## Summer Day Camp

Children need to be able to participate in camp activities. Please do not send your child if they are unable to engage in active play or are injured and can not participate. They will be sent home. All campers are expected to be potty trained and able to use the bathroom on their own.

### WEATHER & SAFETY:

- Camp will be cancelled on rainy days.
- Daily activities are scheduled and are designed to provide variety while stressing safety. Careful consid-

eration will be given to heat and sun exposure when scheduling activities. A drinking fountain is on site and water and bathroom breaks are scheduled throughout the



day. Remember to send your child with a water bottle everyday.

- Staff is NOT responsible for providing sunscreen to each campers. Campers can be allergic to the products and cause problems. Please provide YOUR child with his or her OWN sunscreen.
- Uninvited guests will not be allowed to be on park grounds or on field trips.

## LABELING:

• Please label your child's clothes, lunch (if they wont be eating the lunch provided) and other items that your child brings to camp. Please make sure his or her personal items return home with him or her. THE STAFF OR THE PARK DEPARTMENT IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOST OR STO-LEN ITEMS.

## PERSONAL BELONGINGS:

• Campers are not allowed to bring personal items to camp

( iPods, cell phones, Game Boys, toys, playing cards, etc.) from home. Backpacks are not locked up and are sometimes unattended. THE STAFF OR THE PARK DEPARTMENT IS NOT RESPONSI-BLE FOR ANY LOST



OR STOLEN ITEMS. The staff will take these items and hold them until the end of the day. To avoid any conflict, please leave them at home.

## FIELD TRIPS:

- We are offering swimming at Franklin Pool on Thursdays for campers that choose appropriate behavior. To participate in swimming field trip your child must attend camp at least two days prior to going. Children who attend swimming field trips MUST arrive at camp no later than 10 am that Thursday to account for swim attendance.
- On swim days campers and staff will ride the city bus to Franklin Pool. To reduce travel time parents are to pick up their children at Franklin Pool on Thursday afternoons. Please be sure to sign out your child with a staff member before departure.

## **MEDICATION:**

• The staff is not allowed to administer any medication other than band-aids, ice packs, and sting relief pads. If your child requires medication during camp they need to be responsible for taking it on their own.



For more information please call Yakima Parks & Recreation: 509-575-6020



# Summer Day Camp

\$20 registration fee per child

Location: Kissel Park

5. 32nd and Mead Ave



Youth ages 5-12

Time: Monday—Friday

9:00am-4:00pm

June 16th—August 15th

(No camp on July 4th)

Free Lunch is provided by YSD

Space is limited to the first 100 kids.

## Yakima Parks & Recreation

## **Come Out and Play!**

Thank you for showing an interest in Yakima Parks and Recreation's "Come Out and Play" free, drop-in, supervised playground program. Our goal is to enrich the lives of the children of Yakima by providing a free, safe place to participate in a variety of activities related to arts, sports, health, education and fun! We will do our best to keep your kids busy this summer with weekly swimming awarded for following camp rules, and other special activities throughout the summer. Our summer program runs June 16<sup>th</sup> – August 15<sup>th</sup>. Site will be closed July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day.

Due to the highly active nature of our program we ask that you send your children with proper athletic footwear (athletic shoes or sandals that strap around their foot, **no flip-flops please**). Staff reserves the right to send a child home if he/she is wearing inappropriate clothes. We also ask that you apply sunscreen before your child arrives to the park or send it along with your child for him or her to apply. **Please provide a water bottle for your child during day camp due** to hot weather. **NO GLASS BOTTLES.** 

During the hotter days we will plan several water activities (water balloons, sprinklers, etc.) in order to keep cool. Please be sure to inform staff if you do not want your child to get wet in our program. Lunch will be

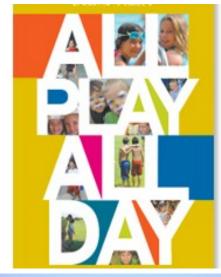
pro-vided for your child through Yakima School District. Please be sure to include on their

registration form any food allergies your child has so we can be sure he or she receives the proper lunch. We have creative and energetic staff who are excited to engage in positive, healthy activities with your children this summer. Our summer playground staff will only be responsible for children signed

in and participating in our activities. Yakima Parks and Recreation is not responsible for the arrival or departure of children, and supervision is not provided before or after the times indicated. Staff is not responsible for lost or stolen items, children are responsible for their own belongings.

We require a parent/guardian, older sibling, etc. to sign children in and out of the program unless previous arrangements have been made. Please make sure your child is signed out by 4:00 pm. Sharp! If your child is late being picked up more than 3 times they may be suspended from the program.

Included is the Youth Behavior Policy. This information is important to the success of our program and the safety of your child. We have established a clear set of rules and expectations that all participants must follow. A copy of the rules and expectations are included, please read them with your child. We will try our best to problem solve with your child; however, if your child fails to follow the rules and expectations of the playground program we will follow the discipline procedures. We look forward to a great summer!





## YOUTH BEHAVIOR POLICY

Parent/Guardian must accompany their child to sign in the 1<sup>st</sup> day of camp to receive required paperwork

#### **RULES & EXPECTATIONS**

**PEACE—No tantrums,** hitting, yelling, fighting, swearing, weapons, or pocket knives

**ORDER** —Put away games and equipment; put your things in the designated area, throw away your garbage; no gum

**ASKING** — Tell a staff person when you sign in and sign out; ask to go to the bathroom; ask to use equipment; ask for help if you need it; ask a staff person for help if you have a conflict with someone else

RESPECT —Listen to staff and follow directions; respect yourself and respect others; respect different cultures, ideas and ways of doing things **KINDNESS** —Help other people; take turns; use kind words; do not take things that don't belong to you

No throwing or picking up rocks, gravel or sticks in park Always stay in designated play area Don't touch or pet dogs in the park

DISCIPLINE

## **DISCIPLINE PROCESS**

$1^{st}$	Discussion, Verbal Warning & Review of Rules
$2^{nd}$	Time out and/or loss of special privileges (including, but not limited to swimming and field trips)
$3^{rd}$	Phone call and/or note to parent/guardian
4 <sup>th</sup>	Phone call and/or note to parent/guardian & suspension
5 <sup>th</sup>	Phone call and/or note to parent/guardian & termination

#### NOTE:

INCIDENT

Staff will work with young people who are choosing unacceptable behavior, helping guide them to choose appropriate behavior. However, if young people refuse to change unacceptable behavior, staff will follow the discipline process above. In addition, weapons, pocket knives, fighting or bullying are grounds for immediate suspension. <u>Staff has the right to skip steps in the discipline process if they deem it necessary.</u>

We provide wristbands for all program participants to distinguish them from other children in the park.

\*Wristbands must be worn at all times, no exceptions!

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