



# Monmouth County Park System

## Welcome to Summer Camp at Fort Monmouth Recreation Center!

2566 Guam Lane, Tinton Falls

Includes the following summer camps:

Summertime Fun at the Fort	Hunger Games® Camp	Whodunit: Fort Monmouth
Campplomacy: Youth Civic Leaders	Shark Tank Camp	Wizarding Games
Comic Book Camp	Star Wars® Camp	Wizarding Games: Resistance
Create Like Kids' Baking Championship	Video Games Camp	

We are very excited to have your child spend time with us this summer, and we hope they will leave with fond memories and new friendships. To ensure a positive and enjoyable experience, below we have included some helpful information. Please note that participants must be able to attend to their own hygiene needs.

*Please Note: If you have signed up children other than your own, please call us at 732-842-4000, ext. 4312, with the child's information so we can be sure their parents receive important information on camp forms.*

### CAMP INFORMATION

Camp information forms, as well as special accommodation forms (if needed), must be completed and returned prior to attending camp. Visit [www.MonmouthCountyParks.com](http://www.MonmouthCountyParks.com) and click "Camp Forms", for information on this year's camp forms process. For additional questions, please call 732-842-4000, ext. 4312.

### WHAT TO WEAR

- Closed-toe shoes (please no flip-flops, except to wear at the pool)
- Play clothes and swim suit underneath, when possible
- Your child may want to bring a sweatshirt for when activities are held in our air-conditioned classrooms

### WHAT TO BRING

- Snack, lunch and a drink (in a refillable bottle) packed with a cold pack - lunches are kept in each child's locker
- Swimsuit, if unable to wear under clothes
- Sunscreen and towel

### DO NOT BRING TO CAMP

- Any foods containing nuts, nut oils, or nut byproducts
- Personal items/valuables including electronics and favorite toys - the Park System cannot be held responsible for lost or stolen items

### CAMP GROUPS

Campers are placed into groups based on the grade they are entering in the fall.

### POOL TIME

Lifeguards are on duty and counselors play and swim with the campers. We have a youth pool which is 18" deep, as well as our main pool which is 3'-5' deep, with a lazy "L" that goes to 10'. Campers must pass a swim test to be allowed past the 3' section.

## DROP-OFF/PICK-UP

- Please note that due to social distancing guidelines, we are limiting the number of people inside the building to include only necessary staff and campers.
- Drop off for camp begins at 8:45 a.m., unless you are registered for before care.
- Families registered for before care should pull up into the bus lane in front of the building and a staff member will come out for the check in process.
- All other campers will loop around the parking lot to the Atrium side, where staff will conduct the check in process. After check in process is complete, cars will pull up to the other side of the Atrium where camp staff will assist campers to their assigned group's homeroom, and the parent/guardian will receive two paper placards for their vehicle.
- We ask that you display the placard, with your last name facing out, in your windshield when picking up. We will assume that if you give someone a placard that they have your permission to pick up your child(ren). If there is no placard, we will check that they are on your authorization list and ask for ID.
- At the end of the day, cars will follow the same route through the parking lot and pull up into the bus lane; the staff will bring the child(ren) to the car.
- Pick up is no later than 4:15 p.m., unless you are registered for after care. Campers will only be released to authorized adults on your pickup list.
- Those families registered for after care should pull into the bus lane in front of the building and a staff member will bring the campers out.

## ARRIVING LATE/LEAVING EARLY

While we understand there are days when your child cannot be here at 9 a.m. and/or may need to leave before 4 p.m., we remind parents that their child may miss out on some camp activities by coming late or leaving early. We do not offer make up time in such cases. Parents should follow the drop-off route, stopping in the bus lane and call the office, so staff can either come out to escort the child in or bring the child out for pick up.

## MEDICATIONS

If your child takes medication or has any medical concerns, our Medical Coordinator will need to speak to you briefly on the first day of camp.

## LUNCH

Campers will eat lunch with their group, either in their homeroom or under one of the tents outside. Campers are not permitted to go to the snack and soda machines during camp hours.

## SUMMER CAMP STAFF

- **Camp Counselors:** Counselors range in age from high school students to high school teachers. Our counselors complete a background check and training before providing fun, safe and age-appropriate activities for our campers.
- **Medical Coordinator:** We have a trained medical staff member on site every day of camp. Our Medical Coordinator handles first aid and any medications your child may need during the camp day.
- **Lifeguards:** Our lifeguards are trained, Red Cross-certified lifeguards. They will administer the swim test for all campers that wish to swim in the 4'-10' area of the pool. Not all campers choose to take the swim test and those campers stay in the 3' end. Campers are allowed to bring in swim vests or other flotation devices, but must be able to pass a swim test without wearing them before they will be allowed in the deeper parts of the pool.
- **Full-Time Staff:** Fort Monmouth Recreation Area full-time staff will also be on site while camps are in session. Full-time staff can assist with registration, camp questions, and other Park System related inquiries.

## QUESTIONS?

Camp Assistants/Front Desk: 848-456-4278, ext. 2#

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