EPRD SPECIAL NEEDS SUMMER DAY CAMP – GENERAL GUIDELINES – 2022

Welcome to EPRD Special Needs Day Camp! Safety of our campers and staff is our first priority, to that end we are following the RIDOH Covid-19 guidelines in effort to make everyone's summer camp experience a safe and memorable one. Please note that if State guidelines change, adjustments to the program will be made as needed.

EPRD Special Needs Summer Day Camp is for youth age 6-21, which may require extra support to have a typical summer camp experience along with their peers. Camp will feature a full day of camp activities that include field trips, special events, arts and crafts, sports and games. Camp is located at Pierce Field Playground, 201 Mercer St. and runs June 27 – August 5, from 9:30am – 2:30pm. Important information regarding Summer Camp is outlined below. Please feel free to contact the Recreation Center Supervisor at (401) 270-1769 or the Departments main office at 435-7511 if you have any questions.

-Registration is available on line at <u>https://eastprovidence.recdesk.com</u> Fee is \$390.00 for 6-week session per child. **A \$195.00 deposit is required at registration**. Final payment is due by July 8, 2022. Phone registrations, mail in or faxes are not accepted.

-NO ONE WILL BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND CAMP WITHOUT A COMPLETED MEDICAL FORM. All information on the form is required, including a medical diagnosis and must be signed by the participant's physician.

-In the event of inclement weather, Camp will be moved to the Recreation Center, located at 610 Waterman Ave.

ILLNESS POLICY:

*Please be advised that the EPRD Summer Day Camp will follow all RIDOH_Covid-19 guidance including quarantine, isolation and mask requirements. If RIDOH guidelines change, adjustments to the program will be made as needed.

- Do NOT send your child to camp if he or she has any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea as a result of COVID-19 or other illness.
- Should a child be observed at the time of entering the bus or drop off at camp site to exhibit any signs and/or symptoms of illness, they will not be admitted to camp.
- Parents/Guardians will be notified to pick up their child should the child fall ill while at camp.
- Roundtrip transportation is provided for individuals with special needs for this program.
- Once the camper enters the bus they will immediately clean their hands with hand sanitizer.
- Hand washing will be done throughout the day and hand sanitizer will be encouraged to be used throughout the day.
- Staff and Campers are not required to wear face covering while at camp. However, if RIDOH mask guidelines change, changes to our mask guidelines will be made.
- Cleaning and disinfection of all play surfaces and equipment will be done throughout the camp day.

- Visitors and/or observers must check in at the supervisors table before entering the campsite area and document their visit in our visitor's log.
- Free lunch is provided Monday Friday.
- If your child is not going to get the free lunch, please be sure to send your child with a full lunch, plenty of snacks and drinks for the entire day. We suggest that you use an insulated bag or small cooler since there is no refrigeration on site.
- All children are required to bring enough drinks for the entire day and a reusable bottle to fill as needed.
- If your child is getting free lunch, it is still suggested that you send extra snacks and a reusable bottle that can be refilled at the water fountain when needed.
- **Children are NOT allowed to share food.** There are campers who have allergies and could get very sick if you do!
- Children should come to camp with proper footwear and clothing for the planned activity. If it's a "water day", we suggest a towel and bathing suit, as well as dry clothes to change into. Don't forget a sweatshirt if it's cold out.
- Please be sure to write your child's name on all of his/hers belongings, including clothes, water bottle, lunch bag/coolers, etc. This will help identify items left behind at camp.
- Campers are asked to leave all valuables at home as the Recreation Department and its staff will not be responsible for lost or broken items.
- It is very important that sunscreen be applied before camp and sunscreen sent with the camper to be used throughout the day. Hats and sunglasses are strongly recommended.

<u>FIELD TRIPS</u>: *Field trips and special activities are allowed this summer but may be limited if the Department of Health guidelines change during the camp season.

- At this time EPRD summer day camp will hold weekly field trips for bowling. See Calendar for fees and schedule of additional field trips.
- During the six week program we may have the opportunity to take the group on unscheduled trips to parks and/or recreation areas in the city as transportation and scheduling allows.

-Field trip fees and special activity fees are <u>NOT</u> included in the registration fee. Field trip fees must be in cash and correct change would be greatly appreciated. <u>Checks WILL NOT be accepted</u>.

-EPRD Summer Camp is not a licensed day care nor is the City of East Providence licensed to provide child care services through the Department of Children and Youth and their Families (DCYF). As such, the City cannot provide Federal Employer I.D. # for tax purposes.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping make this summer a great one for the campers and staff! Should you have any questions please feel free to call the Recreation office at 401-435-7511.