



Summer 2019



Teen Venture Trip Camp

Parent Handbook

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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Camp Overview

This camp will take teens on a different trip each day of the week. Kids will have the opportunity to spend the summer hanging out with each other in a safe and supervised environment. Price includes all fees and transportation. Lunch is not included (except where indicated). We guarantee a 1:10 ratio of counselors to campers. All counselors are college students with camp experience.

Staff

Teen-Venture Camp Director.....*Kris Serpico*
Teen-Venture Camp Assistant Director.....*Jaclyn Church*
Counselors.....*Richard Briechle*
.....*To Be Determined*
.....*To Be Determined*
Recreation Summer Camps Director.....*Laura Damico*
Community Activities Director.....*Bernadette Cuccaro*
Recreation Program Coordinator*Stacey Kinum*

TEEN-VENTURE CAMP POLICIES

Registration Policies

REFUND POLICY: No Refunds for Teen Venture Camp after May 1, 2019. All refunds are subject to a **\$25.00** processing fee per class/program session. Refunds are by check or credit for future recreation programs only. Please allow 5-6 weeks for your refund check to be processed. The refund fee will be waived if the class/program is cancelled by the Recreation Department.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: May be available based on the information from the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program. Inquire at Recreation.

ALL WELCOME!: We invite people of all abilities to participate in our programs. If you or your child need any special accommodations based on a disability, please let us know.

Discipline

This program is intended to provide a relaxed environment for your teen. Since we treat the teens as teens and not children, there is a very straight forward behavior policy.

1. The **first time** there is a problem, a discipline report will be filed with the Director, who will notify the parent of the incident.
2. The **second time**, the teen will be suspended from camp for a length of time determined by the Director. Suspension lengths will be based on the severity of the incident. No refunds will be issued for the missed trips.
3. The **third time**, the teen will be removed from the program and no refund will be given.

TEEN-VENTURE CAMP WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Week 1 (June 26-28)	Week 2 (July 1-3)
<p><u>Wednesday, June 26, 2019</u> Dorney Park Allentown, PA 9:00AM-6:00PM</p> <p><u>Thursday, June 27, 2019</u> NJ Shore-Point Pleasant Beach Point Pleasant, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p> <p><u>Friday, June 28, 2019</u> SUP Paddleworks Manasquan River, NJ 9:00AM-4:30PM</p>	<p><u>Monday, July 1, 2019</u> Dutch Springs Bethlehem, PA 9:00AM-5:00PM</p> <p><u>Tuesday, July 2, 2019</u> Scott's Pizza Tour NYC *Lunch provided 9:00AM-4:00PM</p> <p><u>Wednesday, July 3, 2019</u> The Castle Chester, NY *Lunch Provided 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>
	

****The order of scheduled trips, by week,
is subject to change based on the weather forecast.****

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Week 3 (July 8-12)	Week 4 (July 15-19)
<p><u>Monday, July 8, 2019</u> Camel Beach Tannersville, PA 9:00-5:00PM</p>	<p><u>Monday, July 15, 2019</u> Dutch Springs Bethlehem, PA 9:00AM-5:00PM</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, July 9, 2019</u> iPlay America Freehold, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, July 16, 2019</u> Medieval Times Lyndhurst, NJ *Lunch Provided 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, July 10, 2019</u> White Water Rafting Nesquehoning, PA * Lunch Provided 8:00AM-6:00PM</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, July 17, 2019</u> Dave & Busters/Mall West Nyack, NY *Lunch provided 9:00AM-4:30PM</p>
<p><u>Thursday, July 11, 2019</u> NJ Shore-Point Pleasant Beach Point Pleasant, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Thursday, July 18, 2019</u> NJ Shore-Point Pleasant Beach Point Pleasant, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>
<p><u>Friday, July 12, 2019</u> Palisades Mall/Movie West Nyack, NY 9:00-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Friday, July 19, 2019</u> Bucks County River Country Pt. Pleasant, PA *Lunch Provided 9:00AM-4:30PM</p>

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Week 5 (July 22-26)	Week 6 (July 29-August 2)
<p><u>Monday, July 22, 2019</u> Kayak East—Paddle Boarding Spruce Run, NJ 9:00AM-5:00PM</p>	<p><u>Monday, July 29, 2019</u> Camel Beach Tannersville, PA 9:00AM-5:00PM</p>
<p><u>Tuesday, July 23, 2019</u> iPlay America Freehold, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Tuesday, July 30, 2019</u> Scott's Pizza Tour NYC *Lunch Provided 9:00AM-5:00PM</p>
<p><u>Wednesday, July 24, 2019</u> White Water Rafting Nesquehoning, PA * Lunch Provided 8:00AM-6:00PM</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, July 31, 2019</u> Kayak East—Kayaking Spruce Run, NJ 9:00AM-5:00PM</p>
<p><u>Thursday, July 25, 2019</u> NJ Shore-Point Pleasant Beach Point Pleasant, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Thursday, August 1, 2019</u> NJ Shore-Point Pleasant Beach Point Pleasant, NJ 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>
<p><u>Friday, July 26, 2019</u> Palisades Mall/Movies West Nyack, NY 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>	<p><u>Friday, August 2, 2019</u> Palisades Mall/Movies West Nyack, NY 9:00AM-4:00PM</p>

Frequently Asked Questions

Where and when do I drop off/pick up my teen?

- ⇒ Teens are to be dropped off at the Lincoln Field on Elkwood Ave at 8:45AM. The bus cannot wait for late campers, so please be prompt. Most trips will return to Lincoln Field by **5:00PM**, but times may vary. Estimated return times for these exceptions are in the trip outline.

Who will be with my teen during the day?

- ⇒ There will be a staff to teen ratio no greater than 1:10. All counselors are college age or older with camp experience, and will have a group that will stay with them the entire trip. The staff will be responsible for managing and participating in activities with the teens.

When will my teen receive his/her Camp t-shirt?

- ⇒ T-shirts will be distributed to teens on the first day of each week. You will have the opportunity to purchase additional shirts at a cost of \$10.00.

Must my teen wear a camp t-shirt every day?

- ⇒ Yes! Teens must wear their t-shirts every day. If they come to camp without their shirt, they will be required to buy one for \$10 on the day of the trip.

What will happen at Camp if there are excessive heat advisories?

- ⇒ If these occur, we will try to plan indoor activities. In the event that we are outside or on a planned trip, we will provide water to keep all teens hydrated. We encourage all teens to use protective sunscreens, sunglasses and clothing.

What will my teen do about eating lunch?

- ⇒ Most trips do **NOT** provide food, so please pack a bagged lunch for your teen. We recommend that you pack the lunch in an insulated bag with their name clearly written on it, with an ice pack and extra water. The trips that provide lunch are noted in the schedule. An email will be sent the Friday before your week confirming your registration, trips and what to bring.

What happens if my teen cannot make one of the trips?

- ⇒ If your teen will not be attending one day, please either call the office at 908-464-4430 or text the camp director at 848-702-0856

What happens if my teen has an accident at Camp?

- ⇒ Parents will be contacted and notified as soon as possible. If the parents cannot be reached, we will contact the next person on the emergency contact list. For this reason, please make sure to provide a name and number of a contact that is **NOT** the parent.

How will the teens be split up into groups?

- ⇒ On the first day of every week, we will form groups of approximately 10 teens that will be with one staff member. We will separate groups by age and in most cases gender. The group will spend the entire week together and will travel through the various theme parks and attractions that we visit. Unfortunately, there will be no changing of groups throughout the week. Since your teen's safety is important, he/she will have a staff member with him/her at all times.

Can my teen bring a cell phone to Camp?

- ⇒ Cell phones are allowed at camp and will be used to contact you to let you know when we are approximately 30 minutes from the Municipal Center. ***We are NOT responsible if cell phones are damaged, lost or stolen.***

What type of clothing and footwear is appropriate for Camp?

- ⇒ While at Camp, we want your teen to be as safe and comfortable as possible. Therefore, we ask that you consider the day's weather and activities when planning what to wear. We strongly suggest your teen wear sneakers or closed toe shoes. Flip-flops and sandals may interfere with some activities. Camp t-shirts are required every day.

Can someone at Camp administer medication to my teen?

- ⇒ No one at Camp can administer medication to your teen. Counselors will attend a Red Cross First Aid Instruction course and will also be able to provide basic first aid items such as Band-Aids and ice packs. Inhalers and Epi-Pens can be brought to Camp, but your teen must be able to self-administer.

Is Camp cancelled when it is raining?

- ⇒ No, camp will NOT be cancelled due to inclement weather. The weekly trips have been arranged to be flexible, within each week, so we can switch the dates of each trip to accommodate the weather. For example, if it rains on a scheduled shore day, the trip will be switched with an indoor day later in the week.