



Downs Park Teen Camp

Welcome to the Downs Park Teen Camp. We are anxiously awaiting the start of this year's teen camp. We have planned many fun and creative activities to make the camp experience an enjoyable and memorable one. As you know we will be taking many field trips. Therefore, we must ask you to check the calendar of events attached to prepare for the activities of the day. Included in this mailing are emergency contact forms that must be filled out completely and returned to the main office as soon as possible to be processed. Please either mail in the forms or drop them off at 1 Harry S. Truman Parkway, Annapolis, Maryland 21401.

Any changes in the calendar will be passed along as needed. Please keep in mind the summer heat and send your teen with plenty of water. Soft drinks will be available during camp hours for \$.50.

Please note that camp will take place rain or shine. In addition, campers must bring a lunch daily, unless otherwise noted in our calendar of events. Children should refrain from bringing any items of value (portable CD players, walkmans, MP3's, Ipod's or gameboys). We will not be held responsible for items that are lost or stolen.

DRESS CODE: Athletic Shorts, T-shirts (t-shirts that are not acceptable at school are not acceptable at camp), **NO** hanging shorts or pants, **NO** hot pants, **NO** spaghetti strap shirts, **NO** halter tops or tube tops, for safety reasons, campers should wear sneakers and socks, **NO SANDALS.** **WATER DAYS:** Boys - Lined swimsuits, Girls - **One-piece** swimsuits (**NO** Tankinis).

In every session, an extended day trip has been planned. Parents are required to pick – up their children on these days. Tentative trips include Ocean City, Kings Dominion, Six Flags and tubing. Teens will depart early in the morning on these days and return around 7:00pm the same day.

We must be notified prior to the first day of camp of any child requiring medication during the camp day. We follow the school policy on medication distribution. The proper form must be signed by a doctor with all information completed. If we do not have the proper forms, **we cannot and will not supervise self-administration of the medication.** Contact the Registration office for the form at (410)222-7313 or download a form from our website, www.aacounty.org/recparks.

In regards to late pick-ups, we realize most of the children ride the bus, for those parents who pick their teens up, we ask you to make every effort to pick-up your teen by 4:00pm or designated time at the bus stop. The bus will wait 5 minutes at each bus stop location and then continue on its route. Campers will not be left at the bus stop without a parent (designated person) present unless prior permission has been given for that child to walk/ride a bike. Our staff will attempt to contact someone from the camper's emergency form to arrange a meeting point. In the event that our staff is unable to contact anyone from the emergency form and our staff can no longer keep the child in their custody, the Anne Arundel County Police Department will be notified and the custody of your child will be released to them. A second occurrence may result in your child being dismissed from the program.

If you have any questions, please contact Jacque Hurman at 410-222-7313. Once camp begins, we can be reached at 410-360-4215.

Sincerely,

Camp Director
Mark Trohanowsky