SUMMER CAMPS – PARENT INFORMATION

Albert McCormick Community Centre (AMCC) – 500 Parkside Drive
RIM Park – 2001 University Avenue East
Waterloo Memorial Recreation Complex (WMRC) – 101 Father David Bauer Drive

We hope this information is helpful as you prepare for camp. We are excited to meet our campers and look forward to a great summer together! For information about all City of Waterloo camps, visit waterloo.ca/camp

This information package is for the following camps:

- **City of Waterloo – Fun Centre**, ages 4-7 (offered at RIM Park and AMCC)
- **City of Waterloo – Day Camps**, ages 7-12 (offered at RIM Park and WMRC)
- **Focus on Nature**, ages 7-12 (offered at AMCC, RIM Park and WMRC)
- **Little Medical School**, ages 5-10 (offered at RIM Park)
- **Stemotics Camp**, ages 5-8 (offered at RIM Park)
- **Film Camp in a Box**, ages 7-14 (offered at AMCC and WMRC)

Questions or feedback?

Call: 519-886-1177, ext. 27280
Email: camp@waterloo.ca
### Hours of Operation

**All Camps:**
- Sign in: 8 – 9 a.m.
- Program runs: 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
- Sign out: 4 – 5 p.m.
- Campers must be signed in and out each day.
- Sign in and sign out times are free play, unstructured times.
- A late pick up fee of $15 will be charged for every 15 minutes or less after 5 p.m.
- A valid photo identification (health card or driver’s license) must be presented at pick up before the child will be released.

**Albert McCormick (AMCC) Half Day Only Campers:**
- Morning only campers are picked up at 12 noon.
- Afternoon only campers are dropped off between 12:45 – 1 p.m.

### Things to Bring

**All Campers will need:**
- Running Shoes
- Lunch and two snacks
- Reusable water bottle
- Sunscreen (spray sunscreen is easiest application for campers)
- Hat
- Extra change of clothes in a plastic bag (for accidents or spills)
- Comfortable clothing appropriate for active play inside and out
- Notice will be given in advance if bathing suit/towel are required
- Please leave all toys, money and electronic devices at home

### Lunch Orders

**For Campers at RIM Park or WMRC sites only:**
- You can order lunch packages when you register or by filling out this [form](#).
- Please note lunches are not available at the AMCC location.

### Nut Allergies

- Our facilities are not nut-free.
- Concessions and vending machines may contain peanut or nut products and patrons of our facilities may bring in peanut and nut products.
- Campers are encouraged to bring nut-free lunches.
- Camp staff will do their best to ensure nut and peanut products are kept away from campers with nut allergies, and that everyone thoroughly washes their hands and disposes of garbage in a separate bag.

### Child In Need of Protection

- City of Waterloo staff and volunteers are legally obligated to observe the terms of the Ontario Child and Family Services Act and must report a child in need of protecting.

### Extreme Weather

- In the case of extreme heat, campers will be kept hydrated and cool in air-conditioned areas whenever possible.

### Behaviour Expectations

- On the first day and throughout the week, campers will be reminded of the following expectations:
  - Keep hands and feet to yourself
  - Speak nicely and positively to each other
  - Touch only what belongs to you
  - Stay within the activity area
  - Listen to your leaders
### Behaviour Management

- Self-discipline is our aim for behaviour management. Consistent consequences are given for behaviours that do not contribute to the wellbeing of the team. Copies of our behaviour management form and program readiness log are available at camp. The purpose of the forms is to advise parents/guardians when their child has received a consequence for inappropriate behaviour. Follow-up discussions with your child are supportive and appreciated. Based on the intent and severity of the incident, a camper may be removed from the program. Confidentiality in this process is key; camp staff are instructed to keep forms in a secure location and do not share information with individuals outside the program setting.

### Program Ready & Inclusion Support Workers

- To support the success and safety of all individuals registered and participating in City of Waterloo summer camps, it is important that all participants are program ready. Campers who demonstrate they are not program ready may be removed from the program.

- Inclusion support workers can be engaged through City of Kitchener Inclusion Services to provide one-on-one support to campers with a disability. Inclusion workers wear similar blue T-shirts as City of Waterloo camp staff to ensure the smooth integration of both the camper and the inclusion support worker. If your child requires accommodation to participate in camp, and you would like to engage the support of an inclusion worker, please call 519-741-2200; ext. 7229/TTY: 866-969-9994. Please do so in a timely manner as support requests fill up quickly.

### Refunds & Credits

- Refunds and credits on account are pro-rated and subject to an administrative fee of 10%. Refunds of $25 or less may only be available as a credit on account. To receive either a refund or credit on account, withdrawal requests must be made 14 days prior to first program date.

### Covid-19 Protocols

- The safety and wellbeing of campers is always our top priority. In summer 2021, campers will be required to wear face masks during the camp day. More information about our policies will be included in the welcome to camp email.

### Consent Form

- Complete this [form](#) now to speed up sign in on the first day.