



Day Camp Partner Application



Thank you for applying to be our new partner in the Park'n It Day Camp partnership. This is a free 2-year partnership with local school and community organizations that helps children discover and enjoy THEIR Regional Parks. We know that many families and schools have limited knowledge of the Regional Parks, transportation barriers, lack of resources, or other barriers to getting out to the parks. We aim to 'level the playing field' so that every child can access their parks.

The Park District is able to provide one free week of summer day camp for up to 50 kids between the ages of 5 and 12 for two years. We provide school buses to pick them up, and then our Recreation Leaders take them to our Regional Parks for hiking, fishing, environmental education, field games, arts & crafts, swimming, and much more. We provide each camper with snacks, lunch, a small bag, t-shirt, and water bottle. But more importantly, we teach outdoor skills, teamwork skills, and foster a lifelong connection to these Regional Parks. The camp runs from 9am to 4pm Monday-Friday, for one week each of the two summers.

This program is accredited by the American Camp Association, which means that we run our program to national standards of safety and quality.

Please use this application form to tell us why your kids deserve this valuable opportunity.

Application due date: **January 31, 2017** If you have any questions, just give me a call!

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Organization/School Information

Name of Organization/School: _____

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Office Phone Number: _____ Cell Phone Number: _____

Fax Number: _____ Email: _____ Website: _____

Organization/School Mission Statement _____

What is the primary community that you serve? _____

Has your school or organization had field trips to the Regional Parks? _____ If so, which parks have you visited and when? _____

Does your community/school have barriers to enjoying outdoor recreation in the Regional Parks? _____

If so, what barriers prevent the kids and their families from enjoying the Parks? _____

How will this partnership benefit the community you serve? _____

Promotion + Registration

We provide flyers and registration forms. Our partners are responsible for promoting the camp, distributing the registration forms, and getting the completed forms back to us at least two weeks prior to the camp. Can your staff promote this camp and register 50 kids? Yes No

We are happy to come out to PTA events, parent meetings, school assemblies and other events to help promote the camp and answer questions. What are some dates or events that you'd like us to attend?

We have two open weeks next summer. Which week(s) could work for you? July 3-7, 2017 July 17-21, 2017

Can your staff call the camper families one week before the camp to remind them? Yes No

Can you provide a safe bus pick-up area, a bathroom while kids are waiting for the bus, and a staff contact person to help us with registration and sign-in? Yes No

Comments: _____

Do you have any other hopes or goals for this collaboration? _____

Next Steps

We will review the applications in January and notify applicants by mid-February if they are accepted. We will then work together on a Memorandum of Agreement, and then set up a meeting to plan our 2017 week. Thank you for applying for this partnership! -Philip