

Frequently Asked Questions

WHAT TO BRING

All participants should bring a water bottle, bathing suit, towel, sunscreen, hat, lunch, ice pack, and a snack every day. (Mask for field trips if required.) **Be sure to label all of your child's belongings.** We are not responsible for lost or stolen items. For safety reasons, all bags are subject to search.

LOST and FOUND POLICY

Lost items will be collected and put on a table near the pickup/drop off area. Please check the lost and found daily for anything your camper might be missing. Any items still in the lost and found by end of day each Friday will be cleaned and donated. **Please be sure to label all your items.**

NOTIFICATIONS

The Camp RECreate staff will be using the Remind app to communicate with parents/guardians. This app will allow us to send information about field trips, special guests, or changes in schedule to keep the parents/guardians of our campers the most up to date at all times. Information about the app is included. We ask that only **one** parent/guardian per camper sign up as there are limited numbers on the app.

ARRIVAL AND DISMISSAL

Participants can be dropped off in the designated area at their site no earlier than 7:30 AM and picked up no later than 5:30 PM. **PLEASE BE PROMPT.** Any participant not picked up by 5:30 PM will be escorted to the Newington Police Department. A participant cannot leave the program early for any reason (on a bike or walking) unless written permission is granted from the parents/guardians.

PICKUP POLICY

The Newington Parks and Recreation takes the safety of the campers very seriously. **Any person picking up a camper must be listed on the Pickup Authorization form and have a valid photo ID.** This policy is **strictly** enforced by all Newington Parks & Recreation employees.

CAMPER/COUNSELOR RATIO

The Newington Parks and Recreation Department takes the safety of your camper very seriously. We have a large staff in order to keep the groups smaller and give each camper a more personal experience.

SUNSCREEN

Participants should apply sunscreen prior to coming to camp. Be sure to pack spray on sunscreen, as counselors **cannot** assist with lotion sunscreen application. Frequent sunscreen breaks are mandatory throughout the day and are included in the daily schedule. Please speak with your child about the importance of sunscreen application and how to properly apply. **Please label your child's sunscreen clearly and with a sharpie.** Due to potential reactions, the sharing of sunscreen is strictly prohibited.

HYDRATING

We encourage campers to begin hydrating before even coming to camp. Frequent water breaks will also be taken throughout the day to keep campers hydrated during a long day in the heat. **Remember water is the best drink to send with your camper.**

SNACK SHACK (For 2-3)

Campers at the 2-3 site at Mill Pond park will have access to the Snack Shack on most days. Campers are responsible for their purchases from the Snack Shack. Please review with your camper what they are allowed to purchase before sending them to camp with money.

MONEY

Mill Pond has a Snack Shack campers can purchase food from, Churchill has an ice cream truck that campers can purchase ice cream from. There may be field trips that campers are allowed to bring money on to make purchases at that location. **Please note: Counselors are NOT responsible for holding campers money.** Campers at **ALL** sites will be responsible for holding their own money. The Newington Parks & Recreation is not responsible for any misplaced money.