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The Week of August 7th:

Welcome (back) to the Chester Park and Recreation Commission's Children's Summer Camp Program. Be ready for an active week! Please wear closed toed, rubber soled shoes on all Mondays and Thursdays and clothes that may get stained, everyday! Send a lunch, snack, and a WATER BOTTLE to camp with your child each day.

At the time you registered your child you received a calendar of the program and an informational letter. These two items are important to read and keep throughout the program. They contain many specific details that will be helpful to you and your child. If you no longer have them please ask a staff member for another copy.

The Team Challenge on Wednesday is *Boat Races* and Outdoor Cooking is *S'mores*.
Science this week is *Fireproof Balloons*.

On Friday, August 11th, we will be taking a field trip to *Ocean Beach*.

Please wear a swimsuit and red shirt, and bring a towel.
Bring a lunch, snack, and water bottle.
Do not send money with your child.



Please do not bring anything of value to camp. The staff is not responsible for missing items. Electronic games and music are only allowed on field trip days, during the bus ride. Any item brought to camp that disrupts the program or is used inappropriately may be confiscated by the staff for the remainder of the day.

The camp cell phone number is 860-790-0133 at the school and on field trips and 860-790-0124 at the lake. You may call the numbers above if you need to reach your child during the day.

The program staff is available from 8:15am until 3:45pm. We are not able to supervise children before, or after this time. *Check-in is from 8:15am until 8:45am and check-out is from 3:30pm until 3:45pm. Camp programming is between 8:45am and 3:30pm.* If your child arrives or leaves during scheduled programming please check in or out with a program supervisor.

Please be aware, if the staff member supervising camp sign-out does not recognize you, photo identification must be presented.
Please bring your driver's license with you!



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Please report any concerns you have regarding the children or the staff to me, or our supervisors: *Linda or Sam*. I will be at the Summer Program at 8:15 each morning and would be happy to answer any questions or address any concerns at that time. I am on the field trips on Fridays. You may also call my office at 526-0013 extension 223 or e-mail me at parkrec@chesterct.org.

According to Connecticut State Statutes, Campers may not keep medications, sunscreen or insect repellent in their bags. They must be turned into the staff with appropriate authorization forms.

If you are requesting the staff apply sunscreen to your child please specify on the authorization form if you want it administered only on beach days, sunny days, or every day. We will use our camp sunscreen unless you prefer to provide your own. This week we will be using "Equate Kids Pediatric Tested SPF 50 Continuous Spray and Cream". If you provide your own sunscreen please include the brand name on the form. *Our staff applies sunscreen at 11:45am and 1:45pm, following our swimming activity periods at Cedar Lake. Turn in the authorization form with the sunscreen to the program staff. Please apply the first application of the day before you drop off your child.*

An extra towel and sweatshirt are suggested for the days we meet at Cedar Lake. Children may purchase a lunch from the concession on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. A lunch package includes a water bottle or juice, chips, and a choice of a grilled cheese sandwich for \$4, a hamburger or cheeseburger or hotdog for \$5, or chicken tenders for \$6. Please give the supervisor your sandwich and beverage choice with your payment when you check-in, on the day you wish to purchase lunch. Children do not visit the concession at the lake or on field trips. It is best if they do not bring money to the program.

If we change locations from the lake to the school, due to severe weather on Tuesday and/or Wednesday a message will be posted at http://chesterct.org/?page_id=7810 and on my voice mail at 860-526-0013, extension 223, by 7:30am. An e-mail will also be distributed and our lake programming for the day will be held at the lake on the Thursday of that week. If we must leave the lake and go to Chester Elementary due to weather during camp hours children will be transported by school bus and a message will be on my office voice mail and an e-mail will be distributed.

Sincerely,
Elizabeth A. Netsch
Director of Parks and Recreation