



## **2022 Readington Recreation Summer Camp Parent Packet**

Dear Camp Families,

Welcome to our **2022 season of Summer Rec Camp!** We are excited to be able to offer a fun and engaging program for your child this summer.

We are look forward to the return of camp trips and are excited about the addition of our new Extended Day Camp option!

**Please read through this Parent Packet to gain an understanding of our camp program, policies, and guidelines for this year.**

While we are available to answer your questions, we kindly ask that you read this entire handbook first.

If you have questions, please email Camp Director Denise Hawkins at [readingtoncamp@gmail.com](mailto:readingtoncamp@gmail.com).

We are looking forward to a fun, safe and healthy summer.

See you at the park,

Readington Recreation  
908-534-9752

# 2022 Summer Rec Camp

## **Schedule & Location**

Monday, June 27 through Friday, August 5

### **No camp July 4th**

Summer Road Park

## **Hours**

Camp Activities Scheduled: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Or 9:00 am – Noon if you have chosen that option

Camper Drop-Off: 8:00 am to 9:00 am

Early Drop Off Option (additional cost): 7:00-8:00 am

Camper Pick-Up: Noon or 3:00 pm

## Camp Activities

Arts and crafts, games, non-contact sports, water days, dance parties, competitions, theme days, unstructured play, group contests, and more.

## Camper Drop-Off Procedure

**Camper Drop-Off:** 8:00 am to 9:00 am (earlier than 8 am requires Early Drop off registration).

**Please keep your child home if he or she is sick.**

**Parents/guardians are required to wait with their child at the camp entry point until your child is checked in.** After the camper is checked in, the parent/guardian will bring their child to their assigned activity zone.

## Camper Pick-Up Procedure

**Camper Pick-Up:** 12:00 pm or 3:00 pm

At pick-up, parents/guardians or another pre-approved adult will pick-up campers at their camper's assigned activity zone. A map will be provided once camp groups are finalized.

**A valid photo ID must be shown to the counselor each day at pick-up.**

If someone other than the parent/guardian is picking up a child, that person must be indicated as an approved adult (18 years of age or older) before camp begins.

**There is no grace period for pick-up after your registered pick-up time.**

A late pick-up fee of \$15 per 15 minutes (charged in full increments of 15 minutes) will be assessed for all late pick-ups.

# Early Drop Off and Extended Day Options

**NEW this Summer we are offering both Early Drop off and Extended Day options!**

**Early Drop** off is at camp from 7:00-8:00 am. If you need to drop off prior to 8 am you must be registered for this option. Six weeks of early drop off is \$135, either three week option is \$70.

**Extended Day** option is at Healthquest. This is offered Monday – Thursday. No extended day on Fridays. Campers will ride a bus from Summer Road Park to Healthquest at 3:00 pm. At Healthquest they will be able to swim indoors and outdoors and will participate in sports, games and more.

***Included in this price is the ability to take your camper for a full day at Healthquest on any day that Summer Rec Camp is canceled due to weather. There is no transportation on those days.***

***Price also includes transportation to Healthquest on any day that camp has an early dismissal for impending weather.***

Prices for Extended Day 2022: Six weeks M-Th: \$600, Three weeks M-Th: \$540, Six weeks M-Th pick any **three** days: \$325. Prices are in addition to camp tuition. Registration for these options is open online at [www.ReadingtonRecreation.org](http://www.ReadingtonRecreation.org) under Summer Rec Camp.

## Camp Groups

Campers will be in groups by 2022 Fall grade. Each grade will be its own group except for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders who will be combined.

## Inclement Weather

Because this is an all-outdoor camp, **camp will be canceled in the event of inclement weather.** If camp needs to be canceled, a decision will be announced by 6:30am. If at any time incoming weather is going to be inclement camp may have an early dismissal.

**Parents are encouraged to sign-up for the text messaging service to get notified.**

Information on this will be sent to you soon.

Announcements will also be posted on the Readington Recreation website, Facebook, and Instagram.

# Camper Health

**Campers who are sick should stay home.**

Should a camper exhibit symptoms of COVID-19 or any other illness during the camp day, the camper will be separated from the other campers. The camper's parent/guardian will be called and they must immediately pick-up the camper. There is no health professional at camp. There will be handwashing stations and hand sanitizer throughout the camp.

# Camp Activities and Schedule

Each group will follow a daily schedule through a rotation of activities. There will be tents and shaded space throughout the park to accommodate these activities. A typical camp day will include arts and crafts, games, sports, group challenges, unstructured play and more. Special activities on some days include dance parties and water days.

A complete schedule will be provided once groups are formed.

**Campers will bring their belongings to each activity zone during the day.**

# Camp Security & Visitors

Summer Road Park will be closed to the public during the camp day.

Per state guidelines, camp visitors are not permitted. Parents/guardians are only permitted to come to camp during designated camp pick-up times unless prior written approval is requested and granted by the camp director.

# What Campers Should Bring To Camp

Campers should bring the following items to camp each day:

- Backpack / drawstring bag labeled with their name
- Water bottle labeled with their name
- Snack (that does not require refrigeration)
- Lunch if staying until 3:00 pm (in personal cooler, labeled)

**Sunscreen should be applied before arriving at camp.** Campers may also bring spray sunscreen only, but per state guidelines, counselors cannot apply sunscreen to campers.

**Cell phones and other electronics are not permitted at camp.** Readington Recreation is not responsible for any items brought from home.

# Medication and Epi-pens

Parents of campers who have epi-pens, inhalers, or medication must give that medication to the site supervisor on the first day of camp in a plastic bag with the child's name on it.

**All medication must be in its original packaging marked with pharmacy labels the camper's name and dosage. Parents must complete an authorization form with the parents and doctor's signature.**

Medications are kept at the camp headquarters, except for those that need to be refrigerated. Epi-pens are kept with the camper's counselor throughout the activity rotations.

# Camp Dress Code

Campers should come prepared for activity every day. **Closed-toed, athletic shoes are the only appropriate footwear for camp.** Flip flops or sandals are not permitted at camp.

**Campers will receive one camp shirt. Any time a camper goes on a trip he/she must be wearing their official camp shirt.**

Camp can be messy, so clothing should be appropriate for outdoor play. Campers will be physically active during the day, so comfortable clothing should be worn. Please also consider the outdoor nature of the camp. It is recommended that campers wear or bring a hat and sunglasses.

On water days, campers must wear their bathing suits under their clothes and bring a towel to participate. There are no changing facilities at camp. On really hot days there will be some kind of water play (games, sprinklers, etc) but bathing suits are not required.

# Four Pillars of Positive Camp Conduct & Camp Discipline

1. **Safety:** follow the rules of the camp, always leave the group with a counselor
2. **Kindness:** use good manners, include others in games, older campers should be a role model
3. **Respect:** respect camp and other's property, follow counselor's directions, be a good sport, share equipment
4. **Responsibility:** use camp equipment properly, follow the rules, return property on time and in the condition you found it

Campers who do not fail to act according to these four pillars may be subject to discipline, according to the camp discipline policy:

1. **First Offense:** Camper sits out of an activity for a short time and is spoken to by the site supervisor.
2. **Second Offense:** An incident report will be sent home and must be returned with the camper the next day signed by the parent/guardian.
3. **Third Offense:** A second incident report and camper has a one-day suspension on the next camp day.
4. **Fourth Offense:** Camper is suspended for 1 week and an incident report is written.
5. **Fifth Offense:** Camper is suspended the remainder of camp and an incident report is written.

If a camper is suspended for any amount of time, there are no refunds of camp fees.

## Who Are The Camp Counselors?

All counselors will be wearing orange shirts that say "STAFF" on the back. Each group will have a mix of college age and high school age counselors. All counselors receive safety training. All staff members have completed background checks.

## Camp Food

Campers bring lunch and a snack if they are staying until 3:00 pm. Campers who leave at noon should only bring a snack. Please pack these in coolers with ice packs. Campers should bring adequate water each day. All coolers and water bottles should be labeled with the camper's name. There will be water available to purchase if your child needs additional water.

**On Tuesdays there will be a pizza lunch for campers who stay until 3:00 pm. You will be able to pre-purchase pizza for the entirety of your child's session (6 or 3 weeks) in advance online.** There are options for one or two slices and each option includes a bottle of water. If you do not pre-purchase pizza you can purchase it weekly at camp with cash on the Tuesday morning at camper drop off.

## Trips

Campers who are registered to go on trips **MUST** wear their official camp t-shirt on the day of their trip(s). Other trip information can be found here: [CAMP TRIP INFORMATION](#)

**Please arrive at camp in advance of the time the trip is leaving.** Trips will be leaving on time and cannot wait for late arrivals as we have reserved time slots at all of the trip locations.

Trip registrations are not refundable for any reason.