

Hello Burlington Recreation Families & Friends,

The Burlington Parks, Recreation & Waterfront Department is happy to be able to offer families an assortment of youth camps and programs this summer. Due to the Coronavirus pandemic we are in the process of making several alterations to camps and programs to increase safety protocols for our participants and staff. For all of our summer programs we are adopting and instituting **State of Vermont Health Guidance for Childcare Programs, Summer Programs and Afterschool Programs** that becomes effective June 1, 2020. In addition, we are altering the times and locations of certain camps to further enhance our safety protocols. Unfortunately, some camps and programs have needed to be canceled due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Please check our online program registration page for the latest details regarding status of specific programs.

Our camp staff will be working diligently to provide a safe, fun and enriching camps and programs for this summer. We are asking families that are currently registered in camps or programs to please review the **State of Vermont Health Guidance for Childcare Programs, Summer Programs and Afterschool Programs** attached to this email.

In the coming weeks, program organizers will be contacting the families of registered participants by email and telephone to describe the new safety protocols that are specific to camps for which you are registered. Please feel free to reach out to our staff by contacting us at 802-864-0123 or emailing grogers@burlingtonvt.gov. We very much hope to see you this summer and everyone, please be safe out there.

Sincerely,

Cindi Wight

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How are we keeping your children (and our staff) safe this summer?

- All campers and staff will undergo daily health screenings, to include temperature reading (using a touch-less thermometer), prior to start of camps and programs
- All children and staff will be required to wash hands at beginning of camp and throughout camp session at designated hand washing stations.
- All bathrooms will be sanitized by staff after each use.

- To reduce risk of exposure to Coronavirus, campers will be separated into smaller size groups and will remain in that group with the same counselors for the entirety of the camp.
- We will be adhering to social distancing recommendations that have been spelled out by the State of Vermont Department of Health.
- Masks will be required for all participants when indoors and engaging in small group activities. Staff will use State of Vermont guidelines to determine when necessary for campers to use masks. If your child does not have a mask, one will be provided to them.
- Sports camps that can be moved outdoors are being moved outdoors. This includes basketball and volleyball camps.
- We will not be providing rain sites for sports camps this summer. Parents will be notified by staff when camp needs to be canceled due to rain.
- We will be offering licensed child care camps (Champ Camp & PAL Camp) at one site this summer, the Robert Miller Community & Recreation Center on Gosse Court. The Miller Center will be closed for public use to allow us to adhere to State of Vermont guidelines.
- We will not be allowing "Day of" registrations for our camps and programs this summer.
- We are working on providing transportation options for families. More details will be available soon.