Goshen Recreation & Parks Commission

**Summer Recreation Day Camp**

**Grades K – 7**

**2021 Information Sheet**

Regarding COVID-19 our program will follow the guidelines put forth by the Orange County Department of Health.

Grade groups will be sorted into groups of 10-12 campers. Those groups will remain together exclusively during the day. There will be no intermingling of groups.

Campers are recommended, but not required, to wear face masks.

**Description:**
The summer day camp is a program run by the Goshen Parks & Recreation Commission, which is funded by the Town and Village of Goshen and program fees.  The Goshen Parks & Recreation summer day camp is all about having fun. Campers have the opportunity to explore nature, find new talents, try new activities and make lasting friendships and memories. As a participant in our camp, your child will be positively impacted by great programs and caring staff. Our counselors are dedicated to ensuring a safe atmosphere while making sure your child enjoys themselves to the fullest extent. The campers are grouped by grade (K & 1, 2 & 3, 4 & 5 and 6 & 7) and stay with their group as they rotate through the daily activities. The daily itinerary is split into 6 activities including lunch.  The campers will have fun playing various games, being creative, participating in water fun, and shows that we bring to the camp.

We are a "no screen" camp so we ask that each camper leave phones, ipods, ipads and other electronic devices at home.  We are not responsible for any items a camper may bring from home.  We suggest that they keep their items at home and engage in the activities we have planned for them.

The schedule for each day is the same but we incorporate specialty days into the program to keep the campers interested, entertained and having fun.  Some of our specialty days include Halloween in July, summer birthday party, 80’s day, Patriotic Day, silly hair day, tie dye Tuesday, wet & wild Wednesday, ice cream party day…you get the picture.

Each activity session is geared toward the ages of the campers in each group.
Creative Fun – We’ll have a puzzle table, creative games and what you’d expect camp crafts to be – painting pet rocks, making stick and yarn creations, STEM projects, using what we find in nature to use as tools and supplies.  Anything to promote creativity and fun!  Painting with ice cubes is a favorite when the mercury starts to rise.
Active Variety – This is when campers can play at the playground, take nature walks, play group games.
Group Sports – All the favorites – capture the flag, relay races, volleyball, pickleball, noodle hockey, camp Olympics, as well as variations on the basics.  Crab walk soccer, beanbag basketball, Frisbee golf and lots more. On those really hot days we’ll incorporate water into our sports!
Quiet Variety – A little downtime is a good thing.  This is where campers can play board games, read, play with Legos, make lanyards and color.  This is also where the beloved game of boxball is played, you know, for those who just don’t want to take a break from using up all that energy!
Camp Games –This is where the dance parties happen and other games like charades, seven up and hide and seek are played.

New York State requires 1 counselor for every 12 children.  To keep our camp safe we have a 1:10 counselor to camper ratio.

**No Bully Zone**:
Our camp has a strict No Bullying Policy that is explained to the campers during orientation.  Bullying of any sort will not be tolerated at our camp.  If any of the counselors witness or are told about a bullying situation the campers involved will be spoken to immediately by the Camp Director.  The Camp Director will hear both sides and decide how best to handle the situation.  Sometimes just a warning is needed. Parents will be informed at the end of the day if their child was involved in any situation.

**Eligibility:**
All children entering grades K through 7 in September 2021 may participate.  Children may be enrolled for more than one session.  Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis.

**2021 Dates:**

Session 1         June 28 – July 2
Session 2         July 5 – July 9
Session 3         July 12 – July 16
Session 4         July 19 – July 23
Session 5         July 26 – July 30
Session 6         August 2 – August 6

Session 7 August 9 – August 13

**CAMP WEATHER POLICY:**
Camp will be cancelled if it is raining. Notification will be sent via email in the morning if camp will be cancelled. If the weather changes throughout the day and we need campers to be picked up early we will send an email. Please, please, please have a back-up person for emergency pick-ups!

**DROP OFF:**  Campers may NOT be signed in before 8:50 am.

**PICK UP:**  Campers may NOT be picked up late.  There is a fee of $25.00 for any child picked up later than 15 minutes past the end of the session.

**2021 Fees and Hours (per week, per child):**

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|   | Fee – Resident | Fee - Non Resident |
| 9:00 am – 2:00 pm | $126.00 | $151.00 |
| 9:00 am – 5:00 pm | $151.00 | $189.00 |

\*To be eligible for the Goshen Resident rate you must pay

**PROPERTY TAX** to the Village or Town of Goshen.

***NOT SCHOOL TAX***

The Goshen Parks & Recreation Department is funded primarily by the Town and Village of Goshen.  The funding comes directly from property taxes.  Since residents have already paid into our department through their property taxes they are eligible for a price break for our programs.

**Registration:**
Online registration can be found at [www.goshenrecreation.com](http://www.goshenrecreation.com/) and will open April 1.

\*\*IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING REGISTRATION\*\*

Camp registration must be completed

**no later than Midnight on Saturday for the upcoming week**.

There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS** so please plan accordingly!

**Payments:**
All registrations and payment must be done online on our website.  Checks will no longer be accepted for payment.

**Refunds:**
If you withdraw more than ten (10) days prior to our Session start date you will receive a full refund. There will be a $10.00 cancellation fee.  NO refunds will be given within ten (10) days prior to our child’s Session start date.  If you choose to transfer a registration there will be a $10.00 transfer fee.

**Camp Location:**
Myron Urbanski Memorial Park
Formerly known as Craigville Park
118 Craigville Road, Goshen, NY

**Check in/out:**
All campers must be signed in and out each day by a parent or guardian.
Notes from parents or guardians are required for pick up by anyone other than a parent or guardian (ID will be checked) and permission for a child to walk or bike to and from camp

**Drop off/Pick up:**

**Please wear a mask when dropping off and picking up your camper.**

**We would appreciate it if you could keep a pen in your car for sign in and sign out to avoid cross contamination.**

\***DROP OFF:**  Sign in each morning will begin at 8:45. To keep contact to a minimum, we are doing a “drive through drop off”. We ask that you follow our Staff’s instructions as you enter the park. Once you pull up to the designated drop off area you must remain in your vehicle and a staff member will assist you with sign in. You will need to answer a few questions and sign your child into camp. At the same time, one of our Health Directors will use a no touch thermometer to take your child’s temperature. As long as the temp is 100 degrees Fahrenheit or below he or she may exit the car and enter camp.

**Check in/out:**
All campers must be signed in and out each day by a parent or guardian.
Notes from parents or guardians are required for the following:

* Pick up by anyone other than a parent or guardian (ID will be checked)
* Permission for a child to walk or bike to and from camp

**PICK UP:**  You will follow the same procedure as drop off. Remain in your vehicle and one of our staff members will bring your camper to you.

As our counselors are not allowed to fasten your child into his or her car seat, there will be a designated “buckle zone” where you may park, exit your vehicle and buckle in your child before you exit the park.

Campers may NOT be picked up late.  There is a fee of $25.00 for any child picked up later than 15 minutes past the end of the session.

**Barricades:**
To keep our campers safe we use barricades to block off the parking lot nearest the pavilion/playground.  Please note that the barricades will go up at 9:30 am.  If you are dropping your child off after 9:30 please park in the top parking lot and walk down with your child.  There is absolutely no parking along the barricades or the driveway.  That area needs to be kept clear for emergencies. The barricades will be open between 1:45 and 2:15 for the 2:00 pick up and at 4:45 for the 5:00 pick up.

**Food and Drinks:**
All campers must bring a refillable water bottle, lunch and snacks with name and grade clearly marked on the outside. Refrigeration is not available for camper lunches so please make sure ice packs are included if needed.   If your child is staying for the 8 hour day they will need a couple of snacks to get them through the day. NO glass containers are allowed.

**In an effort to reduce plastic, please do not send in one-use plastic bottles of water.  Cups will no longer be supplied by the camp.**

**Needed Supplies:**
All campers must wear socks and sneakers at all times.  They may not be able to participate in certain activities if they are not wearing the proper footwear.
It is recommended that all campers arrive each day wearing sunscreen. Since our camp is primarily outside sunscreen is especially important. Older campers are able to reapply as needed.  We will help the little ones!

**Water Days:**

On scheduled water days please have your child wear a bathing suit to camp. Our counselors are not allowed to help your child change clothes so this will save a lot of time in the bathrooms and add more fun time in the water games! On very hot days we will most likely have a sprinkler for the campers. Please dress your camper in clothing they will be comfortable in if they get wet.

**Lost & Found:** This year there will be no lost and found tables. Anything left at camp at the end of the day will be thrown out. Please remind your camper to remember their belongings at the end of the day. (Last year we did not have even 1 item left behind!)

**Health:**
As mandated by the NYS Board of Health the camp has a Health Director present who is certified in CPR and First Aid.
As mandated by the State of New York a copy of your child’s immunization record must be faxed to 294-1276 or emailed to goshenjrc@gmail.com **prior to your child attending camp**.

***NO CHILD WILL BE ADMITTED INTO CAMP WITHOUT AN IMMUNIZATION FORM.***

**Medical Information/Medication**:
Please make sure you have filled out/updated the medical portion of your child's household's account with information concerning any allergies or medical issues.

As per the New York State Health Department-

* Administration of medicines - All campers' medication (prescription or non-prescription) must be accompanied by a patient-specific written order from a licensed prescriber. Pharmacy labeling on the medication is NOT sufficient for this purpose as the medication, dosage and or regimen may have changed since the pharmacy filled the prescription.
* Medications will be transported daily to and from camp.  Parents/guardians should request that the pharmacy provide two containers, one to remain at home and one to bring to camp just in case the camper forgets to bring the medication home.
* Repackaging or relabeling of prescription medications is prohibited. All prescription medication must be in their original container with labeling that includes but is not limited to 1) complete name of patient, 2) date prescription filled, 3) expiration date, 4) directions for use, precautions and storage, 5) dispensing pharmacy name and address, 6) name of physician prescribing medication.