2017 Summer Camp Information

Pick up passes will be issued on the following days at the Lower Southampton Township Building located at 1500 Desire Avenue, Feasterville, PA:

June 5th – June 16th from 9:00 am until 4:00 pm Lower Southampton Township building

Payments must have been made in full and all registration forms filled out in entirety and returned to our Parks & Recreation Department in order to receive your pick up passes.

When: Monday through Friday, June 19th-August 18th from 8:00am-5:15pm

<u>Groups:</u> Pioneer Camp (Ages 3-5 in Pre-K), Discovery Camp: Ferderbar Location (Ages 5-12 only), & Dolphin Location (Ages 7-12 only), Teen Camp (Ages 13+), C.I.T. Program (Ages 13+)

<u>Important Dates:</u> There will be no Camp on Monday, July 3rd and Tuesday July 4th (Schedule May Change according to participation)

<u>Illness:</u> Lower Southampton Township cannot provide care for sick children. Please do not send your child to camp if s/he feels ill. If your child has Nits or Head Lice, they will be removed from camp and will not be able to return until they have been checked and cleared. We ask that girls DO NOT play with other camper's hair or share hair brushes, combs, or towels. We also ask that all girls wear their hair up to avoid any problems with lice. We ask that you keep your child home if the following symptoms occur:

- Fever within 24 hours
- Vomiting, Diarrhea
- Contagious or Unidentifiable Rashes
- Congestion with Sneezing, Nasal Drainage and Coughing
- Ear, Eye, Throat Infections-Unless on Antibiotics for 24 hours
- Nits and/or Head Lice

Review with your camper the importance of frequent hand-washing; not sharing items like eating utensils, water bottles, or hair brushes; applying sunscreen and insect repellant appropriately; if your camper has a fever of 100°F or higher, we'll ask you to keep your camper at home until he/she has been fever-free for 24 hours. Similarly, if your camper experiences vomiting or diarrhea in the 24 hours before camp, we'll ask you to keep your camper at home until 24 hours after the symptoms have subsided.

<u>Safety:</u> You will be provided with only two pick up cards for each parent/guardian. If someone else is picking up your child, you must provide them with your card. No child will be released without a pick up card so please keep these cards in your car or a safe place.

Release of children: You will be provided with only two pick up cards for each parent/guardian. Any individual to whom children may be dismissed must be given the pickup cards by the parent. Campers will be released only to those individuals who carry pick up cards for those children.

If for any reason someone will pick up a child without a pick up card, the guardian must notify the Parks and Recreation office at 215-357-7300 x340, which will then verify identity and notify the camp director.

<u>Visitors:</u> To protect the safety of all campers, Lower Southampton Township Camp will not permit visitors at all during camp hours. All employees receive Child Abuse Clearance and a Criminal Background Check prior to employment.

<u>Drop Off/Pick Up Policies:</u> We have scheduled drop off between 8am and 9am. If dropping off after 9am, please make sure your child gets to their assigned group wherever it is located at the camp facility. Pick up is scheduled between 4pm and 5:15pm. If you'd like to pick up your child earlier than 4, please notify their counselor so s/he can be ready at the appropriate time.

Late pick up incurs a \$20 fee for each 15 minute period after 5:15; this fee should be paid directly to the counselor waiting with your child. Pick up and drop off occurs at the locations indicated on the maps provided by the Township at Dolphin and Ferderbar locations. Russell Elliott drop off and pick up occurs at the only building in the park.

Lunch, Snacks, and Sundries:

Lower Southampton Township summer recreational camps **do not** include lunches for campers. Campers at the Dolphin Swim Club, which includes Dolphin, Teen, and some CITs, have two lunch options- bag lunch or bought lunch. The snack stand at the Dolphin Swim Club, opens at 11am and provides a number of fast, easy, and healthy choices. Money for buying lunch can be sent in on a daily basis; we are not responsible for lost lunch money. All money should be in an envelope, wallet, or zippered case (something safe). When opting to bring in lunch, be sure to pack the lunch in a lunchbox or cooler bag clearly marked as your child's property, keeping in mind that refrigeration is not available. There is no opportunity for purchasing lunch at Ferderbar, Pioneer, or Playwicki Enrichment Camp so lunches must be packed.

<u>Camp Trip Backpack:</u> Your camper will be provided with one (1) camp trip backpack. Please use a permanent marker to write your campers name <u>CLEARLY</u> on the backpack. This is <u>NOT</u> for everyday use and is to <u>ONLY</u> be used for camp trips.

<u>Sunscreen Policy</u>: Sunscreen must be applied before arriving to camp. All items will need to have your child's name on it. Sunscreen must be applied to your child everyday prior to camp, and you must send a bottle in so your child can put this on throughout the day. We will reapply throughout the day. Please be sure the sunscreen has been tested on your child at home several times before using it for camp. **Campers should arrive to camp with their bathing suits on as there are no dressing rooms.**

<u>Personal Items:</u> All personal items must be labeled with your child's name on it and kept in their bag. Lower Southampton Township will not be responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen items. It is best to keep electronics, toys, and other valuable items at home.

Lost and Found: All items found on the playground or in the building are placed outside the office where they are stored. Eyeglasses, lost money, or jewelry is given to the site director. Please have your child check the lost and found containers if s/he has lost anything. It is a good idea to put your child's name on lunch boxes, jackets, etc. to avoid confusion. At the end of each week of camp, a considerable amount of good clothing, towels, and lunchboxes have accumulated. Unclaimed items will be donated to a charitable organization if not claimed by the end of camp season.

<u>Food allergies</u>: We must do all we can to provide our campers with a safe environment. In an effort to allow all campers to participate fully in all camp activities, we ask that you do not send in any food for snacks or meals that may contain seafood, peanuts, or peanut oil, but if you do, please label the outside of the container as containing seafood or peanuts. We will reserve a allergy-free area when campers eat lunch. Children without allergies may sit here with friends only if they do not have any items in their lunch that contains seafood, peanuts, or peanut oil.

<u>Trips</u>: All campers will make a tie-dyed T-shirt to wear on all trips during the first weeks of the season. Please be sure your child comes to camp on scheduled trip days with their T-shirts on. *WHITE T-SHIRT MUST BE PROVIDED BY GUARDIAN/PARENT*

<u>Medications</u>: Our staff is not trained to administer medication. Parents must make arrangements to administer their child's medication. Epi-pens, breathing inhalants, and other emergency-type medication must be marked clearly with your child's name and phone number on it.

Communication: All our group leaders will have a walkie-talkie to communicate to the directors of each camp at all times. We ask that the parents only call the site director with concerns *during camp hours only*. You can speak with the camp director at drop off or pick up times. In the event of an emergency, during the hours of 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, please call our Parks & Recreation department at 215.357.7300 ext 340

Skate Park: All Dolphin campers must fill out a liability release and permission form for the skate park whether they are going to skate or not. In order for your child to skate in our skate park, they must wear a helmet, CLOSED toe shoes, elbow and knee pads and have a skateboard or scooter.