *Explore the effects of oil spills. *Create sand art. *Play the ocean ecosystem game.	Up, Up, & Away *Explore roller coaster creations. *Launch a rocket! *Make solar-powered crickets.	Outdoor Survival *Develop hiking & camping skills such as cooking and animal safety. *Build an outdoor shelter. *Learn important wilderness first aid skills.		S'more Fun *Build a first aid kit. *Race to build the perfect campsite! *Learn fire safety & eat S'mores.	Water Wonder *Create river wind chime art. *Discover renewable energy! *Explore a lake ecosystem.	Arctic Adventures *Pan for gold. *Get moving with the Alaska Native Youth Olympics! *Dog sled presentation and Iditarod lesson	
Ages 10+		Land vs Water *Practice Kayak/Canoe skills *Hike & Bike the MSLRA trails *Explore forest & water ecology	Trails, Tails & Tales *Hike MSLRA Greenbelt and the Butte *Learn fishing skills *Explore nature with cameras	Pedal & Paddle *Explore biking skills through trail riding. *Practice canoeing & kayaking. *Join our wildlife scavenger hunt.		Trail Riders Xtreme *Explore the single tracks *Learn basic bike mechanics. *Test your skills with bike challenges.	Land & Lake Stewards *Practice canoeing, kayaking, hiking, and biking skills. *Learn the 7 Principles of Leave No Trace. *Explore lake ecosystems & water conservation.	Gold Miner 49er *Dive into the history of gold panning in Alaska & pan for gold *Show off your smarts in an AK trivia competition! *Dog sled presentation and Iditarod lesson	
Ages 12+	May 24th - 31st			Teacher Naturalist in Training (TNT)- \$250 *Develop leadership and teamwork skills *Design an environmental education lesson that aligns with your interests *Run an activity for a younger age group	Jun 28 - Jul 9	TNT Volunteers (after training) Continue with: *Leadership and teamwork skills *Environmental education lessons *Activities for younger age groups	TNT Volunteers (after training) Continue with: *Leadership and teamwork skills *Environmental education lessons *Activities for younger age groups	TNT Volunteers (after training) Continue with: *Leadership and teamwork skills *Environmental education lessons *Activities for younger age groups	Aug 2nd - 13
THURSDAY FIELD TRIP DAY: Due to covid we are not transporting campers. Parents will need to drop off campers at the location.			All Groups: June 17th: Reindeer Farm Field trip day for all camera			All Groups: July 15th: Location: Matanuska River Park		All Groups: July 29th: Location: Iditarod Headquarters	

As COVID cases continue to appear in Alaska, Trailside is committed to keeping our staff and campers safe. We will continue to follow Community Health guidelines and recommendations on how to best keep our community safe. As of now, all staff and campers are required to wear a mask, both indoors and outdoors. Parents and Family members must wear a mask during drop-off and pick-up, even if remaining in the vehicle. Social distancing and frequent hand sanitizer use will be practiced throughout the day. If your camper would like to bring hand sanitizer from home it is highly encouraged!

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