



# WELCOME TO NEWFIELD SUMMER ACTIVITY PROGRAM 2024

Welcome Newsletter      June 24, 2024 - First Day Of Camp

## STAMFORD PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

### RECREATION STAFF:

**Director:** Rashidat Rasaq

**Assistant Director:** Jessica Calvar Infante

**Director of Parks & Recreation**

Kevin Murray

**Asst. Superintendent of Recreation**

Scott Kassouf

**Recreation Supervisor :** Dante Statum

**Camp Assistant:** Brianna Fabiano

**Special Education Supervisor**

Jamie Michaels

**Special Education Asst. Supervisor**

Tori Rothschild

### Introductions & General Information

We are so excited for another summer of Newfield camp! This year the Director of Newfield Camp will once again be Rashidat Rasaq. Ms. Rasaq is excited to be back for her third summer and has been planning a fun filled summer for the campers. The assistant director will once again be Jessica Calvar Infante. Jessica spent the past year teaching overseas and we are looking forward to having her back this summer. Our Site Supervisor will be Dante Statum, Recreation Leader for Stamford Recreation. He can be reached with

any questions at

[Dstatum@stamfordct.gov](mailto:Dstatum@stamfordct.gov)

Camp starts at **8:00AM and ends at 4:00PM**. Campers will be served breakfast and lunch for no cost at camp this summer to campers who want it. Alternate Pick Up forms are available on the fourth page of this newsletter. and can be filled out and handed in to the counselors on the first day. Without this complete form, staff will not permit anyone but yourself to pick up your child/children from camp.

**Also, please pack a water bottle each day for your child/children!** Campers should also leave all valuables home and do not bring cell phones to camp. We have a camp phone in the office that can be used to reach parents if needed. Any campers found using cell phones during the day will be asked to turn their phone into the camp director until the end of the camp day. We thank you for your cooperation regarding this matter! If you have any question, please see are directors on the first day of camp.

### Ice Cream Truck

Once again this summer the ice cream truck will stop at the Camp after lunch on select days. See our staff for more details!



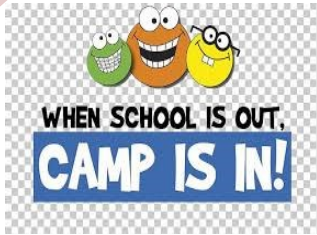
### Sign In & Out Procedures & Lunch Program 2024

On the first day of camp, groups will be posted on the wall outside of the gym from youngest to oldest. Once you have found your child's grouping you can look for your child's assigned sign in spot. This area will serve as their sign in and sign out spots during the summer. Take pictures of our white boards as they have important information for camp activities All parents/guardians must sign your child in each morning, and out each afternoon. **Each group will have an assigned sign in and sign out spot.** Sign in will occur from 8-

8:30. If you want to sign in and sign out outside of the times mentioned you may call the number posted on the gym door. **At 3:45 all of the groups will go outside to their sign out areas.** ID must be shown to the counselor at pick up times. **Camp ends at 4:00.** If you are late to pickup - you will be charged \$1 per minute per child. (Ex: 15 minutes late = \$15.00) **Your child will not be allowed back at camp until the fine is paid online through your household account and a copy of the receipt is shown to the director.** Once again this summer we are scheduled to have the food program for breakfast and lunch!

**The lunch program will start Monday, June 24,** and run until **August 9, 2024**  
A menu for each upcoming week will be sent home in the weekly newsletter and posted on the camp information board each day during sign in. If you do not want your child to participate in the food program, please pack a lunch each day in a cooler bag with an ice pack. **If you have any further questions about the lunch program, please see the camp director/asst. director on the first day of camp.**





**Camp Begins On Monday, June 24, 2024 & runs Until August 9, 2024**

Parents, please check our information board that will be posted daily with camp news at sign in and sign out time each day!



### Attention Parents

If you need to pick up your children early from camp, please supply a note that day to the campers counselor. When you arrive one of our directors will have your child ready to bring outside and meet you.

**No Camp July 4, 2024**

## Is your child attending Summer School?

If your child is attending summer school this year, please read the following information carefully. Any parent that wants their child bused to Newfield Camp each day after summer school must contact the Board of Education to make arrangements. Stamford Recreation is not responsible for scheduling bus transportation following morning

summer school classes for campers. Please make sure to confirm your transportation with the BOE before camp begins on June 24,2024.

When campers that are involved in summer school arrive at camp, they will be taken off the bus by the director and signed into camp. They will then go right to lunch

where they will meet up with their assigned group. Please make sure that you see the camp director Rashidat Rasaq on the first day of camp to let her know that your child will be attending summer school. The director will have you fill out a form that will be kept on file saying that your child is attending summer school.



## Aquatics

This year we are going to be swimming at Heroy Pool! On Tuesdays & Wednesdays! Each group will have one scheduled swim time. These times will be posted on the white board . Your child will swim on the same day every week. Please have your child bring his or her bathing suit, towel and other supplies they may need on days they are assigned to swim. **Campers must wear a bathing suit to be allowed in the water.** Your child may also bring a life jacket if necessary. If you signed of on the registration form that your child/children are not to swim they will not participate. For more information see one of our directors!

## Meet our Staff at Newfield Camp!

### Counselors:

Kevin Ferreras, Sanai Christie, Kyarah Serrano, Jashsai Martin-Fish, Michael Sarafin , Kaitlyn Gray, Morgan Hull, Brian Saint Louis, Nevaeh Hancock, NyAsisa Martin, Jeremiah Hancock, Yourvicka Samedy, Aviana Wiggins, Briana McFalane, Yasmely Segura and Lucas Boursiquot

**We are excited to have Mia Bouchier as our art instructor this summer!**



## Special Events & Field Trips Summer 2024

Tuesday, July 2, 2024 - Kona Ice Truck - 2:00PM

Monday, July 15, 2024 - Nutmeg Bowling Trip — Depart at 10:00AM - 85 Campers ( See Director about sign up)

Monday, July 29, 2024— Chuckie Cheese Trip - Depart - 10:30AM - 85 Campers ( See Director about sign up)

**Note: Family Day will be announced the first week of camp and posted on the camp information board!**

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## Newfield Activity Program Rules

**FOLLOW THE RULES**

1. Treat fellow campers and counselors with respect.
2. Listen to your counselor at all times.
3. Keep your hands to yourself. No kicking, biting, hitting, throwing objects....If you have a problem tell your counselor.
4. Stay with your group at all times. Tell your counselors if you need to leave the group for any reason.
5. Swearing and other inappropriate language (in any language) is not allowed.
6. Smoking or vaping is not allowed by anyone at camp.
7. Clean up all supplies and equipment used in camp at the end of an activity. Pick up any trash and make sure you clean up your area after lunch.
8. Respect other people's property. No taking or breaking items that belong to others.
9. Fighting is not allowed in camp. Anyone who does not follow this rule will be immediately taken to the Camp Director.
10. Shoes or sneakers must be worn at camp.
11. No going to the bathroom on your own without a staff member.
12. No cell phones or portable video game devices are permitted at camp. (If you choose to send a cell phone it can be brought to camp but must remain off and left in a child's backpack, the camp is not responsible if anything happens).
13. Campers can only call home if there is an emergency. (There is a camp phone in the office and the Directors will reach out to parents if needed.)
14. Campers must wear the camp t-shirt on all field trips.
15. Campers must wear bathing suits in the water.
16. Campers must sit in their seats on all bus trips and any child that cannot listen will sit in front of the bus with a staff member.
17. Toys from home are not permitted at camp. (If you bring them, the camp is not responsible if anything happens to them, best to leave them at home.)

### **Disciplinary Action Procedure for ALL Campers**

**First Offense:** Verbal Warning on paper

**Second Offense:** Written Warning in file

**Third Offense:** Meeting / Dismissal from Camp ( Any camper dismissed from camp will not be eligible to register the following year.)

## Weekly Themes 2024

- Week 1: We Are Family Week
- Week 2 : Stars & Stripes Week
- Week 3: Treasure Hunt Week
- Week 4: Splish Splash Week
- Week 5: Director's Choice Week
- Week 6: Olympic Week
- Week 7: Campers Got Talent Week



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## Permission Slip for Child Pick- Up 2024

The Stamford Recreation Services Division requires all parents/guardians to fill out the following permission slip if your child will be picked up by anyone except the parents. We will not allow a child /children to be released from any playground, activity or day camp program; or preschool program this year to any one besides the parents/guardians, unless the following form is completed and turned into the DIRECTOR. **All persons given permission to pick up the child/children will be required to show a PHOTO I.D.** The department would like to thank you for your cooperation with our system and feel that this will make our summer camp programs safer for your child/children. If you have any questions, please call Scott Kassouf (Asst. Superintendent of Recreation) at 203.977.5018 or speak to the site director.

I \_\_\_\_\_ give my permission to:

Mr. / Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ Entire summer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. / Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_ Dates: \_\_\_\_\_ Entire summer: \_\_\_\_\_

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I authorize my child / children, to be picked up from Day Camp/ Playground/Activity Program/Preschool Program by one of the persons above. I realize by signing this permission slip that I am releasing the City of Stamford Recreation Services Division of all responsibilities.

LIST THE CHILD / CHILDRENS NAME:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



