

PARK ALL DAY

SUMMER

PLAYGROUND

PROGRAM

PARENT GUIDE

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WELCOME!

We are excited to have your child registered in the All Day Playground Program!

Enclosed is information and guidelines for our program. We plan on providing your child with a fun and exciting summer program with safety being our number one concern. Please take some time to familiarize yourself with our guidelines so there is a common understanding of the program.

We look forward to having your child in our program this summer!

LOCATION, HOURS, CONTACT NUMBERS

HOURS: Monday - Friday, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

SITE: Bass Lake Playfield Park Building, 5450 Northwest Blvd

SITE CELL PHONE: Cell phone numbers will be available closer to the start of the program.

RECREATION SUPERVISOR OFFICE PHONE: 763-509-5228

WHAT TO BRING

- > Appropriate clothing for the weather
- > Plymouth T-shirt on Field Trip Days (provided to campers)
- > Hat
- > Sunscreen
- > Books for Quiet Time
- > Swimsuit & Towel
- > Lunch, Snacks & Water Bottle
- > Backpack

SAMPLE DAILY SCHEDULE

AM: Check-in, indoor games, free time, large group game, water/snack break, free playground time, lunch.

PM: Indoor board games/quiet time, playground time, large group game, water/snack break, water games/free time, check out.

- > Off-site field trips are typically held on Wednesdays. Schedule will be available in late April/early May.
- > We also have a TV/DVDs for rainy days/really hot days.

REMINDERS

- > **WEATHER:** For rain/thunderstorms we would do indoor activities in the shelter building. In the event of a severe weather/tornado warning, we would move kids into the bathrooms within the shelter building. We will not cancel the program for severe weather.
- > **DROP OFF/PICK UP:** During the first day of each week we will have one staff member dedicated to checking students in and welcoming them as well as answering any questions parents may have. Once the student is checked in they should pick a space in the shelter to place their backpack/items and choose a game or quiet activity to do until all children have arrived. Please drop off and pick up your child on time. We are only able to supervise your child during program times (Play Leaders move between different programs and sites throughout the day). You must sign in and sign out your child each day. If someone other than the parent is picking the child up, please fill out a pick up authorization form (included in this packet).
- > **NOTIFICATIONS:** We utilize a notification system called Remind to send out reminders via text or email. The instructions on how to sign up for the program are included in this guide. If you have any questions, please call our office.
- > **WALK/BIKE TO PROGRAM:** Please fill out a walk/bike permission slip (included in this packet) if you want your child to walk/bike home on their own. You only need to fill out one form for the entire summer.
- > **ARRIVING LATE/LEAVING EARLY:** Please notify us if your child needs to arrive late or leave the program early by calling one of the site cell phones. Children will not be allowed to leave the program without permission from parent.
- > **ILLNESS/INJURY:** If your child is seriously ill or injured, both 911/Emergency Personnel and you will be contacted immediately. For any non-life threatening illnesses or injuries, you will be contacted first to determine what course of action you would like to take (e.g.: You will pick up the child). If we cannot reach you or your designated contact person, 911/Emergency Personnel may be contacted.
- > **LUNCH/SNACKS:** Send your child with a bag lunch and a few snacks each day. Please try not to send any snacks with your child that contain nuts or nut butters (e.g.: peanut butter). We do have children in our program that have severe nut allergies. We do not have refrigerators available to keep lunches in.
- > **WATER:** Please remember to send a full water bottle with your child each day. Even on the cool days we work up a sweat with all of our play and need to stay hydrated.
- > **SUNSCREEN:** Please apply a layer of sunscreen before your child arrives in the morning, we will use the buddy system to reapply throughout the day. Staff will not apply sunscreen to kids.
- > **BEACH TIME/WATER ACTIVITIES:** We may travel to East Medicine Lake and Parkers Lake Beaches throughout the summer. This will be done only during guarded hours (12:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.). The lifeguards and our playground staff will conduct multiple safety checks. Since Bass Lake Park does not have a beach we will also play water games, run the sprinkler, etc.

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES

The primary goal of the Plymouth Playground Program is to provide a FUN summer experience for all of the participants. Please assist us by reviewing the Behavior Guidelines with your child. We have a staff of talented and dedicated playground leaders who will continue to reinforce these guidelines throughout the summer!

BEHAVIOR GUIDELINES

- > Listen to the playground staff and teen volunteers.
- > Treat others with respect.
- > Keep a positive attitude.
- > Ask before you leave the area (i.e. to use the restroom).

DISCIPLINE POLICY

- > 1ST OFFENSE: Verbal warning from leader.
- > 2ND OFFENSE: Supervised timeout from program for 5-10 minutes (parent notified by Play Leader).
- > 3RD OFFENSE: Parent is asked to pick up their child from the program and their child will not be able to attend the next scheduled day's program.
- > 4TH OFFENSE: Child released from the program.

KIDS FEST | THURSDAY, AUGUST 6

Join us at the Hilde Performance Center, 3500 Plymouth Blvd, for a fun-filled evening with entertainment, food trucks, games, activities, and prizes! Carnival game tickets are 25¢ each or \$10 for an Unlimited Wristband (\$8 if purchased by 7/31). Games and activities cost 1-4 tickets each.

REMIND NOTIFICATIONS

Get information for All Day Playgrounds 2020 right on your phone! Pick a way to receive messages for All Day Playgrounds 2020:

>> OPTION 1 If you have a smart phone, get push notifications.

On your iPhone or Android phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:

rmd.at/pkallday

Follow the instructions to sign up for Remind. You'll be prompted to download the mobile app.



>> OPTION 2 If you don't have a smartphone, get text notifications.

Text the message @pkallday to the number 81010.

If you're having trouble with 81010, try texting @pkallday to 763-645-5973.



PERMISSION SLIPS

Please complete and return to Play Leader as necessary.

WALK/BIKE PERMISSION SLIP

I, _____, give permission for my child,
_____, to walk and/or bike home by themselves
each day following the Playground Program at _____ Park
where they are registered.

Parent Signature

Date

PICK-UP PERMISSION SLIP

I give permission for my child, _____ to be
(circle one/both) picked up/dropped off from the Playground Program at
_____ Park by _____
on _____ (date).

Parent Signature

Date