

Dear PlayZone Parent/Guardian:

***Please read carefully. This way you will know where to drop off & pick up your child on their first day and also how to find the weekly flyers that will contain pertinent information for each given week. A smooth and fun summer for your child starts with each camper coming properly prepared for each day's scheduled events.***

Summer is almost here! Week 1 of our PlayZone Summer Day Camp at Fishing Creek E.S. **begins Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. The counselors have been planning activities for each week of summer camp and will continue that process during training meetings this coming week. Whether your child is enrolled in Week 1 or won't be joining us until later this summer, it is important to read through the information below. Thanks for your cooperation!

As previously mentioned in the registration packet, all age groups will meet at Fishing Creek Elementary. The groups will be together for the unstructured early mornings and late afternoons and use the Building 1 all-purpose room, bus port and outdoor spaces. During structured time age groups will use both all-purpose rooms (Buildings 1 & 2) at FCES and the outdoor play areas & field space. We will be spending a lot of our time outside.

### Weekly Flyers:

The Week 1 flyer is now available for your review and is included in this document. Since both PrimaryZone and SecondaryZone will be meeting in the same location, only one combined 2-sided flyer will be produced weekly. As with previous summers, each week's flyer will be available for you to download from our website by the preceding Thursday afternoon throughout the summer. Of course, hard copies of these flyers will also be available at your child's PlayZone site at that same time. Be sure you review the flyer each week before your child shows up on Monday, to make sure they are prepared. During our "structured time", games & activities will be divided/separated by age groups as appropriate most of the time.

### Drop-Off and Pick-Up:

All parents/guardians are required to sign their child *in* and *out* of camp daily. As you enter the school grounds, stay to the right and continue to follow the driveway that loops around in front of the building until you come to the drop-off/pick-up area at the orange traffic cones near the bus port. You may temporarily pull up next to the cones while you are dropping off your child. At this time, we will have a sign-in and sign-out area on the bus port. See map included at end of document.

**Drop-off...** May begin at 7:30 am, however, the PlayZone Counselors have numerous facility opening procedures to execute each day, so for the early camper arrivals, the staff would appreciate not arriving until a little after 7:30 am when possible. Structured activities will typically begin after 9:00 am, so it would be good if your camper arrives by that time. Again, pay attention to the Weekly Flyers in case an earlier arrival is necessary due to a field trip or special activity.

**Pick-up...** Remember the absolute latest time you may pick-up your child is 5:15 pm. Make sure you have a *back-up plan* in place for alternate people to pick-up your child in case you are held up at work or caught in traffic. These alternate individuals must be listed on your child's Consent Form.

**Text taken from the PlayZone FAQ document....** *When is the latest time campers need to be picked-up by?* Children must be picked no later than 5:15 pm. If children are not picked up by that time, a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged for each child. Chronically late pick-ups may result in termination from the program at WSRRec's discretion. Late fees must be paid no later than the next morning at drop off. Late fees are to be paid directly to the counselor. Since the counselor is the person inconvenienced by the late pick-up, the counselor keeps the late fee as compensation for their time and potential disruption of personal schedule. If late fee is not paid as requested, the child will not be permitted to attend camp until the fee is settled.

### **Clothes:**

Campers will receive their PlayZone t-shirt(s) on their first day at camp. These T-shirts are **required** to be worn on Trip Days.

Otherwise, please send your child dressed appropriately to participate in daily activities. We very, very highly recommend sneakers be worn for safety reasons due to active play.

Pay attention to swim days on the weekly flyers, so your child is able to take part in the swimming fun! If they need goggles or a life vest/non-inflatable flotation device, be sure to send it along.

Keep in mind that this is summer camp, so we will be outside much of the time.

It is a good idea to send along any sunscreen and/or insect repellent that you would like your camper to use. A hat may also be helpful. After all, it is the sunburn, mosquito, gnat and tick season.

It is a good idea to send a backpack or bag for your child daily to store items such as water bottle, sunscreen, insect repellent, swimming gear and other odds & ends.

### **Lunch & Snack:**

Be sure your child brings their packed lunch daily! A small late afternoon snack should also be packed daily. Keep in mind refrigeration is not available, so use cooler bags if needed.

Campers must bring a reusable water bottle daily, labeled with their name. A water bottle filler fountain is available inside FCES to refill water bottles. Hydration is important in the summer heat! Be sure to relay to your child to drink plenty of water.

### **Site Rules:**

A copy of the general Site Rules for 2023 is available later in this document. Please review these with your child prior to their first day of camp. Both you and your child must sign a copy of these Site Rules. *You may either: print, sign and bring it with you to camp or you may sign a copy upon dropping off your child on their first day.*

### **Text notifications thru Remind**

As mentioned in a previous e-mail sent to you back on May 18, WSRRec will be using "Remind" to text important info to you this summer. The Remind invite was texted out to parents/guardians on May 19. We are happy to report that almost all of our parents/guardians have responded "YES" to receiving the text messages. We appreciate you taking this step to make sure you are up-to-date with PlayZone info. Thank you!

Another summer of fun is planned and the PlayZone staff is looking forward to getting started! Thank you for your cooperation!

West Shore Recreation Commission

## **PlayZone Site Rules 2023**

1. **Have fun and smile!!!**
2. Rules are at the discretion of the PlayZone staff.
3. Respect others and their property.
4. Wear shoes at all times. We highly recommend always wearing sneakers due to active play (sandals, flip flops & dress shoes are not safe footwear at camp).
5. Campers must bring a refillable water bottle daily (put name on it). A bottle filler fountain is available for refills. It is important to stay hydrated to keep you feeling your best!
6. If you need a flotation device, goggles, mask or flippers, you must bring your own.
7. Chewing gum should be left at home.
8. Let's keep it clean, no foul/offensive language.
9. Let's keep camp fun for everyone; bullying (emotional or physical) is not acceptable.
10. Be kind to the ceiling, balls must be kept away from the ceiling/windows in the APRs.
11. Hand held video games (i.e. PSP, Nintendo Switch/DS/WiiU), portable music players (i.e. I-Pod) are not permitted at Primary Zone and SecondaryZone. Cell/Smartphones are not recommended as they will be required to be kept in your backpack at all times (out of sight). This includes at the swimming pool or on the buses as well. Summer camp is the time to "unplug".
12. Keep bathrooms neat. Paper towels are to be put in the wastebasket only. No bathroom stall locking (leaving stall locked and crawling out underneath). Flushing toilets after use is required.
13. Extra spending money for trips is optional and children will be required to hold onto their own money at all times and be personally accountable if they misplace or lose it. No lending/giving money to other campers. *Counselors will not hold or lend money for campers.*
14. Energy drinks (Red Bull, Monster, Rockstar, Five Hour Energy, Bang, Kickstarts, Game Fuel, etc) are not permitted.
15. Dangerous/illegal controlled substances/devices (including alcohol & traditional tobacco products and e-cigs, vaps or Jul) are banned from camp. Remember, we are on School District property.
16. What's your hurry? Please walk through the building.
17. Ask permission to enter kitchen/storage room/bathrooms.
18. Clean up after yourself (bring all equipment back inside with you).
19. Eating permitted only at lunch and snack time.
20. Sports/trading/Pokemon cards (or other similar collector items) and *fidgit toys and slime* are not permitted.
21. No selling items to others campers (store bought or homemade)
22. The World Series of Poker does not take place at camp (no poker/card/gambling games).
23. West Shore Rec and camp staff are not responsible for personal property if lost, stolen or damaged.
24. If you want to rollerblade or ride a scooter, you must wear a helmet. At PrimaryZone pads are also required to rollerblade and we highly recommend them SecondaryZone campers as well. No rollerblading inside and no sharing blades or scooters with other campers.
25. Children must participate in organized activities for designated amount of time.
26. Use 2 inch voices in buses.
27. Eating or drinking in the buses is not permitted.
28. Keep hands and feet to yourself.
29. Stay positive and eliminate the whining.
30. Follow directions the first time.
31. No weapons of any type permitted at camp. Possession of a weapon on school property is a criminal offense in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

These rules have been established to help make sure everyone has an enjoyable experience, so come to camp with a positive attitude and have fun! List is not all-inclusive, additional guidelines will be established at PlayZone. We want all campers to have a safe summer!

My child and I have reviewed and understand the 2023 Site Rules as listed above.

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Camper's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Fishing Creek Rd





# Secondary Zone Week 1: June 5-9



## Monday: Welcome to Secondary Zone !

- ◆ Introductions, icebreaker games (trainwreck) and camp info
- ◆ Morning Games: playground, human machine,
- ◆ Afternoon Game Fun: kickball, winds are blowing, xtreme rock paper, ships & sailors



## Tuesday:



- ◆ Morning Games: what's touching your face, moo moo tag, detective frog
- ◆ Afternoon Games: simon says, musical carpet squares, crab soccer, playground

## Wednesday:



- ◆ Games - tribes, limbo, jump the creek
- ◆ Summer Reading Program - Mrs. Young from the NC Public Library begins her weekly visits with us for a story/activity (10:30-11:00 am). Each week she will bring a tote of books for campers to look over the next week.

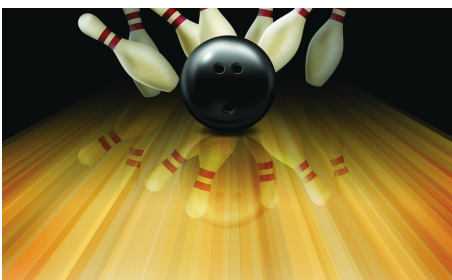
◆ **Swimming @ West Shore Natatorium** Depart: 12:50 pm Return: 3:30 pm



- Don't forget bathing suit, towel, goggles, and non-inflatable flotation device if needed.
- Wear comfortable footwear, as the children will be walking to the pool.



## Thursday: TRIP DAY! Must wear PlayZone T-shirt



- ◆ Four Corner Dance Off
- ◆ **Trindle Bowl** Depart: 11:55 am Return: 3:10 am
  - Bowling fun & laughs
  - *Optional*—campers may bring spending money for concessions.
- Movie Time after trip return.

# Trindle Bowl

## Friday:



- ◆ Morning Games: sharks & minnows, capture the flag, American Ninja Warrior
- ◆ Afternoon Games: grocery store, dodgeball



Please remember to bring a water bottle, lunch and snack daily.  
Schedule subject to change.