RAYNHAM PARK AND REC.'S SUMMER PROGRAMS FAQ SHEET

Do I have to sign up my child for the whole session?

You do not. You may sign up for only the weeks you'd like your child to attend

Can I pick the weeks to send my child? YES

Does my child have to be there right at 8 am?

No. Regularly we do prefer your child to be there by 9am, and notify us if they will be later due to an appointment. There will be times that your child will have to be there earlier depending on filed trips.

Can I pick my child up before 4pm? YES

Where do I drop off and pick up my child?

The Playground Program will be at the LaLiberte School

Drop off - is at the playground, on rainy days door at the back of the gym

Pick up – will be in the first awning closest to the gym

The Tadpole Program drop off and pick up will be at the Merrill School front door

Do I get a refund if my child is sick? NO

What does my child need to bring?

Snacks, Refillable water bottle, Lunch (full day), Swim suit, towels, life preservers if needed on pool day

Can my child be with their friend?

Children will be separated by grade and we will do our best

Are the younger children and older children ever together?

Generally, children are separated by grade throughout the day. All age groups are normally around one another at drop off, attendance, and group games. Field trips, busses, and lunch, children maintain in their groups however they are still around one another. Please make note that we make all efforts to keep the appropriate age groups as separated as possible. TADPOLERS are completely separated at another location.

Can someone else pick up my child?

YES, for anyone outside the house hold we need to have written permission from you with the person's name.

Do you ID people?

We do! We'd rather you be inconvenienced and the child be safe! Patience please!!!! If our staff does not know or recognize the person picking up, they will ask for it, we will not take the child's word! We have lots of staff... and they're doing their job! On the other hand, our staff may not ID if they recognize or have seen the pick-up person before even from a distance.

Can I drop off / pick up my child at the Field Trip site?

Absolutely not... This is safety issue.

Will my child get another Park and Rec. shirt if they lose theirs? NOPE, it's a one shirt service. We suggest if lost you purchase a similar colored shirt

Can my child attend field trips if they forget their shirt?

Yes, but this does create a potential safety issue, so it is HIGHLY NOT RECOMMENDED Children will NOT receive an additional shirt

Does my child need a lunch?

Full Day'ers yes please along with Field Trip Day participants unless specified. No one likes a hangry hot camper

Is ice cream included?

It is NOT included! An ice cream truck is brought in once a week during the Full Day Program money must be brought to purchase ice cream.

Does my child need additional money?

*Ice cream day...*yes, but only if they want one! *Field Trips* that is to the parents' discretion, since there are always options for children to buy stuff, games, snacks, etc.

Can my child bring their phone, tablet, smartphone, or toys from home?

NO, NO, NO, <u>NO THANK YOU</u>, NO!!!! We are also not responsible for lost, stolen, or broken items that are brought to our programs as well.

Can my child bring peanut butter?

We prefer they didn't!! We do understand that some children will only eat PB&J however please make every effort to not send your child with peanut products. We want all our camper safe!

How much money should I give my child?

Children are impulsive and now have a freedom they don't usually have when with their adults. Also, this is the time children show their good heartedness, and love to share with their friends. (There are far too many children to know how much \$\$\$ each has brought) We help the children with their money, but we don't hold onto it!! *Keeping your child safe, engaged, and having fun is our job!* We suggest to give your children as much money as you chose, knowing that it will not be coming back.

Will I receive a schedule for the summer?

Yes. On the first day of each session Program Calendars will be available. They will be distributed throughout the program and available on our website where you originally registered.

Why do I need to purchase a session membership in order to register?

First.... IT'S FREE, there is no cost for the membership itself, but it is necessary to complete your registration. This is an administrative tool only, which gives us an accurate headcounts per day, aiding in planning, ordering etc. Each Session Membership consists of 4 weeks, so you will need "purchase"/add the memberships to your cart that include the weeks you would like to register for.

Is there a sibling discount?

There is a \$5.00 discount for each additional sibling

Is there a minimum number of days to register for?

Yes. This option is for the Full Day only, and the minimum is 3 days/week. The Half Day and Tadpole program is purchased by the week ONLY there is no daily option for these programs

Can I get a refund if I decide not to send my child?

This is a possibility, only if the week you would like a refund for has not yet started, and you must bring this request to either Heather or Tim

How many snacks does my child need to bring?

For the programs that end at noon there is one designated snack time. The full day program has two designated snack times in addition to lunch. The amount of food is up to the parents' discretion since every child is different

Are all staff CPR/First Aid certified?

Yes...we require that and provide the training before each and every summer. It's good to be refreshed

How old are your staff?

Anywhere from 16 years of age to post college graduates, some of us even have families and littles of our own

Do I have to call if my child is not going to attend that day?

No that is not necessary, we know the child is in your care. We also do not hold buses or anything waiting for children's arrival.

Is there an early drop off option?

No unfortunately there is not

What are your ratios?

State ratios required for school age is 1:13, we run with 1:10 ratio as the max.

Does my child have to go on the field trip if in attendance?

YES, all children and staff in attendance will go on field trips. No child may be dropped off or picked up at a field trip.

Should I label my children's belongings?

Yes please! Labels make everything easier, remember many children have the same interests and items. Any non-labeled items that are found will be placed in lost and found. All non-claimed items at the end of the summer will be donated.

Is there a lost and found?

Yes, please check with the sites as to their location

Can my child where sandals or flip flops?

We love flip flops, but not for camp!! Children can wear them but it's not recommended and dangerous. We do a lot of running around in the summer and play hard. We've seen our share of woodchip and toenail injuries and they're not pretty.

Does the Half Day program attend field trips?

YES, they're totally included, and pick up isn't until we return from the trip, approximate arrival times will be on the Session Calendars

Can my child bring their life preserver to the pool and water field trips?

YES. Please note that if they are brought, they have to be worn. We understand that some children bring them for "just in case", but we err on the side of caution, if we see them the children wear them!

Do Tadpole's go on field trips or to the pool?

Unfortunately, no, but there are a variety of fun activities and entertainers that will be at the program.

Who gets a program t-shirt and do I get to select the size of my child's Park and Rec. shirt?

All participants in all programs will receive program shirts this year. Parents will need to select their child's size. There will be NO swaps for different sizes. What you order is what you get. Please make note that summers are hot... a little extra room and air flow wouldn't hurt!

When does my child have to wear their Park and Rec. shirt? Playground Program participants on all scheduled field trip days