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Dear Parents & Guardians,

Hello and welcome to the Worcester County Department of Recreation & Parks Summer Camp Coast! We are excited to have your child join us for a fun filled summer!

Our goal is to provide a balanced day of sports and activities geared towards fun, socialization, and learning. Our hope is that your child will make new friends in a fun, safe environment they look forward to returning to each day.

Please carefully review all of the information in this packet and review our behavioral policies with your child. We will also review these each week of camp.

We recognize the summer season is a fun time for your child and we want to support them in engaging in sports and recreational activities, but we want to do so in a way that will keep them safe.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. We are looking forward to a great summer!

Sincerely,

Kelly Buchanan

Kelly Buchanan Program Manager IV 410-632-2144 ext. 2503 Kbuchanan@co.worceseter.md.us



Camp Coast Options & Pricing

Camp Cost:

Camp Cost Per Week (9:00 am - 4:00 pm): \$135.00 per week Extended Camp Cost Per Week (7:30 am - 9:00 am & 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm): \$25 additional per week Field Trips: \$15 additional for the week of the Field Trip

Deposits:

\$10 Deposit must be paid per participant per week to reserve your child's spot in that week of camp. The deposit will be deducted from your total balance due. If a participant does not show up for camp, the deposit will not be refunded. IF notice is given a week prior to camp (Monday before), the deposit will be refunded or can be credited to another camp, if not already filled.

Full payment is due the Friday morning prior to the week of camp! Checks can be made payable to Worcester County. Camp Space is <u>limited</u> and will fill up!

Financial Aid:

Financial Aid is available to those who show a demonstrated need. To receive financial assistance, parents must come in to the Recreation Center to submit proof of eligibility documents. Any special financial aid requests should be submitted to Recreation Superintendent, Ben Kirk – bkirk@co.worcester.md.us.

All payments and financial aid documents must be received before the program begins.

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1	June 17-21	Olympic Sports & Team Challenges		
2*	June 24-28	Recreation Sports & Fitness N' Fun		
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10	August 19-23	Worldwide Sports & Best Hits		

* Indicates a field trip will take place that week

Camp Coast will not be offered for the following Holidays: Wednesday, June 19, Thursday, July 4, and Friday, July 5

Camp Coast Descriptions

Olympic Sports - Weeks 1, 9

Campers will experience the thrill of various athletic events that influence a spirit of determination and teamwork. It's a great way for them to discover different sports, set personal goals, and celebrate achievements with friends!

Team Challenges – Week 1

Get to know your fellow campers and camp staff with a week of team challenges and icebreakers. Challenge yourself to speak up and have fun while racking up some wins for your team.

Recreation Sports – Weeks 2, 4, 5, 6

This camp will feature of variety of games such as capture the flag, dodgeball, handball and movement games. Emphasis will be placed on participation, cooperative play, teamwork, and the values associated with good sportsmanship.

Fitness N'Fun – Week 2

Campers in this camp will enjoy a blend of exciting physical activities and games! Promoting healthy habits and teamwork will be the focus for every camper in a fun and enjoyable way!

Arena Sports – Week 3

Come learn basic skills and compete in a variety of indoor sports. We will be playing soccer, kickball, baseball, and many more fun sport-related games. Come ready to engage in physical activity and have a lot of fun!

Brainiac Games – Week 4

Get ready for a week of activities anywhere from making bottle rockets to esports. We will be playing and participating in a lot activities/challenges that will keep your brain thinking.

Field Day Sports - Week 5

Campers participating in this camp will have a blast competing in various sports and games. As they cheer on their group in friendly competition, campers will be sure to have a blast!

Outdoor Sports – Week 6

Enjoy the great outdoors through sports. Soak up the sun and play a variety of activities such as frisbee golf, kickball, baseball/softball, ultimate Frisby, gaga ball, and more.

Racquet Sports – Week 7

Tennis, badminton, ping-pong, pickleball, and more! Enjoy learning and playing a variety of racquet sports this week.

Survivor Challenges – Week 7

Get your inner survivor ready! This will be a week of themed activities and games such minute to win it competitions, puzzles, survivor games, team challenges and scavenger hunts.

Sports Combo – Week 8

Can't decide which sport you love? Participants will play a variety of sports such as basketball, soccer, volleyball and flag football. Get a chance to enjoy the multitude of sports and find out which one is your favorite.

Creative Minds – Week 8

In this camp, Campers will unleash their artistic talents through music and various artistic activities. From composing catchy rhythms to cool arts and crafts, they'll have a blast expressing themselves in unique ways!

Outdoor Adventure - Week 9

The best part about summer is being outdoors. Come explore the outdoors with us for a week with adventures that include nature walks, scavenger hunts, and much more. Weather permitting, be prepared to be outside for most of the day.

Worldwide Sports – Week 10

Sports bring people from different languages and cultures together from all around the world. Come learn skills of some of those sports and compete in these games played all around the globe. Some examples include soccer, baseball, and floor hockey. All skill levels welcome.

Best Hits – Week 10

Combining all the greatest activities from the whole summer, the campers will play all their favorite games in this final week of camp. Let's end Camp Coast with a week-long celebration before we say goodbye to Summer 2024!



Policies & Procedures

In Person Registration

Registration forms can be picked up at the Worcester County Recreation Center (WCRC) or downloaded from our website, PlayMarylandsCoast.org

To register for camp, you can bring in your registration form to the WCRC or mail it in. We accept cash, checks and credit cards. Please make checks payable to Worcester County.

Online Registration

We offer online registration! Parents/guardians may go online to make deposits (**\$10 per child/per** week) and pay your weekly balances. Visit <u>PlayMarylandsCoast.org</u> and click on the <u>REGISTER</u> <u>HERE</u> link. If camps are full you'll be able to add yourself to the waitlist.

Financial Information

Deposits

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Limited Space

Camp space is limited and will fill up. Your deposit will reserve your spot in that week of camp. Registration is taken on a first come, first serve basis. Once a camp fills up, awaiting list is created.

Payments

Payments for camp are due the Friday morning prior the upcoming week's camp. If your payment is not received by Friday at 9am, we will contact the next camper on the waitlist as a replacement.

If you have financial questions or concerns please contact our **Recreation Superintendent**, **Ben Kirk**, prior to that week of camp. <u>410-632-2144 x 2520</u>.



Financial Aid

Financial Aid is available to those who show a demonstrated need. Proof of eligibility is required. All payments and financial aid documentation must be received before the program begins. Additional financial request can be submitted to the Worcester County Rec. Boosters.

Camp payments are for the week. We do not prorate, or offer one day or two-day options.

The full weekly amount is due, regardless of how many days you plan on attending that week.

Check-In & Check-Out

Worcester County Department of Recreation & Parks (WCRP) will provide 10 weeks of summer camp beginning the week of June 17 and ending the week of August 23.

Extended Care Drop-off	7:30 a.m 9:00 a.m.		
Morning Camp	9:00 a.m 12:00 p.m.		
Lunch	12:00 p.m 1:00 p.m.		
Afternoon Camp	1:00 p.m 4:00 p.m.		
Extended Care Pick-up	4:00 p.m 5:30 p.m.		

Sign-In & Sign-Out Procedures

Campers must be **signed in and signed out** by a parent/legal guardian listed on the child's registration form. If an individual not listed on one of the forms is picking up a child (carpooling, going with a friend, etc.) the parent/legal guardian must submit a note prior to the designated person picking up the child.

If your child is ill, running a fever, and/or suspected to be contagious, please DO NOT bring him/her to camp. If your child is at camp and becomes sick, has a fever, etc. we will call their legal guardian and expect them to be picked up promptly.

You must notify us if your child will be absent from camp that week.

Check-In

A camp staff member will be in the lobby of the main entrance to the Recreation Center. Once checked-in, campers can go inside to the designated area. Remember that your child will stay with the same group for the remainder of the week unless approved by camp director.

Parents are required to walk their child(ren) to the check in table. Please do not drop off your child and leave before they are checked in.

If a child is being dropped off after the start of camp activities, report to the front desk at the Recreation Center to find out where their child's group is.

Check-Out

Enter through the main entrance of the building and sign-out at the camp coast table. From there, follow the signs to your child's Group Station. A parent/guardian must sign their child out with the Camp Monitor.



General Information

What to Bring to Camp

- Comfortable clothes
- Close-toed shoes
- Snacks/Drinks
- Reusable water bottle
- Lunch
- Sunscreen & Medicine

Food & Snacks

Campers should pack morning and afternoon snack. They will have access to water during the day.

Campers should pack a cold lunch. A microwave WILL NOT be available. Campers will have a one hour lunch break during the middle of the day.



Medication

Campers that need to take **prescription** medication during the day must notify the Program Manager on the first day of camp. The Parent/Legal Guardian must supply a doctor's note indicating when the medication should be taken and how much.

Staff will not administer prescription medication, but staff members can assist campers by storing prescription medication in a safe place and reminding campers to take their prescription medication at the proper time each day.

All prescription medication **MUST** be in the original packaging from the pharmacist.

Shoes

Please do NOT wear flip-flops, sandals, or crocs to camp. If a child does not have close-toed shoes, they will not be able to participate in the activities for that day. This is a safety issue.

If your child chooses to wear cleats (Outdoor Sports), please make sure that they have an extra pair of sneakers with them for indoor use.

Water Bottles

Campers should bring their own refillable water bottle to camp every day. Please have these labeled with your child's name.

Sunscreen

Campers are encouraged to apply sunscreen before their arrival to camp and to bring extra to camp; we do not supply sunscreen to any camper. Activities will be taking place both inside and outside during most camps. WCRP Staff Members are not allowed to apply sunscreen to any camper so it is encouraged that you teach your child how to apply sunscreen properly. The staff will supervise and provide times for campers to apply sunscreen before/ during outdoor activities.



What to Leave at Home

- Valuable items
- Money
- Electronic devices
- Toys/Trading Cards

Toys

Toys should not be brought to camp. Toys can be lost or broken and can often lead to arguments between campers.



Phones/Electronic Devices

Cell Phones and all electronic devices are prohibited to be used during the Summer Camp program.

If a child brings a cell phone or electronic device to camp, we will ask that they be silenced and stored with their belongings.

If a cell phone or device is brought out by a child, it will be removed from their possession and placed in the WCRP safe at the Front Desk. It will be returned to the parent at the end of the day when they are picked up. We are not responsible for lost, stolen or broken items.

If you, as a parent/legal guardian, need to contact your child during the day, please call the WCRP at 410-632-2144.

Sportsmanship Award

Each week Sportsmanship awards will be presented to campers that exhibit the qualities of good sportsmanship. Every Friday we will award three campers, one from each group, during our Kona Ice snack time! The award winner is chosen by Camp Coast Staff at the end of each week.

We try to make this a very big deal, so please encourage your child to be a good sport, review with them what makes a good sport, and please congratulate them if they win that week's award.

Worcester County Recreation & Parks W - Willing to Participate C - Courteous to Others R - Respect your Environment P - Play Fair

Behavior Expectations

- 1. Be respectful of others
- 2. Listen to Camp Staff -- there will be plenty of time to play/have fun. When STAFF is speaking, you should be listening.
- 3. WHISTLE RULE when you hear the whistle signal, STOP what you are doing, put down all equipment, and listen for instructions.
- 4. Participate in all activities -- we ask that all campers try to participate in each activity that is presented to them by their coaches.
- 5. Have fun!

Sportsmanship Award Criteria

- Treats everyone with integrity, fairness and honesty.
- Congratulates other participants for efforts and excellent performances.
- Shakes hands wherever it fits into a sport culture.
- Helps up other participants who have fallen or been hurt.
- Thanks instructor for their effort and work.
- Does not condone fighting or violence of any kind.
- Does not use profanity or other disrespectful language or gestures.
- Avoids taunting and trash talking.
- Avoids disrespectful, "in your face" celebrations.
- Keeps facilities clean.
- Continuously displays respect for themselves and others.
- Gives consistent effort.

Rec. Cash Program

Our Summer Camp has a Recreation Cash—Good Behavior Incentive program. Throughout the day, staff will recognize good behavior (walking in the hallway, being a good sport, helping a friend, cleaning up, etc.) and reward them with rec cash. These good behaviors are things that campers do without being asked.

The Rec Cash can be used to "purchase" different prizes.

<u>Friday Party</u>

Every Friday Kona Ice will be visiting our camp from 12:15 – 1:00 p.m. and each child will receive a free snow cone. If you choose for your child not to partake in this, please let a staff member know prior to Friday.



Behavior Issues Policy

All campers are expected to follow basic rules of behavior, including respecting themselves, others, WCRP property, and equipment/materials. Staff members will review our behavior policies with all campers at the start of each week. We will not tolerate disrespectful behavior, bullying, foul language, or violence of any sort.

Disruptive Behavior

In the event that a child's behavior is deemed inappropriate for camp, the following action will occur:

First incident:	The child will sit out for 15 minutes and then can request to rejoin the activity.
Second incident:	The child will sit out for 30 minutes.
Third incident:	The child will sit out the remainder of camp that day. (Parents will be notified immediately.)

* The parent will be notified of their child's inappropriate behavior upon pickup at the conclusion of camp on the day of the inappropriate behavior. If a child has a reoccurring theme of inappropriate behavior, then they will be considered for dismissal from the program.

Pushing/Shoving

In the event that a child should push or shove a staff member or another participant intentionally, the following action will occur:

First incident: The child will sit out of that activity during that camp.

Second incident: The child will sit out the remainder of that camp that day. (Parent will be notified immediately.)

Third incident: The child will be suspended from the Summer Camp Program that day and the parents will be contacted for immediate pick-up arrangements.

* If this behavior continues after the child returns, the child would be permanently dismissed from the program.

Striking/Hitting

In the event that a child should strike a staff member or another participant intentionally, the following action will occur:

First incident:	The child will sit out of the activity for the remainder of the day. The parents/legal guardian will be contacted for pick-up arrangements and the child will also be suspended from the Summer Camp Program for one day after the day of the incident.
Second incident	: The child will sit out of the activity for the remainder of the day. The parents/legal guardian will be contacted for immediate pick-up arrangements and the child will also be suspended from the Summer Camp Program for the remainder of the week .
Third incident:	The child will sit out of the activity for the remainder of the day. The parents/legal guardian will be contacted for pick-up arrangements and the child will be permanently dismissed from participating in the remainder of our Summer Camp Programs.

Worcester County Department of Recreation and Parks 2024 Camp Coast Registration Form

PLEASE USE A SEPARATE REGISTRATION FORM FOR EACH CHILD.

Name:			Age:	Date of Birth:				
Add	lress:							
City					Zip:			
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Pic	k-up: In	addition to the Par	rent/Guardian listed, the following adults are a	authorized to pio	ck up my child:			
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Waiver: I, for myself and on behalf of my child, release the County Commissioners of Worcester County and its agents ("Indemnities") from all liability for any damages arising from my child's participation in this program. I agree to indemnify the Indemnities against all claims, including court costs and attorney's fees, arising from that participation. I understand the risks involved in this program. Acknowledgment of Medical Treatment: I authorize medical treatment, at my expense, for my child in the event of an injury or illness during the program. I acknowledge that the County provides no insurance protecting my child. Travel Permission: My child has permission to travel with a coach or adult volunteer to away games as part of the Worcester County Recreation & Parks Department's Youth Program. Acknowledgement of

Ability: My child is physically able and has sufficient training for participation in this program. (Worcester County is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to all participants. If your child has special needs, please notify the Department of Recreation & Parks at 410.632.2144. We cannot guarantee that your request will be met unless we are notified in advance.) Photo Release: If pictures are taken during the program, I authorize the use of these photos for publicity purposes. Acknowledgement of Concussion Training: I have received the Fact Sheet for Athletes and the Concussion Training for Parents Information Sheets covering the signs, symptoms, and risks of sports-related concussions. I promise to go over this information with my child. I promise to report my child's symptoms to coaches and staff

members. I understand that my child must not have any concussion symptoms before returning to play and it is my responsibility to follow up with a health care provider. I understand the possible consequences of my child returning to practice or play too soon.

I/We hereby acknowledge that I/We have received a copy of the Worcester County Department of Recreation & Parks Summer Camp Policies and Procedures Packet; that I/We have read the packet and am fully aware of all the policies; and that I/We will adhere to all of the rules and regulations.